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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

- trap**
- n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
- synonym* : catch, snare, pinfall
- (1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal
- The enemy fell right into the **trap**.
- command**
- n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something
- synonym* : control, authority, leadership
- (1) **command** and control, (2) **command** a battery
- The general gave a **command** to his troops to prepare for battle.
- surround**
- v.* to be all around something or somebody
- synonym* : encircle, encompass, envelop
- (1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace
- On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.

## utterly

*adv.* completely or absolutely

*synonym* : absolutely, completely, perfectly

(1) **utterly** changed, (2) **utterly** ignorant

We are **utterly** opposed to any form of terrorism.

## comfort

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

*synonym* : ease, solace, coziness

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

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

## participate

*v.* to take part in something

*synonym* : take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

## communicate

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

*synonym* : convey, share, transmit

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

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

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

## norm

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

*synonym* : criterion, mean, standard

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

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

## 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.

## brain

*n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

*synonym*: intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage

X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

## infection

*n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body

*synonym*: contagion, disease, transmission

(1) a bacterial **infection**, (2) treat the **infection** with antibiotics

Hospitals must meet various standards to prevent nosocomial **infections**.

## progressive

*adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one

*synonym*: advanced, forward-thinking, modern

(1) **progressive** taxation, (2) **progressive** development

The **progressive** approach to education emphasizes hands-on learning and student-centered classrooms.

## eventually

*adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

*synonym*: finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

## movement

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

*synonym*: motion, progression, action

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

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

## desperately

*adv.* in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency

*synonym* : urgently, perilously, seriously

(1) **desperately** anxious, (2) **desperately** ill patient

The baby clung **desperately** to her mother.

## intelligence

*n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

*synonym* : brains, brightness, cleverness

(1) an **intelligence** test, (2) field of artificial **intelligence**

In terms of **intelligence**, he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

## consume

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

*synonym* : absorb, ingest, use up

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

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

## drift

*v.* to move smoothly and slowly in water or air, especially as a result of outside forces, with no control over the direction

*synonym* : float, wander, freewheel

(1) **drift** down the stream, (2) **drift** away on a raft

I **drifted** around for years in Europe before going to university.

## disappear

*v.* to cease to exist or be visible

*synonym* : fade, evaporate, vanish

(1) **disappear** without a trace, (2) **disappear** after a week

They watched the train **disappear** into the distance.

## electron

*n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge

*synonym* : negatron

(1) flow of **electrons**, (2) beam of **electrons**

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

## circuit

*n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area

*synonym* : route, course, rotation

(1) **circuit** breaker, (2) federal **circuit** courts

An intelligent battery has a voltage monitoring **circuit**.

## practical

*adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas

*synonym* : applicable, functional, realistic

(1) **practical** English, (2) gain **practical** experience

Her concept is highly **practical** and helpful.

## fade

*v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness

*synonym* : languish, wither

(1) **fade** away almost completely, (2) **fade** in importance

My memory will **fade**, but my heart will live on.

## knit

*v.* to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine

*synonym* : weave, crochet, knot

(1) **knit** my eyebrows, (2) **knit** a pair of socks

The grandmother **knit** a warm sweater for her grandchild.

## gradual

*adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt

*synonym* : incremental, gradational, piecemeal

(1) a **gradual** process, (2) a **gradual** change

The country experienced a **gradual** increase in population.

## entomb

*v.* to place or bury a person or object in a tomb or grave; to trap or enclose someone or something within a confined space

*synonym* : bury, tomb, inter

(1) **entomb** a body, (2) **entomb** the pharaoh

The ancient burial site **entombs** the remains of long-lost civilizations.

## silent

*adj.* without any or little sound

*synonym* : quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

## vibrant

*adj.* full of energy, life, and enthusiasm

*synonym* : animated, dynamic, deep

(1) a city **vibrant** with life, (2) variety of **vibrant** colors

A **vibrant** private sector is crucial for economic growth.

## plain

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

*synonym* : basic, straight, bare

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

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

## sight

*n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen

*synonym* : vision, spectacle, view

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

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

## chrysalis

*n.* the pupa or the hardened protective case that encloses and shelters a transforming insect, such as a butterfly or moth, during its metamorphosis from larva to adult

*synonym* : cocoon, pupa, metamorphosis

(1) **chrysalis** stage, (2) emerge from **chrysalis**

The caterpillar spun a protective **chrysalis** around itself before transforming into a butterfly.

## stark

*adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications  
*synonym* : crude, blunt, desolate

(1) **stark** landscape, (2) **stark** truth

The scenery of the battlefield was **stark** and grey.

## rescue

*v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

*synonym* : save, extricate, retrieve

(1) **rescue** a dying dog, (2) **rescue** a company from bankruptcy

The fire department arrived just in time to **rescue** the family from the burning building.

## pleasant

*adj.* enjoyable, attractive, friendly, or agreeable  
*synonym* : agreeable, delightful, pleasing

(1) **pleasant** news, (2) **pleasant** odor

The hotel's staff is very **pleasant** and efficient.

## blunt

*adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive

*synonym* : dull, obtuse, insensitive

(1) **blunt** criticism, (2) **blunt** force

The **blunt** knife made it difficult to cut through the tough steak.

## release

*v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement

*synonym* : free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

## fog

*n.* a thick cloud consisting of tiny water droplets or ice crystals suspended in the air at or near the Earth's surface; a weather condition in which visibility is reduced because of a cloud of water

*synonym* : cloud, mist, smog

(1) a dense **fog**, (2) front **fog** lights

The **fog** cleared away, and the star-filled sky appeared.

## emotion

*n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

*synonym*: feeling, sentiment, passion

(1) control my **emotion**, (2) afraid to show **emotion**

Some **emotions** are common across cultures and backgrounds.

## desire

*n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

*synonym*: ambition, appetite, greed

(1) unsatisfied **desire**, (2) fleshly **desire**

Low sexual **desire** typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

## constrict

*v.* to make something narrow or tight, often restricting movement or flow; to become narrow or tighter

*synonym*: squeeze, compress, tighten

(1) **constrict** blood vessels, (2) **constrict** freedom

The snake's muscles began to **constrict** around its prey.

## stifle

*v.* to suppress or restrain something, particularly a feeling, emotion, or action; to suffocate or prevent proper breathing or ventilation

*synonym*: smother, suppress, suffocate

(1) **stifle** a laugh, (2) **stifle** creativity

The oppressive regime tried to **stifle** free speech and dissent.

## muted

*adj.* having a subdued or softened sound, color, or tone; restrained or understated in expression or style

*synonym*: dull, hushed, muffled

(1) **muted** light, (2) **muted** sound

The toned-down, **muted** colors in the living room gave it a cozy and relaxed feeling.



## utter

*adj.* complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice

*synonym* : absolute, complete, total

(1) **utter** nonsense, (2) **utter** a big sigh

The **utter** chaos of the concert crowd made it seem like a wild animal was in the room.

## powerless

*adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change

*synonym* : helpless, impotent, feeble

(1) **powerless** position, (2) **powerless** in the organization

During the hurricane, we felt **powerless** against the winds and rain.

## aspect

*n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

*synonym* : characteristic, element, factor

(1) nontechnical **aspects** of the job, (2) **aspects** of social, political, and economic life

His professional experience includes all **aspects** of media production.

## decide

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

*synonym* : choose, determine, settle

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

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

## strap

*n.* a long, narrow strip or belt of leather, fabric, or another material used for binding, fastening, or supporting something or someone; a band or string that attaches one object to another, often used to secure items during transport

*synonym* : band, belt, sling

(1) leather **strap**, (2) camera **strap**

The athlete tightened the **strap** on his running shoes before the race.

## wheelchair

*n.* a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk

(1) electric-powered **wheelchair**, (2) **wheelchair** accessibility

This library rents out various types of folding **wheelchairs** for visitors.

## rerun

*n.* the act of repeating or replaying a previously aired episode of a television show or a past event or performance; (verb) to broadcast or play again an item, especially a television or radio program; to run a race or other sporting event again

*synonym* : repeat, replay, re-airing

(1) **rerun** episode, (2) **rerun** of a TV show

I missed the episode of my favorite show, so I hope they will air a **rerun** soon.

## jolly

*adj.* happy and lively

*synonym* : cheerful, happy, merry

(1) a **jolly** laugh, (2) **jolly** evening

He was in a **jolly** mood and sang a happy tune.

