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Session 1: Word List

statistics

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

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

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

incident

n. an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens

synonym: event, occurrence, accident

(1) traffic **incident**, (2) security **incident**

The **incident** at the airport caused a delay in my flight.

colleague

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

belong

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

synonym: fit, be appropriate, be suitable

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

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

humanitarian

adj. something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare

synonym: philanthropic, compassionate, caring

(1) **humanitarian** crisis, (2) a truly **humanitarian** act

The organization is dedicated to providing **humanitarian** aid to disaster-stricken areas worldwide.

aid

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

synonym: helper, resource, assistance

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

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

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.

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.

nurse

n. a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

synonym : healthcare worker, caregiver, medic

(1) **nurse** practitioner, (2) a volunteer **nurse**

The night shift **nurse** checked my vital signs before administering the medication.

shelter

n. a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger

synonym : refuge, hideout, lair

(1) rainproof **shelter**, (2) anti-air raid **shelter**

They need food and **shelter**.

paralegal

n. a person who is trained to perform legal work but is not a qualified lawyer; someone who assists lawyers in their work and helps with legal research and documents

synonym : legal assistant, legal secretary, lawyer's assistant

(1) **paralegal** assistant, (2) **paralegal** services

The law firm hired a team of **paralegals** to assist with the large volume of documents in the case.

interpreter

n. a person who translates spoken or written language from one language to another

synonym : translator, interpreter, mediator

(1) **interpreter** for the hard of hearing, (2) sign language **interpreter**

She worked as an **interpreter** at the United Nations.

murder

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

synonym : slaying, killing

(1) **murder** in the second degree, (2) attempted **murder**

This intriguing **murder** mystery remains unsolved.

largely

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

synonym : mainly, chiefly, broadly

(1) **largely** accepted, (2) **largely** mitigate the issue

Nevada is **largely** a desert state.

haunting

adj. lingering in the mind or memory, often in a disturbing or unsettling way; (noun) something difficult to forget or shake off

synonym : lingering, disturbing, unsettling

(1) **haunting** memory, (2) a **haunting** sense of fear

The song's **haunting** melody stayed with me long after I heard it.

assist

v. to help someone in doing anything

synonym : help, support, aid

(1) **assist** a patient, (2) **assist** his goal

Please **assist** her with the furniture relocation.

headline

n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

synonym : title, caption

(1) **headline** article, (2) banner **headline**

The engagement of the two golf players became **headline** news.

abduct

v. to take someone away illegally to an undisclosed location by force, usually to extract a ransom

synonym : kidnap, seize, snatch

(1) **abduct** a girl, (2) **abduct** at gunpoint

The passerby witnessed the moment the boy was **abducted**.

execute

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

synonym : direct, conduct, enforce

(1) **execute** a bold strategy, (2) **execute** a double play
The mafioso who collaborated with the police was **executed**.

motto

n. a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

synonym: slogan, catchphrase, phrase

(1) the **motto** for safe traffic, (2) company **motto**

The company's **motto** is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.

indifferent

adj. having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral

synonym: apathetic, disinterested, unmoved

(1) an **indifferent** glance, (2) emotionally **indifferent**

Despite the good news, she remained **indifferent** to the situation.

dedicate

v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

synonym: consecrate, devote, commit

(1) **dedicate** a few hours, (2) **dedicate** a chapter to the subject

He **dedicated** his life to helping others.

commissioner

n. an official member of a government department or another organization who is responsible for controlling something or performing specific duties

synonym: administrator, agent, official

(1) elect police **commissioners**, (2) **commissioner** of patent office

He became an audit **commissioner** because of his years of experience as an accountant.

injury

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

synonym: wound, damage, hurt

(1) without **injury**, (2) a fatal **injury**

My accidental **injury** got better right away.

decoy

v. to lure or lead someone to follow a particular path or take a particular action, often with the intent of catching or trapping them; (noun) an object, person, or animal used to lure or lead someone or something into a trap or a dangerous situation

synonym: lure, bait, entice

(1) **decoy** ducks, (2) **decoy** cameras

The spy used a **decoy** bag to make it appear she was carrying sensitive information.

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.

drag

v. to pull or haul with force

synonym: haul, pull, draw

(1) **drag** a chair over, (2) **drag** a team down

He **dragged** the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.

handcuff

n. a pair of metal restraints that are designed to lock around a person's wrists and prevent them from moving their hands freely; (verb) to restrain or restrict the movement of a person by applying handcuffs, typically as part of an arrest or other security-related process

synonym: shackle, bind, restraint

(1) **handcuff** his wrists, (2) break free from **handcuffs**

The police officer put **handcuffs** on the suspect before placing them in the squad car.

blindfold

n. a covering for the eyes used to block out light, particularly one used as a means of sensory deprivation or as a form of punishment or revenge; (verb) to cover someone's eyes with a blindfold or similar material, often

as a way of preventing them from seeing something or to make a game or activity more challenging

(1) **blindfold** game, (2) **blindfold** challenge

The doctor administered a **blindfold** test to evaluate the patient's sense of touch.

kneel

v. to rest on someone's knee or knees

synonym: genuflect, crouch, bend

(1) **kneel** down and worship, (2) **kneel** in protest

The players are **kneeling** during the national anthem.

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.

pray

v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

synonym: implore, supplicate, entreat

(1) **pray** devoutly, (2) **pray** for rain

She closed her eyes and **prayed** for strength to overcome difficult times.

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**.

automatic

adj. able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control

synonym: mechanical, robotic, intuitive

(1) **automatic** operation, (2) the **automatic** shrinking of the pupils

In passenger aircraft, it is common to use an **automatic** pilot during cruising.

rewind

v. to make something, such as a film or tape, go back to the beginning

synonym : wind back, back up, reverse

(1) **rewind** a film, (2) manually **rewind** the tape

Please **rewind** the thread onto the reel.

mask

v. to conceal something; (noun) a covering that you wear over your face to hide it

synonym : disguise, camouflage, conceal

(1) **mask** body odor, (2) an oxygen **mask**

The politician tried to **mask** the corruption.

kidnapping

n. the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive

synonym : abduction, snatch, kidnap

(1) **kidnapping** attempt, (2) mass **kidnapping**

She received a year's imprisonment for aggravated **kidnapping**.

process

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

synonym : procedure, method, system

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

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

humanize

v. to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans

synonym : civilize, personalize

(1) **humanize** my pet, (2) **humanize** a room

The charity event aims to **humanize** the homeless rather than treat them as mere statistics.

commodity

n. a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold

synonym: merchandise, goods, entity

(1) **commodity** tax, (2) international **commodity**

The government announced a policy to control the rise in **commodity** prices.

normally

adv. usually; under normal conditions

synonym: commonly, generally, naturally

(1) complete **normally**, (2) not **normally** drink much

I don't **normally** take a vacation in the middle of summer.

captivity

n. the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from

synonym: confinement, detention, imprisonment

(1) escape from **captivity**, (2) animals in **captivity** in the zoo

Pandas rarely breed in **captivity**.

underground

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

synonym: subterranean, subsurface, confidential

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

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

precious

adj. uncommon and extremely valuable

synonym: adored, cherished, valued

(1) price of **precious** metals, (2) **precious** information

We cannot afford to squander **precious** time.

chain

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

synonym: series, string, link

(1) **chain** reaction, (2) supply **chain**

The **chain** on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

cable

n. a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

synonym : wire, cord, rope

(1) **cable** television, (2) coaxial **cable**

This system uses submarine **cables** to exchange information between continents.

toilet

n. a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture

synonym : bathroom, lavatory, washroom

(1) **toilet** paper, (2) **toilet** seat

She walked to the **toilet** to freshen up before the meeting.

bucket

n. an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids

synonym : pail, tub, can

(1) **bucket** list, (2) **bucket** of golf balls

She filled a **bucket** with water and carried it back to the house.

