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Session 1: Word List

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.

therapy

n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.

synonym: antidote, medicine, treatment

(1) **therapy** for a patient, (2) field of gene **therapy**

I underwent aversion **therapy** for my addiction to alcohol.

weird

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

synonym: bizarre, creepy, peculiar

(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**

My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

complicated

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

synonym: complex, convoluted, intricate

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

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

setup

n. the arrangement or organization of something, often with a specific purpose or intention; a scheme or plan that is intended to deceive or trick someone

synonym : arrangement, installation, organization

(1) office **setup**, (2) network **setup**

The **setup** for the conference was impressive and professional.

crack

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

synonym : snap, burst, break

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

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

primary

adj. first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle

synonym : chief, main, fundamental

(1) **primary** school, (2) **primary** education

The **primary** cause of the accident was due to the icy road conditions.

caregiving

n. the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly

synonym : nurturing, caring, assisting

(1) **caregiving** process, (2) **caregiving** responsibilities

She devoted her life to **caregiving**, looking after her aging parents.

distant

adj. far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship

synonym : far, isolated, remote

(1) a **distant** memory, (2) **distant** ancestors

The sun set over the crest of **distant** hills.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym: comparative, proximate, congeneric

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

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

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.

accent

n. a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance

synonym: articulation, inflection, pronunciation

(1) a foreign **accent**, (2) put the **accent** on comfort

She has a thick southern **accent**.

cling

v. to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something

synonym: stick, adhere, attach

(1) **cling** onto power, (2) **cling** tightly to the skin

He **clings** to the hope that he will find a job soon.

ferocity

n. the quality or state of being fierce, intense, or violent; extreme or wild aggressiveness

synonym: fierceness, intensity, violence

(1) roar with **ferocity**, (2) the **ferocity** of the battle

The **ferocity** of the windstorm knocked over trees and caused power outages.

slap

v. to strike something or someone with an open palm or flat object, producing a sharp sound or sensation; to place something firmly, suddenly, or unexpectedly

synonym : smack, hit, whack

(1) **slap** on the back, (2) **slap** a heavy fine

The politician tried to **slap** down the rumors about his personal life.

scream

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

synonym : cry, shout, yell

(1) **scream** a profanity, (2) **scream** at him to be quiet

She kept **screaming** for an ambulance.

hysterical

adj. marked by or in a state of excessive or uncontrollable emotion

synonym : agitated, frantic, crazy

(1) **hysterical** laughter, (2) get **hysterical** easily

The frustration that had accumulated for a long time made her **hysterical**.

eventually

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

synonym : finally, someday, ultimately

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

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

statistics

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

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

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

visa

n. an endorsement or authorization placed in a passport or travel document that allows the holder to enter or leave

a particular country for a specific period of time; the process of applying for and obtaining such authorization

synonym : permit, authorization

(1) work **visa**, (2) student **visa**

I must apply for a **visa** to travel to India for my friend's wedding.

rally

v. a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm

synonym : gathering, meetup, demonstration

(1) **rally** in front of the embassy, (2) the preliminary **rally**

There was a massive police presence at the anti-government **rally**.

thimble

n. a small metal or plastic cap or cover, typically with a closed end and an open top, worn on the finger to protect it when pushing a needle through fabric in the sewing

synonym : fingerstall, sewing tool

(1) **thimble** collection, (2) silver **thimble**

The tailor quickly picked up her **thimble-topped** finger and continued sewing.

bail

n. the temporary release of an accused person awaiting trial in exchange for a monetary deposit to ensure their appearance in court

(1) accept **bail**, (2) he was released on **bail**

The judge set **bail** at \$20,000.

guilt

n. the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong

synonym : regret, remorse, blame

(1) criminal **guilt**, (2) feeling of **guilt**

Shame and **guilt** have significant social influences.

sham

n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

synonym : bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**

The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

rage

n. a strong feeling of anger or violence

synonym : fury, anger, outrage

(1) uncontrollable **rage**, (2) fall into a **rage**

She was filled with a burning **rage** at the injustice she had witnessed.

journalist

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

synonym : reporter, newsperson, press

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

trafficking

n. the illegal trade in goods, services, or people, often across national borders

synonym : smuggling, trading, dealing

(1) **trafficking** operation, (2) narcotic **trafficking**

Human **trafficking** is a serious issue that needs to be addressed by governments and organizations worldwide.

profound

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

synonym : deep, unsounded, far-reaching

(1) a **profound** book, (2) the **profound** depths of the sea

My mother's illness had a **profound** impact on us all.

disconnect

v. to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment

synonym : unplug, detach, take apart

(1) **disconnect** a plug, (2) **disconnect** the water supply
She finally decided to **disconnect** herself from the company.

symbol

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

synonym : mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness
The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

prevalent

adj. existing very commonly in a particular area or in a specific time

synonym : common, ubiquitous, rampant

(1) **prevalent** in Japan, (2) **prevalent** belief
This virus is **prevalent** in many tropical nations.

complexity

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

synonym : intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory
The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

jail

n. a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison

synonym : prison, slammer, penitentiary

(1) county **jail**, (2) be in **jail**
The police escorted the prisoner to the **jail**.

brothel

n. (also "whorehouse") a place where people, particularly women, engage in sexual activity for payment; a house of prostitution

synonym : bagnio, bordello, whorehouse

(1) illegal **brothel**, (2) underground **brothel**
The police raided the **brothel** in the red-light district and arrested all the prostitutes and customers.

survivor

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

synonym : subsister

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

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

enforcement

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

synonym : implementation, application, execution

(1) **enforcement** action, (2) **enforcement** officer

The **enforcement** of the new traffic laws led to a decrease in accidents.

disappoint

v. to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad

synonym : sadden, dismay, frustrate

(1) **disappoint** the audience, (2) don't **disappoint** me

She worked very hard not to **disappoint** her boss's expectations.

brutal

adj. harsh or cruel

synonym : harsh, cruel, barbarous

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

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

prostitute

n. a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment

synonym : hooker, harlot, whore

(1) **prostitute** street, (2) a male **prostitute**

She turned to **prostitute** to make ends meet.

violent

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

synonym : aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

pimp

n. a person, typically a man, who lives off the earnings of a prostitute or sex worker

synonym : pandar, procurer, hustler

(1) **pimp** lifestyle, (2) **pimp** culture

The lazy **pimp** controlled and exploited the women working for him.

suffer

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

synonym : endure, undergo, tolerate

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

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

relate

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

synonym : connect, link, associate

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

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

gory

adj. involving or characterized by bloodshed, violence, or gruesomeness; exceedingly bloody, horrifying, or graphic

synonym : bloody, gruesome, macabre

(1) **gory** accident, (2) **gory** details

The horror movie was filled with **gory** scenes that shocked and disturbed the audience.

salacious

adj. characterized by or describing inappropriate, often sexually suggestive content or behavior; excessively erotic or lustful in nature

synonym : provocative, suggestive, titillating

(1) **salacious** gossip, (2) a **salacious** novel

The tabloids publish **salacious** stories to attract more readers.

aspect

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

synonym : characteristic, element, factor

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

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

scar

n. a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed

synonym : blemish, imperfection, blotch

(1) burn **scar**, (2) carry a **scar**

Even after the wound has healed, a **scar** remains.

journalism

n. the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast

synonym : reporting, news media, writing

(1) **journalism** ethics, (2) tabloid **journalism**

She plans to study **journalism** in college and become a reporter.

convince

v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

synonym : persuade, win over, convert

(1) **convince** her to go with us, (2) **convince** an opponent

I am considering what I should do to **convince** him.

innocent

adj. not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge

synonym : blameless, honest, harmless

(1) an **innocent** child, (2) thousands of **innocent** people

My husband was found **innocent** of any crime.

hook

n. a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook

synonym : buckle, pin, curve

(1) a hat **hook**, (2) the curved shape of a **hook**

Please hang your towel on a **hook**.

societal

adj. relating to society or social relationships

synonym : social, communal, cultural

(1) **societal** norms, (2) **societal** expectations

The **societal** pressure to conform is strong in this community.

context

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

synonym : background, setting, environment

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

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

indict

v. to formally charge or accuse someone of a crime, based on the decision of a grand jury or other legal authority; to bring a legal case against someone, typically to prosecute and punish them

synonym : accuse, charge, prosecute

(1) **indict** a suspect, (2) **indict** him of injuries

The FBI worked tirelessly to gather enough evidence to **indict** the corrupt politician.

structural

adj. associated with the way on construction or organization of anything

synonym : architectural, basic, anatomical

(1) **structural** analyses, (2) **structural** reorganization

The earthquake resulted in significant **structural** destruction.

inequality

n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others;

(mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

synonym : imbalance, prejudice, unfairness

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

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

poverty

n. the condition of being extremely poor

synonym : deprivation, destitution, poorness

(1) **poverty** alleviation, (2) the cycle of **poverty**

Many studies have investigated the relationship between **poverty** and academic achievement.

barrier

n. a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

synonym : border, barricade, fence

(1) cost **barrier**, (2) information **barrier**

The police placed a **barrier** across the street to halt traffic.

migration

n. the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change

synonym : exodus

(1) the **migration** of birds, (2) overseas **migration**

There was a **migration** of impoverished farmers into the towns.

embedded

adj. fixed firmly into the surface of something

synonym : ingrained, implanted, inserted

(1) **embedded** systems, (2) LED- **embedded** glass

The **embedded** chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.

impose

v. to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received

synonym : charge, levy, foist

(1) **impose** harsher sanctions, (2) **impose** tariffs

The problem with achievement tests is the narrowness they **impose** on students.

labor

n. productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

synonym: toil, toil, donkeywork

(1) seasonal **labor**, (2) manual **labor**

In several countries, child **labor** is a serious social problem.

whopping

adj. extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock

synonym: enormous, gigantic, massive

(1) **whopping** price, (2) **whopping** success

The new smartphone has a **whopping** 1TB of storage space.

rely

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

synonym: depend, count, lean

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

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

sector

n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

synonym: division, department, branch

(1) industrial **sector**, (2) private **sector**

The technology **sector** is constantly evolving and innovating.

agriculture

n. the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock

synonym: farming, husbandry, agribusiness

(1) organic **agriculture**, (2) intensive **agriculture**

Agriculture is the foundation of our economy.

