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Session 1: Word List

resume

v. to continue or begin anew after a pause or interruption

synonym: continue, reopen, restart

(1) **resume** an office, (2) **resume** a relationship

We **resumed** negotiations after a temporary break.

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**.

fantastic

adj. extremely good; excellent

synonym: incredible, unbelievable, marvelous

(1) a **fantastic** dress, (2) absolutely **fantastic** event

The new amusement park ride was **fantastic**, with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.

urge

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

synonym: push for, advise, (noun) impulse

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

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

slam

v. to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily

synonym: bang, crash, shut

(1) **slam** the door, (2) **slam** the book against a wall

She **slammed** the door shut, angry at the person on the other side.

monitor

v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time

synonym: proctor, check, observe

(1) **monitor** an exam, (2) **monitor** the data carefully

They used a special receiver to **monitor** police radio channels.

competitor

n. a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business

synonym: opponent, contender, contestant

(1) beat **competitor** offer, (2) domestic **competitor**

The gap between the company and its **competitors** has widened.

automated

adj. carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor

synonym: computerized, mechanical, laborsaving

(1) **automated** manual transmission, (2) **automated** way

The plant will continue operating through an **automated** system 24 hours a day.

sage

n. a very wise and experienced person; a small evergreen subshrub with flat and light green leaves that has a strong smell and are used as a culinary herb

synonym: philosopher, scholar, thinker

(1) a **sage** of long ago, (2) a **sage** counselor

He was famous for his **sage** advice to younger entrepreneurs.

intention

n. something you want to do and are going to do
synonym : purpose, connotation, will

(1) **intention** behind his decision, (2) clear **intention**
Our CEO's **intentions** are always transparent and straightforward.

screw

v. to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together
synonym : tighten, fix, secure

(1) **screw** the cap, (2) a female **screw**
He had to **screw** the loose knob back onto the cabinet door.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
synonym : boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel
The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

despair

n. the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
synonym : dismay, anguish, misery

(1) **despair** at the future, (2) untold **despair**
His friend's death drove him to **despair**.

inspiring

adj. stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
synonym : exhilarating, encouraging, heartening

(1) **inspiring** stories, (2) awe- **inspiring** sight
An **inspiring** teacher might spark students' motivation to succeed.

immersion

n. the act of putting someone or something into a liquid completely; the state of being completely involved in a subject or activity
synonym : submergence, involvement, engagement

(1) baptism by **immersion**, (2) **immersion** in acid
I felt like I was in a different world because of the **immersion** experience of virtual reality.

warn

v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
synonym: alert, caution, admonish

(1) **warn** a reckless driver, (2) **warned** me of the plan
I attempted to **warn** him, but he ignored me.

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.

magic

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
synonym: fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**
He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

suppose

v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
synonym: guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand
What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

lean

adj. having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
synonym: skinny, slender, (verb) slant

(1) a **lean** horse, (2) **lean** athletic figure
Lean operational improvements often lead to better environmental performance.

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.

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.

encourage

v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

synonym: facilitate, persuade, stimulate

(1) **encourage** a sense of affinity, (2) **encourage** antisocial behavior

They **encouraged** customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

legend

n. an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field

synonym: fable, fiction, myth

(1) basketball **legend**, (2) **legend** of King Arthur

Many of the **legends** of the famous general came about hundreds of years after his death.

discovery

n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously

not known

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

framework

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

synonym: structure, scheme, foundation

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

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

bakery

n. a place where bread and other baked goods are made and sold

synonym: bakeshop, bakehouse

(1) run a **bakery**, (2) **bakery** industry

He worked at the **bakery** as a baker.

embody

v. to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea

synonym: represent, exemplify, personify

(1) **embody** my goal, (2) **embody** a spirit of charity

The company's new products **embody** the values of innovation and sustainability.

lens

n. a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

synonym: glass

(1) a convex **lens**, (2) a **lens** with a wide angle

The photographer took this photo using a telephoto **lens**.

dorm

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

synonym : residence hall, hostel, boarding house

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

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

navigate

v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

synonym : guide, helm, voyage

(1) **navigate** the Pacific, (2) **navigate** through a document

Our knowledge helps **navigate** our clients successfully.

compass

n. a navigational instrument for finding directions with a needle that can move easily and that always points to the north; the limit or range of capability

synonym : guideline, borderline, ambit

(1) read a **compass**, (2) sailing without a **compass**

The results were beyond our **compass** of imagination.

strength

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

synonym : resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**

Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

recommend

v. to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role

synonym : advise, suggest, instruct

(1) **recommend** a hospitalization, (2) **recommend** reading

We **recommend** taking media training every six months.

naturally

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

synonym : by nature, inherently, intrinsically

(1) **naturally** arising, (2) **naturally** regenerated forest

He was **naturally** gifted.

hierarchy

n. a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest

synonym : ranking, order, scale

(1) top of the **hierarchy**, (2) **hierarchy** of folders

She has taken a step up in the organizational **hierarchy**.

decision

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

synonym : choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

achievement

n. a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability

synonym : accomplishment, attainment, triumph

(1) student **achievement**, (2) a remarkable **achievement**

This **achievement** has never been formally accepted.

assimilate

v. to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate

synonym : absorb, incorporate, integrate

(1) **assimilate** into society, (2) **assimilate** a language

The immigrant struggled to **assimilate** into the new culture.

journal

n. a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession

synonym : periodical, diary, bulletin

(1) scientific **journal**, (2) **journal** articles

The physician is reading the **journals** related to medicine

repository

n. a place where things are stored in large quantities and can be found

synonym : storehouse, depot, warehouse

(1) wine **repository**, (2) **repository** of useful knowledge

The ocean is a rich **repository** of natural resources.

define

v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

synonym: characterize, depict, express

(1) **define** a word, (2) **define** my position

To advance this discussion, we must **define** "success" rigorously.

script

n. a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand

synonym: writing, penmanship, article

(1) a hand **script**, (2) the **script** of a play

The archaeologist found a hieratic Egyptian **script** on a stone monument.

nowhere

adv. not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere

(1) **nowhere** else to go, (2) come out of **nowhere**

I've been thinking all day and getting **nowhere**.

peon

n. a person of low social status or low-wage worker, often doing menial or unskilled labor; historically, a person in Spanish America held in servitude to work on large estates or in mines

synonym: worker, laborer, serf

(1) entry-level **peon**, (2) **peon** labor

He started his career as a **peon** in the company and worked his way up to an executive position.

employee

n. a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

synonym: worker, staff, personnel

(1) **employee** benefits, (2) **employee** evaluation

The **employee** handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

identify

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

synonym: determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences
I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

congruent

adj. in agreement or harmony with something; having the same shape and size, often used in mathematics
synonym: matching, identical, corresponding