mock

v. to make fun of someone, usually by imitating them in a witty but harsh way

synonym : gibe (or jibe), make fun of, laugh at

(1) **mock** his accent, (2) **mock** at his misfortune

It is impolite to **mock** fun of an international student's English mistakes.

execution

n. the act or process of carrying out a plan, order, or course of action; the act or process of carrying out the death penalty

synonym : carrying out, implementation, completion

(1) compulsory **execution**, (2) **execution** by injection

The **execution** of the plan was flawless, resulting in a

record-breaking profit for the company.

pastime

n. an activity that is enjoyable and done for leisure or entertainment purposes, such as a hobby or game

synonym: hobby, diversion, leisure activity

(1) a familiar **pastime**, (2) national **pastime**

I enjoy gardening as a **pastime** during my free time.

sadistic

adj. deriving pleasure from inflicting pain, suffering, or humiliation on others; cruel and brutal in a way that causes others to suffer

synonym: cruel, brutal, inhumane

(1) **sadistic** pleasure, (2) **sadistic** behavior

The **sadistic** character in the movie enjoyed inflicting pain on others for pleasure.

bore

v. to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources

synonym: bear, tire, weary

(1) **bore** diameter, (2) **bore** him with his stories

The lecture on quantum physics **bored** me to tears.

nervous

adj. worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves

synonym: neural, anxious, uneasy

(1) development of the **nervous** system, (2) get **nervous**

He suffers from **nervous** breakdowns.

isolation

n. the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups

synonym: aloneness, seclusion, separateness

(1) **isolation** booth, (2) the country's **isolation**

That incident led to his **isolation**.

depth

n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

synonym : deepness, profoundness, extent

(1) **depth** camera, (2) the **depth** of the water

The pond's **depth** was around five feet.

sanity

n. the state of being mentally sound, healthy, and rational

synonym : mental health, rationality, soundness

(1) **sanity** check, (2) have a **sanity** hearing

Her job's long hours and high pressure started affecting her **sanity**.

mad

adj. insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

synonym : crazy, insane, furious

(1) a **mad** person, (2) gets **mad** easily

He was **mad** with joy to see the results.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym : fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

torment

n. unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering

synonym : pain, suffering, agony

(1) **torment** of jealousy, (2) economic **torment**

The torturers inflicted great **torment** upon the prisoners.

spot

n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

synonym : dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

memorize

v. to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly

synonym: learn, remember, remind

(1) **memorize** musical scores, (2) try hard to **memorize** the lines

Lawyers need to **memorize** even the most minor provisions of the law.

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**.

resist

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

synonym: fight, defy, revolt

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

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

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.

internal

adj. of or relating to the inside of something

synonym: interior, inner, domestic

(1) **internal** organs, (2) the **internal** economy

The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve **internal** disputes.

debate

n. a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

synonym: argument, discussion, dispute

(1) **debate** topic, (2) **debate** competition

The **debate** over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

arbitrate

v. to act as a mediator or judge between conflicting parties, often to settle a dispute; to decide or determine something impartially or authoritatively

synonym : mediate, judge, umpire

(1) **arbitrate** a disagreement, (2) **arbitrate** a contract

The mediator will **arbitrate** our dispute and help us reach a fair agreement.

aggressive

adj. behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly

synonym : assertive, combative, threatening

(1) an **aggressive** war, (2) an **aggressive** tumor

An **aggressive** tide wrecked the ship.

beg

v. to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something

synonym : plead, implore, entreat

(1) **beg** the question, (2) **beg** for help

She **begged** her parents to let her go to the concert.

mood

n. the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind

synonym : mindset, disposition, temper

(1) the **mood** in a room, (2) in an ugly **mood**

His gaffe spoiled the **mood** of the dinner party.

insult

n. a remark or action that causes offense or disrespect; (verb) to treat, mention, or speak to rudely

synonym : affront, slight, offense

(1) an intentional **insult**, (2) **insult** each other

His **insult** toward her was unacceptable and resulted in his being fired.

ancestor

n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
synonym: forebear, forefather, progenitor

(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**

My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.

consequence

n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

synonym: result, impact, outcome

(1) unintended **consequences**, (2) the **consequence** of an argument

These economic activities had disastrous environmental **consequences**.

moderate

adj. being within reasonable limits; not excessive or extreme
synonym: average, middle-of-the-road, tempered

(1) **moderate** growth, (2) **moderate** risk

He had a **moderate** understanding of the topic but needed further research.

submission

n. the act of giving a document, proposal, etc., to somebody for consideration or judgment; the act of giving in or yielding to a superior force or authority

synonym: obedience, yielding, compliance

(1) **submission** agreement, (2) **submission** of a final report

The **submission** deadline for the project is next week.

transfer

v. to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another

synonym: move, relocate, shift

(1) **transfer** a file, (2) **transfer** power

She **transferred** the money from her savings account to her checking account.

trunk

n. the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow

synonym: body, chest, torso

(1) the **trunk** of the tree, (2) the **trunk** of the body
Destructive fungi thrive in moist environments, such as those seen in wounds on the **trunk**.

interrogate

v. to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner

synonym: question, examine, probe

(1) **interrogate** an enemy soldier, (2) **interrogated** by police
The lawyer spent considerable time to adequately **interrogate** the witness.

routine

n. a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program

synonym: habit, custom, procedure

(1) **routine** business, (2) a built-in diagnostic **routine**
She studies gardening on a **routine** basis.

yell

v. to shout in a sudden and loud way

synonym: shout, scream, cry

(1) **yell** for help, (2) **yell** as loud as we can

When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and **yelled** at me.

scream

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

synonym: cry, shout, yell

(1) **scream** a profanity, (2) **scream** at him to be quiet
She kept **screaming** for an ambulance.

spare

adj. additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone

synonym: extra, excess, (verb) afford

(1) **spare** parts, (2) **spare** cost

I made plans to spend my **spare** time beneficially.

duration

n. the length of time something lasts or continues

synonym : period, span, course

(1) the **duration** of insurance, (2) short **duration**

The military incarcerated him for the **duration** of the war.

tap

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

synonym : knock, exploit, use

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

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

confusion

n. the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty

synonym : disorder, disarray, chaos

(1) administrative **confusion**, (2) in great **confusion**

The sudden policy change has caused **confusion** among employees.

furious

adj. extremely angry; full of rage

synonym : angry, rageful, livid

(1) **furious** anger, (2) a **furious** sea

The coach was **furious** with the players for their lack of effort during the game.

leak

v. to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container

synonym : outflow, divulge, disclose

(1) **leak** data, (2) **leak** a classified memo

He **leaked** serious accounting irregularities that only people in the company's executive could know.

medicinal

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

synonym : curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to

help with various ailments.

clinic

n. a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition

synonym : hospital, infirmary

(1) visit to the veterinary **clinic**, (2) a dental **clinic**

She holds a **clinic** on Tuesday mornings.

brutal

adj. harsh or cruel

synonym : harsh, cruel, barbarous

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

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

displace

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

synonym : evict, exile, remove

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

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

blade

n. the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting

synonym : knife, sword, cutter

(1) a **blade** of grass, (2) the **blade** of a turbine

The **blade** of the katana itself is still in excellent condition.

belly

n. the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft

synonym : stomach, abdomen, gut

(1) the **belly** of the ship, (2) with an empty **belly**

She had a tattoo just above her **belly** button.

reconcile

v. to find a way of dealing with two or more ideas, needs, etc. that are opposed to each other to agree and coexist

synonym : harmonize, moderate, conciliate

(1) **reconcile** these differences, (2) **reconcile** a dispute
Sometimes it is challenging to **reconcile** science and religion.

fortune

n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

synonym : wealth, affluence, assets

(1) ill **fortune**, (2) bit of good **fortune**

Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal **fortune**.

shyness

n. the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people

synonym : bashfulness, timidity, modesty

(1) lose some of my **shyness**, (2) **shyness** barrier

He finally overcame his **shyness**.

sacrifice

n. the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

synonym : forfeit, immolation, gift

(1) small **sacrifice** for a great cause, (2) **sacrifice** anything to get ahead

You cannot accomplish great things without a **sacrifice** of your time or money.