## absolutely

*adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

*synonym* : completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

## perception

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

*synonym* : understanding, idea, awareness

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

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

## **invisible**

*adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see

*synonym* : hidden, imperceptible, unseen

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

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

## **observer**

*n.* a person who watches or notices someone or something but has no active part in it

*synonym* : spectator, onlooker, watcher

(1) a shrewd **observer**, (2) an **observer** in the region

According to the theory of relativity, time is different for each **observer**.

## **unfortunately**

*adv.* by bad luck; unluckily

*synonym* : regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**

The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

## **victim**

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

*synonym* : prey, target, sufferer

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

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

## **defenseless**

*adj.* without protection or defense, vulnerable

*synonym* : vulnerable, helpless, powerless

(1) **defenseless** against crime, (2) a **defenseless** city

The small animal was **defenseless** against its predators, with no means of protection.

## devoid

*adj.* completely lacking or free from something

*synonym* : empty, lacking, void

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

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

## abuse

*n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner

*synonym* : misuse, misconduct, vilification

(1) the problem of drug **abuse**, (2) victim of sexual **abuse**

Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for **abuse** of authority.

## physically

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

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

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

## verbal

*adj.* expressed in spoken rather than written words

*synonym* : speaking, lingual, oral

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

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

## shock

*n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

*synonym* : amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**

He got an electric **shock** at work.

## disbelief

*n.* the feeling of not being able to believe or accept that something is true or real

*synonym* : doubt, mistrust, incredulity

(1) **disbelief** in the authority, (2) ask in **disbelief**

His reaction was one of complete **disbelief**.

## 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.

## deserve

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

*synonym*: merit, earn, justify

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

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

## flood

n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

*synonym*: deluge, downpour, overflow

(1) **flood** advisory, (2) a **flood** of questions

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

## worthless

adj. having no value or usefulness; not worth considering

*synonym*: valueless, useless, pointless

(1) **worthless** stock, (2) **worthless** coin

The product was found to be **worthless** as it failed to meet the customer's expectations.

## dignity

n. the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station

*synonym*: grace, elegance, nobility

(1) respect for human **dignity**, (2) retain everyone's **dignity**

The failure destroyed his trust and personal **dignity**.

## bet

v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

*synonym*: stake, wager, gamble

(1) **bet** on a race, (2) **bet** my future

I **bet** that you know it.

## constant

*adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time

*synonym* : ceaseless, stable, unchanging

(1) a **constant** wind, (2) a **constant** temperature

**Constant** dropping wears away the stone.

## caretaker

*n.* a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away

*synonym* : custodian, caregiver

(1) welfare **caretaker**, (2) the role of **caretaker**

He acted as a **caretaker** until a new president was elected.

## combine

*v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group

*synonym* : coalesce, cohere, blend

(1) **combine** chemically with another substance,

(2) **combine** augmented reality

Hydrogen and oxygen **combine** to form water.

## 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.

## grieve

*v.* to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died

*synonym* : mourn, lament, sorrow

(1) **grieve** for loss, (2) **grieve** at the sad news

She **grieved** the loss of her parents.

## toll

*n.* money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly

*synonym* : fee, cost, expense

(1) a **toll** road, (2) **toll** a bell at his death

There is no **toll** car park nearby.

## argument

*n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

*synonym* : debate, discourse, discussion

(1) a blazing **argument**, (2) the **argument** against capital punishment

The **argument** between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

## despair

*n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

*synonym* : dismay, anguish, misery

(1) **despair** at the future, (2) untold **despair**

His friend's death drove him to **despair**.

## enormous

*adj.* extremely large or great

*synonym* : huge, giant, gigantic

(1) **enormous** amount, (2) **enormous** potential

Shakespeare's output of poetry was **enormous**.

## compassion

*n.* a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck

*synonym* : pity, empathy, understanding

(1) feel **compassion** for the poor, (2) have **compassion** toward the accident

His infinite love and **compassion** for everyone never weary.

## sink

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

*synonym* : descend, drop, plummet

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

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

## abyss

*n.* a deep, dark, or seemingly bottomless chasm or void  
*synonym*: chasm, cavity, gulf

(1) the **abyss** of time, (2) an **abyss** of hopelessness

The deep sea is an **abyss** of mystery and discovery.

## random

*adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

*synonym*: incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**

To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

## fleeting

*adj.* brief or temporary, lasting only a short time

*synonym*: temporary, brief, transitory

(1) for a **fleeting** moment, (2) **fleeting** opportunity

She savored the **fleeting** happiness she felt during the vacation.

## transform

*v.* to change in outward structure or looks;

*synonym*: alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power

My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

## torture

*n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason

*synonym*: torment, abuse, mistreatment

(1) a **torture** chamber, (2) an instrument of **torture**

The use of **torture** is strictly prohibited under international law.

## monotony

*n.* a situation in which something unchanging and boring

*synonym*: boredom, tedium, sameness

(1) the **monotony** of the daily routine, (2) break the **monotony**

The **monotony** of the assembly line work made the days feel



very long.

## construct

*v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

*synonym*: build, assemble, create

(1) **construct** a 3D image, (2) **construct** a dam

He **constructs** hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

## intricate

*adj.* having many different parts and small details that all work together

*synonym*: complicated, convoluted, complex

(1) **intricate** details, (2) **intricate** lacework

The politician managed to deal with that **intricate** issue.

## fantasy

*n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen

*synonym*: fiction, illusion, fabrication

(1) **fantasy** novel, (2) confuse **fantasy** with reality

Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a **fantasy**.

## ant

*n.* a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups

*synonym*: pismire, insect

(1) a white **ant**, (2) **ant** bite

We can find many large **ant** mounds in this area.

## shadow

*n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner

*synonym*: shade, silhouette, outline

(1) **shadow** cast, (2) **shadow** puppetry

The tree cast a **shadow** over the picnic area, providing relief

from the sun.

## retreat

*n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life

*synonym*: escape, withdrawal, vacation

(1) **retreat** deeper into their territory, (2) **retreat** in a mountain region

Many people go on a **retreat** to recharge and reconnect with themselves.

## enlarge

*v.* to make something bigger or larger; to become bigger or larger

*synonym*: broaden, increase, widen

(1) **enlarge** a photograph, (2) **enlarge** my experience

Please **enlarge** your new theory.

## gigantic

*adj.* extremely large

*synonym*: huge, enormous, immense

(1) **gigantic** proportions, (2) **gigantic** monsters

He was so hungry from the long journey that he had a **gigantic** appetite.

## sand

*n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action

*synonym*: grit, dust, powder

(1) **sand** dunes, (2) **sand** castle

The **sand** on the beach was warm and golden.

## castle

*n.* a large building, typically of the medieval period, fortified against attack with thick walls, battlements, towers, and often a moat

*synonym*: fortress, palace, citadel

(1) the ruins of a **castle**, (2) **castle** moat

The medieval **castle** was surrounded by a moat and had high

walls for protection.

## vacant

*adj.* not occupied or in use; empty; showing no indication of thought or life, lacking expression or animation

*synonym*: empty, unoccupied, available

(1) **vacant** land, (2) **vacant** position

The real estate agent showed me a **vacant** apartment perfect for my needs.

## shell

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

*synonym*: ammunition, armor, cover

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

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

## harsh

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

*synonym*: brutal, severe, backbreaking

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

The prime minister faced **harsh** criticism.

## dismissal

*n.* the act of discharging or removing someone from their position or job; an official notice of termination; the act of disregarding or rejecting someone or something

*synonym*: firing, termination, layoff

(1) disciplinary **dismissal**, (2) the **dismissal** of the lawsuit

His **dismissal** from the company came as a shock to everyone who knew him.

## tragic

*adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

*synonym*: calamitous, disastrous, catastrophic

(1) **tragic** love stories, (2) **tragic** death

The **tragic** events of the war left many families torn apart.

## blank

*adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall

information

*synonym* : empty, void, barren

(1) **blank** expression, (2) **blank** paper

The computer screen displayed nothing but a **blank** white screen

## canvas

*n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

(1) blank **canvas**, (2) oil on **canvas**

Life is a vast **canvas**; you should put as much paint on it as possible.

## aroma

*n.* a distinctive, usually pleasant smell, often of a specific food, plant, or object

*synonym* : fragrance, scent, smell

(1) **aroma** therapy, (2) coffee **aroma**

The **aroma** of freshly baked bread filled the kitchen.