(1) **congruent** squares, (2) **congruent** in style
The algebraic equation had **congruent** sides, leading to a valid solution.

grab

v. to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
synonym: clutch, snatch, grasp

(1) **grab** an audience, (2) **grab** an opportunity
Shall we **grab** a bite to eat?

ahold

adv. to take hold of something, to grasp firmly
synonym: totally, completely, firmly

(1) grab **ahold** of the rope, (2) take **ahold** of the situation
I was able to get **ahold** of the concert tickets before they sold out.

pursue

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
synonym: seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms
She intends to **pursue** a political career.

movement

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

synonym: motion, progression, action

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

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

invention

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

synonym: creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym: insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme

The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

impossibility

n. the state or condition of being impossible; something that is not possible or cannot be done

synonym: impracticality, infeasibility, impossibleness

(1) **impossibility** theorem, (2) **impossibility** of performance

According to the laws of physics, an event happening before its cause is a logical **impossibility**.

milestone

n. an important event or stage in the development or progress of something; a stone by the side of a road to show distances

synonym: landmark, turning point, touchstone

(1) key **milestone**, (2) **milestone** event

Reaching the **milestone** of 1000 subscribers on her SNS channel was a major achievement for her.

accomplished

adj. having completed a task or achieved a goal successfully; skilled or proficient at something

synonym: achieved, finished, completed

(1) **accomplished** at a very early age, (2) **accomplished** goal

She felt **accomplished** after finishing her book.

marathon

n. a long-distance race of 42.195 kilometers

synonym: endurance, race, event

(1) run a **marathon**, (2) watch a **marathon**

She successfully completed her first **marathon** with a personal best time.

pound

n. the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

(1) three-fourths of a **pound**, (2) thousands of **pounds**

The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred **pounds**.

confidence

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

synonym: self-trust, certainty, belief

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

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

compound

n. an item composed of two or more distinct elements combined; a chemical formed by the combination of two or more elements

synonym: combination, mixture, blend

(1) aquatic **compound**, (2) harmful **compound**

Common salt is a sodium and chlorine **compound**.

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.

adventure

n. a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous

synonym: experience, happening, incident

(1) gastronomic **adventures**, (2) **adventure** film

He sailed the Atlantic Ocean multiple times during his

adventures.

precarious

adj. not securely held or in position; dangerously unstable or uncertain; dependent on chance or uncertain conditions

synonym: precariousness, instability, uncertainty

(1) **precarious** job, (2) **precarious** financial situation

She had a **precarious** hold on the ladder and was afraid to move.

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.

terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym: unnerve, scare, horrify

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

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

murky

adj. dark and gloomy or difficult to see through

synonym: dim, fuzzy, foggy

(1) **murky** waters, (2) a **murky** dungeon

Prospects for the suspect's conviction are **murky** due to a lack of helpful evidence.

swear

v. to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language

synonym: declare, assert, curse

(1) **swear** an oath, (2) **swear** a blue streak

I **swear** I didn't mean to break your vase.

unfounded

adj. not based on good evidence or reason; without foundation or justification

synonym: baseless, groundless, untrue

(1) **unfounded** allegations, (2) **unfounded** fears
The accusations were **unfounded** and lacked evidence.

ridiculous

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

synonym : absurd, fatuous, foolish

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

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

tugboat

n. a small, powerful boat used mainly for towing or pushing larger vessels, typically in ports or narrow waterways

synonym : towboat, pusher boat

(1) harbor **tugboat**, (2) powerful **tugboat**

The **tugboat** captain skillfully maneuvered the ship through the treacherous waters of the storm.

bay

n. a part of the coast that is partially enclosed by land; a compartment or section of a ship or building

synonym : inlet, cove, gulf

(1) **bay** area, (2) the mouth of a **bay**

She walked along the **bay** and collected shells.

stormy

adj. marked by strong winds, heavy rain, thunder, and lightning; characterized by tumultuous or rough emotions, particularly in a relationship or situation

synonym : tempestuous, turbulent, choppy

(1) **stormy** relationship, (2) **stormy** weather

The city council meeting was **stormy**, as people argued about a controversial new policy.

windy

adj. characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance

synonym : airy, gusty, breezy

(1) **windy** hillside, (2) **windy** eloquence

The weather is too **windy** for us to go on a boat ride.

wetsuit

n. a close-fitting garment that covers the torso, arms, and legs and is designed to keep the wearer warm and dry, especially when participating in water sports

synonym: diving suit, neoprene suit

(1) **wetsuit** material, (2) **wetsuit** rental

He wore a **wetsuit** for the entire duration of his triathlon, from start to finish.

buddy

n. a close friend; a partner, especially one of a pair or team

synonym: mate, peer, associate

(1) my golf **buddy**, (2) **buddy** movie

He was the first **buddy** in the military training camp.

sink

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

synonym: descend, drop, plummet

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

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

hop

v. to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

synonym: jump, bounce, skip

(1) **hop** on one foot, (2) **hop** from one place to another

The rabbit **hopped** over the fence.

kayak

n. a small, narrow boat traditionally used by the Inuit people for hunting and fishing, which has a covered deck and is propelled using a double-bladed paddle

synonym: canoe, skiff, paddle boat

(1) **kayak** adventure, (2) **kayak** paddle

We're planning a **kayak** trip down the river next weekend.

shark

n. a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

synonym: swindler, con artist, crook

(1) a man-eating **shark**, (2) card **shark**

He borrowed money from a loan **shark**.

dive

v. to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

synonym: dip, leap, plunge

(1) **dive** into anime communities, (2) **dive** off a cliff

The sperm whale can **dive** to 1,000 meters.

pep

n. energy, enthusiasm, or liveliness; (verb) to give someone energy, enthusiasm, or liveliness

synonym: energy, enthusiasm, liveliness

(1) **pep** me up, (2) have a lot of **peps**

The coach gave a **pep** talk to the team before the game to boost their spirits.

calm

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

synonym: quiet, peaceful, tranquility

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

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

aquatic

adj. growing or living in, on or near, or connected with water

synonym: marine, submarine, oceanic

(1) **aquatic** vehicles, (2) **aquatic** life

Aquatic ecosystems perform many essential environmental functions.

cheer

v. to give a loud shout to show support, praise, or approval

synonym: comfort, encourage, hearten

(1) **cheer** for the home team, (2) **cheer** me up
Supporters in the stands **cheered** at every goal.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
synonym: thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion
The news of her promotion **excited** her.

thaw

v. to become less rigid or hostile; to melt, soften, or become more friendly
synonym: melt, defrost, unfreeze