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym : guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym: comparative, proximate, congeneric

(1) a remote **relative**, (2) **relative** factors

Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close **relatives**.

superior

adj. better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others

synonym: better, greater, exceptional

(1) **superior** performance, (2) provide **superior** customer service

The new smartphone model is **superior** to the previous version in terms of speed and features.

brigade

n. a military unit typically consisting of several battalions, usually commanded by a brigadier general; a group of people organized for a particular purpose or activity

synonym: squad, group, unit

(1) **brigade** commander, (2) rescue **brigade**

The culinary **brigade** prepared a delicious meal for the guests at the banquet.

superhero

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

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

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

substitute

n. a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one

synonym: alternate, replacement, reserve

(1) **substitute** coffee, (2) **substitute** teacher

I **substitute** skim milk for regular milk because we are on a strict diet.

individual

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

synonym : person, being, self

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

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

tsunami

n. a huge ocean wave caused by an earthquake, volcano, or other disturbance

synonym : tidal wave, seismic sea wave

(1) **tsunami** warning, (2) **tsunami** relief

The earthquake- **tsunami** caused widespread destruction along the coast.

earthquake

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

synonym : seismic activity, tremor, temblor

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

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

typhoon

n. a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean

synonym : cyclone, hurricane, storm

(1) super **typhoon**, (2) **typhoon** season

Many families were forced to evacuate their homes due to the **typhoon's** severity.

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.

survivor

n. a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died

synonym : subsister

(1) ovarian cancer **survivor**, (2) a single **survivor**

The shipwreck **survivor** was rescued after floating in the ocean for three days.

refugee

n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

synonym : emigrant, evacuee, exile

(1) global **refugee** crisis, (2) the **refugee** camp

The community warmly welcomed the **refugees**.

conflict

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

synonym : clash, discord, competition

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

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

stateless

adj. having no nationality or citizenship; not being affiliated with any particular state or government

synonym : without citizenship, homeless

(1) become **stateless**, (2) **stateless** person

The **stateless** refugees were not allowed to enter the country.

confront

v. to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person

synonym : engage, encounter, contend

(1) **confront** a global warming, (2) **confront** the issue

He finally decided to **confront** problems directly.

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.

suffer

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

synonym : endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades

The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

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.

pity

n. a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain

synonym : sympathy, compassion, mercy

(1) allow self- **pity**, (2) **pity** speech

It is a **pity** that the concert had to be canceled due to the storm.

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.

prime

adj. main or most important; basic

synonym : excellent, exceptional, premium

(1) **prime** number, (2) deputy **prime** minister

After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the **prime** suspect.

irresponsible

adj. not showing a proper sense of responsibility; not reliable

synonym: careless, reckless, thoughtless

(1) **irresponsible** actions, (2) **irresponsible** behavior

It was **irresponsible** of him to drive home after drinking so much alcohol.

responsible

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

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

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

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

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym: idea, notion, vision

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

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

parameter

n. a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data

synonym: factor, variable, characteristic

(1) **parameter** estimation, (2) **parameter** tuning

The temperature range was one of the critical **parameters** we had to consider when designing the experiment.

wit

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

synonym: humor, comedy, funniness

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

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

witness

n. a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident

synonym : onlooker, attestant, bystander

(1) **witness** of the car accident, (2) a material **witness**

The manufacturing industry is **witnessing** fierce competition.

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.

environment

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

synonym : atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

increasingly

adv. more and more

synonym : more and more, progressively

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

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

threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

synonym : endanger, terrorize, intimidate

(1) **threaten** a healthy relationship, (2) **threaten** national security

Various artificially induced causes are **threatening** our ecosystem.

sanctity

n. the quality of being sacred, holy, or blessed; the state of being pure, untainted, or inviolable; the ultimate importance or reverence attributed to something

synonym : holiness, sacredness, purity

(1) **sanctity** of life, (2) violate the **sanctity**

The **sanctity** of human life is a fundamental principle of many religions.

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.

millennium

n. a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

(1) past **millennium**, (2) **millennium** bottle of wine

Our world is in the third **millennium**.

triple

adj. consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many

synonym : threefold

(1) a **triple** mirror, (2) **triple** digits

His coach is a **triple** Olympic champion.

collateral

n. something of value pledged as security against a loan or debt; something that is related or complementary to something else, often as a secondary consequence

synonym : guarantee, security, pledge

(1) **collateral** damage, (2) **collateral** agreement

The loan was secured with **collateral**, requiring the borrower to put up their house as a guarantee.

damage

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

synonym : harm, impair, injure

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

During the surgery, the doctor had to be extremely cautious

not to **damage** a blood vessel.

automatically

adv. without needing a direct human control

synonym : mechanically, unconsciously, spontaneously

(1) record driving **automatically**, (2) **automatically** adjusted

Our subscription plan is **automatically** renewed.

criminal

n. a person who has committed a crime

synonym : offender, lawbreaker, delinquent

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

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

fertilize

v. to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well

synonym : pollinate, inseminate, enrich

(1) **fertilize** the soil, (2) **fertilize** the female egg

The couple decided to use the non-husband sperm to **fertilize** a wife.

hybrid

adj. composed of different elements or mixed characters

synonym : blended, mixed, combined

(1) new **hybrid** system, (2) an interspecific **hybrid**

The mule is a **hybrid** between a male donkey and a female horse.

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.

principle

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

synonym : rule, creed, code

(1) **principle** of treatment, (2) **principle** in business

Efficiency isn't an essential **principle** here; fairness is.

ignore

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

synonym : neglect, disregard, shun

(1) **ignore** her advice, (2) **ignore** a ban

Since independence, the area has been completely **ignored**.

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.

whatsoever

adv. not at all; no matter what

synonym : in any way, at all, in any respect

(1) **whatsoever** it be, (2) without impact **whatsoever**

He refused to do anything **whatsoever** to help her.

associate

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

synonym : tie in, link, consociate

(1) **associate** alcohol with gambling, (2) **associate** with people widely

The majority of consumers **associate** this brand with quality.

unacceptably

adv. in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory

synonym : improperly, unsatisfactorily, inadequately

(1) **unacceptably** high prices, (2) **unacceptably** poor

The restaurant's service was **unacceptably** slow.

inexcusable

adj. impossible to excuse or justify; reprehensible or unforgivable

synonym :

unforgivable, unjustifiable, indefensible

(1) **inexcusable** delay, (2) **inexcusable** excuse

His behavior at the meeting was **inexcusable** and will not be tolerated.

punishment

n. a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing

synonym: penalty, discipline, retribution

(1) **punishment** for a crime, (2) humiliating **punishment**

The judge gave severe **punishment** to the criminal who committed the heinous crime.

impunity

n. exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal accountability

synonym: immunity, exemption

(1) act with **impunity**, (2) enjoy **impunity**

The criminal was able to escape with **impunity**, despite committing multiple offenses.

destroy

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

synonym: demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

behead

v. to cut off the head of a person or animal

synonym: decapitate, execute, chop off

(1) **behead** a prisoner, (2) **behead** several hostages

The king ordered the executioner to **behead** the traitor.

traumatic

adj. relating to or caused by injury, especially emotional injury

synonym: distressing

(1) **traumatic** event, (2) **traumatic** brain injury

The experience was so **traumatic** that it left a lasting impact on the survivor's mental health.

divorce

n. the legal dissolution of a marriage

synonym: separation, dissolution, breakup

(1) **divorce** settlement, (2) a consensual **divorce**

The couple decided to get a **divorce** after many years of marriage.