## intuition

*n.* the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why

*synonym* : instinct, gut feeling, sixth sense

(1) creative **intuition**, (2) **intuition** research

Some studies suggest that people's **intuitions** can be influenced by their experiences and biases.

## convinced

*adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

*synonym* : confident, positive, indoctrinated

(1) **convinced** of the idea, (2) **convinced** criminal

The public is **convinced** that the prime minister has committed fraud.

## urge

*v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

*synonym* :

push for, advise, (noun) impulse

(1) **urge** a total ban, (2) a sexual **urge**

The lobbyist **urged** Congress not to approve the measure.

## augment

*v.* to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it

*synonym* : boost, increase, expand

(1) **augment** the reality, (2) **augment** immunity

Economic factors and monetary policy **augmented** inflation.

## alternative

*n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice

*synonym* : choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**

Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

## exhilarating

*adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill

*synonym* : thrilling, exciting, stimulating

(1) an **exhilarating** drink, (2) **exhilarating** view

Bungee jumping was an **exhilarating** experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.

## frustrate

*v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

*synonym* : hinder, thwart, dishearten

(1) **frustrate** the advancement, (2) **frustrate** other team members

The coach explained a strategy to **frustrate** the opponent's schemes to the players.

## thrust

*v.* to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing

*synonym* : push, shove, prod

(1) **thrust** a dagger home, (2) **thrust** a plate away  
The engine **thrust** the rocket into space.

## function

*n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

*synonym*: purpose, mapping, job

(1) **function** properly, (2) immune **function**

The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's **function**.

## photocopy

*n.* a duplicate of a document or image made by a process involving the use of light and photosensitive material; a copy made by a photocopier

*synonym*: duplicate, reproduction

(1) **photocopy** machine, (2) color **photocopy**

I need to make a **photocopy** of this document before I send it out.

## amazing

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

*synonym*: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

## exciting

*adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement

*synonym*: exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

(1) **exciting** football player, (2) **exciting** news

The findings of the experiment were both **exciting** and unexpected.

## overwhelming

*adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

*synonym*: overpowering, astounding, amazing

(1) **overwhelming** majority, (2) an **overwhelming** victory  
He has shown signs of uneasiness and **overwhelming** worry.

## frightening

*adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming  
*synonym*: scary, terrifying, alarming

(1) cast **frightening** eyes, (2) **frightening** experience  
The news of the pandemic was a **frightening** reminder of the fragility of human health.

## struggle

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

*synonym*: toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job  
He could not **struggle** against temptation.

## abandon

*v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

*synonym*: relinquish, leave behind, disregard

(1) **abandon** a friend, (2) **abandon** the practice  
The castle was **abandoned** several years later.

## disregard

*v.* to pay no attention to or to ignore someone or something

*synonym*: ignore, pay no attention to, overlook

(1) **disregard** for human rights, (2) **disregard** the rules  
She **disregarded** all the warnings and proceeded with her dangerous plan.

## 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**.

**mere**

*adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

*synonym* : bare, minor, sheer

(1) **mere** acquaintance, (2) **mere** incident

He lost the election by **mere** votes.

**convey**

*v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another

*synonym* : communicate, transfer, deliver

(1) **convey** a complex idea, (2) **convey** goods by truck

An ironic remark often **conveys** an intended meaning obliquely.

**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.

**resigned**

*adj.* having accepted something unpleasant or difficult, particularly a job or situation, without complaint or resistance; accepting one's fate or circumstances

*synonym* : submissive, acquiescent, passive

(1) with a **resigned** voice, (2) **resigned** to their fate

She had a **resigned** look on her face when she realized that she had lost the race.

**misconception**

*n.* a belief or an idea that is wrong because it has been based on faulty thinking, understanding, or hypothesis

*synonym* : fallacy, incomprehension, misunderstanding

(1) dispel the **misconception**, (2) commonly held

**misconception**

There are numerous **misconceptions** about food and health.



## disability

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

*synonym*: impairment, disadvantage, restriction

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

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

## comprehend

*v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully

*synonym*: understand, grasp, apprehend

(1) **comprehend** English, (2) **comprehend** instructions

She struggled to **comprehend** complex math problems.

## refer

*v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

*synonym*: cite, allude, mention

(1) **refer** to a book, (2) **refer** to a map

Please **refer** to the instruction manual for further assistance.

## confidence

*n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

*synonym*: self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

## reshape

*v.* to change the form or structure of something

*synonym*: alter, adjust, modify

(1) **reshape** education policy, (2) **reshape** my thoughts

The advent of the Internet completely **reshaped** the manufacturing industry.

## destiny

*n.* the events that will inevitably happen to a particular person or thing in the future

*synonym*: fate, future, outcome

(1) foreordained **destiny**, (2) **destiny** of the individual

It is said that our **destiny** is written in the stars.

## assert

*v.* to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true

*synonym* : maintain, state, declare

(1) **assert** a free society, (2) **assert** a claim for unjust enrichment

She **asserted** that she was innocent, despite the evidence against her.

## independence

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

*synonym* : freedom, liberty, autonomy

(1) financial **independence**, (2) **independence** ceremony

There is nothing more valuable than **independence** and freedom.

## preconceived

*adj.* (of an idea or opinion) formed beforehand, especially without evidence for its truth or usefulness

(1) a **preconceived** notion, (2) **preconceived** opinions

We should start a discussion from scratch with no **preconceived** ideas.

## compassionate

*adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others

*synonym* : empathetic, sympathetic, merciful

(1) a **compassionate** heart, (2) **compassionate** leave

My father has a serious and **compassionate** personality.

## perceive

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

*synonym* : sense, discern, feel

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

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

## inanimate

*adj.* not having life or spirit; not animate

*synonym* : lifeless, inert, passive

(1) **inanimate** nature, (2) **inanimate** matter

The **inanimate** object was not capable of movement or feeling.

## mindless

*adj.* lacking in awareness, thought, or attention; done without thinking or consideration; pointless or empty-headed

*synonym* : senseless, thoughtless, irresponsible

(1) **mindless** task, (2) **mindless** entertainment

**Mindless** scrolling on social media can be a time waster.

## phantom

*n.* a ghost or a spirit of a dead person; something existing only in your imagination or perception

*synonym* : ghost, spirit, apparition

(1) a **phantom** company, (2) **phantom** limb pain

The police frantically searched for clues to the **phantom** killer.

## graduate

*n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

*synonym* : alumna, alum, grad

(1) **graduate** degree program, (2) honor **graduate**

Many employers hire **graduate** trainees to train as managers.

## keen

*adj.* having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest

*synonym* : eager, enthusiastic, ardent

(1) **keen** interest, (2) **keen** observation

He was **keen** to learn more about the subject and attended every lecture.

## photograph

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

*synonym* : photo, picture, snapshot

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

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

## nonverbal

*adj.* not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language

*synonym* : silent, mute, unspoken

(1) **nonverbal** communication, (2) **nonverbal** signal

Many communication skills rely on **nonverbal** cues such as body language and facial expressions.

## obstacle

*n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

*synonym* : hindrance, barrier, block

(1) an **obstacle** to progress, (2) **obstacle** avoidance

The **obstacle** course was challenging but fun.

## whisper

*v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you

*synonym* : murmur, rumor, mutter

(1) answer in a **whisper**, (2) the **whisper** of the leaves

He took me aside and **whispered** in my ear.