(1) **thaw** out a glacier, (2) **thaw** relations between countries
The sun was beginning to **thaw** the frozen ground.

flail

v. to wave or swing something wildly or uncontrollably; to thrash or beat something with a flail (= a type of farm tool used for threshing, which is the process of separating grains from their husks)
synonym: thrash, beat, whip

(1) **flail** in the strong winds, (2) **flail** at the air
The dancer's arms would **flail** gracefully as she moved to the music.

sip

v. to drink a liquid by taking small mouthfuls; (noun) a small drink
synonym: taste, sample, drink

(1) **sip** a drink, (2) take a **sip** of beer
He **sipped** his tea slowly, savoring the taste.

fatigue

n. a feeling of tiredness or weariness, especially as a result of physical or mental exertion; the reduction in the strength or efficiency of a material or structure due to repeated use or stress
synonym: exhaustion, weariness, tiredness

(1) **fatigue** breaking, (2) **fatigue** caused by overwork
The metal showed signs of **fatigue** after being subjected to repeated stress.

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.

limp

adj. having no strength or energy; walking with difficulty because of pain, injury, or disability in one's leg or foot

synonym : unsteady, weak, faltering

(1) **limp** handshake, (2) **limp** hair

The steak was so undercooked that it was almost raw and had a **limp** texture.

plop

n. a short and soft sound like that of a small object dropping into water without a splash; (verb) drop with the sound of something falling into water

synonym : drop, flop, plunk

(1) loud **plop**, (2) **plop** of water

The ball fell into the water with a **plop**.

wheelchair

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

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

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

fist

n. a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist

synonym : clenched hand, knuckles, mitt

(1) tight **fist**, (2) raise a **fist**

The boxer clenched his **fist** before throwing a punch.

insane

adj. extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill

synonym : crazy, mad, foolish

(1) go **insane** with pleasure, (2) an **insane** scheme

Her excessive demands drove me **insane**.

victory

n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

synonym: win, triumph, success

(1) **victory** in the law court, (2) **victory** over terrorism

We are optimistic about our final **victory**.

accomplishment

n. the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training

synonym: success, achievement, complete

(1) proud of his **accomplishments**, (2) the **accomplishment** of a social goal

Graduating from college was a major **accomplishment** for her.

increment

n. a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important

synonym: increase, expansion, addendum

(1) steady **incremental** growth, (2) small **increments**

The bid **increment** for this auction is \$100.

accomplish

v. to finish or achieve something successfully

synonym: achieve, complete, execute

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

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

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.

hack

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

synonym: cut, chop, crack

(1) **hack** through the jungle, (2) **hack** into the program
This blog offers a variety of tips for **hacking** everyday life.

Norman

adj. relating to or characteristic of the Normans, a people who originally came from Normandy, France, and who had a significant impact on the history and culture of Britain and other European countries; the term can also refer to a style of architecture or art that developed during the Norman period

synonym : medieval, antique, archaic

(1) **norman** cathedral, (2) **norman** invasion

The **Norman** architecture in the old city was a sight to behold.

bunch

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

synonym : group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls

One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

individually

adv. separately or apart from others

synonym : separately, one by one, independently

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

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

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**.

encouraging

adj. giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring

synonym : uplifting, inspiring, optimistic

(1) **encouraging** approval, (2) **encouraging** sign

The test results were **encouraging** and showed improvement.

complacency

n. a feeling of self-satisfaction or contentment, often resulting in a lack of motivation to improve or address problems

synonym: self-satisfaction, smugness, satisfaction

(1) dangerous **complacency**, (2) avoid **complacency**

The team's **complacency** led to their defeat, as they didn't put in the effort needed to win the game.

unbelievable

adj. beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising

synonym: unimaginable, incredible, fantastical

(1) **unbelievable** beauty, (2) cause **unbelievable** damage

He drinks an **unbelievable** amount of beer.

dime

n. an American or Canadian coin worth one-tenth of a dollar

(1) **dime** store, (2) behind a **dime**

He never received a **dime**, even from the company of a close friend.

genuine

adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

synonym: actual, honest, unpretending

(1) a **genuine** article, (2) show **genuine** regret

Is this painting **genuine** or forged?

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

hound

v. to persistently pursue, harass, or pressure someone or something, often in a negative or unwelcome way;

(noun) a type of dog, often bred for hunting that has a keen sense of smell and is known for its persistence and tenacity

synonym: chase, badger, annoy

(1) beagle **hound**, (2) **hound** him for payment

The paparazzi constantly **hound** celebrities for a photo or a story.

workout

n. a session of physical exercise or training

synonym: exercise, training, physical activity

(1) **workout** at the health club, (2) boxing **workout**

He does a different **workout** every day to keep things interesting.

basis

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

synonym: foundation, base, ground

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

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

folk

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

synonym: community, family, person

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

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

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

synonym: chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically increase.

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**.

ripple

n. a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind

synonym: wave, undulation, fluctuation

(1) a **ripple** of laughter, (2) **ripple** in the water

Many businesses felt the **ripple** effect of the economy's decline.

recession

n. a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases

synonym: downturn, slump, contraction

(1) **recession** period, (2) recover from a **recession**

The country is facing a **recession**, with high unemployment and low GDP.

accident

n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

synonym: calamity, casualty, chance

(1) cause an **accident**, (2) injury in a car **accident**

The **accident** partially destroyed my vehicle.

widespread

adj. existing or happening in various places or among many people

synonym: across-the-board, overall, general

(1) **widespread** use, (2) **widespread** fear of nuclear war

In medieval times, death punishment was **widespread** and socially accepted.

government

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

synonym: administration, regime, state

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

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

anomaly

n. something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand

synonym: abnormality, irregularity, deviation

(1) **anomaly** detection, (2) global temperature **anomaly**

The sudden drop in the stock market was an **anomaly** that puzzled many investors.

straight

adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

synonym: linear, honest, consecutive

(1) a **straight** line, (2) **straight** for two months

He was sick for five **straight** days.

claim

v. to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

synonym: assert, declare, maintain

(1) **claim** responsibility, (2) false **claim**

He wants to **claim** ownership of the abandoned property.

exchange

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

synonym: trade, swap, interchange

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

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

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.

cliche

n. a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement

synonym : truism, platitude, stereotype

(1) **cliche** plot, (2) age-old **cliche**

Using the same **cliche** phrase in every conversation can take time and effort.

knit

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

synonym : weave, crochet, knot

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

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

ordinary

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

synonym : mundane, prosaic, average

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

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

extraordinary

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

synonym : exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

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

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

recover

v. to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

synonym : come back, convalesce, heal

(1) **recover** a loss, (2) **recover** approval ratings

She is still **recovering** from a shot to her shoulder.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
synonym: completely, utterly, definitely

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

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

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**.