spouse

n. a person's husband, wife, or partner in marriage

synonym: partner, mate, wife

(1) **spouse** tax deduction, (2) **spouse** visa

The **spouse** of the politician was a constant presence at campaign events.

monument

n. a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event

synonym: memorial, marker, statue

(1) humanity's **monument**, (2) **monument** honoring

The stone **monument** was built to commemorate the war heroes.

inscription

n. a message or design that is written or engraved on a surface of something, such as stone or metal

synonym: engraving, writing, script

(1) **inscription** on a plaque, (2) funerary **inscriptions**

The ancient coin had an **inscription** in Latin and a picture of the emperor on the other side.

dedication

n. a lot of time and energy that someone puts in for an activity or purpose because they believe it is important

synonym: devotion, faithfulness, loyalty

(1) **dedication** to public service, (2) **dedication** ceremony

We are very impressed with your strong **dedication** to quality.

ordeal

n. a painful, difficult, or dangerous experience or trial; a severe test of endurance or patience

synonym: trial, hardship, torment

(1) **ordeal** by fire, (2) emotional **ordeal**

The car accident was a traumatic **ordeal** for everyone involved.

quitter

n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

synonym: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. the de__h of the water | <i>n.</i> the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it |
| 2. pr_____le of treatment | <i>n.</i> a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works |
| 3. a material wi_____s | <i>n.</i> a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident |
| 4. ill fo_____e | <i>n.</i> a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs |
| 5. small sa_____ce for a great cause | <i>n.</i> the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important |
| 6. col_____al agreement | <i>n.</i> something of value pledged as security against a loan or debt; something that is related or complementary to something else, often as a secondary consequence |
| 7. super ty_____n | <i>n.</i> a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean |
| 8. br___l bully | <i>adj.</i> harsh or cruel |

ANSWERS: 1. depth, 2. principle, 3. witness, 4. fortune, 5. sacrifice, 6. collateral, 7. typhoon, 8. brutal

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| 9. the con_____ce of an argument | <i>n.</i> the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual |
| 10. de_____y the ecosystem | <i>v.</i> to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely |
| 11. vi____m compensation | <i>n.</i> a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event |
| 12. easy qu_____r | <i>n.</i> a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started |
| 13. de_____te a chapter to the subject | <i>v.</i> to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use |
| 14. ha_____ff his wrists | <i>n.</i> a pair of metal restraints that are designed to lock around a person's wrists and prevent them from moving their hands freely; (verb) to restrain or restrict the movement of a person by applying handcuffs, typically as part of an arrest or other security-related process |
| 15. basic br__n function | <i>n.</i> the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling |
| 16. a volunteer nu__e | <i>n.</i> a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury |

ANSWERS: 9. consequence, 10. destroy, 11. victim, 12. quitter, 13. dedicate, 14. handcuff, 15. brain, 16. nurse

17. emotional or___l *n.* a painful, difficult, or dangerous experience or trial; a severe test of endurance or patience
18. international co_____ty *n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
19. ts_____i warning *n.* a huge ocean wave caused by an earthquake, volcano, or other disturbance
20. a dental cl____c *n.* a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition
21. kid_____ng attempt *n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
22. su_____ro movies *n.* a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public
23. serial qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
24. st_____ss person *adj.* having no nationality or citizenship; not being affiliated with any particular state or government
25. sp__e parts *adj.* additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone
26. ex_____e a double play *v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.

ANSWERS: 17. ordeal, 18. commodity, 19. tsunami, 20. clinic, 21. kidnapping, 22. superhero, 23. quitter, 24. stateless, 25. spare, 26. execute

27. tr___e digits *adj.* consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many
28. decision-making pr____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
29. ts_____i relief *n.* a huge ocean wave caused by an earthquake, volcano, or other disturbance
30. sa_____ic behavior *adj.* deriving pleasure from inflicting pain, suffering, or humiliation on others; cruel and brutal in a way that causes others to suffer
31. sa_____ce anything to get ahead *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
32. in_____al organs *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
33. get ne_____s *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
34. an_____or language *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
35. as_____te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

ANSWERS: 27. triple, 28. process, 29. tsunami, 30. sadistic, 31. sacrifice, 32. internal, 33. nervous, 34. ancestor, 35. associate

36. manually re___d the tape *v.* to make something, such as a film or tape, go back to the beginning
37. vi___m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
38. elect police com_____ners *n.* an official member of a government department or another organization who is responsible for controlling something or performing specific duties
39. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
40. give si___t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
41. banner he_____ne *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
42. record driving aut_____lly *adv.* without needing a direct human control
43. a gr_____l process *adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
44. da___e assessment *v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity

ANSWERS: 36. rewind, 37. victim, 38. commissioner, 39. debate, 40. silent, 41. headline, 42. automatically, 43. gradual, 44. damage

45. au_____ic operation *adj.* able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
46. m__k body odor *v.* to conceal something; (noun) a covering that you wear over your face to hide it
47. a s__t on his honor *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
48. p__y for rain *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
49. lose some of my sh_____s *n.* the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people
50. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
51. hu_____ze my pet *v.* to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans
52. me_____ze musical scores *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
53. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
54. as_____te alcohol with gambling *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

ANSWERS: 45. automatic, 46. mask, 47. spot, 48. pray, 49. shyness, 50. communicate, 51. humanize, 52. memorize, 53. statistics, 54. associate

55. kn__l in protest *v.* to rest on someone's knee or knees
56. aut_____lly adjusted *adv.* without needing a direct human control
57. the bl__e of a turbine *n.* the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting
58. mil_____um bottle of wine *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
59. pa_____al services *n.* a person who is trained to perform legal work but is not a qualified lawyer; someone who assists lawyers in their work and helps with legal research and documents
60. fu_____s anger *adj.* extremely angry; full of rage
61. the in_____al economy *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
62. a co_____nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
63. ove_____ing majority *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
64. in great co_____on *n.* the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty
65. su____r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
66. bl_____ld game *n.* a covering for the eyes used to block out light, particularly one used as a means of sensory deprivation or as a form of punishment or revenge; (verb) to cover someone's eyes with a blindfold or similar material, often as a way of preventing them from seeing something or to make a game or activity more challenging

ANSWERS: 55. kneel, 56. automatically, 57. blade, 58. millennium, 59. paralegal, 60. furious, 61. internal, 62. constant, 63. overwhelming, 64. confusion, 65. suffer, 66. blindfold

67. sign language int_____er *n.* a person who translates spoken or written language from one language to another
68. past mil_____um *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
69. become st_____ss *adj.* having no nationality or citizenship; not being affiliated with any particular state or government
70. ty_____n season *n.* a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean
71. pa_____al assistant *n.* a person who is trained to perform legal work but is not a qualified lawyer; someone who assists lawyers in their work and helps with legal research and documents
72. a fu_____s sea *adj.* extremely angry; full of rage
73. visit to the veterinary cl____c *n.* a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition
74. the tr__k of the tree *n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
75. f__e in importance *v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
76. bit of good fo_____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
77. sh_____s barrier *n.* the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people

ANSWERS: 67. interpreter, 68. millennium, 69. stateless, 70. typhoon, 71. paralegal, 72. furious, 73. clinic, 74. trunk, 75. fade, 76. fortune, 77. shyness

78. br___l honesty *adj.* harsh or cruel
79. with an empty be__y *n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
80. a stone wall su_____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
81. bl_____ld challenge *n.* a covering for the eyes used to block out light, particularly one used as a means of sensory deprivation or as a form of punishment or revenge; (verb) to cover someone's eyes with a blindfold or similar material, often as a way of preventing them from seeing something or to make a game or activity more challenging
82. tr_____er a file *v.* to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another
83. pr_____us information *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
84. de__y cameras *v.* to lure or lead someone to follow a particular path or take a particular action, often with the intent of catching or trapping them; (noun) an object, person, or animal used to lure or lead someone or something into a trap or a dangerous situation
85. ig___e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
86. la_____y mitigate the issue *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree

ANSWERS: 78. brutal, 79. belly, 80. surround, 81. blindfold, 82. transfer, 83. precious, 84. decoy, 85. ignore, 86. largely

87. sp___e visa *n.* a person's husband, wife, or partner in marriage
88. security in_____nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
89. as___e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
90. fe_____ze the soil *v.* to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well
91. development of the ne_____s system *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
92. financial a_d *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
93. re___t being kissed *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
94. ab_____n the practice *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
95. su___r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
96. sub_____on of a final report *n.* the act of giving a document, proposal, etc., to somebody for consideration or judgment; the act of giving in or yielding to a superior force or authority

ANSWERS: 87. spouse, 88. incident, 89. assume, 90. fertilize, 91. nervous, 92. aid, 93. resist, 94. abandon, 95. suffer, 96. submission

108. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
109. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
110. he_____ne article *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
111. have a sa___y hearing *n.* the state of being mentally sound, healthy, and rational
112. ine_____le delay *adj.* impossible to excuse or justify; reprehensible or unforgivable
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115. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
116. una_____bly high prices *adv.* in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory
117. wi_____s of the car accident *n.* a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
118. po_____ss position *adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change

ANSWERS: 108. environment, 109. assume, 110. headline, 111. sanity, 112. inexcusable, 113. individual, 114. beg, 115. debate, 116. unacceptably, 117. witness, 118. powerless

119. su_____ro comics *n.* a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public
120. mo_____nt honoring *n.* a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event
121. be____g to different species *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
122. ex_____e a bold strategy *v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.
123. national pa_____e *n.* an activity that is enjoyable and done for leisure or entertainment purposes, such as a hobby or game
124. ar_____te a contract *v.* to act as a mediator or judge between conflicting parties, often to settle a dispute; to decide or determine something impartially or authoritatively
125. p__y speech *n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
126. violate the sa_____ty *n.* the quality of being sacred, holy, or blessed; the state of being pure, untainted, or inviolable; the ultimate importance or reverence attributed to something
127. break free from ha_____fs *n.* a pair of metal restraints that are designed to lock around a person's wrists and prevent them from moving their hands freely; (verb) to restrain or restrict the movement of a person by applying handcuffs, typically as part of an arrest or other security-related process

ANSWERS: 119. superhero, 120. monument, 121. belong, 122. execute, 123. pastime, 124. arbitrate, 125. pity, 126. sanctity, 127. handcuff

128. d__g a team down *v.* to pull or haul with force
129. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
130. pa_____er tuning *n.* a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data
131. rescue br_____e *n.* a military unit typically consisting of several battalions, usually commanded by a brigadier general; a group of people organized for a particular purpose or activity
132. is_____on booth *n.* the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups
133. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
134. be___g to a group *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
135. a m_d person *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
136. ded_____on to public service *n.* a lot of time and energy that someone puts in for an activity or purpose because they believe it is important
137. re___e a dying dog *v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
138. th_____en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

ANSWERS: 128. drag, 129. colleague, 130. parameter, 131. brigade, 132. isolation, 133. consequence, 134. belong, 135. mad, 136. dedication, 137. rescue, 138. threaten

139. in___t each other *n.* a remark or action that causes offense or disrespect; (verb) to treat, mention, or speak to rudely
140. int_____er for the hard of hearing *n.* a person who translates spoken or written language from one language to another
141. nu___e practitioner *n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury
142. a built-in diagnostic ro_____e *n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program
143. the re_____e camp *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
144. hum_____ian crisis *adj.* something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare
145. int_____te an enemy soldier *v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
146. ins_____on on a plaque *n.* a message or design that is written or engraved on a surface of something, such as stone or metal
147. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

ANSWERS: 139. insult, 140. interpreter, 141. nurse, 142. routine, 143. refugee, 144. humanitarian, 145. interrogate, 146. inscription, 147. responsible

148. an ind_____nt glance *adj.* having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral
149. di_____ce the explosive power *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
150. water flowing und_____nd *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
151. de__y ducks *v.* to lure or lead someone to follow a particular path or take a particular action, often with the intent of catching or trapping them; (noun) an object, person, or animal used to lure or lead someone or something into a trap or a dangerous situation
152. the w_t of man *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
153. br_____e commander *n.* a military unit typically consisting of several battalions, usually commanded by a brigadier general; a group of people organized for a particular purpose or activity
154. ro_____e business *n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program
155. to_____t of jealousy *n.* unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering

ANSWERS: 148. indifferent, 149. displace, 150. underground, 151. decoy, 152. wit, 153. brigade, 154. routine, 155. torment

156. th____en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
157. administrative co_____on *n.* the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty
158. y__l for help *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
159. de__h camera *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
160. pun_____nt for a crime *n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
161. compulsory ex_____on *n.* the act or process of carrying out a plan, order, or course of action; the act or process of carrying out the death penalty
162. sc___m at him to be quiet *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
163. face inc_____gly complicated challenges *adv.* more and more
164. inc_____gly become common *adv.* more and more
165. company mo__o *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
166. traditional me_____al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
167. be___d several hostages *v.* to cut off the head of a person or animal

ANSWERS: 156. threaten, 157. confusion, 158. yell, 159. depth, 160. punishment, 161. execution, 162. scream, 163. increasingly, 164. increasingly, 165. motto, 166. medicinal, 167. behead

168. pr__e number	<i>adj.</i> main or most important; basic
169. the mo__o for safe traffic	<i>n.</i> a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
170. su____or performance	<i>adj.</i> better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others
171. sa___y check	<i>n.</i> the state of being mentally sound, healthy, and rational
172. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist	<i>v.</i> to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
173. the co_____ct between good and evil	<i>n.</i> a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
174. earliest human an____or	<i>n.</i> a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
175. re___e a company from bankruptcy	<i>v.</i> to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
176. short du____on	<i>n.</i> the length of time something lasts or continues
177. animals in ca_____ty in the zoo	<i>n.</i> the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from
178. mass kid_____ng	<i>n.</i> the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
179. pr_____s improvement	<i>n.</i> a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 168. prime, 169. motto, 170. superior, 171. sanity, 172. communicate, 173. conflict, 174. ancestor, 175. rescue, 176. duration, 177. captivity, 178. kidnapping, 179. process

180. gets m_d easily *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
181. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
182. m__k at his misfortune *v.* to make fun of someone, usually by imitating them in a witty but harsh way
183. the country's is_____on *n.* the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups
184. the tr__k of the body *n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
185. as___t his goal *v.* to help someone in doing anything
186. re_____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
187. re_____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
188. kn__l down and worship *v.* to rest on someone's knee or knees
189. ig___e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
190. la_____y accepted *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
191. pa_____er estimation *n.* a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data
192. pr_____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
193. di_____ce workers *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

ANSWERS: 180. mad, 181. environment, 182. mock, 183. isolation, 184. trunk, 185. assist, 186. release, 187. release, 188. kneel, 189. ignore, 190. largely, 191. parameter, 192. principle, 193. displace

204. the au_____ic shrinking of the pupils
adj. able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
205. emotionally ind_____nt
adj. having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral
206. mo_____te risk
adj. being within reasonable limits; not excessive or extreme
207. country-by-country a_d programs
n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
208. ex_____on by injection
n. the act or process of carrying out a plan, order, or course of action; the act or process of carrying out the death penalty
209. official sta_____cs
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
210. sp__e cost
adj. additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone
211. be___d a prisoner
v. to cut off the head of a person or animal
212. try hard to me_____ze the lines
v. to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
213. an agg_____ve war
adj. behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly
214. su_____nd a town
v. to be all around something or somebody