domestic

adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

synonym : endemic, private, household

(1) **domestic** airline, (2) a **domestic** animal

GDP stands for gross **domestic** product.

construct

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

synonym : build, assemble, create

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

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

shelter

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

synonym : refuge, hideout, lair

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

They need food and **shelter**.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym : critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life

Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

underpaid

adj. paid less than a fair or reasonable wage

synonym : undervalued, under-compensated, under-rewarded

(1) **underpaid** mail, (2) **underpaid** position

Many people believe that they are **underpaid** for the work that they do.

exploit

v. to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc.

synonym : use, abuse, control

(1) **exploit** a security hole, (2) **exploit** a valuable opportunity

We **exploit** our mining resources to strengthen our national power.

fraud

n. the crime of gaining money or financial benefits by deceiving people; a person who makes deceitful pretenses

synonym: trickery, deceit, blackmail

(1) get money by **fraud**, (2) victim of **fraud**

The police arrested them for committing insurance **fraud**.

coercion

n. the use of force, threats, or intimidation to persuade someone to do something against their will; the practice of controlling or manipulating someone through the use of power or authority

synonym: pressure, force, compulsion

(1) **coercion** through force, (2) physical **coercion**

The government used **coercion** to force citizens to comply with pandemic restrictions.

compel

v. to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way

synonym: force, oblige, coerce

(1) **compel** a person to submission, (2) **compel** attention

The strict deadlines will **compel** the team to work efficiently.

cotton

n. a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing

(1) **cotton** cloth, (2) culture of **cotton**

The price of raw **cotton** continued to rise.

colt

n. a young male horse, usually under four years old; a young, inexperienced person, particularly in a certain field or sport

synonym: foal, yearling, freshman

(1) **colt** training, (2) spooked **colt**

The young **colt** galloped across the field, kicking up clouds of dust.

military

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

synonym : armed, martial, warlike

(1) a **military** operation, (2) a **military** leader

The **military** academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

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

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

export

v. to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use

synonym : ship, send, transfer

(1) **export** goods, (2) **export** the data

The country **exports** a large amount of agricultural products.

shrimp

n. a small, freshwater or saltwater creature with a slender body and long legs

synonym : prawn, langoustine, scampi

(1) **shrimp** cocktail, (2) **shrimp** farming

The seafood restaurant had a variety of dishes featuring **shrimp**.

circumstance

n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

synonym : condition, context, environment

(1) **circumstance** of birth, (2) **circumstance** of injury

She explained the **circumstances** surrounding the accident.

migrant

n. a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another

synonym: immigrant, itinerant, transient

(1) **migrant** worker, (2) the movement of **migrant** birds
The government revoked his license to employ **migrant** labor crews.

overboard

adv. to an extreme or excessive degree; to a point where something becomes unreasonable or irrational

synonym: recklessly, excessively

(1) fell **overboard**, (2) dumped **overboard**
He went **overboard** with his criticism, and it hurt her feelings.

resist

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

synonym: fight, defy, revolt

(1) **resist** temptation, (2) **resist** being kissed
I chose to **resist** cancer by trying every possible treatment.

retailer

n. a person or business that sells goods to the public, typically in small quantities

synonym: seller, vendor, merchant

(1) **retailer** strategy, (2) **retailer** competition
The consumer-electronics **retailer** offered a discount for customers who paid in cash.

traffic

n. the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

synonym: congestion, jam, flow

(1) **traffic** jam, (2) heavy **traffic**
We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction **traffic** on the main road.

choir

n. a group of singers, especially one that sings in a church or cathedral

synonym: chorus, ensemble, club

(1) quintet **choir**, (2) **choir** performance

The gospel **choir** sang beautifully at the church service.

braid

n. a complex pattern, design, or plait formed out of three or more strands, often used decoratively in hair, clothing, or textiles; threads of silk, cotton, or other material attached to clothes, uniforms, or other things made of cloth, as a decoration

synonym: plait, twist, weave

(1) **braid** hair, (2) elastic cord **braid**

She always wore her hair in a single **braid** down her back.

salon

n. a place for social gathering, especially for exchanging ideas and discussing artistic or cultural matters; a place of beauty treatment, such as a hair salon

synonym: gathering place, meeting place, social venue

(1) beauty **salon**, (2) cultural **salon**

She frequented the **salon** for intellectual discussions and to keep up with the latest cultural trends.

jersey

n. a knitted garment typically made of wool or cotton, worn as a shirt or pullover

synonym: shirt, sweater, top

(1) **jersey** material, (2) fabric of the **jersey**

I always wear my favorite basketball player's **jersey** to the games.

scheme

n. an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something

synonym: strategy, blueprint, plan

(1) a pilot **scheme**, (2) draw out a **scheme**

They carefully executed the well-planned **scheme** they had prepared over the years.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym : unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

locate

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

synonym : discover, find, place

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

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

lottery

n. a game of chance in which a large number of people buy tickets or chances to win a prize, with the winner(s) determined by a random drawing

synonym : raffle, sweepstakes, drawing

(1) national **lottery**, (2) scratch-off **lottery**

The odds of winning the **lottery** are extremely low, but millions still buy tickets hoping to hit the jackpot.

fee

n. a sum of money charged for a particular service

synonym : charge, cost, expense

(1) **fee** calculation, (2) service **fee**

The lawyer's **fee** for the case was \$10,000.

spouse

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

synonym : partner, mate, wife

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

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

criminal

n. a person who has committed a crime

synonym : offender, lawbreaker, delinquent

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

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

victim

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

synonym : prey, target, sufferer

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

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

margin

n. the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

synonym : edge, border, periphery

(1) **margin** error, (2) a profit **margin**

Unfortunately, the book's **margin** was too small to make notes.

survey

n. an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

synonym : study, examination, poll

(1) a comprehensive **survey**, (2) recent **survey**

That **survey** shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.

rap

n. a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

synonym : hip-hop, emceeing, MCing

(1) **rap** music, (2) get a **rap**

The new **rap** album is getting a lot of attention.

assault

n. a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will

synonym : assault, attack, raid

(1) **assault** aircraft, (2) victim of sexual **assault**

We got caught up in an **assault** case.

regularly

adv. at regular intervals or times

synonym : repeatedly, routinely, usually

(1) **regularly** arranged, (2) post **regularly** to a blog

This site **regularly** shares high-quality academic materials.

conviction

n. a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed

synonym : belief, certainty, faith

(1) moral **conviction**, (2) **conviction** for murder

She spoke with **conviction** about the importance of education.

abuse

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

synonym : misuse, misconduct, vilification

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

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

desire

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

synonym : ambition, appetite, greed

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

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

deport

v. to force someone to leave a country, typically on the grounds of illegal status or for having committed a crime

synonym : expel, banish, repatriate

(1) **deport** a refugee, (2) **deport** dissidents from the party

The government has decided to **deport** illegal immigrants back to their home countries.

employer

n. a person or organization that pays workers to work for them

synonym : boss, owner, company

(1) illegal **employer**, (2) **employer** responsibility
An **employer's** attitude toward its employees significantly impacts their productivity.

threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

synonym: endanger, terrorize, intimidate

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

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

striking

adj. attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner

synonym: arresting, astonishing, exceptional

(1) **striking** innovation, (2) **striking** evidence

The two plays have many **striking** parallels.

mass

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

synonym: abundance, crowd, mob

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

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

undocumented

adj. not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission

(1) **undocumented** worker, (2) **undocumented** command

The border patrol has recently been focusing on cracking down on **undocumented** non-citizens.

whim

n. a sudden idea or desire, especially one that cannot be reasonably explained

synonym: fancy, caprice, whimsy

(1) at the **whim** of circumstance, (2) **whim** of youth

He quit his job on a **whim** and moved to a new city.

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?

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.

prosecute

v. to bring legal action against someone in a court of law; to pursue or carry out something to completion or achievement

synonym: charge, sue, bring to trial

(1) **prosecute** criminal, (2) **prosecute** case

The attorney decided to **prosecute** the suspect for stealing from the store.

estimate

v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

synonym: calculate, gauge, evaluate

(1) **estimate** a fair value, (2) **estimate** this chicken to weigh three pounds

We **estimated** the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

proportionally

adv. in a way that corresponds in size, amount, or degree to change in something else

synonym: proportionately

(1) distribute the profits **proportionally**, (2) **proportionally** increased

Northern regions have **proportionally** greater rates of unemployment.

greedy

adj. having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food

synonym : avaricious, covetous, grasping

(1) **greedy** person, (2) **greedy** for money

His **greedy** behavior led him to steal from the company.

exclude

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

synonym : expel, ban, bar

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

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

deny

v. to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

synonym : refute, reject, repudiate

(1) adamantly **deny** killing, (2) **deny** the allegations

He is still **denying** stealing the money from the cash register.

vacuum

n. a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction

synonym : void, emptiness, gap

(1) **vacuum** cleaner, (2) **vacuum** packing

Please use the **vacuum** to clean up the mess on the floor.

degrade

v. to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others

synonym : demean, disgrace, impair

(1) **degrade** his public image, (2) **degrade** environmental quality

You should not **degrade** yourself by allowing them to use you.