## gratitude

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

*synonym* : appreciation, thankfulness, indebtedness

(1) a debt of **gratitude**, (2) feelings of **gratitude**

She expressed her **gratitude** towards the kind stranger who helped her.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. mu\_\_d sound *adj.* having a subdued or softened sound, color, or tone; restrained or understated in expression or style
2. ind\_\_\_\_\_nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
3. front f\_g lights *n.* a thick cloud consisting of tiny water droplets or ice crystals suspended in the air at or near the Earth's surface; a weather condition in which visibility is reduced because of a cloud of water
4. com\_\_\_\_\_te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
5. the wh\_\_\_\_\_r of the leaves *v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
6. an ove\_\_\_\_\_ing victory *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
7. ci\_\_\_\_\_t breaker *n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
8. whe\_\_\_\_\_ir accessibility *n.* a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk
9. co\_\_\_\_\_ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

ANSWERS: 1. muted, 2. independence, 3. fog, 4. communicate, 5. whisper, 6. overwhelming, 7. circuit, 8. wheelchair, 9. construct

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| 10. nontechnical as___ts of the job | <i>n.</i> one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.   |
| 11. ob_____le avoidance             | <i>n.</i> a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress  |
| 12. st__k truth                     | <i>adj.</i> empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications   |
| 13. re__n episode                   | <i>n.</i> the act of repeating or replaying a previously aired episode of a television show or a past event or performance; (verb) to broadcast or play again an item, especially a television or radio program; to run a race or other sporting event again |
| 14. po_____ss in the organization   | <i>adj.</i> lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change  |
| 15. an unexpected si__t             | <i>n.</i> the ability to see; anything that is seen  |
| 16. a ph_____m company              | <i>n.</i> a ghost or a spirit of a dead person; something existing only in your imagination or perception  |
| 17. pho_____ph memories             | <i>n.</i> a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film  |
| 18. fl__d advisory                  | <i>n.</i> a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount   |
| 19. de_____e respect                | <i>v.</i> to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable  |

ANSWERS: 10. aspect, 11. obstacle, 12. stark, 13. rerun, 14. powerless, 15. sight, 16. phantom, 17. photograph, 18. flood, 19. deserve

20. re\_\_\_\_\_ed to their fate  
*adj.* having accepted something unpleasant or difficult, particularly a job or situation, without complaint or resistance; accepting one's fate or circumstances
21. pl\_\_n answer  
*adj.* without being decorated in any way;  
(Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
22. gi\_\_\_\_\_ic monsters  
*adj.* extremely large
23. a dis\_\_\_\_\_ty pension  
*n.* a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do
24. beam of el\_\_\_\_\_ons  
*n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
25. a gr\_\_\_\_\_l change  
*adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
26. ph\_\_\_\_\_m limb pain  
*n.* a ghost or a spirit of a dead person; something existing only in your imagination or perception
27. victim of sexual ab\_\_e  
*n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
28. di\_\_\_\_\_rd for human rights  
*v.* to pay no attention to or to ignore someone or something
29. bombs fell at ra\_\_\_m  
*adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
30. creative in\_\_\_\_\_on  
*n.* the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why

ANSWERS: 20. resigned, 21. plain, 22. gigantic, 23. disability, 24. electron, 25. gradual, 26. phantom, 27. abuse, 28. disregard, 29. random, 30. intuition

31. de\_\_\_e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
32. va\_\_\_t land *adj.* not occupied or in use; empty; showing no indication of thought or life, lacking expression or animation
33. the di\_\_\_\_\_al of the lawsuit *n.* the act of discharging or removing someone from their position or job; an official notice of termination; the act of disregarding or rejecting someone or something
34. de\_\_\_\_\_r at the future *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
35. in\_\_\_\_\_te lacework *adj.* having many different parts and small details that all work together
36. pl\_\_\_\_\_nt news *adj.* enjoyable, attractive, friendly, or agreeable
37. the ruins of a ca\_\_\_e *n.* a large building, typically of the medieval period, fortified against attack with thick walls, battlements, towers, and often a moat
38. k\_\_t a pair of socks *v.* to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine
39. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
40. unf\_\_\_\_\_ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
41. a white a\_t *n.* a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups

ANSWERS: 31. decide, 32. vacant, 33. dismissal, 34. despair, 35. intricate, 36. pleasant, 37. castle, 38. knit, 39. eventually, 40. unfortunately, 41. ant



42. ut\_\_r a big sigh *adj.* complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice
43. the mo\_\_\_\_ny of the daily routine *n.* a situation in which something unchanging and boring
44. co\_\_\_y goods by truck *v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another
45. a stone wall su\_\_\_\_nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
46. re\_\_\_\_e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
47. a blazing ar\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
48. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
49. afraid to show em\_\_\_\_n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
50. an ob\_\_\_\_le to progress *n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
51. co\_\_\_\_e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

ANSWERS: 42. utter, 43. monotony, 44. convey, 45. surround, 46. release, 47. argument, 48. eventually, 49. emotion, 50. obstacle, 51. consume

52. coffee ar\_\_a *n.* a distinctive, usually pleasant smell, often of a specific food, plant, or object
53. feel com\_\_\_\_\_on for the poor *n.* a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck
54. an instrument of to\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason
55. in\_\_\_\_\_le stars *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
56. tr\_\_\_\_\_rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
57. phy\_\_\_\_\_ly and mentally *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
58. the role of ca\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away
59. co\_\_\_\_\_e the value *v.* to make a mathematical calculation
60. a learning dis\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do
61. en\_\_\_b a body *v.* to place or bury a person or object in a tomb or grave; to trap or enclose someone or something within a confined space
62. di\_\_\_\_\_ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible

ANSWERS: 52. aroma, 53. compassion, 54. torture, 55. invisible, 56. transform, 57. physically, 58. caretaker, 59. compute, 60. disability, 61. entomb, 62. disappear

63. f\_\_e away almost completely      *v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
64. blank ca\_\_\_s      *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
65. co\_\_\_y a complex idea      *v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another
66. the ab\_\_s of time      *n.* a deep, dark, or seemingly bottomless chasm or void
67. co\_\_\_\_\_e chemically with another substance      *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
68. a com\_\_\_\_\_ate heart      *adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
69. dull si\_\_t      *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
70. co\_\_\_\_\_ct blood vessels      *v.* to make something narrow or tight, often restricting movement or flow; to become narrow or tighter
71. disciplinary di\_\_\_\_\_al      *n.* the act of discharging or removing someone from their position or job; an official notice of termination; the act of disregarding or rejecting someone or something
72. camera st\_\_p      *n.* a long, narrow strip or belt of leather, fabric, or another material used for binding, fastening, or supporting something or someone; a band or string that attaches one object to another, often used to secure items during transport

ANSWERS: 63. fade, 64. canvas, 65. convey, 66. abyss, 67. combine, 68. compassionate, 69. sight, 70. constrict, 71. dismissal, 72. strap

73. co\_\_\_\_\_e an average score      *v.* to make a mathematical calculation
74. there is no other alt\_\_\_\_\_ve      *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
75. financial ind\_\_\_\_\_nce      *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
76. a dense f\_g      *n.* a thick cloud consisting of tiny water droplets or ice crystals suspended in the air at or near the Earth's surface; a weather condition in which visibility is reduced because of a cloud of water
77. an ob\_\_\_\_\_er in the region      *n.* a person who watches or notices someone or something but has no active part in it
78. respect for human di\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
79. k\_\_n interest      *adj.* having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest
80. re\_\_r to a map      *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
81. fleshly de\_\_\_e      *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
82. foreordained de\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.* the events that will inevitably happen to a particular person or thing in the future
83. a def\_\_\_\_\_ss city      *adj.* without protection or defense, vulnerable
84. ab\_\_\_\_\_n a friend      *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

ANSWERS: 73. compute, 74. alternative, 75. independence, 76. fog, 77. observer, 78. dignity, 79. keen, 80. refer, 81. desire, 82. destiny, 83. defenseless, 84. abandon

85. honor gr\_\_\_\_te *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
86. dr\_\_t down the stream *v.* to move smoothly and slowly in water or air, especially as a result of outside forces, with no control over the direction
87. color ph\_\_\_\_\_py *n.* a duplicate of a document or image made by a process involving the use of light and photosensitive material; a copy made by a photocopier
88. an egg sh\_\_l *n.* hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals
89. re\_\_\_\_\_t in a mountain region *n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life
90. ove\_\_\_\_\_ing majority *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
91. untold de\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
92. an int\_\_\_\_\_nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
93. fr\_\_\_\_\_te the advancement *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

ANSWERS: 85. graduate, 86. drift, 87. photocopy, 88. shell, 89. retreat, 90. overwhelming, 91. despair, 92. intelligence, 93. frustrate

94. delta pl\_\_n *adj.* without being decorated in any way;  
(Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
95. 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
96. answer in a wh\_\_\_\_\_r *v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you
97. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
98. ar\_\_a therapy *n.* a distinctive, usually pleasant smell, often of a specific food, plant, or object
99. commonly held mis\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* a belief or an idea that is wrong because it has been based on faulty thinking, understanding, or hypothesis
100. si\_\_t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
101. st\_\_\_e a laugh *v.* to suppress or restrain something, particularly a feeling, emotion, or action; to suffocate or prevent proper breathing or ventilation
102. dr\_\_t away on a raft *v.* to move smoothly and slowly in water or air, especially as a result of outside forces, with no control over the direction
103. exh\_\_\_\_\_ing view *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill

ANSWERS: 94. plain, 95. contract, 96. whisper, 97. absolutely, 98. aroma, 99. misconception, 100. silent, 101. stifle, 102. drift, 103. exhilarating

104. mu\_\_d light *adj.* having a subdued or softened sound, color, or tone; restrained or understated in expression or style
105. ex\_\_\_\_\_ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
106. bl\_\_t criticism *adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive
107. fa\_\_\_\_\_y novel *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
108. par\_\_\_\_\_te in the program *v.* to take part in something
109. b\_t on a race *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
110. a sexual u\_\_e *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
111. re\_\_r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
112. pre\_\_\_\_\_ved opinions *adj.* (of an idea or opinion) formed beforehand, especially without evidence for its truth or usefulness
113. di\_\_\_\_\_ar without a trace *v.* to cease to exist or be visible

ANSWERS: 104. muted, 105. exciting, 106. blunt, 107. fantasy, 108. participate, 109. bet, 110. urge, 111. refer, 112. preconceived, 113. disappear

114. with a re\_\_\_\_ed voice      *adj.* having accepted something unpleasant or difficult, particularly a job or situation, without complaint or resistance; accepting one's fate or circumstances
115. st\_\_\_\_le to get the job      *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
116. use of ha\_\_h chemicals      *adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
117. re\_\_n of a TV show      *n.* the act of repeating or replaying a previously aired episode of a television show or a past event or performance; (verb) to broadcast or play again an item, especially a television or radio program; to run a race or other sporting event again
118. set a t\_\_p      *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
119. re\_\_\_\_t deeper into their territory      *n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life
120. unsatisfied de\_\_\_e      *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
121. a shrewd ob\_\_\_\_er      *n.* a person who watches or notices someone or something but has no active part in it

ANSWERS: 114. resigned, 115. struggle, 116. harsh, 117. rerun, 118. trap, 119. retreat, 120. desire, 121. observer



122. fu\_\_\_\_\_on properly *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
123. en\_\_\_\_\_us amount *adj.* extremely large or great
124. as\_\_\_\_t a free society *v.* to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true
125. welfare ca\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away
126. co\_\_\_\_\_e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
127. 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
128. tr\_\_\_\_c love stories *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
129. pho\_\_\_\_\_ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

ANSWERS: 122. function, 123. enormous, 124. assert, 125. caretaker, 126. confuse, 127. discovery, 128. tragic, 129. photograph

130. a fl\_\_d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
131. ve\_\_\_l communication *adj.* expressed in spoken rather than written words
132. oil on ca\_\_\_s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
133. ut\_\_\_\_y changed *adv.* completely or absolutely
134. sh\_\_k-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
135. a debt of gr\_\_\_\_\_de *n.* the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness
136. pe\_\_\_\_\_ve light *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
137. an exh\_\_\_\_\_ing drink *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
138. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
139. ph\_\_\_\_\_py machine *n.* a duplicate of a document or image made by a process involving the use of light and photosensitive material; a copy made by a photocopier
140. am\_\_\_\_\_g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

ANSWERS: 130. flood, 131. verbal, 132. canvas, 133. utterly, 134. shock, 135. gratitude, 136. perceive, 137. exhilarating, 138. absolutely, 139. photocopy, 140. amazing

141. sh\_\_\_w puppetry *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
142. s\_\_\_d dunes *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
143. bl\_\_\_k expression *adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
144. com\_\_\_\_\_te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
145. the problem of drug ab\_\_\_e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
146. re\_\_\_e a company from bankruptcy *v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
147. vi\_\_\_m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
148. t\_\_\_l a bell at his death *n.* money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly

ANSWERS: 141. shadow, 142. sand, 143. blank, 144. communicate, 145. abuse, 146. rescue, 147. victim, 148. toll

149. for a fl\_\_\_\_ng moment *adj.* brief or temporary, lasting only a short time
150. mi\_\_\_\_ss task *adj.* lacking in awareness, thought, or attention; done without thinking or consideration; pointless or empty-headed
151. immune fu\_\_\_\_on *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
152. even more unf\_\_\_\_ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
153. in\_\_\_\_te nature *adj.* not having life or spirit; not animate
154. st\_\_k landscape *adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications
155. s\_\_k a buzzer-beater *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
156. sh\_\_\_w cast *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner

ANSWERS: 149. fleeting, 150. mindless, 151. function, 152. unfortunately, 153. inanimate, 154. stark, 155. sink, 156. shadow

157. give si\_\_\_t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
158. re\_\_\_\_\_e my thoughts *v.* to change the form or structure of something
159. an ab\_\_s of hopelessness *n.* a deep, dark, or seemingly bottomless chasm or void
160. wo\_\_\_\_\_ss coin *adj.* having no value or usefulness; not worth considering
161. co\_\_\_\_\_e the listener *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
162. have com\_\_\_\_\_on toward the accident *n.* a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck
163. a jo\_\_y laugh *adj.* happy and lively
164. f\_\_e in importance *v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
165. mi\_\_\_\_\_ss entertainment *adj.* lacking in awareness, thought, or attention; done without thinking or consideration; pointless or empty-headed
166. au\_\_\_\_\_t immunity *v.* to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it
167. de\_\_\_d of life *adj.* completely lacking or free from something
168. an in\_\_\_\_\_le asset *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
169. tr\_\_\_\_\_rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
170. a co\_\_\_\_\_nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time

ANSWERS: 157. silent, 158. reshape, 159. abyss, 160. worthless, 161. confuse, 162. compassion, 163. jolly, 164. fade, 165. mindless, 166. augment, 167. devoid, 168. invisible, 169. transform, 170. constant

171. en\_\_\_\_\_e my experience      *v.* to make something bigger or larger; to become bigger or larger
172. ca\_\_\_\_e moat      *n.* a large building, typically of the medieval period, fortified against attack with thick walls, battlements, towers, and often a moat
173. a circular mo\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
174. en\_\_\_\_\_e a photograph      *v.* to make something bigger or larger; to become bigger or larger
175. ex\_\_\_\_\_ng football player      *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
176. co\_\_\_\_\_e a large of alcohol      *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
177. co\_\_\_\_\_d and control      *n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something
178. po\_\_\_\_\_ss position      *adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
179. des\_\_\_\_\_ly anxious      *adv.* in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency

ANSWERS: 171. enlarge, 172. castle, 173. movement, 174. enlarge, 175. exciting, 176. consume, 177. command, 178. powerless, 179. desperately

180. air de\_\_\_d of pollution *adj.* completely lacking or free from something
181. 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
182. become ess\_\_\_\_\_ly same *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
183. pro\_\_\_\_\_ve taxation *adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one
184. dispel the mis\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* a belief or an idea that is wrong because it has been based on faulty thinking, understanding, or hypothesis
185. com\_\_\_\_\_ate leave *adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
186. con\_\_\_\_\_ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
187. mo\_\_\_\_\_nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
188. ask in di\_\_\_\_\_ef *n.* the feeling of not being able to believe or accept that something is true or real
189. su\_\_\_\_\_nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody

ANSWERS: 180. devoid, 181. discovery, 182. essentially, 183. progressive, 184. misconception, 185. compassionate, 186. confidence, 187. movement, 188. disbelief, 189. surround

190. boost my con\_\_\_\_\_ce                   *n.*   the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
191. ab\_\_\_\_\_n the practice                   *v.*   to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
192. the most am\_\_\_\_\_g feeling                   *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
193. a to\_\_\_\_\_e chamber                   *n.*   the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason
194. s\_\_k a lot of capital                   *v.*   to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
195. a co\_\_\_\_\_nt temperature                   *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
196. wo\_\_\_\_\_ss stock                   *adj.* having no value or usefulness; not worth considering
197. pro\_\_\_\_\_ve development                   *adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one
198. 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
199. re\_\_\_\_\_e a prisoner                   *v.*   to set free or allow to escape from confinement

ANSWERS: 190. confidence, 191. abandon, 192. amazing, 193. torture, 194. sink, 195. constant, 196. worthless, 197. progressive, 198. contract, 199. release