ANSWERS: 204. automatic, 205. indifferent, 206. moderate, 207. aid, 208. execution, 209. statistics, 210. spare, 211. behead, 212. memorize, 213. aggressive, 214. surround

215. tr_____ic event *adj.* relating to or caused by injury, especially emotional injury
216. without in____y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
217. humanity's mo_____nt *n.* a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event
218. an ove_____ing victory *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
219. de_____te a few hours *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
220. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
221. t_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
222. complete no_____ly *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
223. bu____t list *n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids
224. und_____nd activist *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
225. y__l as loud as we can *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way

ANSWERS: 215. traumatic, 216. injury, 217. monument, 218. overwhelming, 219. dedicate, 220. individual, 221. tap, 222. normally, 223. bucket, 224. underground, 225. yell

226. re___t temptation *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
227. bu___t of golf balls *n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids
228. to___t seat *n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
229. re_____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
230. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
231. ab_____n a friend *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
232. co_____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
233. the du_____on of insurance *n.* the length of time something lasts or continues
234. deputy pr___e minister *adj.* main or most important; basic
235. an agg_____ve tumor *adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly
236. sub_____te coffee *n.* a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one

ANSWERS: 226. resist, 227. bucket, 228. toilet, 229. relative, 230. responsible, 231. abandon, 232. concept, 233. duration, 234. prime, 235. aggressive, 236. substitute

237. an intentional in___t *n.* a remark or action that causes offense or disrespect; (verb) to treat, mention, or speak to rudely
238. as___t a patient *v.* to help someone in doing anything
239. act with im____ty *n.* exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal accountability
240. ine____le excuse *adj.* impossible to excuse or justify; reprehensible or unforgivable
241. di____e settlement *n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage
242. co____ty tax *n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
243. re____le a dispute *v.* to find a way of dealing with two or more ideas, needs, etc. that are opposed to each other to agree and coexist
244. not no____ly drink much *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
245. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
246. b__e diameter *v.* to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources

ANSWERS: 237. insult, 238. assist, 239. impunity, 240. inexcusable, 241. divorce, 242. commodity, 243. reconcile, 244. normally, 245. communal, 246. bore

247. a fatal in___y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
248. ar_____te a disagreement *v.* to act as a mediator or judge between conflicting parties, often to settle a dispute; to decide or determine something impartially or authoritatively
249. ab___t a girl *v.* to take someone away illegally to an undisclosed location by force, usually to extract a ransom
250. full of w_t *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
251. p__y devoutly *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
252. irr_____ble behavior *adj.* not showing a proper sense of responsibility; not reliable
253. de_____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
254. rainproof sh_____r *n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
255. b_g the question *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
256. sa_____ty of life *n.* the quality of being sacred, holy, or blessed; the state of being pure, untainted, or inviolable; the ultimate importance or reverence attributed to something

ANSWERS: 247. injury, 248. arbitrate, 249. abduct, 250. wit, 251. pray, 252. irresponsible, 253. destroy, 254. shelter, 255. beg, 256. sanctity

257. a tr___e mirror *adj.* consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many
258. d__g a chair over *v.* to pull or haul with force
259. a familiar pa_____e *n.* an activity that is enjoyable and done for leisure or entertainment purposes, such as a hobby or game
260. co_____nt the issue *v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
261. una_____bly poor *adv.* in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory
262. sub_____te teacher *n.* a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one
263. wanted cr_____al *n.* a person who has committed a crime
264. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
265. irr_____ble actions *adj.* not showing a proper sense of responsibility; not reliable
266. an ear_____ke-proof *n.* a sudden and violent shaking of the ground caused by the movement of rock beneath the earth's surface
267. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
268. ab___t at gunpoint *v.* to take someone away illegally to an undisclosed location by force, usually to extract a ransom
269. beauty s__t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

ANSWERS: 257. triple, 258. drag, 259. pastime, 260. confront, 261. unacceptably, 262. substitute, 263. criminal, 264. imaginary, 265. irresponsible, 266. earthquake, 267. norm, 268. abduct, 269. spot

270. col_____al damage *n.* something of value pledged as security against a loan or debt; something that is related or complementary to something else, often as a secondary consequence
271. anti-air raid sh_____r *n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
272. economic to_____t *n.* unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering
273. int_____ted by police *v.* to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
274. re_____le these differences *v.* to find a way of dealing with two or more ideas, needs, etc. that are opposed to each other to agree and coexist
275. allow self-p__y *n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
276. ovarian cancer su_____or *n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
277. attempted mu____r *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally

ANSWERS: 270. collateral, 271. shelter, 272. torment, 273. interrogate, 274. reconcile, 275. pity, 276. survivor, 277. murder

278. a remote re____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
279. co____nt a global warming *v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
280. tr____er power *v.* to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another
281. po____ss in the organization *adj.* lacking power, strength, or authority; unable to act or affect change
282. ha____ng memory *adj.* lingering in the mind or memory, often in a disturbing or unsettling way; (noun) something difficult to forget or shake off
283. da____e a relationship *v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity
284. ch__n reaction *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
285. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
286. global re____e crisis *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

ANSWERS: 278. relative, 279. confront, 280. transfer, 281. powerless, 282. haunting, 283. damage, 284. chain, 285. brain, 286. refugee

287. re___d a film *v.* to make something, such as a film or tape, go back to the beginning
288. m__k his accent *v.* to make fun of someone, usually by imitating them in a witty but harsh way
289. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
290. the m__d in a room *n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind
291. the be__y of the ship *n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
292. learn new co_____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
293. traffic in_____nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
294. sub_____on agreement *n.* the act of giving a document, proposal, etc., to somebody for consideration or judgment; the act of giving in or yielding to a superior force or authority
295. humiliating pun_____nt *n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
296. wha_____er it be *adv.* not at all; no matter what
297. ded_____on ceremony *n.* a lot of time and energy that someone puts in for an activity or purpose because they believe it is important

ANSWERS: 287. rewind, 288. mock, 289. colleague, 290. mood, 291. belly, 292. concept, 293. incident, 294. submission, 295. punishment, 296. whatsoever, 297. dedication

298. a ha____ng sense of fear *adj.* lingering in the mind or memory, often in a disturbing or unsettling way; (noun) something difficult to forget or shake off
299. ca__e television *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
300. or____l by fire *n.* a painful, difficult, or dangerous experience or trial; a severe test of endurance or patience
301. fe_____ze the female egg *v.* to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well
302. enjoy im_____ty *n.* exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal accountability
303. f__e away almost completely *v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
304. mu____r in the second degree *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
305. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
306. l__k a classified memo *v.* to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container
307. coaxial ca__e *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

ANSWERS: 298. haunting, 299. cable, 300. ordeal, 301. fertilize, 302. impunity, 303. fade, 304. murder, 305. communal, 306. leak, 307. cable

308. tr_____ic brain injury *adj.* relating to or caused by injury, especially emotional injury
309. the longstanding co_____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
310. a bl__e of grass *n.* the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting
311. price of pr_____us metals *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
312. new hy____d system *adj.* composed of different elements or mixed characters
313. a single su_____or *n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
314. supply ch__n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
315. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
316. sp___e tax deduction *n.* a person's husband, wife, or partner in marriage
317. sa_____ic pleasure *adj.* deriving pleasure from inflicting pain, suffering, or humiliation on others; cruel and brutal in a way that causes others to suffer
318. a co_____nt temperature *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
319. a truly hum_____ian act *adj.* something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare

ANSWERS: 308. traumatic, 309. conflict, 310. blade, 311. precious, 312. hybrid, 313. survivor, 314. chain, 315. imaginary, 316. spouse, 317. sadistic, 318. constant, 319. humanitarian