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.

intentional

adj. done, made or performed with purpose and intent

synonym: deliberate, intended, preplanned

(1) **intentional** destruction of evidence, (2) an **intentional** walk

The law distinguishes between accidental and **intentional** killing.

innovation

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

synonym: invention, initiation, creation

(1) **innovation** leader, (2) cutting-edge **innovation**

The vegetarian burger was an **innovation** that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

Session 2: Spelling

1. f__k art *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
2. read a co____s *n.* a navigational instrument for finding directions with a needle that can move easily and that always points to the north; the limit or range of capability
3. st___y relationship *adj.* marked by strong winds, heavy rain, thunder, and lightning; characterized by tumultuous or rough emotions, particularly in a relationship or situation
4. imp_____ity of performance *n.* the state or condition of being impossible; something that is not possible or cannot be done
5. raise a f__t *n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist
6. p_p me up *n.* energy, enthusiasm, or liveliness; (verb) to give someone energy, enthusiasm, or liveliness
7. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
8. sw__r a blue streak *v.* to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language
9. un_____ed fears *adj.* not based on good evidence or reason; without foundation or justification
10. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

ANSWERS: 1. folk, 2. compass, 3. stormy, 4. impossibility, 5. fist, 6. pep, 7. imaginary, 8. swear, 9. unfounded, 10. folk

11. we_____t rental *n.* a close-fitting garment that covers the torso, arms, and legs and is designed to keep the wearer warm and dry, especially when participating in water sports
12. a rid_____us amount of money *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
13. beat com_____or offer *n.* a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business
14. p__p of water *n.* a short and soft sound like that of a small object dropping into water without a splash; (verb) drop with the sound of something falling into water
15. ho__d him for payment *v.* to persistently pursue, harass, or pressure someone or something, often in a negative or unwelcome way; (noun) a type of dog, often bred for hunting that has a keen sense of smell and is known for its persistence and tenacity
16. a st_____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
17. em___y a spirit of charity *v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea
18. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
19. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

ANSWERS: 11. wetsuit, 12. ridiculous, 13. competitor, 14. plop, 15. hound, 16. straight, 17. embody, 18. norm, 19. responsible

20. wi__y hillside *adj.* characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance
21. a rid_____us suggestion *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
22. on an equal ba__s *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
23. powerful tu_____t *n.* a small, powerful boat used mainly for towing or pushing larger vessels, typically in ports or narrow waterways
24. a man-eating sh__k *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
25. go in___e with pleasure *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
26. int_____al destruction of evidence *adj.* done, made or performed with purpose and intent
27. wid_____ad use *adj.* existing or happening in various places or among many people
28. re_____r a loss *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
29. aquatic co_____nd *n.* an item composed of two or more distinct elements combined; a chemical formed by the combination of two or more elements

ANSWERS: 20. windy, 21. ridiculous, 22. basis, 23. tugboat, 24. shark, 25. insane, 26. intentional, 27. widespread, 28. recover, 29. compound

30. take a s_p of beer
v. to drink a liquid by taking small mouthfuls; (noun) a small drink
31. no__n cathedral
adj. relating to or characteristic of the Normans, a people who originally came from Normandy, France, and who had a significant impact on the history and culture of Britain and other European countries; the term can also refer to a style of architecture or art that developed during the Norman period
32. b_y area
n. a part of the coast that is partially enclosed by land; a compartment or section of a ship or building
33. wine rep_____ry
n. a place where things are stored in large quantities and can be found
34. an or_____ry school
adj. not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
35. the sc___t of a play
n. a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
36. em_____ee evaluation
n. a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
37. a ri___e of laughter
n. a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind
38. de___e a word
v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
39. a s__e of long ago
n. a very wise and experienced person; a small evergreen subshrub with flat and light green leaves that has a strong smell and are used as a culinary herb

ANSWERS: 30. sip, 31. Norman, 32. bay, 33. repository, 34. ordinary, 35. script, 36. employee, 37. ripple, 38. define, 39. sage

40. enc_____ng approval *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
41. ig___e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
42. c__m manner *adj.* not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves
43. a ge_____e article *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
44. answer questions ind_____lly *adv.* separately or apart from others
45. no___n invasion *adj.* relating to or characteristic of the Normans, a people who originally came from Normandy, France, and who had a significant impact on the history and culture of Britain and other European countries; the term can also refer to a style of architecture or art that developed during the Norman period
46. d___e into anime communities *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
47. muscular st_____th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
48. fa_____e caused by overwork *n.* a feeling of tiredness or weariness, especially as a result of physical or mental exertion; the reduction in the strength or efficiency of a material or structure due to repeated use or stress
49. mo_____r an exam *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time

ANSWERS: 40. encouraging, 41. ignore, 42. calm, 43. genuine, 44. individually, 45. Norman, 46. dive, 47. strength, 48. fatigue, 49. monitor

50. su____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
51. id____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
52. em____ee benefits *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
53. pu____e freedoms *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
54. avoid com____cy *n.* a feeling of self-satisfaction or contentment, often resulting in a lack of motivation to improve or address problems
55. easy qu____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
56. acc____sh a goal *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
57. baptism by im____on *n.* the act of putting someone or something into a liquid completely; the state of being completely involved in a subject or activity
58. hi____hy of folders *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
59. a l__s with a wide angle *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

ANSWERS: 50. suppose, 51. identify, 52. employee, 53. pursue, 54. complacency, 55. quitter, 56. accomplish, 57. immersion, 58. hierarchy, 59. lens

60. recover from a re_____on *n.* a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases
61. ka__k adventure *n.* a small, narrow boat traditionally used by the Inuit people for hunting and fishing, which has a covered deck and is propelled using a double-bladed paddle
62. g__b an audience *v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
63. acc_____hed at a very early age *adj.* having completed a task or achieved a goal successfully; skilled or proficient at something
64. con_____ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
65. aq_____c life *adj.* growing or living in, on or near, or connected with water
66. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
67. re_____nd reading *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
68. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
69. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 60. recession, 61. kayak, 62. grab, 63. accomplished, 64. confidence, 65. aquatic, 66. straight, 67. recommend, 68. communal, 69. discovery

70. ba__s for calculation *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
71. cause an ac____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
72. three-fourths of a po__d *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
73. in____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
74. p__n labor *n.* a person of low social status or low-wage worker, often doing menial or unskilled labor; historically, a person in Spanish America held in servitude to work on large estates or in mines
75. ri___e in the water *n.* a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind
76. in_____on behind his decision *n.* something you want to do and are going to do
77. na_____te through a document *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
78. no_____e else to go *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
79. top of the hi_____hy *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest

ANSWERS: 70. basis, 71. accident, 72. pound, 73. inspire, 74. peon, 75. ripple, 76. intention, 77. navigate, 78. nowhere, 79. hierarchy

80. na_____ly arising *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
81. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
82. acc_____sh military operations *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
83. false cl__m *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
84. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
85. cause unb_____ble damage *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
86. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
87. vi_____y in the law court *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
88. ka__k paddle *n.* a small, narrow boat traditionally used by the Inuit people for hunting and fishing, which has a covered deck and is propelled using a double-bladed paddle
89. re___e a relationship *v.* to continue or begin anew after a pause or interruption
90. fa_____e breaking *n.* a feeling of tiredness or weariness, especially as a result of physical or mental exertion; the reduction in the strength or efficiency of a material or structure due to repeated use or stress

ANSWERS: 80. naturally, 81. crazy, 82. accomplish, 83. claim, 84. absolutely, 85. unbelievable, 86. communal, 87. victory, 88. kayak, 89. resume, 90. fatigue

91. k__t my eyebrows *v.* to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine
92. ass_____te into society *v.* to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
93. take ah__d of the situation *adv.* to take hold of something, to grasp firmly
94. 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
95. 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
96. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
97. absolutely fa_____ic event *adj.* extremely good; excellent
98. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
99. acc_____hed goal *adj.* having completed a task or achieved a goal successfully; skilled or proficient at something
100. s_p a drink *v.* to drink a liquid by taking small mouthfuls; (noun) a small drink
101. ex_____ge a few friendly words *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

ANSWERS: 91. knit, 92. assimilate, 93. ahold, 94. spot, 95. spot, 96. decide, 97. fantastic, 98. imaginary, 99. accomplished, 100. sip, 101. exchange

102. pre_____us job *adj.* not securely held or in position; dangerously unstable or uncertain; dependent on chance or uncertain conditions
103. proud of his acc_____ents *n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
104. harmful co_____nd *n.* an item composed of two or more distinct elements combined; a chemical formed by the combination of two or more elements
105. mi_____ne event *n.* an important event or stage in the development or progress of something; a stone by the side of a road to show distances
106. a bu__h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
107. come out of no_____e *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
108. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
109. run a ma_____on *n.* a long-distance race of 42.195 kilometers
110. show ge_____e regret *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
111. ba____y industry *n.* a place where bread and other baked goods are made and sold
112. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

ANSWERS: 102. precarious, 103. accomplishment, 104. compound, 105. milestone, 106. bunch, 107. nowhere, 108. invention, 109. marathon, 110. genuine, 111. bakery, 112. responsible

113. electric-powered whe_____ir *n.* a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk
114. id_____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
115. mu__y waters *adj.* dark and gloomy or difficult to see through
116. mo_____r the data carefully *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
117. h__k into the program *v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
118. d__m room *n.* a residence hall or building that provides living quarters for students or other occupants, typically on a college or university campus
119. untold de_____r *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
120. vi_____y over terrorism *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
121. au_____ed manual transmission *adj.* carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor
122. tr_____er power *v.* to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another
123. ex_____ge rate *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

ANSWERS: 113. wheelchair, 114. identify, 115. murky, 116. monitor, 117. hack, 118.

dorm, 119. despair, 120. victory, 121. automated, 122. transfer, 123. exchange

134. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
135. entry-level p__n *n.* a person of low social status or low-wage worker, often doing menial or unskilled labor; historically, a person in Spanish America held in servitude to work on large estates or in mines
136. 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
137. g__b an opportunity *v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
138. re_____on period *n.* a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases
139. grab ah__d of the rope *adv.* to take hold of something, to grasp firmly
140. le____d of King Arthur *n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
141. ind_____lly designed product *adv.* separately or apart from others
142. na_____ly regenerated forest *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
143. l__n athletic figure *adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture

ANSWERS: 134. crazy, 135. peon, 136. fortune, 137. grab, 138. recession, 139. ahold, 140. legend, 141. individually, 142. naturally, 143. lean

144. en_____ge antisocial behavior *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
145. we_____t material *n.* a close-fitting garment that covers the torso, arms, and legs and is designed to keep the wearer warm and dry, especially when participating in water sports
146. behind a d__e *n.* an American or Canadian coin worth one-tenth of a dollar
147. bu__y movie *n.* a close friend; a partner, especially one of a pair or team
148. small in_____nts *n.* a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important
149. wid_____ad fear of nuclear war *adj.* existing or happening in various places or among many people
150. 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
151. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
152. na_____te the Pacific *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

ANSWERS: 144. encourage, 145. wetsuit, 146. dime, 147. buddy, 148. increment, 149. widespread, 150. belong, 151. possibility, 152. navigate

153. a convex l__s *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
154. d__g a team down *v.* to pull or haul with force
155. jo____l articles *n.* a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
156. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
157. fl__l in the strong winds *v.* to wave or swing something wildly or uncontrollably; to thrash or beat something with a flail (= a type of farm tool used for threshing, which is the process of separating grains from their husks)
158. em___y my goal *v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea
159. ig___e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
160. su____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
161. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
162. a remarkable ach_____nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability

ANSWERS: 153. lens, 154. drag, 155. journal, 156. define, 157. flail, 158. embody, 159. ignore, 160. surround, 161. excite, 162. achievement

163. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
164. wi__y eloquence *adj.* characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance
165. wo_____t at the health club *n.* a session of physical exercise or training
166. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
167. watch a ma_____on *n.* a long-distance race of 42.195 kilometers
168. fl__l at the air *v.* to wave or swing something wildly or uncontrollably; to thrash or beat something with a flail (= a type of farm tool used for threshing, which is the process of separating grains from their husks)
169. the acc_____ent of a social goal *n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
170. scientific jo_____l *n.* a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
171. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
172. de_____r at the future *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

ANSWERS: 163. norm, 164. windy, 165. workout, 166. possibility, 167. marathon, 168. flail, 169. accomplishment, 170. journal, 171. environment, 172. despair

173. im_____on in acid *n.* the act of putting someone or something into a liquid completely; the state of being completely involved in a subject or activity
174. sailing without a co_____s *n.* a navigational instrument for finding directions with a needle that can move easily and that always points to the north; the limit or range of capability
175. re_____nd a hospitalization *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
176. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
177. awe-in_____ng sight *adj.* stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
178. boxing wo_____t *n.* a session of physical exercise or training
179. re___e an office *v.* to continue or begin anew after a pause or interruption
180. rep_____ry of useful knowledge *n.* a place where things are stored in large quantities and can be found
181. h_p from one place to another *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
182. 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