200. fr\_\_\_\_\_te other team members      *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
201. break the mo\_\_\_\_\_ny      *n.* a situation in which something unchanging and boring
202. a bacterial in\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body
203. st\_\_\_\_e creativity      *v.* to suppress or restrain something, particularly a feeling, emotion, or action; to suffocate or prevent proper breathing or ventilation
204. va\_\_\_\_t position      *adj.* not occupied or in use; empty; showing no indication of thought or life, lacking expression or animation
205. bl\_\_k paper      *adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
206. co\_\_\_\_\_d a battery      *n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something
207. en\_\_\_\_\_us potential      *adj.* extremely large or great

ANSWERS: 200. frustrate, 201. monotony, 202. infection, 203. stifle, 204. vacant, 205. blank, 206. command, 207. enormous

208. de\_\_\_\_\_e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
209. vi\_\_\_\_\_m compensation *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
210. de\_\_\_\_\_y of the individual *n.* the events that will inevitably happen to a particular person or thing in the future
211. in\_\_\_\_\_on research *n.* the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why
212. def\_\_\_\_\_ss against crime *adj.* without protection or defense, vulnerable
213. in\_\_\_\_\_te details *adj.* having many different parts and small details that all work together
214. words of co\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
215. emerge from ch\_\_\_\_\_is *n.* the pupa or the hardened protective case that encloses and shelters a transforming insect, such as a butterfly or moth, during its metamorphosis from larva to adult
216. des\_\_\_\_\_ly ill patient *adv.* in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency
217. k\_\_n observation *adj.* having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest

ANSWERS: 208. deserve, 209. victim, 210. destiny, 211. intuition, 212. defenseless, 213. intricate, 214. comfort, 215. chrysalis, 216. desperately, 217. keen

218. co\_\_\_\_\_ct a 3D image  
*v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
219. ess\_\_\_\_\_ly correct  
*adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
220. flow of el\_\_\_\_\_ons  
*n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
221. a gr\_\_\_\_\_l process  
*adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
222. co\_\_\_\_\_ed of the idea  
*adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
223. co\_\_\_\_\_ed criminal  
*adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
224. co\_\_\_\_\_e augmented reality  
*v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
225. gr\_\_\_\_\_te degree program  
*n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
226. gr\_\_\_\_\_e for loss  
*v.* to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died
227. a city vi\_\_\_\_\_t with life  
*adj.* full of energy, life, and enthusiasm
228. m\_\_e acquaintance  
*adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
229. com\_\_\_\_\_nd English  
*v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully

ANSWERS: 218. construct, 219. essentially, 220. electron, 221. gradual, 222. convinced, 223. convinced, 224. combine, 225. graduate, 226. grieve, 227. vibrant, 228. mere, 229. comprehend

230. gain pr\_\_\_\_\_al experience      *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
231. control my em\_\_\_\_\_n      *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
232. no\_\_\_\_\_al signal      *adj.* not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language
233. a ra\_\_\_m choice      *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
234. th\_\_\_t a dagger home      *v.* to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing
235. ha\_\_h climate      *adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
236. basic br\_\_\_n function      *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
237. m\_\_e incident      *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
238. di\_\_\_\_\_ef in the authority      *n.* the feeling of not being able to believe or accept that something is true or real
239. co\_\_\_\_\_t level      *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
240. gr\_\_\_e at the sad news      *v.* to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died
241. a t\_\_l road      *n.* money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly

ANSWERS: 230. practical, 231. emotion, 232. nonverbal, 233. random, 234. thrust, 235. harsh, 236. brain, 237. mere, 238. disbelief, 239. comfort, 240. grieve, 241. toll

242. com\_\_\_\_\_nd instructions      *v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
243. leather st\_\_p      *n.* a long, narrow strip or belt of leather, fabric, or another material used for binding, fastening, or supporting something or someone; a band or string that attaches one object to another, often used to secure items during transport
244. an alt\_\_\_\_\_ve plan      *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
245. federal ci\_\_\_\_\_t courts      *n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
246. retain everyone's di\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
247. a mollusk sh\_\_l      *n.* hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals
248. a pre\_\_\_\_\_ved notion      *adj.* (of an idea or opinion) formed beforehand, especially without evidence for its truth or usefulness
249. th\_\_t a plate away      *v.* to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing
250. gi\_\_\_\_\_ic proportions      *adj.* extremely large
251. keen per\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

ANSWERS: 242. comprehend, 243. strap, 244. alternative, 245. circuit, 246. dignity, 247. shell, 248. preconceived, 249. thrust, 250. gigantic, 251. perception

252. au\_\_\_\_t the reality      *v.* to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it
253. in\_\_\_\_\_te matter      *adj.* not having life or spirit; not animate
254. jo\_\_y evening      *adj.* happy and lively
255. b\_t my future      *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
256. cast fri\_\_\_\_\_ng eyes      *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
257. pl\_\_\_\_\_nt odor      *adj.* enjoyable, attractive, friendly, or agreeable
258. t\_\_p an animal      *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
259. a\_t bite      *n.* a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups
260. pr\_\_\_\_\_al English      *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
261. ut\_\_\_\_\_y ignorant      *adv.* completely or absolutely
262. s\_\_d castle      *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action

ANSWERS: 252. augment, 253. inanimate, 254. jolly, 255. bet, 256. frightening, 257. pleasant, 258. trap, 259. ant, 260. practical, 261. utterly, 262. sand

263. k\_\_t my eyebrows                      *v.* to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine
264. fri\_\_\_\_\_ng experience            *adj.* causing fear or alarm, or very surprising and alarming
265. confuse fa\_\_\_\_\_y with reality      *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
266. no\_\_\_\_\_al communication        *adj.* not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language
267. st\_\_\_\_\_le against discrimination   *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
268. bl\_\_t force                              *adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive
269. as\_\_\_ts of social, political, and economic life                              *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
270. per\_\_\_\_\_on of a stimulus            *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
271. de\_\_\_e on a course of action        *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 263. knit, 264. frightening, 265. fantasy, 266. nonverbal, 267. struggle, 268. blunt, 269. aspect, 270. perception, 271. decide

272. variety of vi_____t colors	<i>adj.</i> full of energy, life, and enthusiasm
273. par_____te fully in conversation	<i>v.</i> to take part in something
274. cultural n__m	<i>n.</i> something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
275. death from sh__k	<i>n.</i> a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
276. n__m of action	<i>n.</i> something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
277. stay phy_____ly fit	<i>adv.</i> in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
278. electric-powered whe_____ir	<i>n.</i> a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk
279. fl_____ng opportunity	<i>adj.</i> brief or temporary, lasting only a short time
280. pe_____ve a threat	<i>v.</i> to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
281. co_____ct freedom	<i>v.</i> to make something narrow or tight, often restricting movement or flow; to become narrow or tighter
282. field of artificial int_____nce	<i>n.</i> the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
283. ut__r nonsense	<i>adj.</i> complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice

ANSWERS: 272. vibrant, 273. participate, 274. norm, 275. shock, 276. norm, 277. physically, 278. wheelchair, 279. fleeting, 280. perceive, 281. constrict, 282. intelligence, 283. utter



284. feelings of gr\_\_\_\_\_de *n.* the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness
285. tr\_\_\_c death *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
286. permanent br\_\_\_n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
287. u\_\_\_e a total ban *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
288. ch\_\_\_\_\_is stage *n.* the pupa or the hardened protective case that encloses and shelters a transforming insect, such as a butterfly or moth, during its metamorphosis from larva to adult
289. en\_\_\_b the pharaoh *v.* to place or bury a person or object in a tomb or grave; to trap or enclose someone or something within a confined space
290. re\_\_\_e a dying dog *v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
291. as\_\_\_t a claim for unjust enrichment *v.* to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true
292. treat the in\_\_\_\_\_on with antibiotics *n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body

ANSWERS: 284. gratitude, 285. tragic, 286. brain, 287. urge, 288. chrysalis, 289. entomb, 290. rescue, 291. assert, 292. infection

293. di\_\_\_\_\_rd the rules                      *v.* to pay no attention to or to ignore someone or something
294. the ar\_\_\_\_\_nt against capital punishment                      *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
295. re\_\_\_\_\_e education policy                      *v.* to change the form or structure of something
296. ve\_\_\_\_l abuse                      *adj.* expressed in spoken rather than written words

ANSWERS: 293. disregard, 294. argument, 295. reshape, 296. verbal

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The deep sea is an \_\_\_\_\_ of mystery and discovery.  
*n.* a deep, dark, or seemingly bottomless chasm or void
2. The lowest lowland region is mostly flat \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
3. Hospitals must meet various standards to prevent nosocomial \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body
4. The lobbyist \_\_\_\_\_ Congress not to approve the measure.  
*v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
5. The ancient burial site \_\_\_\_\_ the remains of long-lost civilizations.  
*v.* to place or bury a person or object in a tomb or grave; to trap or enclose someone or something within a confined space
6. An intelligent battery has a voltage monitoring \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
7. The small animal was \_\_\_\_\_ against its predators, with no means of protection.  
*adj.* without protection or defense, vulnerable

ANSWERS: 1. abyss, 2. plain, 3. infections, 4. urged, 5. entombs, 6. circuit, 7. defenseless

8. Many people go on a \_\_\_\_\_ to recharge and reconnect with themselves.  
*n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life
9. Many famous \_\_\_\_\_ are within walking distance.  
*n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
10. The country experienced a \_\_\_\_\_ increase in population.  
*adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
11. I missed the episode of my favorite show, so I hope they will air a \_\_\_\_\_ soon.  
*n.* the act of repeating or replaying a previously aired episode of a television show or a past event or performance; (verb) to broadcast or play again an item, especially a television or radio program; to run a race or other sporting event again
12. According to the theory of relativity, time is different for each \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a person who watches or notices someone or something but has no active part in it
13. An ironic remark often \_\_\_\_\_ an intended meaning obliquely.  
*v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another
14. The coach explained a strategy to \_\_\_\_\_ the opponent's schemes to the players.  
*v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

ANSWERS: 8. retreat, 9. sights, 10. gradual, 11. rerun, 12. observer, 13. conveys, 14. frustrate

15. To find drunk drivers, police conduct \_\_\_\_\_ tests.

*adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

16. These heavy rains caused flash \_\_\_\_\_ on several islands.

*n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

17. During the hurricane, we felt \_\_\_\_\_ against the winds and rain.

*adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change

18. A smaller car will \_\_\_\_\_ less fuel.

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

19. I am \_\_\_\_\_ opposed to his idea because of morality.

*adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

20. The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

21. His reaction was one of complete \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the feeling of not being able to believe or accept that something is true or real

22. She had a \_\_\_\_\_ look on her face when she realized that she had lost the race.

*adj.* having accepted something unpleasant or difficult, particularly a job or situation, without complaint or resistance; accepting one's fate or circumstances

ANSWERS: 15. random, 16. floods, 17. powerless, 18. consume, 19. absolutely, 20. function, 21. disbelief, 22. resigned

23. He could not \_\_\_\_\_ against temptation.

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

24. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

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

25. The athlete tightened the \_\_\_\_\_ on his running shoes before the race.

- n.* a long, narrow strip or belt of leather, fabric, or another material used for binding, fastening, or supporting something or someone; a band or string that attaches one object to another, often used to secure items during transport

26. Many communication skills rely on \_\_\_\_\_ cues such as body language and facial expressions.

- adj.* not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language

27. His infinite love and \_\_\_\_\_ for everyone never weary.

- n.* a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck

28. He took me aside and \_\_\_\_\_ in my ear.

- v.* to speak very quietly to somebody using the breath rather than the voice so that only those close to you can hear you

29. I \_\_\_\_\_ that you know it.

- v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

ANSWERS: 23. struggle, 24. movement, 25. strap, 26. nonverbal, 27. compassion, 28. whispered, 29. bet

30. We are \_\_\_\_\_ opposed to any form of terrorism.

*adv.* completely or absolutely

31. The abandoned ship slowly began to \_\_\_\_\_ into the murky waters of the harbor.

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

32. The outermost electron \_\_\_\_\_ determines the chemical properties of an atom.

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

33. The baby clung \_\_\_\_\_ to her mother.

*adv.* in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency

34. Many employers hire \_\_\_\_\_ trainees to train as managers.

*n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

35. The \_\_\_\_\_ knife made it difficult to cut through the tough steak.

*adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive

36. There is nothing more valuable than \_\_\_\_\_ and freedom.

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

37. The politician remained \_\_\_\_\_ despite intense media scrutiny.

*adj.* without any or little sound

ANSWERS: 30. utterly, 31. sink, 32. shell, 33. desperately, 34. graduate, 35. blunt, 36. independence, 37. silent

38. The golfer recorded an \_\_\_\_\_ distance.

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

39. Bungee jumping was an \_\_\_\_\_ experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.

*adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill

40. She \_\_\_\_\_ that she was innocent, despite the evidence against her.

*v.* to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true

41. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry \_\_\_\_\_.

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

42. The \_\_\_\_\_ course was challenging but fun.

*n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

43. His \_\_\_\_\_ from the company came as a shock to everyone who knew him.

*n.* the act of discharging or removing someone from their position or job; an official notice of termination; the act of disregarding or rejecting someone or something

44. The advent of the Internet completely \_\_\_\_\_ the manufacturing industry.

*v.* to change the form or structure of something

45. The outermost \_\_\_\_\_ shell determines the chemical properties of an atom.

*n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge

ANSWERS: 38. amazing, 39. exhilarating, 40. asserted, 41. norms, 42. obstacle, 43. dismissal, 44. reshaped, 45. electron



46. There is no \_\_\_\_\_ car park nearby.

*n.* money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly

47. This library rents out various types of folding \_\_\_\_\_ for visitors.

*n.* a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk

48. She expressed her \_\_\_\_\_ towards the kind stranger who helped her.

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

49. Shakespeare's output of poetry was \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* extremely large or great

50. The \_\_\_\_\_ object was not capable of movement or feeling.

*adj.* not having life or spirit; not animate

51. The police frantically searched for clues to the \_\_\_\_\_ killer.

*n.* a ghost or a spirit of a dead person; something existing only in your imagination or perception

52. Skill and \_\_\_\_\_ are an unconquered army.

*n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

53. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

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

ANSWERS: 46. toll, 47. wheelchairs, 48. gratitude, 49. enormous, 50. inanimate, 51. phantom, 52. confidence, 53. victim

54. The candidate must have excellent \_\_\_\_\_ skills.

*adj.* expressed in spoken rather than written words

55. The grandmother \_\_\_\_\_ a warm sweater for her grandchild.

*v.* to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine

56. We can find many large \_\_\_\_\_ mounds in this area.

*n.* a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups

57. Having a \_\_\_\_\_ healthy physique is essential for a great life.

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

58. He got an electric \_\_\_\_\_ at work.

*n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

59. 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

60. The news of the pandemic was a \_\_\_\_\_ reminder of the fragility of human health.

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

61. The politician managed to deal with that \_\_\_\_\_ issue.

*adj.* having many different parts and small details that all work together

ANSWERS: 54. verbal, 55. knit, 56. ant, 57. physically, 58. shock, 59. discovery, 60. frightening, 61. intricate

62. The engine \_\_\_\_\_ the rocket into space.

*v.* to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing

63. The enemy fell right into the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

64. She couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

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

65. He was so hungry from the long journey that he had a \_\_\_\_\_ appetite.

*adj.* extremely large

66. There are numerous \_\_\_\_\_ about food and health.

*n.* a belief or an idea that is wrong because it has been based on faulty thinking, understanding, or hypothesis

67. The scenery of the battlefield was \_\_\_\_\_ and grey.

*adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications

68. He \_\_\_\_\_ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

*v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

69. The fire department arrived just in time to \_\_\_\_\_ the family from the burning building.

*v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

ANSWERS: 62. thrust, 63. trap, 64. decide, 65. gigantic, 66. misconceptions, 67. stark, 68. constructs, 69. rescue

70. The room was \_\_\_\_\_ of any furniture or decorations.

*adj.* completely lacking or free from something

71. Listening to music at a high volume may lead to a hearing \_\_\_\_\_.

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

72. The corporation \_\_\_\_\_ dominated the entire tobacco business.

*adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

73. The general gave a \_\_\_\_\_ to his troops to prepare for battle.

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

74. She struggled to \_\_\_\_\_ complex math problems.

*v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully

75. His friend's death drove him to \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

76. I \_\_\_\_\_ around for years in Europe before going to university.

*v.* to move smoothly and slowly in water or air, especially as a result of outside forces, with no control over the direction

77. Her remarks \_\_\_\_\_ the debate.

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

ANSWERS: 70. devoid, 71. disability, 72. eventually, 73. command, 74. comprehend, 75. despair, 76. drifted, 77. confused

78. The \_\_\_\_\_ events of the war left many families torn apart.

*adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

79. The toned-down, \_\_\_\_\_ colors in the living room gave it a cozy and relaxed feeling.

*adj.* having a subdued or softened sound, color, or tone; restrained or understated in expression or style

80. The caterpillar spun a protective \_\_\_\_\_ around itself before transforming into a butterfly.

*n.* the pupa or the hardened protective case that encloses and shelters a transforming insect, such as a butterfly or moth, during its metamorphosis from larva to adult

81. On three sides, mountains \_\_\_\_\_ the settlement.

*v.* to be all around something or somebody

82. The \_\_\_\_\_ of freshly baked bread filled the kitchen.

*n.* a distinctive, usually pleasant smell, often of a specific food, plant, or object

83. My father's death \_\_\_\_\_ my life completely.

*v.* to change in outward structure or looks;

84. The computer screen displayed nothing but a \_\_\_\_\_ white screen

*adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information

85. Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen

ANSWERS: 78. tragic, 79. muted, 80. chrysalis, 81. surround, 82. aroma, 83. transformed, 84. blank, 85. fantasy

86. He has shown signs of uneasiness and \_\_\_\_\_ worry.

*adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

87. \_\_\_\_\_ scrolling on social media can be a time waster.

*adj.* lacking in awareness, thought, or attention; done without thinking or consideration; pointless or empty-headed

88. 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

89. Some studies suggest that people's \_\_\_\_\_ can be influenced by their experiences and biases.

*n.* the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why

90. The castle was \_\_\_\_\_ several years later.

*v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

91. He was in a \_\_\_\_\_ mood and sang a happy tune.

*adj.* happy and lively

92. They watched the train \_\_\_\_\_ into the distance.

*v.* to cease to exist or be visible

93. Please \_\_\_\_\_ your new theory.

*v.* to make something bigger or larger; to become bigger or larger

ANSWERS: 86. overwhelming, 87. Mindless, 88. contract, 89. intuitions, 90. abandoned, 91. jolly, 92. disappear, 93. enlarge

94. The product was found to be \_\_\_\_\_ as it failed to meet the customer's expectations.

*adj.* having no value or usefulness; not worth considering

95. We should start a discussion from scratch with no \_\_\_\_\_ ideas.

*adj.* (of an idea or opinion) formed beforehand, especially without evidence for its truth or usefulness

96. The hotel's staff is very \_\_\_\_\_ and efficient.

*adj.* enjoyable, attractive, friendly, or agreeable

97. It is said that our \_\_\_\_\_ is written in the stars.

*n.* the events that will inevitably happen to a particular person or thing in the future

98. In terms of \_\_\_\_\_ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

*n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

99. The prime minister faced \_\_\_\_\_ criticism.

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

100. The \_\_\_\_\_ cleared away, and the star-filled sky appeared.

*n.* a thick cloud consisting of tiny water droplets or ice crystals suspended in the air at or near the Earth's surface; a weather condition in which visibility is reduced because of a cloud of water

101. The \_\_\_\_\_ approach to education emphasizes hands-on learning and student-centered classrooms.

*adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one

ANSWERS: 94. worthless, 95. preconceived, 96. pleasant, 97. destiny, 98. intelligence, 99. harsh, 100. fog, 101. progressive

102. I tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the efficiency of the investment.

*v.* to make a mathematical calculation

103. I need to make a \_\_\_\_\_ of this document before I send it out.

*n.* a duplicate of a document or image made by a process involving the use of light and photosensitive material; a copy made by a photocopier

104. I found an old \_\_\_\_\_ of my grandparents from their wedding day.

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

105. Dolphins use sound to \_\_\_\_\_ with each other.

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

106. Please \_\_\_\_\_ to the instruction manual for further assistance.

*v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

107. The phenomenon is \_\_\_\_\_ at optical wavelengths.

*adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see

108. \_\_\_\_\_ a society is an organism.

*adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

109. The findings of the experiment were both \_\_\_\_\_ and unexpected.

*adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement

ANSWERS: 102. compute, 103. photocopy, 104. photograph, 105. communicate, 106. refer, 107. invisible, 108. Essentially, 109. exciting



110. The oppressive regime tried to \_\_\_\_\_ free speech and dissent.

- v.* to suppress or restrain something, particularly a feeling, emotion, or action; to suffocate or prevent proper breathing or ventilation

111. The failure destroyed his trust and personal \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station

112. The use of \_\_\_\_\_ is strictly prohibited under international law.

- n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason

113. The employee \_\_\_\_\_ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

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

114. My father has a serious and \_\_\_\_\_ personality.

- adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others

115. The medieval \_\_\_\_\_ was surrounded by a moat and had high walls for protection.

- n.* a large building, typically of the medieval period, fortified against attack with thick walls, battlements, towers, and often a moat

116. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the beach was warm and golden.

- n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action

117. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the assembly line work made the days feel very long.

- n.* a situation in which something unchanging and boring

ANSWERS: 110. stifle, 111. dignity, 112. torture, 113. deserved, 114. compassionate, 115. castle, 116. sand, 117. monotony

118. His professional experience includes all \_\_\_\_\_ of media production.  
*n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
119. Hydrogen and oxygen \_\_\_\_\_ to form water.  
*v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
120. She \_\_\_\_\_ all the warnings and proceeded with her dangerous plan.  
*v.* to pay no attention to or to ignore someone or something
121. She savored the \_\_\_\_\_ happiness she felt during the vacation.  
*adj.* brief or temporary, lasting only a short time
122. Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for \_\_\_\_\_ of authority.  
*n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
123. The majority of students actively \_\_\_\_\_ in the college's intramural sports program.  
*v.* to take part in something
124. The treatments were done but, \_\_\_\_\_ were unsuccessful.  
*adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
125. Life is a vast \_\_\_\_\_ you should put as much paint on it as possible.  
*n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
126. A \_\_\_\_\_ private sector is crucial for economic growth.  
*adj.* full of energy, life, and enthusiasm

ANSWERS: 118. aspects, 119. combine, 120. disregarded, 121. fleeting, 122. abuse, 123. participated, 124. unfortunately, 125. canvas;, 126. vibrant

127. The real estate agent showed me a \_\_\_\_\_ apartment perfect for my needs.  
*adj.* not occupied or in use; empty; showing no indication of thought or life, lacking expression or animation
128. He was \_\_\_\_\_ to learn more about the subject and attended every lecture.  
*adj.* having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest
129. Australia is widely \_\_\_\_\_ as having low levels of corruption.  
*v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
130. Her concept is highly \_\_\_\_\_ and helpful.  
*adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
131. The \_\_\_\_\_ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.  
*n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
132. My memory will \_\_\_\_\_ but my heart will live on.  
*v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
133. The public is \_\_\_\_\_ that the prime minister has committed fraud.  
*adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
134. The tree cast a \_\_\_\_\_ over the picnic area, providing relief from the sun.  
*n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner

ANSWERS: 127. vacant, 128. keen, 129. perceived, 130. practical, 131. argument, 132. fade, 133. convinced, 134. shadow

135. \_\_\_\_\_ dropping wears away the stone.

*adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time

136. He lost the election by \_\_\_\_\_ votes.

*adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

137. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

138. He found \_\_\_\_\_ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

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

139. The snake's muscles began to \_\_\_\_\_ around its prey.

*v.* to make something narrow or tight, often restricting movement or flow; to become narrow or tighter

140. The animal rights group worked to \_\_\_\_\_ the dolphins back into the wild.

*v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement

141. He acted as a \_\_\_\_\_ until a new president was elected.

*n.* a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away

142. Economic factors and monetary policy \_\_\_\_\_ inflation.

*v.* to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it

ANSWERS: 135. Constant, 136. mere, 137. brain, 138. comfort, 139. constrict, 140. release, 141. caretaker, 142. augmented

143. He is a man admired for the depth of his \_\_\_\_\_.

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

144. She \_\_\_\_\_ the loss of her parents.

- v.* to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died

145. The \_\_\_\_\_ chaos of the concert crowd made it seem like a wild animal was in the room.

- adj.* complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice

146. Some \_\_\_\_\_ are common across cultures and backgrounds.

- n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

147. Low sexual \_\_\_\_\_ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

- n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

148. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using \_\_\_\_\_ medicines.

- n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice

ANSWERS: 143. perception, 144. grieved, 145. utter, 146. emotions, 147. desire, 148. alternative