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**.

involve

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

synonym: implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk

The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

pineapple

n. tropical fruit with a rough, spiky exterior and sweet, juicy flesh inside, often used in cooking, baking, or as a snack

synonym: ananas, tropical fruit, bromeliad

(1) ripe **pineapple**, (2) canned **pineapple**

I love to eat fresh **pineapple** in my fruit salad.

orchard

n. a piece of land that is planted with fruit trees, such as apples, pears, or cherries

synonym: grove, plantation, fruit garden

(1) local apple **orchard**, (2) **orchard** tree

The farmer owns an **orchard** where he grows apples, pears, and plums.

solid

adj. hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

synonym: stable, reliable, hard

(1) **solid** ally, (2) **solid** employment measures

The **solid-state** of water is called ice.

calculated

adj. done with careful thought or planning; deliberate and intentional; based on a process of reasoning or estimation rather than on instinct or chance

synonym: premeditated, willful, deliberate

(1) **calculated** bankruptcy, (2) **calculated** crime

The company made a **calculated** decision to invest in new

technology.

jewelry

n. decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches

synonym : accessories, ornaments, adornments

(1) **jewelry** designer, (2) precious **jewelry**

I received a beautiful piece of **jewelry** from my partner for our anniversary.

recruit

v. to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.

synonym : raise, enroll, enlist

(1) **recruit** a good worker, (2) **recruit** a new hire

The colonial government **recruited** militia support when civil war broke out.

passport

n. an official document issued by a government used to verify the identity and nationality of a person for international travel

synonym : travel document, ID, identity

(1) **passport** renewal, (2) **passport** document

Carrying a valid **passport** is mandatory when traveling to most foreign countries.

confiscate

v. to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules

synonym : seize, take, expropriate

(1) **confiscate** drugs, (2) **confiscate** property

The security officer had to **confiscate** the weapon from the suspect.

gunpoint

n. the point of a gun, used as a threat or in an armed robbery

synonym : point, muzzle

(1) held at **gunpoint**, (2) **gunpoint** robbery

The robbers demanded money from the store clerk at **gunpoint**.

faint

adj. not strong, clear, or vigorous; slight or weak

synonym: slight, vague, soft

(1) **faint** memory, (2) **faint** aroma of roses

She heard a **faint**, nearly invisible scream.

wander

v. to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction

synonym: ramble, roam, stroll

(1) **wander** alone in a strange country, (2) **wander** far from home

I often **wander** around the park for half an hour.

grocery

n. a shop that sells food and other household items

synonym: foodstuff, market

(1) the **grocery** business, (2) run a **grocery**

I will go to the **grocery** store to buy food for dinner.

depart

v. to go away or leave, especially to start a journey

synonym: go away, leave, vacate

(1) arrive and **depart** on time, (2) **depart** from the faith

We **departed** before the temperature fell below zero.

over-the-top

adj. excessive, exaggerated, or beyond the bounds of what is considered reasonable, appropriate, or acceptable; showy or flamboyant to an extreme degree

synonym: excessive, exaggerated, overblown

(1) **over-the-top** performance, (2) **over-the-top** marketing

The decorations at the party were completely **over-the-top**.

stem

n. the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in

synonym: branch, limb, (verb) come from

(1) **stem** from a belief, (2) the **stem** of a matchstick
A rose has thorns on its **stem**.

strawberry

n. a sweet, juicy fruit with a reddish color, a seeded surface, and a green, leafy top

(1) the **strawberry** pie, (2) **strawberry** greenhouse
He had a **strawberry** smoothie for breakfast.

inspector

n. a person whose job is to inspect, examine, or investigate something, often on behalf of an organization or official body

synonym: investigator, examiner, auditor

(1) **inspector** general, (2) building **inspector**
The school **inspector** was there to evaluate the teachers' performance and the student's progress.

plausible

adj. seeming reasonable or likely to be true, and therefore convincing

synonym: probable, conceivable, credible

(1) **plausible** explanation, (2) a **plausible** liar
She could find no **plausible** explanation for its failure.

distribute

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

synonym: broadcast, disperse, hand out

(1) **distribute** wealth evenly, (2) **distribute** video content
His estate was **distributed** to his sons.

process

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

synonym: procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**
The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

temporary

adj. not lasting or be used for a very long

synonym : provisional, short-term, interim

(1) a **temporary** permit, (2) **temporary** housing

He managed to get **temporary** jobs during the recession.

mere

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

synonym : bare, minor, sheer

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

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

tolerable

adj. capable of being endured or tolerated; not too unpleasant, painful, or difficult

synonym : enduring, acceptable, bearable

(1) **tolerable** conditions, (2) **tolerable** level of risk

His new job offered a **tolerable** work environment but was not his dream job.

argue

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

synonym : debate, dispute, quarrel

(1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

fertile

adj. capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive

synonym : fruitful, productive, rich

(1) **fertile** ground, (2) **fertile** market

Herbs require **fertile** soil in a sunny, sheltered location.

exploitation

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

synonym : victimization, development, using

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

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

grapple

v. to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons

synonym: brawl, scuffle, wrestle

(1) **grapple** with problem, (2) **grapple** with each other

He needed to **grapple** with structural reforms to improve the company's revenue.

philanthropy

n. the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money

synonym: altruism, benevolence, generosity

(1) **philanthropy** organization, (2) private **philanthropy**

Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on **philanthropy**.

accidentally

adv. by chance or without planning

synonym: by chance, unintentionally, unwittingly

(1) they met **accidentally**, (2) **accidentally** coincide

He was **accidentally** killed by friendly fire.

invest

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

synonym: fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

cite

v. to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened

synonym: quote, mention, note

(1) **cite** various authorities, (2) **cite** a fact as evidence

The devil can **cite** Scripture for his purpose.

shock

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

synonym : amazement, surprise, stunner

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

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

horrify

v. to shock or disgust greatly

synonym : shock, dismay, terrify

(1) **horrify** audience, (2) **horrify** victims

The series of terrorist attacks **horrify** the entire nation.

op-ed

adj. denoting or relating to a piece of writing or article that expresses the author's opinion or point of view on a particular topic, usually published in a newspaper or magazine on the page opposite the editorial page

synonym : editorial, opinion, column

(1) **op-ed** section, (2) **op-ed** columnist

The **op-ed** piece offered a unique perspective on the political situation.

chain

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

synonym : series, string, link

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

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

eliminate

v. to remove or get rid of someone or something

synonym : wipe out, destroy, eradicate

(1) **eliminate** contestants, (2) **eliminate** sexual barriers

We can **eliminate** this possibility from those consumptions.

retaliation

n. the act of seeking vengeance or revenge in response to a perceived wrong or harm suffered, usually to cause harm to the person or group responsible for the initial act

synonym : retribution, revenge, vengeance

(1) **retaliation** tactics, (2) **retaliation** against discrimination

The company faced heavy **retaliation** from its competitors after releasing a controversial product.

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.

fair-trade

n. a movement that promotes fair payment and working conditions for producers in developing nations, typically in the context of international trade

synonym: ethical trade, sustainable trade

(1) support **fair-trade** practices, (2) **fair-trade** bananas

I always try to buy **fair-trade** coffee to support ethical farming practices.

peach

n. juicy, sweet fruit with fuzzy, pinkish-yellow skin; a person or thing that is particularly pleasing or attractive

synonym: fruit, nectarine, apricot

(1) **peach** cobbler, (2) juicy **peaches**

The **peach** tree in my backyard produced a bountiful harvest this year.

zone

n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

synonym: area, region, territory

(1) time **zone**, (2) **zone** defense

He was reluctant to leave his comfort **zone** and try something new.

unwitting

adj. without purpose or intent

synonym: unknowledgeable, inadvertent, unintended

(1) **unwitting** victims, (2) an **unwitting** mistake

His rudeness was **unwitting**, not intentional.

willingness

n. the state of being ready or inclined to do something
synonym : readiness, eagerness, enthusiasm

(1) **willingness** to help, (2) indicate a **willingness** to change

Her **willingness** to help others earned her many friends.

profit

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

synonym : earnings, gain, proceeds

(1) gross **profit**, (2) make a **profit**

This business yields little **profit**.

dwell

v. to live or reside in a particular place; to think, speak, or write at length on a particular subject; to linger or remain as if unwilling to leave

synonym : reside, inhabit, occupy

(1) **dwell** on a problem, (2) **dwell** on the past

I love to **dwell** in nature and feel its calming effects on me.

resourceful

adj. showing creativity and ability to find quick and practical solutions to problems

synonym : inventive, imaginative, clever

(1) **resourceful** thinker, (2) **resourceful** cook in town

She was **resourceful** and found a solution to the problem on her own.

resilient

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

synonym : robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population

She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

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.

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.

gamble

v. to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes

synonym : bet, venture, wager

(1) **gamble** \$100 on the race, (2) **gamble** away my fortune

Will you **gamble** on the result of the fight?

gong

n. a metal disk that produces a deep, resonant sound when struck with a mallet or other object, often used in percussion music or as a signal in various contexts

synonym : bell, chime, clang

(1) **gong** sound, (2) temple **gong**

As the martial arts master began the demonstration, the sound of the **gong** filled the dojo.

emissary

n. a person sent on a mission or as a representative of an organization or country

synonym : envoy, ambassador, representative

(1) **emissary** of peace, (2) an **emissary** from the company

The **emissary** from the neighboring country arrived with a message of peace.

solidarity

n. unity or agreement of feelings or actions among a group, especially among individuals with a common interest

synonym: unity, cooperation, mutual support

(1) **solidarity** among union members, (2) **solidarity** action

The workers showed **solidarity** in their strike for better working conditions.

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym: exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

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

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

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.

nanny

n. a caregiver, usually a woman, who provides child care services in the home of the children's parents or guardians, either on a part-time or full-time basis

synonym: childcare provider, babysitter, nurse

(1) part-time **nanny**, (2) professional **nanny**

She works as a **nanny** for a family with two young children.

housekeeping

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

synonym: cleaning, housework, tidying up

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

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

march

v. to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

synonym: parade

(1) **march** against the war, (2) **march** east

The troops **marched** shoulder-to-shoulder.

treaty

n. a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities

synonym: agreement, pact, accord

(1) **treaty** negotiation, (2) global climate **treaty**

The two countries signed a **treaty** to establish peaceful relations.

shipyard

n. a place where ships are built, repaired, or stored; a facility or area where shipbuilding or ship maintenance activities take place

synonym: boatyard, dockyard

(1) state-owned **shipyard**, (2) old **shipyard**

The **shipyard** workers are building a massive container ship for international trade.

hurricane

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

synonym: cyclone, typhoon, storm

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

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

reconstruction

n. the process of rebuilding or repairing something that has been damaged or destroyed or of restoring something to its original condition

synonym: rebuilding, remodeling, renovation

(1) **reconstruction** aid, (2) **reconstruction** aid

The government announced a plan for the **reconstruction** of the city's infrastructure.

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**.

protest

n. a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition

synonym: objection, disapproval, challenge

(1) hold a **protest**, (2) a silent **protest**

He left the party in **protest** at its radical political stance.

cofounder

n. one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

(1) **cofounder** of the university, (2) late **cofounder**

He is the **cofounder** and chairman of this tech company.

nation

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

alliance

n. a partnership or association formed for mutual benefit, particularly between nations or organizations.

synonym: pact, accord, coalition

(1) form **alliance**, (2) major airline **alliances**

To sell the product, the companies have formed an **alliance**.

justice

n. the quality of being fair and reasonable and treating people equally according to their due

synonym: fairness, equity, impartiality

(1) criminal **justice**, (2) **justice** of Heaven

The judge's ruling was based on the principles of **justice** and

fairness.

decline

v. to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

synonym: descend, drop, deny

(1) **decline** a job offer, (2) **decline** in quality

As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually **declines**.

suit

n. a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

synonym: clothes, lawsuit, (verb) fit

(1) **suit** and tie restaurant, (2) **suit** at law

Six **suits** are awaiting trial or verdict.