ANSWERS: 173. immersion, 174. compass, 175. recommend, 176. innovation, 177. inspiring, 178. workout, 179. resume, 180. repository, 181. hop, 182. belong

183. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
184. tr____er a file *v.* to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another
185. a l__n horse *adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
186. the fr____rk of a house *n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
187. a circular mo____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
188. age-old cl____e *n.* a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement
189. ch__r me up *v.* to give a loud shout to show support, praise, or approval
190. sw__r an oath *v.* to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language
191. or____ry annual revenue *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

ANSWERS: 183. magic, 184. transfer, 185. lean, 186. framework, 187. movement, 188. cliché, 189. cheer, 190. swear, 191. ordinary

192. cl___e plot *n.* a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement
193. clear in_____on *n.* something you want to do and are going to do
194. s__m the door *v.* to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily
195. dangerous com_____cy *n.* a feeling of self-satisfaction or contentment, often resulting in a lack of motivation to improve or address problems
196. in_____ng stories *adj.* stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
197. an int_____al walk *adj.* done, made or performed with purpose and intent
198. an_____y detection *n.* something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand
199. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
200. a bu__h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
201. k__t a pair of socks *v.* to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine
202. s__k a buzzer-beater *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

ANSWERS: 192. cliché, 193. intention, 194. slam, 195. complacency, 196. inspiring, 197. intentional, 198. anomaly, 199. suppose, 200. bunch, 201. knit, 202. sink

203. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
204. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
205. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
206. gastronomic ad_____res *n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
207. au_____ed way *adj.* carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor
208. d__e store *n.* an American or Canadian coin worth one-tenth of a dollar
209. an in___e scheme *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
210. h__k through the jungle *v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
211. the mouth of a b_y *n.* a part of the coast that is partially enclosed by land; a compartment or section of a ship or building
212. tight f__t *n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist
213. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

ANSWERS: 203. government, 204. extraordinary, 205. inspire, 206. adventure, 207. automated, 208. dime, 209. insane, 210. hack, 211. bay, 212. fist, 213. decision

214. co_____nt squares *adj.* in agreement or harmony with something; having the same shape and size, often used in mathematics
215. w__ned me of the plan *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
216. steady in_____ntal growth *n.* a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important
217. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
218. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
219. imp_____ity theorem *n.* the state or condition of being impossible; something that is not possible or cannot be done
220. have a lot of p_ps *n.* energy, enthusiasm, or liveliness; (verb) to give someone energy, enthusiasm, or liveliness
221. ill fo_____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
222. s__k a lot of capital *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

ANSWERS: 214. congruent, 215. warn, 216. increment, 217. movement, 218. government, 219. impossibility, 220. pep, 221. fortune, 222. sink

223. st__y weather *adj.* marked by strong winds, heavy rain, thunder, and lightning; characterized by tumultuous or rough emotions, particularly in a relationship or situation
224. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
225. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
226. l__p hair *adj.* having no strength or energy; walking with difficulty because of pain, injury, or disability in one's leg or foot
227. a fa_____ic dress *adj.* extremely good; excellent
228. harbor tu_____t *n.* a small, powerful boat used mainly for towing or pushing larger vessels, typically in ports or narrow waterways
229. a sexual u__e *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
230. pre_____us financial situation *adj.* not securely held or in position; dangerously unstable or uncertain; dependent on chance or uncertain conditions
231. a s__e counselor *n.* a very wise and experienced person; a small evergreen subshrub with flat and light green leaves that has a strong smell and are used as a culinary herb

ANSWERS: 223. stormy, 224. environment, 225. invention, 226. limp, 227. fantastic, 228. tugboat, 229. urge, 230. precarious, 231. sage

232. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
233. re____r approval ratings *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
234. h_p on one foot *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
235. cl__m responsibility *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
236. t__w relations between countries *v.* to become less rigid or hostile; to melt, soften, or become more friendly
237. enc_____ng sign *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
238. basketball le___d *n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
239. te_____y people *v.* to frighten someone very much
240. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
241. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

ANSWERS: 232. magic, 233. recover, 234. hop, 235. claim, 236. thaw, 237. encouraging, 238. legend, 239. terrify, 240. extraordinary, 241. excite

242. t__w out a glacier *v.* to become less rigid or hostile; to melt, soften, or become more friendly
243. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
244. global temperature an_____y *n.* something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand
245. the threats te_____y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
246. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
247. unb_____ble beauty *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
248. domestic com_____or *n.* a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business
249. ch__r for the home team *v.* to give a loud shout to show support, praise, or approval
250. en_____ge a sense of affinity *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
251. a mu__y dungeon *adj.* dark and gloomy or difficult to see through

ANSWERS: 242. thaw, 243. discovery, 244. anomaly, 245. terrify, 246. decision, 247. unbelievable, 248. competitor, 249. cheer, 250. encourage, 251. murky

252. key mi_____ne *n.* an important event or stage in the development or progress of something; a stone by the side of a road to show distances
253. ass_____te a language *v.* to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate
254. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
255. co_____nt in style *adj.* in agreement or harmony with something; having the same shape and size, often used in mathematics
256. u__e a total ban *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
257. c__m sea *adj.* not excited, angry, or nervous; free from wind, large waves
258. pu___e a goal *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
259. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
260. loud p__p *n.* a short and soft sound like that of a small object dropping into water without a splash; (verb) drop with the sound of something falling into water
261. l__p handshake *adj.* having no strength or energy; walking with difficulty because of pain, injury, or disability in one's leg or foot

ANSWERS: 252. milestone, 253. assimilate, 254. innovation, 255. congruent, 256. urge, 257. calm, 258. pursue, 259. absolutely, 260. plop, 261. limp

262. injury in a car ac____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
263. student ach____nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
264. run a ba____y *n.* a place where bread and other baked goods are made and sold
265. card sh__k *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
266. serial qu____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
267. d__g a chair over *v.* to pull or haul with force
268. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
269. university d__m *n.* a residence hall or building that provides living quarters for students or other occupants, typically on a college or university campus
270. aq____c vehicles *adj.* growing or living in, on or near, or connected with water
271. a female sc__w *v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together
272. ad____re film *n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous

ANSWERS: 262. accident, 263. achievement, 264. bakery, 265. shark, 266. quitter, 267. drag, 268. decide, 269. dorm, 270. aquatic, 271. screw, 272. adventure

273. un_____ed allegations *adj.* not based on good evidence or reason; without foundation or justification
274. a hand sc____t *n.* a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
275. legal fr_____rk *n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
276. st_____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