320. words of co_____t

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

321. a gr_____l change

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

322. cr_____al investigation

n. a person who has committed a crime

ANSWERS: 320. comfort, 321. gradual, 322. criminal

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. All the books in this section _____ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.
 - v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

2. I _____ skim milk for regular milk because we are on a strict diet.
 - n. a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one

3. The players are _____ during the national anthem.
 - v. to rest on someone's knee or knees

4. The passerby witnessed the moment the boy was _____.
 - v. to take someone away illegally to an undisclosed location by force, usually to extract a ransom

5. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
 - adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

6. The _____ of human life is a fundamental principle of many religions.
 - n. the quality of being sacred, holy, or blessed; the state of being pure, untainted, or inviolable; the ultimate importance or reverence attributed to something

7. It was _____ of him to drive home after drinking so much alcohol.
 - adj. not showing a proper sense of responsibility; not reliable

8. Sometimes it is challenging to _____ science and religion.
 - v. to find a way of dealing with two or more ideas, needs, etc. that are opposed to each other to agree and coexist

ANSWERS: 1. belong, 2. substitute, 3. kneeling, 4. abducted, 5. Communal, 6. sanctity, 7. irresponsible, 8. reconcile

9. The law firm hired a team of _____ to assist with the large volume of documents in the case.
- n.* a person who is trained to perform legal work but is not a qualified lawyer; someone who assists lawyers in their work and helps with legal research and documents
10. The mule is a _____ between a male donkey and a female horse.
- adj.* composed of different elements or mixed characters
11. His behavior at the meeting was _____ and will not be tolerated.
- adj.* impossible to excuse or justify; reprehensible or unforgivable
12. The ancient coin had an _____ in Latin and a picture of the emperor on the other side.
- n.* a message or design that is written or engraved on a surface of something, such as stone or metal
13. The politician tried to _____ the corruption.
- v.* to conceal something; (noun) a covering that you wear over your face to hide it
14. He was _____ with joy to see the results.
- adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
15. The lecture on quantum physics _____ me to tears.
- v.* to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources
16. His gaffe spoiled the _____ of the dinner party.
- n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind

ANSWERS: 9. paralegals, 10. hybrid, 11. inexcusable, 12. inscription, 13. mask, 14. mad, 15. bored, 16. mood

17. The culinary _____ prepared a delicious meal for the guests at the banquet.
n. a military unit typically consisting of several battalions, usually commanded by a brigadier general; a group of people organized for a particular purpose or activity
18. I chose to _____ cancer by trying every possible treatment.
v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
19. He has the ____ to keep talking about this topic.
n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
20. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
21. She kept _____ for an ambulance.
v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
22. The police are searching for the _____ who stole the jewels.
n. a person who has committed a crime
23. The coach was _____ with the players for their lack of effort during the game.
adj. extremely angry; full of rage
24. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 17. brigade, 18. resist, 19. wit, 20. assumes, 21. screaming, 22. criminal, 23. furious, 24. statistics

25. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
- n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
26. This system uses submarine _____ to exchange information between continents.
- n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
27. He has shown signs of uneasiness and _____ worry.
- adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
28. He finally decided to _____ problems directly.
- v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
29. The earthquake-_____ caused widespread destruction along the coast.
- n.* a huge ocean wave caused by an earthquake, volcano, or other disturbance
30. Superman is a classic _____ known for his superhuman strength and flying ability.
- n.* a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public
31. I made plans to spend my _____ time beneficially.
- adj.* additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone
32. She _____ the money from her savings account to her checking account.
- v.* to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another

ANSWERS: 25. environment, 26. cables, 27. overwhelming, 28. confront, 29. tsunami, 30. superhero, 31. spare, 32. transferred

33. The engagement of the two golf players became _____ news.
n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
34. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.
n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
35. _____ dropping wears away the stone.
adj. happening repeatedly or all the time
36. He found _____ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.
n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
37. 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
38. She _____ her parents to let her go to the concert.
v. to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
39. She walked to the _____ to freshen up before the meeting.
n. a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
40. The torturers inflicted great _____ upon the prisoners.
n. unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering

ANSWERS: 33. headline, 34. conflicts, 35. Constant, 36. comfort, 37. brain, 38. begged, 39. toilet, 40. torment

41. His coach is a _____ Olympic champion.

adj. consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many

42. Many families were forced to evacuate their homes due to the _____ severity.

n. a tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rain, typically occurring in the western Pacific Ocean

43. The doctor administered a _____ test to evaluate the patient's sense of touch.

n. a covering for the eyes used to block out light, particularly one used as a means of sensory deprivation or as a form of punishment or revenge; (verb) to cover someone's eyes with a blindfold or similar material, often as a way of preventing them from seeing something or to make a game or activity more challenging

44. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

45. He finally overcame his _____.

n. the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people

46. The experience was so _____ that it left a lasting impact on the survivor's mental health.

adj. relating to or caused by injury, especially emotional injury

47. He _____ the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.

v. to pull or haul with force

ANSWERS: 41. triple, 42. typhoon's, 43. blindfold, 44. destroyed, 45. shyness, 46. traumatic, 47. dragged

48. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.

adj. without any or little sound

49. The _____ of the plan was flawless, resulting in a record-breaking profit for the company.

n. the act or process of carrying out a plan, order, or course of action; the act or process of carrying out the death penalty

50. She studies gardening on a _____ basis.

n. a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program

51. Destructive fungi thrive in moist environments, such as those seen in wounds on the _____.

n. the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow

52. His _____ toward her was unacceptable and resulted in his being fired.

n. a remark or action that causes offense or disrespect; (verb) to treat, mention, or speak to rudely

53. Our subscription plan is _____ renewed.

adv. without needing a direct human control

54. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

55. It is a _____ that the concert had to be canceled due to the storm.

n. a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain

ANSWERS: 48. silent, 49. execution, 50. routine, 51. trunk, 52. insult, 53. automatically, 54. murder, 55. pity

56. The violent _____ caused widespread damage and injuries throughout the region.

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

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

adv. more and more

58. 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

59. Please _____ her with the furniture relocation.

v. to help someone in doing anything

60. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

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

61. He had a _____ understanding of the topic but needed further research.

adj. being within reasonable limits; not excessive or extreme

62. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

63. She filled a _____ with water and carried it back to the house.

n. an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids

ANSWERS: 56. earthquake, 57. increasingly, 58. rescue, 59. assist, 60. process, 61. moderate, 62. suffers, 63. bucket

64. He became an audit _____ because of his years of experience as an accountant.
- n.* an official member of a government department or another organization who is responsible for controlling something or performing specific duties
65. The mafioso who collaborated with the police was _____.
- v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.
66. The criminal was able to escape with _____ despite committing multiple offenses.
- n.* exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal accountability
67. That incident led to his _____.
- n.* the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups
68. The _____ of the politician was a constant presence at campaign events.
- n.* a person's husband, wife, or partner in marriage
69. He suffers from _____ breakdowns.
- adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
70. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
- n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
71. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.
- n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

ANSWERS: 64. commissioner, 65. executed, 66. impunity, 67. isolation, 68. spouse, 69. nervous, 70. individual, 71. consequences

72. The manufacturing industry is _____ fierce competition.
n. a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
73. She received a year's imprisonment for aggravated _____.
n. the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
74. The organization is dedicated to providing _____ aid to disaster-stricken areas worldwide.
adj. something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare
75. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.
v. to be all around something or somebody
76. The temperature range was one of the critical _____ we had to consider when designing the experiment.
n. a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data
77. Pandas rarely breed in _____.
n. the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from
78. She had a tattoo just above her _____ button.
n. the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
79. The couple decided to use the non-husband sperm to _____ a wife.
v. to cause an egg, female animal, or plant to develop by joining sperm from the male with them; to add a natural or chemical substance to land to make plants grow well

ANSWERS: 72. witnessing, 73. kidnapping, 74. humanitarian, 75. surround, 76. parameters, 77. captivity, 78. belly, 79. fertilize

80. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.
- n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
81. The stone _____ was built to commemorate the war heroes.
- n.* a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event
82. They need food and _____.
- n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
83. The _____ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.
- n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
84. The car accident was a traumatic _____ for everyone involved.
- n.* a painful, difficult, or dangerous experience or trial; a severe test of endurance or patience
85. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.
- n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
86. The _____ character in the movie enjoyed inflicting pain on others for pleasure.
- adj.* deriving pleasure from inflicting pain, suffering, or humiliation on others; cruel and brutal in a way that causes others to suffer

ANSWERS: 80. debate, 81. monument, 82. shelter, 83. chain, 84. ordeal, 85. principle, 86. sadistic

87. She holds a _____ on Tuesday mornings.

- n.* a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition

88. The company's _____ is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.

- n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

89. I don't _____ take a vacation in the middle of summer.

- adv.* usually; under normal conditions

90. It is impolite to _____ fun of an international student's English mistakes.

- v.* to make fun of someone, usually by imitating them in a witty but harsh way

91. The couple decided to get a _____ after many years of marriage.

- n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage

92. He _____ his life to helping others.

- v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

93. Despite the good news, she remained _____ to the situation.

- adj.* having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral

94. The king ordered the executioner to _____ the traitor.

- v.* to cut off the head of a person or animal

95. The judge gave severe _____ to the criminal who committed the heinous crime.

- n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing

ANSWERS: 87. clinic, 88. motto, 89. normally, 90. mock, 91. divorce, 92. dedicated, 93. indifferent, 94. behead, 95. punishment

96. The construction of the new dam will _____ hundreds of families living downstream.

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

97. The country experienced a _____ increase in population.

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

98. The song's _____ melody stayed with me long after I heard it.

adj. lingering in the mind or memory, often in a disturbing or unsettling way; (noun) something difficult to forget or shake off

99. The shipwreck _____ was rescued after floating in the ocean for three days.

n. a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died

100. The military incarcerated him for the _____ of the war.

n. the length of time something lasts or continues

101. Her job's long hours and high pressure started affecting her _____.

n. the state of being mentally sound, healthy, and rational

102. He was labeled as a _____ after he abandoned the project halfway.

n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

103. 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

ANSWERS: 96. displace, 97. gradual, 98. haunting, 99. survivor, 100. duration, 101. sanity, 102. quitter, 103. communicate

104. She closed her eyes and _____ for strength to overcome difficult times.
- v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
105. When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and _____ at me.
- v. to shout in a sudden and loud way
106. My remote _____ immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.
- n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
107. The charity event aims to _____ the homeless rather than treat them as mere statistics.
- v. to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans
108. The lawyer spent considerable time to adequately _____ the witness.
- v. to examine someone with questions over a lengthy period, especially in an aggressive manner
109. The loan was secured with _____ requiring the borrower to put up their house as a guarantee.
- n. something of value pledged as security against a loan or debt; something that is related or complementary to something else, often as a secondary consequence
110. She worked as an _____ at the United Nations.
- n. a person who translates spoken or written language from one language to another
111. You cannot accomplish great things without a _____ of your time or money.
- n. the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

ANSWERS: 104. prayed, 105. yelled, 106. ancestor, 107. humanize, 108. interrogate, 109. collateral, 110. interpreter, 111. sacrifice

112. Nevada is _____ a desert state.

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

113. The _____ refugees were not allowed to enter the country.

adj. having no nationality or citizenship; not being affiliated with any particular state or government

114. I enjoy gardening as a _____ during my free time.

n. an activity that is enjoyable and done for leisure or entertainment purposes, such as a hobby or game

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

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

116. 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

117. Since independence, the area has been completely _____.

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

118. The mediator will _____ our dispute and help us reach a fair agreement.

v. to act as a mediator or judge between conflicting parties, often to settle a dispute; to decide or determine something impartially or authoritatively

119. The _____ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

ANSWERS: 112. largely, 113. stateless, 114. pastime, 115. responsible, 116. victim, 117. ignored, 118. arbitrate, 119. medicinal

120. The sudden policy change has caused _____ among employees.

n. the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty

121. The restaurant's service was _____ slow.

adv. in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory

122. The majority of consumers _____ this brand with quality.

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

123. My memory will _____ but my heart will live on.

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

124. The government announced a policy to control the rise in _____ prices.

n. a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold

125. Little children tend to have _____ friends.

adj. existing only in someone's mind

126. We are very impressed with your strong _____ to quality.

n. a lot of time and energy that someone puts in for an activity or purpose because they believe it is important

127. The police officer put _____ on the suspect before placing them in the squad car.

n. a pair of metal restraints that are designed to lock around a person's wrists and prevent them from moving their hands freely; (verb) to restrain or restrict the movement of a person by applying handcuffs, typically as part of an arrest or other security-related process

ANSWERS: 120. confusion, 121. unacceptably, 122. associate, 123. fade, 124. commodity, 125. imaginary, 126. dedication, 127. handcuffs

128. The night shift _____ checked my vital signs before administering the medication.

n. a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured;
(verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

129. Pakistan's ____ budget was still being reviewed.

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

130. An _____ tide wrecked the ship.

adj. behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person;
tending to spread quickly

131. After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the _____ suspect.

adj. main or most important; basic

132. Our world is in the third _____.

n. a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

133. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

134. The _____ of the katana itself is still in excellent condition.

n. the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting

135. Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal _____.

n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

ANSWERS: 128. nurse, 129. aid, 130. aggressive, 131. prime, 132. millennium, 133. concept, 134. blade, 135. fortune

136. This remote _____ is rarely visited.

- n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

137. The community warmly welcomed the _____.

- n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

138. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.

- v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

139. To expand the company, we must _____ new human resources.

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

140. Please _____ the thread onto the reel.

- v.* to make something, such as a film or tape, go back to the beginning

141. He _____ serious accounting irregularities that only people in the company's executive could know.

- v.* to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container

142. The pond's _____ was around five feet.

- n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

143. He refused to do anything _____ to help her.

- adv.* not at all; no matter what

ANSWERS: 136. spot, 137. refugees, 138. threatening, 139. tap, 140. rewind, 141. leaked, 142. depth, 143. whatsoever

144. In passenger aircraft, it is common to use an _____ pilot during cruising.
adj. able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
145. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
146. 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
147. Having _____ parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.
adj. under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
148. The _____ attack left the victim with serious injuries.
adj. harsh or cruel
149. During the surgery, the doctor had to be extremely cautious not to _____ a blood vessel.
v. to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity
150. Lawyers need to _____ even the most minor provisions of the law.
v. to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
151. The new smartphone model is _____ to the previous version in terms of speed and features.
adj. better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others

ANSWERS: 144. automatic, 145. norms, 146. abandoned, 147. underground, 148. brutal, 149. damage, 150. memorize, 151. superior

152. We cannot afford to squander _____ time.

adj. uncommon and extremely valuable

153. The _____ at the airport caused a delay in my flight.

n. an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens

154. The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve _____ disputes.

adj. of or relating to the inside of something

155. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

156. My accidental _____ got better right away.

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

157. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

158. The _____ deadline for the project is next week.

n. the act of giving a document, proposal, etc., to somebody for consideration or judgment; the act of giving in or yielding to a superior force or authority

159. During the hurricane, we felt _____ against the winds and rain.

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

160. The spy used a _____ bag to make it appear she was carrying sensitive information.

v. to lure or lead someone to follow a particular path or take a particular action, often with the intent of catching or trapping them; (noun) an object, person, or animal used to lure or lead someone or something into a trap or a dangerous situation

ANSWERS: 152. precious, 153. incident, 154. internal, 155. colleague, 156. injury,

157. relatives, 158. submission, 159. powerless, 160. decoy

161. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

ANSWERS: 161. release