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.

prosperity

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

synonym: affluence, accomplishment, capital

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

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

inextricable

adj. unable to be separated or escaped from

synonym: inescapable, inseparable, entangled

(1) an **inextricable** part of life, (2) form an **inextricable** bond

The knot was **inextricable**, and she had to use scissors to cut it.

weave

v. to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them

synonym : braid, unite, contrive

(1) **weave** on a loom, (2) **weave** a story

The girl **weaves** a garland for her friend.

reluctant

adj. unwilling or hesitant to do something because of doubts or fears

synonym : hesitant, unwilling, unenthusiastic

(1) slowly becoming more **reluctant**, (2) **reluctant** readers

He was **reluctant** to share his thoughts on the matter.

diligence

n. careful and persistent effort or work; conscientiousness in performing one's duties or responsibilities

synonym : assiduity, industry, perseverance

(1) **diligence** in work, (2) **diligence** in time management

The doctor's **diligence** in monitoring patients' progress contributed to their speedy recovery.

messy

adj. disorganized and untidy

synonym : cluttered, disorganized, untidy

(1) **messy** data, (2) **messy** handling

His **messy** bedroom is always a source of frustration for his mother.

imply

v. to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it

synonym : hint, indicate, denote

(1) **imply** a strong correlation, (2) **imply** the presence of alien

The salespeople speak in technical terms to **imply** that they are more knowledgeable than the customer.

fig

n. a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow

(1) **fig** marigold, (2) **fig** tree

He ate the dried **figs** he had preserved.

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19. car____ng process *n.* the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly
20. a st____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

ANSWERS: 10. jersey, 11. process, 12. decline, 13. willingness, 14. whim, 15. march, 16. weird, 17. fertile, 18. choir, 19. caregiving, 20. straight

21. re____t a new hire *v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
22. office se__p *n.* the arrangement or organization of something, often with a specific purpose or intention; a scheme or plan that is intended to deceive or trick someone
23. di_____ce in work *n.* careful and persistent effort or work; conscientiousness in performing one's duties or responsibilities
24. we__e a story *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
25. fai_____de bananas *n.* a movement that promotes fair payment and working conditions for producers in developing nations, typically in the context of international trade
26. carry a s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
27. pe__h cobbler *n.* juicy, sweet fruit with fuzzy, pinkish-yellow skin; a person or thing that is particularly pleasing or attractive
28. ove_____top performance *adj.* excessive, exaggerated, or beyond the bounds of what is considered reasonable, appropriate, or acceptable; showy or flamboyant to an extreme degree
29. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

ANSWERS: 21. recruit, 22. setup, 23. diligence, 24. weave, 25. fair-trade, 26. scar, 27. peach, 28. over-the-top, 29. suppose

30. network se__p *n.* the arrangement or organization of something, often with a specific purpose or intention; a scheme or plan that is intended to deceive or trick someone
31. ga___e \$100 on the race *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
32. sol_____ty among union members *n.* unity or agreement of feelings or actions among a group, especially among individuals with a common interest
33. beauty sa__n *n.* a place for social gathering, especially for exchanging ideas and discussing artistic or cultural matters; a place of beauty treatment, such as a hair salon
34. th_____y for a patient *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
35. we__e on a loom *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
36. canned pi_____le *n.* tropical fruit with a rough, spiky exterior and sweet, juicy flesh inside, often used in cooking, baking, or as a snack
37. es_____te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
38. a com_____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
39. a hu_____ne of applause *n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)

ANSWERS: 30. setup, 31. gamble, 32. solidarity, 33. salon, 34. therapy, 35. weave, 36. pineapple, 37. estimate, 38. complicated, 39. hurricane

40. s__t at law *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
41. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
42. acc_____lly coincide *adv.* by chance or without planning
43. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
44. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
45. a profit ma___n *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
46. ret_____on against discrimination *n.* the act of seeking vengeance or revenge in response to a perceived wrong or harm suffered, usually to cause harm to the person or group responsible for the initial act
47. m__e acquaintance *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
48. br___l bully *adj.* harsh or cruel
49. r__y on convenience stores *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

ANSWERS: 40. suit, 41. nation, 42. accidentally, 43. construct, 44. identify, 45. margin, 46. retaliation, 47. mere, 48. brutal, 49. rely

50. a pr_____nd book *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
51. hys_____al laughter *adj.* marked by or in a state of excessive or uncontrollable emotion
52. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
53. cir_____nce of injury *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
54. m__e incident *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
55. ex___t the data *v.* to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use
56. sexual exp_____ion *n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful
57. the mi_____on of birds *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
58. 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
59. ret_____on tactics *n.* the act of seeking vengeance or revenge in response to a perceived wrong or harm suffered, usually to cause harm to the person or group responsible for the initial act

ANSWERS: 50. profound, 51. hysterical, 52. construct, 53. circumstance, 54. mere, 55. export, 56. exploitation, 57. migration, 58. decide, 59. retaliation

60. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
61. su____r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
62. de____t dissidents from the party *v.* to force someone to leave a country, typically on the grounds of illegal status or for having committed a crime
63. fabric of the je____y *n.* a knitted garment typically made of wool or cotton, worn as a shirt or pullover
64. old sh____rd *n.* a place where ships are built, repaired, or stored; a facility or area where shipbuilding or ship maintenance activities take place
65. sa____us gossip *adj.* characterized by or describing inappropriate, often sexually suggestive content or behavior; excessively erotic or lustful in nature
66. slowly becoming more re____nt *adj.* unwilling or hesitant to do something because of doubts or fears
67. dw__l on a problem *v.* to live or reside in a particular place; to think, speak, or write at length on a particular subject; to linger or remain as if unwilling to leave
68. official sta____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
69. part-time na__y *n.* a caregiver, usually a woman, who provides child care services in the home of the children's parents or guardians, either on a part-time or full-time basis

ANSWERS: 60. communal, 61. suffer, 62. deport, 63. jersey, 64. shipyard, 65. salacious, 66. reluctant, 67. dwell, 68. statistics, 69. nanny

81. a comprehensive su___y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
82. c___e a fact as evidence *v.* to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened
83. indicate a wil_____ss to change *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
84. to_____le level of risk *adj.* capable of being endured or tolerated; not too unpleasant, painful, or difficult
85. global climate tr___y *n.* a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities
86. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
87. re_____er strategy *n.* a person or business that sells goods to the public, typically in small quantities
88. they met acc_____lly *adv.* by chance or without planning
89. cr_____al investigation *n.* a person who has committed a crime
90. p__p lifestyle *n.* a person, typically a man, who lives off the earnings of a prostitute or sex worker
91. de_____e in quality *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

ANSWERS: 81. survey, 82. cite, 83. willingness, 84. tolerable, 85. treaty, 86. relate, 87. retailer, 88. accidentally, 89. criminal, 90. pimp, 91. decline

92. burn s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
93. re___t temptation *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
94. feeling of gu__t *n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
95. wh_____ng price *adj.* extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock
96. do_____ic airline *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
97. es_____te a fair value *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
98. roar with fe_____ty *n.* the quality or state of being fierce, intense, or violent; extreme or wild aggressiveness
99. manual la__r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
100. cr__k an eggshell *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
101. the movement of mi_____t birds *n.* a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another

ANSWERS: 92. scar, 93. resist, 94. guilt, 95. whopping, 96. domestic, 97. estimate, 98. ferocity, 99. labor, 100. crack, 101. migrant

102. tra_____ng operation *n.* the illegal trade in goods, services, or people, often across national borders
103. cl__g tightly to the skin *v.* to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
104. the cycle of po____y *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
105. dw__l on the past *v.* to live or reside in a particular place; to think, speak, or write at length on a particular subject; to linger or remain as if unwilling to leave
106. seasonal la__r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
107. tabloid jou_____sm *n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast
108. rainproof sh_____r *n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
109. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
110. in____t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

ANSWERS: 102. trafficking, 103. cling, 104. poverty, 105. dwell, 106. labor, 107. journalism, 108. shelter, 109. violent, 110. invest

111. str_____al analyses *adj.* associated with the way on construction or organization of anything
112. fall into a r__e *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
113. mi_____t worker *n.* a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another
114. an ine_____ble part of life *adj.* unable to be separated or escaped from
115. str_____ry greenhouse *n.* a sweet, juicy fruit with a reddish color, a seeded surface, and a green, leafy top
116. a foreign ac____t *n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance
117. nontechnical as____ts of the job *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
118. em_____ry of peace *n.* a person sent on a mission or as a representative of an organization or country
119. sy____l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
120. co_____ce her to go with us *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
121. victim of sexual ab__e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner

ANSWERS: 111. structural, 112. rage, 113. migrant, 114. inextricable, 115. strawberry, 116. accent, 117. aspect, 118. emissary, 119. symbol, 120. convince, 121. abuse

122. in___t a suspect *v.* to formally charge or accuse someone of a crime, based on the decision of a grand jury or other legal authority; to bring a legal case against someone, typically to prosecute and punish them
123. work v__a *n.* an endorsement or authorization placed in a passport or travel document that allows the holder to enter or leave a particular country for a specific period of time; the process of applying for and obtaining such authorization
124. st_____ng innovation *adj.* attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner
125. re_____ly arranged *adv.* at regular intervals or times
126. ex_____t a security hole *v.* to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc.
127. in_____or general *n.* a person whose job is to inspect, examine, or investigate something, often on behalf of an organization or official body
128. a silent pr_____t *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
129. gr____y person *adj.* having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food
130. de_____e his public image *v.* to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others

ANSWERS: 122. indict, 123. visa, 124. striking, 125. regularly, 126. exploit, 127. inspector, 128. protest, 129. greedy, 130. degrade

140. ex___t goods *v.* to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use
141. service f_e *n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service
142. br__d hair *n.* a complex pattern, design, or plait formed out of three or more strands, often used decoratively in hair, clothing, or textiles; threads of silk, cotton, or other material attached to clothes, uniforms, or other things made of cloth, as a decoration
143. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
144. pr_____te criminal *v.* to bring legal action against someone in a court of law; to pursue or carry out something to completion or achievement
145. de_____e environmental quality *v.* to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
146. held at gu_____nt *n.* the point of a gun, used as a threat or in an armed robbery
147. precious je_____y *n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches

ANSWERS: 140. export, 141. fee, 142. braid, 143. possibility, 144. prosecute, 145. degrade, 146. gunpoint, 147. jewelry

148. pr_____nt belief *adj.* existing very commonly in a particular area or in a specific time
149. anti-air raid sh_____r *n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
150. the ravages of a hu_____ne *n.* a violent, tropical, cyclonic storm of the western North Atlantic, having wind speeds of or over 64 knots (74 miles per hour)
151. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
152. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
153. narcotic tra_____ng *n.* the illegal trade in goods, services, or people, often across national borders
154. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
155. criminal gu__t *n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
156. private se____r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

ANSWERS: 148. prevalent, 149. shelter, 150. hurricane, 151. responsible, 152. violent, 153. trafficking, 154. responsible, 155. guilt, 156. sector

157. con_____on for murder *n.* a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
158. co___n cloth *n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing
159. ovarian cancer su_____or *n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
160. field of gene th_____y *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
161. turn out to be all s___m *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
162. or_____d tree *n.* a piece of land that is planted with fruit trees, such as apples, pears, or cherries
163. c___e various authorities *v.* to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened
164. underground br_____l *n.* (also "whorehouse") a place where people, particularly women, engage in sexual activity for payment; a house of prostitution
165. late co_____er *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

ANSWERS: 157. conviction, 158. cotton, 159. survivor, 160. therapy, 161. sham, 162. orchard, 163. cite, 164. brothel, 165. cofounder

166. unsatisfied de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
167. historical co____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
168. a China-based jou____st *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
169. con____te drugs *v.* to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules
170. county j__l *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
171. a mi____ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
172. g__y accident *adj.* involving or characterized by bloodshed, violence, or gruesomeness; exceedingly bloody, horrifying, or graphic
173. res____ul thinker *adj.* showing creativity and ability to find quick and practical solutions to problems
174. tr____y negotiation *n.* a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities
175. br____l honesty *adj.* harsh or cruel

ANSWERS: 166. desire, 167. context, 168. journalist, 169. confiscate, 170. jail, 171. military, 172. gory, 173. resourceful, 174. treaty, 175. brutal

176. ine_____ty in salary *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
177. a cr__k in a board *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
178. r_p music *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
179. industrial se___r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
180. im__y the presence of alien *v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
181. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
182. cir_____nce of birth *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
183. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

ANSWERS: 176. inequality, 177. crack, 178. rap, 179. sector, 180. imply, 181. distribute, 182. circumstance, 183. mass

184. co_____er of the university *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
185. gr_____e with each other *v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
186. the curved shape of a h__k *n.* a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook
187. fleshly de____e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
188. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
189. r__y entirely on him *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
190. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
191. pr_____nt in Japan *adj.* existing very commonly in a particular area or in a specific time
192. the exp_____ion of fossil resources *n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful
193. sp____e visa *n.* a person's husband, wife, or partner in marriage

ANSWERS: 184. cofounder, 185. grapple, 186. hook, 187. desire, 188. mass, 189. rely, 190. environment, 191. prevalent, 192. exploitation, 193. spouse

194. d__y the allegations *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
195. heavy tr____c *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
196. put the ac___t on comfort *n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance
197. ex_____e a newcomer *v.* to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity
198. ex_____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
199. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
200. dis_____nt the audience *v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
201. pa_____rt document *n.* an official document issued by a government used to verify the identity and nationality of a person for international travel

ANSWERS: 194. deny, 195. traffic, 196. accent, 197. exclude, 198. exciting, 199. process, 200. disappoint, 201. passport

202. 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
203. intensive agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
204. de___t a refugee *v.* to force someone to leave a country, typically on the grounds of illegal status or for having committed a crime
205. fell ov_____rd *adv.* to an extreme or excessive degree; to a point where something becomes unreasonable or irrational
206. ex_____e all other possibilities *v.* to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity
207. ripe pi_____le *n.* tropical fruit with a rough, spiky exterior and sweet, juicy flesh inside, often used in cooking, baking, or as a snack
208. gross pr___t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
209. re_____er competition *n.* a person or business that sells goods to the public, typically in small quantities
210. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
211. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

ANSWERS: 202. decision, 203. agriculture, 204. deport, 205. overboard, 206. exclude, 207. pineapple, 208. profit, 209. retailer, 210. decide, 211. argue

212. victim of sexual as_____t *n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will
213. a do_____ic animal *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
214. supply ch___n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
215. gr_____e with problem *v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
216. a mi_____ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
217. hou_____ing duties *n.* the management and upkeep of a household, hotel, or other living or working space, including cleaning, maintenance, organization, and other related tasks
218. gu_____nt robbery *n.* the point of a gun, used as a threat or in an armed robbery
219. professional na___y *n.* a caregiver, usually a woman, who provides child care services in the home of the children's parents or guardians, either on a part-time or full-time basis
220. vi___m compensation *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

ANSWERS: 212. assault, 213. domestic, 214. chain, 215. grapple, 216. military, 217. housekeeping, 218. gunpoint, 219. nanny, 220. victim

221. wh_____ng success *adj.* extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock
222. em_____ed systems *adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
223. get money by fr__d *n.* the crime of gaining money or financial benefits by deceiving people; a person who makes deceitful pretenses
224. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
225. national lo_____y *n.* a game of chance in which a large number of people buy tickets or chances to win a prize, with the winner(s) determined by a random drawing
226. as___ts of social, political, and economic life *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
227. und_____ted command *adj.* not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission
228. co_____on through force *n.* the use of force, threats, or intimidation to persuade someone to do something against their will; the practice of controlling or manipulating someone through the use of power or authority
229. me__y handling *adj.* disorganized and untidy
230. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

ANSWERS: 221. whopping, 222. embedded, 223. fraud, 224. locate, 225. lottery, 226. aspect, 227. undocumented, 228. coercion, 229. messy, 230. complicated

231. so__d ally *adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality
232. spooked c__t *n.* a young male horse, usually under four years old; a young, inexperienced person, particularly in a certain field or sport
233. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
234. g__g sound *n.* a metal disk that produces a deep, resonant sound when struck with a mallet or other object, often used in percussion music or as a signal in various contexts
235. ch__r performance *n.* a group of singers, especially one that sings in a church or cathedral
236. be in j__l *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
237. pro_____te street *n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
238. jou_____sm ethics *n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast
239. post re_____ly to a blog *adv.* at regular intervals or times
240. im___e tariffs *v.* to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
241. re_____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

ANSWERS: 231. solid, 232. colt, 233. complexity, 234. gong, 235. choir, 236. jail, 237. prostitute, 238. journalism, 239. regularly, 240. impose, 241. relative

242. organic agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
243. recent su____y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
244. don't dis_____nt me *v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
245. enf_____nt action *n.* the act of ensuring that rules, regulations, or laws are obeyed or implemented; the act of applying force or pressure to compel compliance with rules or laws
246. pr_____y education *adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
247. ch__n reaction *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
248. str_____al reorganization *adj.* associated with the way on construction or organization of anything
249. car_____ng responsibilities *n.* the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly
250. a te_____ry permit *adj.* not lasting or be used for a very long
251. th_____en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

ANSWERS: 242. agriculture, 243. survey, 244. disappoint, 245. enforcement, 246. primary, 247. chain, 248. structural, 249. caregiving, 250. temporary, 251. threaten

252. sh___p cocktail *n.* a small, freshwater or saltwater creature with a slender body and long legs
253. distribute the profits pro_____lly *adv.* in a way that corresponds in size, amount, or degree to change in something else
254. algebraic ine_____ty *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
255. draw out a sc___e *n.* an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something
256. student v__a *n.* an endorsement or authorization placed in a passport or travel document that allows the holder to enter or leave a particular country for a specific period of time; the process of applying for and obtaining such authorization
257. the gr_____y business *n.* a shop that sells food and other household items
258. pr_____te case *v.* to bring legal action against someone in a court of law; to pursue or carry out something to completion or achievement
259. the pr_____nd depths of the sea *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
260. ra__y in front of the embassy *v.* a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm

ANSWERS: 252. shrimp, 253. proportionally, 254. inequality, 255. scheme, 256. visa, 257. grocery, 258. prosecute, 259. profound, 260. rally

261. state-owned sh_____rd *n.* a place where ships are built, repaired, or stored; a facility or area where shipbuilding or ship maintenance activities take place
262. de___t from the faith *v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
263. cal_____ed crime *adj.* done with careful thought or planning; deliberate and intentional; based on a process of reasoning or estimation rather than on instinct or chance
264. major airline al_____ces *n.* a partnership or association formed for mutual benefit, particularly between nations or organizations.
265. p__p culture *n.* a person, typically a man, who lives off the earnings of a prostitute or sex worker
266. sc___m at him to be quiet *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
267. so__d employment measures *adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality
268. sh__k-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
269. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
270. daily hou_____ing *n.* the management and upkeep of a household, hotel, or other living or working space, including cleaning, maintenance, organization, and other related tasks

ANSWERS: 261. shipyard, 262. depart, 263. calculated, 264. alliance, 265. pimp, 266. scream, 267. solid, 268. shock, 269. communal, 270. housekeeping

271. id____fy handwriting v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
272. adamantly d__y killing v. to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
273. c__t training n. a young male horse, usually under four years old; a young, inexperienced person, particularly in a certain field or sport
274. arrive and de____t on time v. to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
275. ex____t a valuable opportunity v. to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc.
276. sy____l color n. something visible that is used to represent something else
277. f_g tree n. a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow
278. economic pro____ty n. the state of being successful and having the good fortune
279. uncontrollable r__e n. a strong feeling of anger or violence
280. ind____us student adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
281. support fai____de practices n. a movement that promotes fair payment and working conditions for producers in developing nations, typically in the context of international trade
282. fa__t aroma of roses adj. not strong, clear, or vigorous; slight or weak

ANSWERS: 271. identify, 272. deny, 273. colt, 274. depart, 275. exploit, 276. symbol, 277. fig, 278. prosperity, 279. rage, 280. industrious, 281. fair-trade, 282. faint

283. me__y data *adj.* disorganized and untidy
284. vi___m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
285. dis_____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
286. the problem of drug ab__e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
287. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
288. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
289. get a r_p *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
290. a hat h__k *n.* a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook
291. to_____le conditions *adj.* capable of being endured or tolerated; not too unpleasant, painful, or difficult
292. s__t and tie restaurant *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

ANSWERS: 283. messy, 284. victim, 285. distribute, 286. abuse, 287. industrious, 288. involve, 289. rap, 290. hook, 291. tolerable, 292. suit

293. va___m packing *n.* a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction
294. dumped ov_____rd *adv.* to an extreme or excessive degree; to a point where something becomes unreasonable or irrational
295. enf_____nt officer *n.* the act of ensuring that rules, regulations, or laws are obeyed or implemented; the act of applying force or pressure to compel compliance with rules or laws
296. th_____e collection *n.* a small metal or plastic cap or cover, typically with a closed end and an open top, worn on the finger to protect it when pushing a needle through fabric in the sewing
297. dis_____ct the water supply *v.* to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment
298. el_____te contestants *v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something
299. re_____nt population *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
300. the str_____ry pie *n.* a sweet, juicy fruit with a reddish color, a seeded surface, and a green, leafy top
301. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

ANSWERS: 293. vacuum, 294. overboard, 295. enforcement, 296. thimble, 297. disconnect, 298. eliminate, 299. resilient, 300. strawberry, 301. eventually

302. building in _____ or *n.* a person whose job is to inspect, examine, or investigate something, often on behalf of an organization or official body
303. s__p a heavy fine *v.* to strike something or someone with an open palm or flat object, producing a sharp sound or sensation; to place something firmly, suddenly, or unexpectedly
304. tr_____c jam *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
305. sp___e tax deduction *n.* a person's husband, wife, or partner in marriage
306. a di_____t memory *adj.* far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
307. 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
308. so_____al norms *adj.* relating to society or social relationships
309. im___e harsher sanctions *v.* to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
310. an in_____nt child *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
311. phi_____opy organization *n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money

ANSWERS: 302. inspector, 303. slap, 304. traffic, 305. spouse, 306. distant, 307. compound, 308. societal, 309. impose, 310. innocent, 311. philanthropy

312. scratch-off lo____y *n.* a game of chance in which a large number of people buy tickets or chances to win a prize, with the winner(s) determined by a random drawing
313. ju____e of Heaven *n.* the quality of being fair and reasonable and treating people equally according to their due
314. wanted cr____al *n.* a person who has committed a crime
315. co____l a person to submission *v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way
316. death from sh__k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
317. inc____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
318. co____ce an opponent *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
319. es____al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
320. the state of being we__d *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
321. ma____n error *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
322. cal____ed bankruptcy *adj.* done with careful thought or planning; deliberate and intentional; based on a process of reasoning or estimation rather than on instinct or chance

ANSWERS: 312. lottery, 313. justice, 314. criminal, 315. compel, 316. shock, 317. incredible, 318. convince, 319. essential, 320. weird, 321. margin, 322. calculated

323. fa__t memory *adj.* not strong, clear, or vigorous; slight or weak
324. con_____te property *v.* to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules
325. 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
326. as_____t aircraft *n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will
327. run a gr_____y *n.* a shop that sells food and other household items
328. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
329. culture of co___n *n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing
330. silver th_____e *n.* a small metal or plastic cap or cover, typically with a closed end and an open top, worn on the finger to protect it when pushing a needle through fabric in the sewing
331. juicy pe__hes *n.* juicy, sweet fruit with fuzzy, pinkish-yellow skin; a person or thing that is particularly pleasing or attractive

ANSWERS: 323. faint, 324. confiscate, 325. movement, 326. assault, 327. grocery, 328. environment, 329. cotton, 330. thimble, 331. peach

332. co___l attention *v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way
333. je_____y designer *n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches
334. pro_____ty of humankind *n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune
335. information ba_____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
336. va___m cleaner *n.* a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction
337. un_____ng victims *adj.* without purpose or intent
338. f_g marigold *n.* a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow
339. ma__h against the war *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
340. ga___e away my fortune *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
341. op__d columnist *adj.* denoting or relating to a piece of writing or article that expresses the author's opinion or point of view on a particular topic, usually published in a newspaper or magazine on the page opposite the editorial page

ANSWERS: 332. compel, 333. jewelry, 334. prosperity, 335. barrier, 336. vacuum, 337. unwitting, 338. fig, 339. march, 340. gamble, 341. op-ed

342. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
343. get hys_____al easily *adj.* marked by or in a state of excessive or uncontrollable emotion
344. wa____r far from home *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
345. physical co_____on *n.* the use of force, threats, or intimidation to persuade someone to do something against their will; the practice of controlling or manipulating someone through the use of power or authority
346. te_____ry housing *adj.* not lasting or be used for a very long
347. op__d section *adj.* denoting or relating to a piece of writing or article that expresses the author's opinion or point of view on a particular topic, usually published in a newspaper or magazine on the page opposite the editorial page
348. overseas mi_____on *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
349. make a pr____t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
350. dis_____ct a plug *v.* to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment

ANSWERS: 342. suppose, 343. hysterical, 344. wander, 345. coercion, 346. temporary, 347. op-ed, 348. migration, 349. profit, 350. disconnect

351. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
352. el_____te sexual barriers *v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something
353. cultural sa__n *n.* a place for social gathering, especially for exchanging ideas and discussing artistic or cultural matters; a place of beauty treatment, such as a hair salon
354. so_____al expectations *adj.* relating to society or social relationships
355. a pilot sc_____e *n.* an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something
356. form an ine_____ble bond *adj.* unable to be separated or escaped from
357. st_____ng evidence *adj.* attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner
358. pl_____le explanation *adj.* seeming reasonable or likely to be true, and therefore convincing
359. po_____y alleviation *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
360. s__m from a belief *n.* the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in
361. sh_____p farming *n.* a small, freshwater or saltwater creature with a slender body and long legs
362. wa_____r alone in a strange country *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction

ANSWERS: 351. straight, 352. eliminate, 353. salon, 354. societal, 355. scheme, 356. inextricable, 357. striking, 358. plausible, 359. poverty, 360. stem, 361. shrimp, 362. wander

363. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
364. und_____ted worker *adj.* not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission
365. ex_____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
366. s__p on the back *v.* to strike something or someone with an open palm or flat object, producing a sharp sound or sensation; to place something firmly, suddenly, or unexpectedly
367. in____t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
368. a hard and re_____nt steel *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
369. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
370. re_____nt readers *adj.* unwilling or hesitant to do something because of doubts or fears
371. lo____e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
372. su____r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
373. re____e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

ANSWERS: 363. possibility, 364. undocumented, 365. exciting, 366. slap, 367. invest, 368. resilient, 369. nation, 370. reluctant, 371. locate, 372. suffer, 373. relate

374. im__y a strong correlation *v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
375. w__m of youth *n.* a sudden idea or desire, especially one that cannot be reasonably explained
376. a male pro_____te *n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
377. res_____ul cook in town *adj.* showing creativity and ability to find quick and practical solutions to problems
378. he was released on b__l *n.* the temporary release of an accused person awaiting trial in exchange for a monetary deposit to ensure their appearance in court
379. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
380. moral con_____on *n.* a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
381. in____t him of injuries *v.* to formally charge or accuse someone of a crime, based on the decision of a grand jury or other legal authority; to bring a legal case against someone, typically to prosecute and punish them
382. pa_____rt renewal *n.* an official document issued by a government used to verify the identity and nationality of a person for international travel

ANSWERS: 374. imply, 375. whim, 376. prostitute, 377. resourceful, 378. bail, 379. involve, 380. conviction, 381. indict, 382. passport

383. illegal br____l *n.* (also "whorehouse") a place where people, particularly women, engage in sexual activity for payment; a house of prostitution
384. the preliminary ra__y *v.* a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm
385. re____t being kissed *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
386. time z__e *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
387. an un_____ng mistake *adj.* without purpose or intent
388. z__e defense *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
389. a s__m battle *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
390. re____t a good worker *v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
391. a single su____or *n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
392. ove_____top marketing *adj.* excessive, exaggerated, or beyond the bounds of what is considered reasonable, appropriate, or acceptable; showy or flamboyant to an extreme degree
393. criminal ju____e *n.* the quality of being fair and reasonable and treating people equally according to their due

ANSWERS: 383. brothel, 384. rally, 385. resist, 386. zone, 387. unwitting, 388. zone, 389. sham, 390. recruit, 391. survivor, 392. over-the-top, 393. justice

394. sc___m a profanity
v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
395. un_____id mail
adj. paid less than a fair or reasonable wage
396. pro_____lly increased
adv. in a way that corresponds in size, amount, or degree to change in something else
397. eve_____ly succeed
adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
398. temple g__g
n. a metal disk that produces a deep, resonant sound when struck with a mallet or other object, often used in percussion music or as a signal in various contexts
399. a pl_____le liar
adj. seeming reasonable or likely to be true, and therefore convincing
400. un_____id position
adj. paid less than a fair or reasonable wage
401. thousands of in_____nt people
adj. not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
402. illegal em_____er
n. a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
403. an em_____ry from the company
n. a person sent on a mission or as a representative of an organization or country
404. jou_____st on a magazine
n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

ANSWERS: 394. scream, 395. underpaid, 396. proportionally, 397. eventually, 398. gong, 399. plausible, 400. underpaid, 401. innocent, 402. employer, 403. emissary, 404. journalist

405. f_e calculation *n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service
406. a sa_____us novel *adj.* characterized by or describing inappropriate, often sexually suggestive content or behavior; excessively erotic or lustful in nature
407. victim of fr__d *n.* the crime of gaining money or financial benefits by deceiving people; a person who makes deceitful pretenses
408. ho_____y audience *v.* to shock or disgust greatly
409. the s__m of a matchstick *n.* the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in
410. 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
411. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 405. fee, 406. salacious, 407. fraud, 408. horrify, 409. stem, 410. movement, 411. statistics

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The government has decided to _____ illegal immigrants back to their home countries.
 - v. to force someone to leave a country, typically on the grounds of illegal status or for having committed a crime

2. We can _____ this possibility from those consumptions.
 - v. to remove or get rid of someone or something

3. The gospel _____ sang beautifully at the church service.
 - n. a group of singers, especially one that sings in a church or cathedral

4. My mother's illness had a _____ impact on us all.
 - adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

5. I love to eat fresh _____ in my fruit salad.
 - n. tropical fruit with a rough, spiky exterior and sweet, juicy flesh inside, often used in cooking, baking, or as a snack

6. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.
 - adj. indispensable; fundamental

7. His new job offered a _____ work environment but was not his dream job.
 - adj. capable of being endured or tolerated; not too unpleasant, painful, or difficult

8. To sell the product, the companies have formed an _____.
 - n. a partnership or association formed for mutual benefit, particularly between nations or organizations.

ANSWERS: 1. deport, 2. eliminate, 3. choir, 4. profound, 5. pineapple, 6. essential, 7. tolerable, 8. alliance

9. My computer has been acting _____ recently.

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

10. I am considering what I should do to _____ him.

v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

11. The two countries signed a _____ to establish peaceful relations.

n. a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities

12. The sun set over the crest of _____ hills.

adj. far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship

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

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

14. The border patrol has recently been focusing on cracking down on _____ non-citizens.

adj. not supported by written evidence or having the necessary written permission

15. The lawyer's ____ for the case was \$10,000.

n. a sum of money charged for a particular service

16. She devoted her life to _____ looking after her aging parents.

n. the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly

17. I received a beautiful piece of _____ from my partner for our anniversary.

n. decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches

ANSWERS: 9. weird, 10. convince, 11. treaty, 12. distant, 13. enforcement, 14. undocumented, 15. fee, 16. caregiving, 17. jewelry

18. He was sick for five _____ days.

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

19. The _____ from the neighboring country arrived with a message of peace.

n. a person sent on a mission or as a representative of an organization or country

20. She frequented the _____ for intellectual discussions and to keep up with the latest cultural trends.

n. a place for social gathering, especially for exchanging ideas and discussing artistic or cultural matters; a place of beauty treatment, such as a hair salon

21. She worked very hard not to _____ her boss's expectations.

v. to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad

22. The salespeople speak in technical terms to _____ that they are more knowledgeable than the customer.

v. to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it

23. The _____ chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.

adj. fixed firmly into the surface of something

24. The odds of winning the _____ are extremely low, but millions still buy tickets hoping to hit the jackpot.

n. a game of chance in which a large number of people buy tickets or chances to win a prize, with the winner(s) determined by a random drawing

25. He got an electric _____ at work.

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

ANSWERS: 18. straight, 19. emissary, 20. salon, 21. disappoint, 22. imply, 23. embedded, 24. lottery, 25. shock

26. He _____ to the hope that he will find a job soon.
v. to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
27. The young _____ galloped across the field, kicking up clouds of dust.
n. a young male horse, usually under four years old; a young, inexperienced person, particularly in a certain field or sport
28. They carefully executed the well-planned _____ they had prepared over the years.
n. an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something
29. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.
v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
30. The _____ tree in my backyard produced a bountiful harvest this year.
n. juicy, sweet fruit with fuzzy, pinkish-yellow skin; a person or thing that is particularly pleasing or attractive
31. Unfortunately, the book's _____ was too small to make notes.
n. the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
32. A rose has thorns on its _____.
n. the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in
33. GDP stands for gross _____ product.
adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

ANSWERS: 26. clings, 27. colt, 28. scheme, 29. threatening, 30. peach, 31. margin, 32. stem, 33. domestic

34. She spoke with _____ about the importance of education.
- n.* a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
35. The police placed a _____ across the street to halt traffic.
- n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
36. That _____ shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.
- n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
37. 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
38. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
- n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
39. You should not _____ yourself by allowing them to use you.
- v.* to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
40. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
- v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

ANSWERS: 34. conviction, 35. barrier, 36. survey, 37. compound, 38. context, 39. degrade, 40. constructs

41. My husband was found _____ of any crime.

adj. not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge

42. The school _____ was there to evaluate the teachers' performance and the student's progress.

n. a person whose job is to inspect, examine, or investigate something, often on behalf of an organization or official body

43. As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually _____.

v. to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

44. His rudeness was _____ not intentional.

adj. without purpose or intent

45. The strict deadlines will _____ the team to work efficiently.

v. to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way

46. She finally decided to _____ herself from the company.

v. to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment

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

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

48. She turned to _____ to make ends meet.

n. a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment

ANSWERS: 41. innocent, 42. inspector, 43. declines, 44. unwitting, 45. compel, 46. disconnect, 47. relatives, 48. prostitute

49. He was _____ to share his thoughts on the matter.

adj. unwilling or hesitant to do something because of doubts or fears

50. He was _____ killed by friendly fire.

adv. by chance or without planning

51. Shame and _____ have significant social influences.

n. the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong

52. 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

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

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

54. The frustration that had accumulated for a long time made her _____.

adj. marked by or in a state of excessive or uncontrollable emotion

55. The tabloids publish _____ stories to attract more readers.

adj. characterized by or describing inappropriate, often sexually suggestive content or behavior; excessively erotic or lustful in nature

56. The judge set _____ at \$20,000.

n. the temporary release of an accused person awaiting trial in exchange for a monetary deposit to ensure their appearance in court

ANSWERS: 49. reluctant, 50. accidentally, 51. guilt, 52. decide, 53. mass, 54. hysterical, 55. salacious, 56. bail

57. The _____ of water is called ice.

adj. hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

58. She was filled with a burning _____ at the injustice she had witnessed.

n. a strong feeling of anger or violence

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

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

60. 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

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

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

62. As the martial arts master began the demonstration, the sound of the _____ filled the dojo.

n. a metal disk that produces a deep, resonant sound when struck with a mallet or other object, often used in percussion music or as a signal in various contexts

63. The data he prepared was completely _____.

n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

64. The judge's ruling was based on the principles of _____ and fairness.

n. the quality of being fair and reasonable and treating people equally according to their due

ANSWERS: 57. solid-state, 58. rage, 59. housekeeping, 60. environment, 61. suppose, 62. gong, 63. sham, 64. justice

65. This war shattered dreams of peace and _____.
- n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune
66. In several countries, child _____ is a serious social problem.
- n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
67. The problem with achievement tests is the narrowness they _____ on students.
- v.* to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
68. The government revoked his license to employ _____ labor crews.
- n.* a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another
69. The technology _____ is constantly evolving and innovating.
- n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
70. She is a _____ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.
- adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
71. The _____ cause of the accident was due to the icy road conditions.
- adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
72. The _____ of the politician was a constant presence at campaign events.
- n.* a person's husband, wife, or partner in marriage

ANSWERS: 65. prosperity, 66. labor, 67. impose, 68. migrant, 69. sector, 70. resilient, 71. primary, 72. spouse

73. The government used _____ to force citizens to comply with pandemic restrictions.
- n.* the use of force, threats, or intimidation to persuade someone to do something against their will; the practice of controlling or manipulating someone through the use of power or authority
74. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.
- n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
75. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
- adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
76. The farmer owns an _____ where he grows apples, pears, and plums.
- n.* a piece of land that is planted with fruit trees, such as apples, pears, or cherries
77. An _____ attitude toward its employees significantly impacts their productivity.
- n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
78. Northern regions have _____ greater rates of unemployment.
- adv.* in a way that corresponds in size, amount, or degree to change in something else
79. She could find no _____ explanation for its failure.
- adj.* seeming reasonable or likely to be true, and therefore convincing
80. She always wore her hair in a single _____ down her back.
- n.* a complex pattern, design, or plait formed out of three or more strands, often used decoratively in hair, clothing, or textiles; threads of silk, cotton, or other material attached to clothes, uniforms, or other things made of cloth, as a decoration

ANSWERS: 73. coercion, 74. possibility, 75. industrious, 76. orchard, 77. employer's, 78. proportionally, 79. plausible, 80. braid

81. The new smartphone has a _____ 1TB of storage space.

adj. extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock

82. We _____ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

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

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

84. He went _____ with his criticism, and it hurt her feelings.

adv. to an extreme or excessive degree; to a point where something becomes unreasonable or irrational

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

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

86. He ate the dried _____ he had preserved.

n. a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow

87. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

88. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

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

ANSWERS: 81. whopping, 82. estimated, 83. suffers, 84. overboard, 85. statistics, 86. figs, 87. complexity, 88. eventually

89. The _____ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

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

90. He is the _____ and chairman of this tech company.

- n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

91. The decorations at the party were completely _____.

- adj.* excessive, exaggerated, or beyond the bounds of what is considered reasonable, appropriate, or acceptable; showy or flamboyant to an extreme degree

92. The devil can _____ Scripture for his purpose.

- v.* to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened

93. The police arrested them for committing insurance _____.

- n.* the crime of gaining money or financial benefits by deceiving people; a person who makes deceitful pretenses

94. The tailor quickly picked up her _____ finger and continued sewing.

- n.* a small metal or plastic cap or cover, typically with a closed end and an open top, worn on the finger to protect it when pushing a needle through fabric in the sewing

95. Many people believe that they are _____ for the work that they do.

- adj.* paid less than a fair or reasonable wage

96. We got caught up in an _____ case.

- n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will

ANSWERS: 89. chain, 90. cofounder, 91. over-the-top, 92. cite, 93. fraud, 94. thimble-topped, 95. underpaid, 96. assault

97. I love to _____ in nature and feel its calming effects on me.
v. to live or reside in a particular place; to think, speak, or write at length on a particular subject; to linger or remain as if unwilling to leave
98. The robbers demanded money from the store clerk at _____.
n. the point of a gun, used as a threat or in an armed robbery
99. The seafood restaurant had a variety of dishes featuring _____.
n. a small, freshwater or saltwater creature with a slender body and long legs
100. The price of raw _____ continued to rise.
n. a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing
101. The series of terrorist attacks _____ the entire nation.
v. to shock or disgust greatly
102. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
103. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.
n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
104. His estate was _____ to his sons.
v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
105. Her _____ to help others earned her many friends.
n. the state of being ready or inclined to do something

ANSWERS: 97. dwell, 98. gunpoint, 99. shrimp, 100. cotton, 101. horrify, 102. locate, 103. desire, 104. distributed, 105. willingness

106. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.
- v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
107. The police escorted the prisoner to the _____.
- n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
108. I always wear my favorite basketball player's _____ to the games.
- n.* a knitted garment typically made of wool or cotton, worn as a shirt or pullover
109. He is still _____ stealing the money from the cash register.
- v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
110. She heard a _____ nearly invisible scream.
- adj.* not strong, clear, or vigorous; slight or weak
111. She explained the _____ surrounding the accident.
- n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
112. Strategic _____ of cutting-edge technology would be a sure formula for success.
- n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful
113. She has a thick southern _____.
- n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance

ANSWERS: 106. involves, 107. jail, 108. jersey, 109. denying, 110. faint, 111. circumstances, 112. exploitation, 113. accent

114. This virus is _____ in many tropical nations.

adj. existing very commonly in a particular area or in a specific time

115. I underwent aversion _____ for my addiction to alcohol.

n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.

116. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

117. This business yields little _____.

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

118. The police raided the _____ in the red-light district and arrested all the prostitutes and customers.

n. (also "whorehouse") a place where people, particularly women, engage in sexual activity for payment; a house of prostitution

119. Will you _____ on the result of the fight?

v. to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes

120. She kept _____ for an ambulance.

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

121. 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

ANSWERS: 114. prevalent, 115. therapy, 116. exciting, 117. profit, 118. brothel, 119. gamble, 120. screaming, 121. responsible

122. He managed to get _____ jobs during the recession.

adj. not lasting or be used for a very long

123. We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction _____ on the main road.

n. the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

124. He was reluctant to leave his comfort _____ and try something new.

n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

125. I will go to the _____ store to buy food for dinner.

n. a shop that sells food and other household items

126. The attorney decided to _____ the suspect for stealing from the store.

v. to bring legal action against someone in a court of law; to pursue or carry out something to completion or achievement

127. The new _____ album is getting a lot of attention.

n. a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

128. Even after the wound has healed, a _____ remains.

n. a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed

129. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

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

ANSWERS: 122. temporary, 123. traffic, 124. zone, 125. grocery, 126. prosecute, 127. rap, 128. scar, 129. complicated

130. Foreign TV crews and _____ can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

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

131. Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on _____.

n. the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money

132. There was a _____ of impoverished farmers into the towns.

n. the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change

133. Please hang your towel on a _____.

n. a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook

134. 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

135. The company made a _____ decision to invest in new technology.

adj. done with careful thought or planning; deliberate and intentional; based on a process of reasoning or estimation rather than on instinct or chance

136. The _____ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

137. Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for _____ of authority.

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

ANSWERS: 130. journalists, 131. philanthropy, 132. migration, 133. hook, 134. decision, 135. calculated, 136. military, 137. abuse

138. The security officer had to _____ the weapon from the suspect.

v. to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules

139. The earthquake resulted in significant _____ destruction.

adj. associated with the way on construction or organization of anything

140. The police are searching for the _____ who stole the jewels.

n. a person who has committed a crime

141. I chose to _____ cancer by trying every possible treatment.

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

142. I always try to buy _____ coffee to support ethical farming practices.

n. a movement that promotes fair payment and working conditions for producers in developing nations, typically in the context of international trade

143. The horror movie was filled with _____ scenes that shocked and disturbed the audience.

adj. involving or characterized by bloodshed, violence, or gruesomeness; exceedingly bloody, horrifying, or graphic

144. His professional experience includes all _____ of media production.

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

145. The _____ of the windstorm knocked over trees and caused power outages.

n. the quality or state of being fierce, intense, or violent; extreme or wild aggressiveness

ANSWERS: 138. confiscate, 139. structural, 140. criminal, 141. resist, 142. fair-trade, 143. gory, 144. aspects, 145. ferocity

146. The country _____ a large amount of agricultural products.

- v. to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use

147. He quit his job on a _____ and moved to a new city.

- n. a sudden idea or desire, especially one that cannot be reasonably explained

148. He needed to _____ with structural reforms to improve the company's revenue.

- v. to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons

149. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

- v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

150. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

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

151. The workers showed _____ in their strike for better working conditions.

- n. unity or agreement of feelings or actions among a group, especially among individuals with a common interest

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

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

ANSWERS: 146. exports, 147. whim, 148. grapple, 149. argue, 150. relate, 151. solidarity, 152. process

153. The colonial government _____ militia support when civil war broke out.
- v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
154. The company faced heavy _____ from its competitors after releasing a controversial product.
- n.* the act of seeking vengeance or revenge in response to a perceived wrong or harm suffered, usually to cause harm to the person or group responsible for the initial act
155. He left the party in _____ at its radical political stance.
- n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
156. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.
- adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
157. He lost the election by _____ votes.
- adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
158. The politician tried to _____ down the rumors about his personal life.
- v.* to strike something or someone with an open palm or flat object, producing a sharp sound or sensation; to place something firmly, suddenly, or unexpectedly
159. They need food and _____.
- n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
160. He that would eat the kernel must _____ the nut.
- v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

ANSWERS: 153. recruited, 154. retaliation, 155. protest, 156. violent, 157. mere, 158. slap, 159. shelter, 160. crack

161. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.
- v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
162. Many studies have investigated the relationship between _____ and academic achievement.
- n.* the condition of being extremely poor
163. This site _____ shares high-quality academic materials.
- adv.* at regular intervals or times
164. The knot was _____ and she had to use scissors to cut it.
- adj.* unable to be separated or escaped from
165. I often _____ around the park for half an hour.
- v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
166. The shipwreck _____ was rescued after floating in the ocean for three days.
- n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
167. The cost for the trip _____ food and beverages.
- v.* to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity
168. The doctor's _____ in monitoring patients' progress contributed to their speedy recovery.
- n.* careful and persistent effort or work; conscientiousness in performing one's duties or responsibilities

ANSWERS: 161. invest, 162. poverty, 163. regularly, 164. inextricable, 165. wander, 166. survivor, 167. excludes, 168. diligence

169. 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
170. There are several causes of economic _____ within societies.
- n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
171. The two plays have many _____ parallels.
- adj.* attractive and distinctive enough to draw notice; exceedingly appealing, frequently in an odd manner
172. The consumer-electronics _____ offered a discount for customers who paid in cash.
- n.* a person or business that sells goods to the public, typically in small quantities
173. Please use the _____ to clean up the mess on the floor.
- n.* a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction
174. The _____ piece offered a unique perspective on the political situation.
- adj.* denoting or relating to a piece of writing or article that expresses the author's opinion or point of view on a particular topic, usually published in a newspaper or magazine on the page opposite the editorial page
175. The lazy _____ controlled and exploited the women working for him.
- n.* a person, typically a man, who lives off the earnings of a prostitute or sex worker
176. The _____ workers are building a massive container ship for international trade.
- n.* a place where ships are built, repaired, or stored; a facility or area where shipbuilding or ship maintenance activities take place

ANSWERS: 169. identify, 170. inequality, 171. striking, 172. retailer, 173. vacuum, 174. op-ed, 175. pimp, 176. shipyard

177. The girl _____ a garland for her friend.

- v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them

178. Babies heavily _____ on others for food.

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

179. She plans to study _____ in college and become a reporter.

- n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast

180. Carrying a valid _____ is mandatory when traveling to most foreign countries.

- n.* an official document issued by a government used to verify the identity and nationality of a person for international travel

181. The troops _____ shoulder-to-shoulder.

- v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

182. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

183. The government announced a plan for the _____ of the city's infrastructure.

- n.* the process of rebuilding or repairing something that has been damaged or destroyed or of restoring something to its original condition

184. His _____ behavior led him to steal from the company.

- adj.* having or showing an intense or insatiable desire for wealth, status, power, or food

ANSWERS: 177. weaves, 178. rely, 179. journalism, 180. passport, 181. marched, 182. Communal, 183. reconstruction, 184. greedy

185. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
186. The FBI worked tirelessly to gather enough evidence to _____ the corrupt politician.
- v.* to formally charge or accuse someone of a crime, based on the decision of a grand jury or other legal authority; to bring a legal case against someone, typically to prosecute and punish them
187. _____ is the foundation of our economy.
- n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
188. Six _____ are awaiting trial or verdict.
- n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
189. The _____ for the conference was impressive and professional.
- n.* the arrangement or organization of something, often with a specific purpose or intention; a scheme or plan that is intended to deceive or trick someone
190. He had a _____ smoothie for breakfast.
- n.* a sweet, juicy fruit with a reddish color, a seeded surface, and a green, leafy top
191. We _____ before the temperature fell below zero.
- v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
192. 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

ANSWERS: 185. nation, 186. indict, 187. Agriculture, 188. suits, 189. setup, 190. strawberry, 191. departed, 192. movement

193. There was a massive police presence at the anti-government _____.
v. a public meeting of a group of people intended to arouse enthusiasm
194. I must apply for a _____ to travel to India for my friend's wedding.
n. an endorsement or authorization placed in a passport or travel document that allows the holder to enter or leave a particular country for a specific period of time; the process of applying for and obtaining such authorization
195. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.
adj. unbelievable; enormous
196. Herbs require _____ soil in a sunny, sheltered location.
adj. capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive
197. His _____ bedroom is always a source of frustration for his mother.
adj. disorganized and untidy
198. Human _____ is a serious issue that needs to be addressed by governments and organizations worldwide.
n. the illegal trade in goods, services, or people, often across national borders
199. She was _____ and found a solution to the problem on her own.
adj. showing creativity and ability to find quick and practical solutions to problems
200. The _____ attack left the victim with serious injuries.
adj. harsh or cruel
201. She works as a _____ for a family with two young children.
n. a caregiver, usually a woman, who provides child care services in the home of the children's parents or guardians, either on a part-time or full-time basis

ANSWERS: 193. rally, 194. visa, 195. incredible, 196. fertile, 197. messy, 198. trafficking, 199. resourceful, 200. brutal, 201. nanny

202. The _____ pressure to conform is strong in this community.

adj. relating to society or social relationships

203. We _____ our mining resources to strengthen our national power.

v. to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc.

204. The devastating _____ caused widespread damage and left many people homeless.

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

205. The dragon is considered a _____ of bravery.

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

206. The _____ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

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

ANSWERS: 202. societal, 203. exploit, 204. hurricane, 205. symbol, 206. victim