ANSWERS: 273. unfounded, 274. script, 275. framework, 276. strength

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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

2. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

3. We are optimistic about our final _____.
n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

4. Humankind took centuries to _____ true democracy.
v. to finish or achieve something successfully

5. 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

6. He wants to _____ ownership of the abandoned property.
v. to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

7. The results were beyond our _____ of imagination.
n. a navigational instrument for finding directions with a needle that can move easily and that always points to the north; the limit or range of capability

ANSWERS: 1. transferred, 2. inspired, 3. victory, 4. accomplish, 5. environment, 6. claim, 7. compass

8. I felt like I was in a different world because of the _____ experience of virtual reality.
- n.* the act of putting someone or something into a liquid completely; the state of being completely involved in a subject or activity
9. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.
- n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
10. The abandoned ship slowly began to _____ into the murky waters of the harbor.
- v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
11. The new amusement park ride was _____ with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.
- adj.* extremely good; excellent
12. This blog offers a variety of tips for _____ everyday life.
- v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
13. The lobbyist _____ Congress not to approve the measure.
- v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
14. The _____ handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.
- n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

ANSWERS: 8. immersion, 9. possibility, 10. sink, 11. fantastic, 12. hacking, 13. urged, 14. employee

15. He drinks an _____ amount of beer.

adj. beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising

16. He was _____ gifted.

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

17. Her excessive demands drove me _____.

adj. extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill

18. He borrowed money from a loan _____.

n. a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

19. 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

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

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

21. I was able to get _____ of the concert tickets before they sold out.

adv. to take hold of something, to grasp firmly

22. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

ANSWERS: 15. unbelievable, 16. naturally, 17. insane, 18. shark, 19. fortune, 20. exchange, 21. ahold, 22. bunch

23. The sun was beginning to _____ the frozen ground.
v. to become less rigid or hostile; to melt, soften, or become more friendly
24. Our knowledge helps _____ our clients successfully.
v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
25. The coach gave a ____ talk to the team before the game to boost their spirits.
n. energy, enthusiasm, or liveliness; (verb) to give someone energy, enthusiasm, or liveliness
26. She _____ the door shut, angry at the person on the other side.
v. to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily
27. The plant will continue operating through an _____ system 24 hours a day.
adj. carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor
28. The physician is reading the _____ related to medicine
n. a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
29. He does a different _____ every day to keep things interesting.
n. a session of physical exercise or training
30. The metal showed signs of _____ after being subjected to repeated stress.
n. a feeling of tiredness or weariness, especially as a result of physical or mental exertion; the reduction in the strength or efficiency of a material or structure due to repeated use or stress
31. Supporters in the stands _____ at every goal.
v. to give a loud shout to show support, praise, or approval

ANSWERS: 23. thaw, 24. navigate, 25. pep, 26. slammed, 27. automated, 28. journals, 29. workout, 30. fatigue, 31. cheered

32. According to the laws of physics, an event happening before its cause is a logical _____.
- n.* the state or condition of being impossible; something that is not possible or cannot be done
33. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.
- adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
34. He _____ the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.
- v.* to pull or haul with force
35. He worked at the _____ as a baker.
- n.* a place where bread and other baked goods are made and sold
36. The archaeologist found a hieratic Egyptian _____ on a stone monument.
- n.* a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
37. She walked along the _____ and collected shells.
- n.* a part of the coast that is partially enclosed by land; a compartment or section of a ship or building
38. Prospects for the suspect's conviction are _____ due to a lack of helpful evidence.
- adj.* dark and gloomy or difficult to see through
39. This _____ has never been formally accepted.
- n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
40. Necessity is the mother of _____.
- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

ANSWERS: 32. impossibility, 33. absolutely, 34. dragged, 35. bakery, 36. script, 37. bay, 38. murky, 39. achievement, 40. invention

41. Graduating from college was a major _____ for her.
n. the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
42. The sudden drop in the stock market was an _____ that puzzled many investors.
n. something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand
43. The accusations were _____ and lacked evidence.
adj. not based on good evidence or reason; without foundation or justification
44. He never received a _____ even from the company of a close friend.
n. an American or Canadian coin worth one-tenth of a dollar
45. Common salt is a sodium and chlorine _____.
n. an item composed of two or more distinct elements combined; a chemical formed by the combination of two or more elements
46. The ball fell into the water with a _____.
n. a short and soft sound like that of a small object dropping into water without a splash; (verb) drop with the sound of something falling into water
47. Living in a _____ can be a great way to meet new people when you're in college.
n. a residence hall or building that provides living quarters for students or other occupants, typically on a college or university campus
48. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

ANSWERS: 41. accomplishment, 42. anomaly, 43. unfounded, 44. dime, 45. compound, 46. plop, 47. dorm, 48. identify

49. Little children tend to have _____ friends.

adj. existing only in someone's mind

50. The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred _____.

n. the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

51. The dancer's arms would _____ gracefully as she moved to the music.

v. to wave or swing something wildly or uncontrollably; to thrash or beat something with a flail (= a type of farm tool used for threshing, which is the process of separating grains from their husks)

52. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.

v. to be all around something or somebody

53. The team's _____ led to their defeat, as they didn't put in the effort needed to win the game.

n. a feeling of self-satisfaction or contentment, often resulting in a lack of motivation to improve or address problems

54. 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

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

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

56. I attempted to _____ him, but he ignored me.

v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

ANSWERS: 49. imaginary, 50. pounds, 51. flail, 52. surround, 53. complacency, 54. responsible, 55. decide, 56. warn

57. This evidence will form the _____ for our discussion.

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

58. His friend's death drove him to _____.

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

59. He _____ his tea slowly, savoring the taste.

- v.* to drink a liquid by taking small mouthfuls; (noun) a small drink

60. The test results were _____ and showed improvement.

- adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring

61. The country is facing a _____ with high unemployment and low GDP.

- n.* a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases

62. The sperm whale can _____ to 1,000 meters.

- v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

63. An _____ teacher might spark students' motivation to succeed.

- adj.* stimulating and motivating you to want to do something

64. I _____ I didn't mean to break your vase.

- v.* to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language

65. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation

ANSWERS: 57. basis, 58. despair, 59. sipped, 60. encouraging, 61. recession, 62. dive, 63. inspiring, 64. swear, 65. innovation

66. The gap between the company and its _____ has widened.
n. a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business
67. Reaching the _____ of 1000 subscribers on her SNS channel was a major achievement for her.
n. an important event or stage in the development or progress of something; a stone by the side of a road to show distances
68. He started his career as a _____ in the company and worked his way up to an executive position.
n. a person of low social status or low-wage worker, often doing menial or unskilled labor; historically, a person in Spanish America held in servitude to work on large estates or in mines
69. They used a special receiver to _____ police radio channels.
v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
70. In medieval times, death punishment was _____ and socially accepted.
adj. existing or happening in various places or among many people
71. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.
adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
72. Many businesses felt the _____ effect of the economy's decline.
n. a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind
73. Using the same _____ phrase in every conversation can take time and effort.
n. a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement

ANSWERS: 66. competitors, 67. milestone, 68. peon, 69. monitor, 70. widespread, 71. extraordinary, 72. ripple, 73. cliché

74. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.
v. to frighten someone very much
75. The ocean is a rich _____ of natural resources.
n. a place where things are stored in large quantities and can be found
76. She intends to _____ a political career.
v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
77. Skill and _____ are an unconquered army.
n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
78. The photographer took this photo using a telephoto _____.
n. a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
79. Many of the _____ of the famous general came about hundreds of years after his death.
n. an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
80. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
81. She has taken a step up in the organizational _____.
n. a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest

ANSWERS: 74. terrify, 75. repository, 76. pursue, 77. confidence, 78. lens, 79. legends, 80. norms, 81. hierarchy

82. He had to _____ the loose knob back onto the cabinet door.

- v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it;
(noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together

83. The _____ architecture in the old city was a sight to behold.

- adj.* relating to or characteristic of the Normans, a people who originally came from Normandy, France, and who had a significant impact on the history and culture of Britain and other European countries; the term can also refer to a style of architecture or art that developed during the Norman period

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

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

85. They _____ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

- v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

86. We _____ negotiations after a temporary break.

- v.* to continue or begin anew after a pause or interruption

87. Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as _____ but was later proven correct.

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

88. She felt _____ after finishing her book.

- adj.* having completed a task or achieved a goal successfully; skilled or proficient at something

89. He devised a new analytical _____ to capture the phenomenon.

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

ANSWERS: 82. screw, 83. Norman, 84. calm, 85. encouraged, 86. resumed, 87. ridiculous, 88. accomplished, 89. framework

90. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

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

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

92. Each department has done its product costing _____.

adv. separately or apart from others

93. _____ ecosystems perform many essential environmental functions.

adj. growing or living in, on or near, or connected with water

94. The immigrant struggled to _____ into the new culture.

v. to take in and understand information or ideas; to integrate

95. Our CEO's _____ are always transparent and straightforward.

n. something you want to do and are going to do

96. The weather is too _____ for us to go on a boat ride.

adj. characterized by or affected by strong winds; of or relating to the wind; describing a person who talks a lot, often in an exaggerated way or without saying much substance

97. The paparazzi constantly _____ celebrities for a photo or a story.

v. to persistently pursue, harass, or pressure someone or something, often in a negative or unwelcome way; (noun) a type of dog, often bred for hunting that has a keen sense of smell and is known for its persistence and tenacity

ANSWERS: 90. magic, 91. government, 92. individually, 93. Aquatic, 94. assimilate, 95. intentions, 96. windy, 97. hound

98. The algebraic equation had _____ sides, leading to a valid solution.

adj. in agreement or harmony with something; having the same shape and size, often used in mathematics

99. This library rents out various types of folding _____ for visitors.

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

100. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

101. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.

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

102. The steak was so undercooked that it was almost raw and had a _____ texture.

adj. having no strength or energy; walking with difficulty because of pain, injury, or disability in one's leg or foot

103. _____ operational improvements often lead to better environmental performance.

adj. having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture

104. 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

105. The law distinguishes between accidental and _____ killing.

adj. done, made or performed with purpose and intent

ANSWERS: 98. congruent, 99. wheelchairs, 100. Communal, 101. strength, 102. limp, 103. Lean, 104. spot, 105. intentional

106. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?

v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

107. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.

v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

108. Shall we _____ a bite to eat?

v. to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way

109. He was sick for five _____ days.

adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

110. He wore a _____ for the entire duration of his triathlon, from start to finish.

n. a close-fitting garment that covers the torso, arms, and legs and is designed to keep the wearer warm and dry, especially when participating in water sports

111. She had a _____ hold on the ladder and was afraid to move.

adj. not securely held or in position; dangerously unstable or uncertain; dependent on chance or uncertain conditions

112. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

113. The boxer clenched his _____ before throwing a punch.

n. a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist

ANSWERS: 106. suppose, 107. define, 108. grab, 109. straight, 110. wetsuit, 111. precarious, 112. crazy, 113. fist

114. He was the first _____ in the military training camp.

n. a close friend; a partner, especially one of a pair or team

115. The _____ captain skillfully maneuvered the ship through the treacherous waters of the storm.

n. a small, powerful boat used mainly for towing or pushing larger vessels, typically in ports or narrow waterways

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

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

117. We _____ taking media training every six months.

v. to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role

118. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

119. The company's new products _____ the values of innovation and sustainability.

v. to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea

120. The _____ partially destroyed my vehicle.

n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

121. He was famous for his _____ advice to younger entrepreneurs.

n. a very wise and experienced person; a small evergreen subshrub with flat and light green leaves that has a strong smell and are used as a culinary herb

ANSWERS: 114. buddy, 115. tugboat, 116. movement, 117. recommend, 118. decision, 119. embody, 120. accident, 121. sage

122. I've been thinking all day and getting _____.

adv. not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere

123. The city council meeting was _____ as people argued about a controversial new policy.

adj. marked by strong winds, heavy rain, thunder, and lightning; characterized by tumultuous or rough emotions, particularly in a relationship or situation

124. Is this painting _____ or forged?

adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

125. The grandmother _____ a warm sweater for her grandchild.

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

126. 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

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

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

128. The news of her promotion _____ her.

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

129. We're planning a _____ trip down the river next weekend.

n. a small, narrow boat traditionally used by the Inuit people for hunting and fishing, which has a covered deck and is propelled using a double-bladed paddle

ANSWERS: 122. nowhere, 123. stormy, 124. genuine, 125. knit, 126. quitter, 127. ignored, 128. excited, 129. kayak

130. The _____ session of the Diet opened.

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

131. She is still _____ from a shot to her shoulder.

v. to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

132. The bid _____ for this auction is \$100.

n. a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important

133. He sailed the Atlantic Ocean multiple times during his _____.

n. a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous

134. Her research team made an important _____.

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

135. The rabbit _____ over the fence.

v. to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

136. She successfully completed her first _____ with a personal best time.

n. a long-distance race of 42.195 kilometers

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

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

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

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

ANSWERS: 130. ordinary, 131. recovering, 132. increment, 133. adventures, 134. discovery, 135. hopped, 136. marathon, 137. folk, 138. belong

ANSWERS: