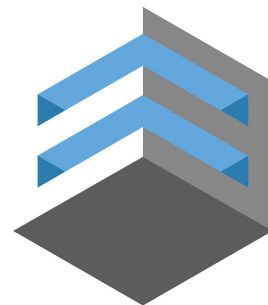


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Session 1: Word List

cartoon

n. a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption

synonym: illustration, drawing, caricature

(1) **cartoon** character, (2) **cartoon** industry

He spent his afternoon watching **cartoon** movies on TV.

president

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym: leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

blessing

n. a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune

synonym: favor, benediction, boon

(1) count your **blessings**, (2) bestowed **blessings**

Receiving support from his friends was a great **blessing** in his time of need.

universe

n. everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

synonym : cosmos, macrocosm

(1) theory of the **universe**, (2) expansion of the **universe**

The **universe** is about 13.8 billion years old.

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.

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.

villager

n. a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community

synonym : resident, inhabitant, countryperson

(1) **villager** community, (2) local **villager**

The rural **villagers** were saddened by the destruction of their homes in the natural disaster.

commitment

n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

synonym : burden, obligation, promise

(1) a **commitment** to an alliance, (2) meet his **commitments**

His business **commitments** took him to the United States.

promote

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

synonym : boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior
The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

equivocation

n. the act of intentionally using ambiguous language or expressions to mislead or avoid giving a direct answer; a deliberate use of vague or unclear language to deceive or confuse

synonym : inscrutability, doubletalk, ambiguity

(1) political **equivocation**, (2) moral **equivocation**
His **equivocation** during the interview raised suspicions about his honesty.

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.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

synonym : reference, allude, cite

(1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report
I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

misinterpretation

n. a mistake or error in understanding or explaining something; the act of interpreting incorrectly; an incorrect interpretation

synonym : misunderstanding, mistake, misreading

(1) **misinterpretation** of data, (2) **misinterpretation** of signals
The news article's **misinterpretation** of the study's findings confused readers

religion

n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

synonym : faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**

Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

scripture

n. the sacred writings of a particular religion or belief system, often regarded as authoritative and containing moral or spiritual teachings

synonym : religious text, Bible, holy writ

(1) **scripture** study, (2) biblical **scripture**

Many people find comfort in reading **scripture** during times of hardship.

holy

adj. of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion

synonym : sacred, religious, divine

(1) a **holy** man, (2) a **holy** shrine

They gathered to hear the **holy** teachings of the guru.

bible

n. the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

synonym : authoritative book, holy book, doctrine

(1) a passage from the **Bible**, (2) believe **Bible** prophecy

Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology **bible**.

testament

n. a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

synonym : proof, testimony, testimonial

(1) give properties by **testament**, (2) **testament** to the superior quality

His wealth is a **testament** to his success.

misinterpret

v. to understand or explain something in the wrong way
synonym: misunderstand, falsify, misconstrue

(1) **misinterpret** the purpose, (2) **misinterpret** the data
He **misinterpreted** her statement and got the wrong idea.

ascendant

n. a person's ancestor; the predecessor or originator of something; rising or dominant; in astrology, the zodiacal sign or house that is on the horizon at a particular time and place

synonym: dominant, rising, antecedent

(1) technological **ascendant** trends, (2) **ascendant** sign
The **ascendant** leader of the political party promises to bring change to the country.

synagogue

n. (also "shul") a Jewish house of worship, typically consisting of a hall for prayer and study and often containing a sanctuary, a social hall, and a collection of administrative offices

synonym: temple, shul, tabernacle

(1) reconstructed **synagogue**, (2) historical **synagogue**
We attended services at the local **synagogue** during the High Holidays.

church

n. a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination

synonym: chapel, cathedral, synagogue

(1) **church** bell, (2) small **church**

The **church** on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.

mosque

n. a Muslim place of worship that usually has a minaret (= slender tower with balconies)

(1) domed **mosque**, (2) the sacred **mosque**

Jumeirah **Mosque** is one of the most beautiful buildings in the United Arab Emirates.

interpret

v. to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.

synonym: decode, decipher, analyze

(1) **interpret** a graph, (2) **interpret** the question

Different people might **interpret** this news differently.

ordinary

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

synonym: mundane, prosaic, average

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

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

relegate

v. to assign or dismiss to a lower or less important status or place; to demote

synonym: demote, assign, transfer

(1) **relegate** a matter to another authority, (2) **relegate** task

The underperforming team was **relegated** to a lower division.

convention

n. a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example

synonym: meeting, conference, congress

(1) **convention** center, (2) political **convention**

They met at biennial **conventions**.

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.

subservient

adj. willing to obey or serve someone else without question or complaint; excessively obedient or submissive

synonym: submissive, compliant, obedient

(1) **subservient** relationship, (2) **subservient** role

Her **subservient** attitude made it easy for her boss to take

advantage of her.

edict

n. an official order or command issued by a ruler or government; a formal or authoritative proclamation

synonym: decree, order, command

(1) religious **edict**, (2) royal **edict**

The **edict** issued by the king had to be obeyed by all his subjects.

priest

n. a person who performs religious duties and ceremonies, especially in the Christian faith

synonym: clergyman, minister, pastor

(1) **priest** in clerical garb, (2) faithful **priest**

He was ordained as a **priest** in the Catholic Church.

deacon

n. in some Christian denominations, an ordained minister ranks below a priest; a layperson chosen to assist and support a priest or pastor in their religious duties, often involved in serving the community and performing charitable acts

synonym: minister, clergyman, priest

(1) **deacon** robe, (2) newly appointed **deacon**

The **deacon's** role in our church primarily focuses on outreach and charity work.

chaplain

n. a member of the clergy or religious community who is employed to provide spiritual guidance, counseling, or support to a particular group, such as a hospital or military unit; a person who performs religious ceremonies or rites, particularly within a non-denominational or multi-faith setting

synonym: spiritual leader, minister, priest

(1) college **chaplain**, (2) military **chaplain**

The hospital **chaplain** provided emotional support and spiritual guidance to the patients and their families.

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.

seminary

n. an educational institution, typically for the training of candidates for the priesthood or ministry; a school for higher learning

synonym : school, academy, college

(1) theological **seminary**, (2) college **seminary**

He enrolled in the **seminary** to study theology and become a minister.

verse

n. a type of poetry that is characterized by a metrical structure and often a rhyme scheme

synonym : poetry, rhyme, stanza

(1) cited **verse**, (2) **verse** play

The poet recited a **verse** from her latest collection.

pervasive

adj. spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place

synonym : extensive, ubiquitous, prevalent

(1) **pervasive** language, (2) the **pervasive** odor of garlic

Suspicion and worry were **pervasive** in our minds.

exert

v. to put forth effort; to put into action; to bring into play

synonym : exert, apply, use

(1) **exert** control, (2) **exert** influence

He **exerted** himself to lift the heavyweight.

abusive

adj. involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else

synonym : cruel, oppressive, hurtful

(1) **abusive** behavior, (2) **abusive** parent

The teacher's **abusive** language towards the students was unacceptable.

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.

instance

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

synonym: example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**

These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

cheat

v. to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws

synonym: deceive, swindle, defraud

(1) **cheat** on my taxes, (2) **cheat** in a game

Even though he knew it was wrong, he **cheated** on the exam.

blight

v. to have a detrimental effect on something, typically causing it to deteriorate or fail; (noun) any plant disease resulting in withering without rotting

synonym: devastate, ruin, decimate

(1) **blight** his life, (2) **blight** a crop

The abandoned factory was **blighted** by vandalism and graffiti.

excessive

adj. greater than what seems necessary, normal, or desirable

synonym: unreasonable, exorbitant, inflated

(1) an **excessive** force, (2) take **excessive** care

It would be best if you did not demand such an **excessive** charge.

resort

n. a place where many people go for rest, sport, or another stated purpose; (verb) to turn to or take a course of action, especially an extreme or undesirable one, to resolve a difficult circumstance

synonym: vacation spot, hotel, (verb) address

(1) **resort** to desperate measures, (2) a last **resort**

If both countries **resort** to nuclear deterrence, the consequence could be mutual destruction.

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.

tremendous

adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

(1) **tremendous** amount, (2) **tremendous** popularity

We had a **tremendous** time yesterday.

enormous

adj. extremely large or great

synonym: huge, giant, gigantic

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

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

governor

n. the person who holds the highest executive office in a state or province

synonym: administrator, executive, leader

(1) **governor** general, (2) a prefectural **governor**

The state **governor** visited the affected areas and promised to aid the victims.

nowadays

adv. at the current time, in comparison to the past

synonym: currently, presently, today

(1) young people **nowadays**, (2) not to be seen **nowadays**

People can clone a sheep **nowadays**.

threefold

adj. three times as great or as many

synonym : three, triple, three times

(1) rise nearly **threefold**, (2) **threefold** increase

The price of the item was reduced **threefold** after the sale.

penalty

n. a punishment for violating a law, rule, or contract

synonym : punishment, sentence, fine

(1) death **penalty**, (2) corner of the **penalty** area

The lawyer was reinstated after paying the **penalty**.

develop

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

synonym : evolve, progress, advance

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

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

rank

n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others

synonym : position, status, standing

(1) **rank** amateur, (2) high **rank**

He was promoted to the **rank** of captain in the military.

encouraging

adj. giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring

synonym : uplifting, inspiring, optimistic

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

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

convict

v. to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime;
(noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison

synonym : condemn, sentence, judge

(1) **convict** him of manslaughter, (2) **convict** in a jail
He was **convicted** on fraud charges and sentenced to five years in prison.

execute

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

synonym: direct, conduct, enforce

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

abolish

v. to do away with completely; to put an end to

synonym: cancel, repeal, annul

(1) **abolish** slavery, (2) **abolish** censorship
The government voted to **abolish** the outdated law.

helpless

adj. unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help

synonym: defenseless, powerless, susceptible

(1) **helpless** baby, (2) **helpless** victims
I feel so **helpless** without you.

genital

adj. of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs

synonym: reproductive, genetic, sexual

(1) **genital** bleeding, (2) pain in the **genital** area
The **genital** organs of the human body are necessary for reproduction.

mutilation

n. the act of severely damaging or injuring a person's body or body part, particularly through cutting or disfiguring; the condition of being so damaged or disfigured

synonym: disfigurement, dismemberment, amputation

(1) **mutilation** crime, (2) physical **mutilation**
The **mutilation** of the artwork was a devastating loss for the artist.

horrible

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
synonym : dreadful, terrible, awful

(1) **horrible** accident, (2) **horrible** smell

The experience was **horrible** and left a lasting impression.

razor

n. a sharp blade used for shaving or cutting hair
synonym : blade, shaver, cutter

(1) **razor** blade, (2) an electric **razor**

He shaved with a **razor** to get a close shave.

blade

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

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

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

sterilize

v. to make something free of all forms of life, especially bacteria or viruses, by using heat, chemicals, or radiation

synonym : disinfect, sanitize, cleanse

(1) **sterilize** chemically, (2) **sterilize** surfaces

The nurse **sterilized** the instruments before the surgery to prevent any infections.

exterior

adj. situated in or suitable for the outdoors or outside of something

synonym : external, outward, outer

(1) glass **exterior**, (2) new **exterior** design

Four **exterior** walls surround the courtyard.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym : farthestmost, outermost, fierce

(1) **extreme** sports, (2) **extreme** weather events

Solar gravity creates **extreme** pressures and temperatures.

sew

v. to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle

synonym : stitch, darn, tailor

(1) **sew** with thread, (2) **sew** a button

My mother taught me how to **sew**.

urine

n. a liquid by-product of metabolism in humans and in many other animals that are released from the body when you urinate

synonym : excrement, dung, pee

(1) **urine** composition, (2) blood in the **urine**

They collected a **urine** specimen for urinalysis.

menstruate

v. to have or experience the process in a woman's menstrual cycle during which blood and other materials are discharged from the uterus

synonym : period, menstruation, menarche

(1) **menstruate** regularly, (2) failure to **menstruate**

The teenage girl began to **menstruate** last month.

mutilate

v. to cause severe damage, disfigurement, or injury, usually to a person or an animal; to destroy, alter, or damage something severely or irreparably

synonym : maim, disfigure, deform

(1) **mutilate** a document, (2) **mutilate** a body

It is cruel for anyone to **mutilate** an animal for any reason.

affliction

n. a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief

synonym : anguish, distress, suffering

(1) mental **affliction**, (2) autoimmune **affliction**

Chronic pain can be a debilitating **affliction** that affects every aspect of one's life.

mandate

n. an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task

synonym : command, instruction, authority

(1) **mandate** obligation, (2) an Imperial **mandate**

The **mandate** given to the new government is to improve the economy.

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.

approve *v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.
synonym: accept, authorize, agree
(1) **approve** a measures, (2) unanimously **approve** a resolution
My boss wouldn't **approve** of the plan.

inappropriate *adj.* not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person
synonym: improper, unsuitable, unacceptable
(1) **inappropriate** behavior, (2) **inappropriate** language
It was highly **inappropriate** to make jokes during a serious business meeting.

murder *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
synonym: slaying, killing
(1) **murder** in the second degree, (2) attempted **murder**
This intriguing **murder** mystery remains unsolved.

disgrace *n.* a loss of respect, honor, or dignity; a state of shame or public humiliation; an action or behavior that is seen as immoral or unacceptable; (verb) to bring shame, dishonor, or discredit upon someone or something
synonym: shame, dishonor, humiliation
(1) **disgrace** our family name, (2) political **disgrace**
The government's failure to address the poverty issue was a

disgrace to their leadership

analyze

v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

synonym: explore, examine, investigate

(1) **analyze** a chemical compound, (2) **analyze** your real motives

The teacher attempted to **analyze** the root cause of our mistake.

perpetrate

v. to commit or carry out a harmful or illegal act, particularly one that involves violence or deception; to be responsible for the creation or continuation of a negative situation

synonym: commit, perform, execute

(1) **perpetrate** harassment, (2) **perpetrate** a fraud

The criminal decided to **perpetrate** another robbery despite his previous arrest.

conduct

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

synonym: behave, lead, carry on

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

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

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.

slavery

n. the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work

synonym: bondage, servitude, enslavement

(1) **slavery** labor, (2) institution of **slavery**

The abolition of **slavery** in the United States was a major achievement in the fight for human rights.

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.

congress

n. a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

synonym : legislature, parliament, assembly

(1) an international **congress**, (2) peace **congress**

Congress must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

bond

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

synonym : bind, adhesion, attachment

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

They had formed a friendship **bond**.

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.

hemisphere

n. half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere

(1) northern **hemisphere**, (2) cerebral **hemisphere**

This weather pattern is unique to the southern **hemisphere**.

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.

slave

n. a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person

synonym : captive, bondservant, hard worker

(1) a **slave** of drink, (2) a **slave** trader

You should work hard but not be a **slave** to it.

excess

n. an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable

synonym : exuberance, glut, surplus

(1) lose **excess** weight, (2) an **excess** of exports

The road of **excess** leads to the palace of wisdom.

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.

chief

adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

synonym : essential, primary, leading

(1) **chief** accountant, (2) **chief** events of the year

Mining is a **chief** source of income for the country.

increasingly

adv. more and more

synonym : more and more, progressively

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

Our company found it **increasingly** difficult to keep up with

the competition.

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.

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.

opposition

n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

synonym: resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

arrest

v. to take into custody

synonym: capture, detain, imprison

(1) **arrest** the thief, (2) **arrest** the progress

A police officer has the authority to **arrest** a criminal.

illegal

adj. not allowed by law

synonym: banned, prohibited, illicit

(1) **illegal** drugs, (2) child of **illegal** immigrants

The customs agents seized the **illegal** shipment.

institute

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

something

synonym : academy, university, college

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

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

admire

v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

synonym : esteem, respect, marvel

(1) **admire** the subtlety of the distinctions, (2) **admire** kids with attitude

We all **admire** him because he is a nobleman.

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.

command

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

synonym : control, authority, leadership

(1) **command** and control, (2) **command** a battery

The general gave a **command** to his troops to prepare for battle.

submarine

n. a type of underwater vehicle or vessel that can operate beneath the surface of the water; (adjective) beneath the surface of the sea

synonym : sub, underwater vessel, sea-craft

(1) a **submarine** volcano, (2) **submarine** cable

The military **submarine** disappeared without a trace.

battalion

n. a large, organized military unit composed of several companies, typically commanded by a lieutenant colonel

or a major

synonym: unit, regiment, squad

(1) infantry **battalion**, (2) armored **battalion**

The enemy forces were no match for the well-trained **battalion**.

marine

adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there

synonym: sea-dwelling, maritime, aquatic

(1) **marine** insurance, (2) variety of **marine** life

Seals and whales are **marine** animals beloved by the people.

graduate

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

synonym: alumna, alum, grad

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

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

condemn

v. to express strong disapproval or criticism of something

synonym: criticize, denounce, censure

(1) **condemn** violence, (2) **condemn** crime

The government was **condemned** for its handling of the crisis.

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.

serial

adj. consisting of or occurring in a series or sequence; relating to or involving a series or sequence of events, stories, or incidents

synonym: consecutive, sequential, successive

(1) **serial** killer, (2) **serial** number

The company is launching a new line of **serial** products aimed at young adults.

impunity

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

synonym : immunity, exemption

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

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

employ

v. to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of

synonym : hire, engage, use

(1) **employ** job seekers, (2) **employ** a new method

When making arrests, police officers frequently **employ** excessive force.

progression

n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

synonym : advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease

The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.

fortune

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

synonym : wealth, affluence, assets

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

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

warlike

adj. characterized by a tendency toward or readiness for war or aggression; belligerent or hostile in manner

synonym : martial, bellicose, combative

(1) **warlike** behavior, (2) **warlike** language

The **warlike** imagery depicted on the temple walls was meant to inspire warriors to fight bravely.

overhead

n. the expense of maintaining something that is involved in operating a business, such as rent and heating; (adverb) above your head; in the sky

synonym: expense, upkeep, (adverb) aloft

(1) **overhead** capital, (2) a cloud passing **overhead**

This merger will help them reduce **overhead** costs substantially.

bomb

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

synonym: missile, explosive, ammunition

(1) atomic **bombs**, (2) disarm the **bomb**

The use of cluster **bombs** is strictly prohibited by international law.

drone

n. a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control

synonym: hum, whirr, idler

(1) **drone** flight, (2) the speaker's **drone**

He heard a **drone** of sirens roar from the neighboring town.

launch

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

synonym: start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

missile

n. a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism

synonym : projectile, rocket, bomb

(1) **missile** defense, (2) cruise **missile** attack

The military launched a ballistic **missile** at the enemy's stronghold.

bullet

n. a metal projectile that is shot from a gun

synonym : projectile, slug, shot

(1) **bullet** wound, (2) **bullet** train

The stray **bullet** went through the window and hit the wall.

damn

v. to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger

synonym : curse, condemn, denounce

(1) **damn** the consequences, (2) **damn** with faint praise

The company's poor financial performance is likely to **damn** the CEO's chances of being re-elected to the board.

privilege

n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

synonym : benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership

In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the **privilege** of royalty and nobility.

occupy

v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time

synonym : inhabit, settle, populate

(1) **occupy** his time, (2) **occupy** a position

The young prince will soon **occupy** the throne.

separate

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

synonym : disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the

part of his competence when making an investment decision.

racial

adj. of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

synonym: ethnic, tribal, ethnical

(1) **racial** prejudice, (2) **racial** and ethnic backgrounds

A minor **racial** conflict later led to a civil war.

discriminate

v. to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things

synonym: show prejudice, segregate, differentiate

(1) **discriminate** against women employees,

(2) **discriminate** between different things

You should not **discriminate** against minorities.

jury

n. a group of people called upon to render a verdict or judgment in a legal trial; a group of people chosen for a special purpose or task

synonym: panel, tribunal, adjudicators

(1) **jury** verdict, (2) **jury** duty

The judge instructed the **jury** on the law and the evidence presented in the trial.

government

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

synonym: administration, regime, state

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

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

influence

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

synonym: power, leverage, effect

(1) **influence** a child's future, (2) **influence** the daily life

The former emperor had a particular **influence** even after he

abdicated.

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.

forceful

adj. having or showing great strength or energy

synonym: powerful, strong, energetic

(1) **forceful** argument, (2) take **forceful** action

She spoke with a **forceful** tone and made her point clear.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

grandchild

n. a child of someone's son or daughter

synonym: offspring, descendant, progeny

(1) **grandchild-grandparent** relationship, (2) **grandchild** development

The grandparents take care of their **grandchild** while the parents are at work.

plight

n. a difficult or unfortunate situation

synonym: crisis, predicament, trouble

(1) miserable **plight**, (2) the **plight** of the poor

The government has ignored the **plight** of the homeless population.

champion

n. someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a

belief

synonym : victor, winner, fighter

(1) a **champion** of peace, (2) the grand **champion**

The **champion** bicyclist outrode all his competitors.

Session 2: Spelling

1. bl___t his life
v. to have a detrimental effect on something, typically causing it to deteriorate or fail; (noun) any plant disease resulting in withering without rotting
2. 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
3. cited ve___e
n. a type of poetry that is characterized by a metrical structure and often a rhyme scheme
4. newly appointed de___n
n. in some Christian denominations, an ordained minister ranks below a priest; a layperson chosen to assist and support a priest or pastor in their religious duties, often involved in serving the community and performing charitable acts
5. notable in____ce
n. a particular example or single occurrence of something
6. autoimmune aff_____on
n. a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief

ANSWERS: 1. blight, 2. relate, 3. verse, 4. deacon, 5. instance, 6. affliction

7. theological se_____ry *n.* an educational institution, typically for the training of candidates for the priesthood or ministry; a school for higher learning
8. college ch_____in *n.* a member of the clergy or religious community who is employed to provide spiritual guidance, counseling, or support to a particular group, such as a hospital or military unit; a person who performs religious ceremonies or rites, particularly within a non-denominational or multi-faith setting
9. royal ed__t *n.* an official order or command issued by a ruler or government; a formal or authoritative proclamation
10. ge_____l bleeding *adj.* of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs
11. ra__r blade *n.* a sharp blade used for shaving or cutting hair
12. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
13. not to be seen no_____ys *adv.* at the current time, in comparison to the past
14. unanimously ap_____e a resolution *v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.
15. as_____t aircraft *n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will

ANSWERS: 7. seminary, 8. chaplain, 9. edict, 10. genital, 11. razor, 12. violent, 13. nowadays, 14. approve, 15. assault

16. he_____ss victims *adj.* unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help
17. con_____on center *n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
18. gra_____ld-grandparent relationship *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
19. co_____d and control *n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something
20. bit of good fo_____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
21. wa_____e language *adj.* characterized by a tendency toward or readiness for war or aggression; belligerent or hostile in manner
22. su_____ne cable *n.* a type of underwater vehicle or vessel that can operate beneath the surface of the water; (adjective) beneath the surface of the sea
23. pro_____on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
24. co_____d a battery *n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something

ANSWERS: 16. helpless, 17. convention, 18. grandchild, 19. command, 20. fortune, 21. warlike, 22. submarine, 23. progression, 24. command

25. ad___e the subtlety of the distinctions
v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
26. a h___y man
adj. of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion
27. d___n the consequences
v. to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger
28. bu___t wound
n. a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
29. an or____ry school
adj. not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
30. failure to men____te
v. to have or experience the process in a woman's menstrual cycle during which blood and other materials are discharged from the uterus
31. ap____e a measures
v. to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.
32. peace co____ss
n. a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
33. military ch____in
n. a member of the clergy or religious community who is employed to provide spiritual guidance, counseling, or support to a particular group, such as a hospital or military unit; a person who performs religious ceremonies or rites, particularly within a non-denominational or multi-faith setting

ANSWERS: 25. admire, 26. holy, 27. damn, 28. bullet, 29. ordinary, 30. menstruate, 31. approve, 32. congress, 33. chaplain

34. armored ba_____on *n.* a large, organized military unit composed of several companies, typically commanded by a lieutenant colonel or a major
35. political con_____on *n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
36. in_____te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
37. dis_____ate between different things *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
38. se___l number *adj.* consisting of or occurring in a series or sequence; relating to or involving a series or sequence of events, stories, or incidents
39. oc___y a position *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
40. co_____t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
41. ch__t in a game *v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws
42. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 34. battalion, 35. convention, 36. institute, 37. discriminate, 38. serial, 39. occupy, 40. conduct, 41. cheat, 42. statistics

43. for in____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
44. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
45. lo____e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
46. small ch____h *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
47. global b____d market *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
48. expansion of the un____se *n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy
49. high r____k *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
50. re____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
51. ur____e composition *n.* a liquid by-product of metabolism in humans and in many other animals that are released from the body when you urinate
52. j____y duty *n.* a group of people called upon to render a verdict or judgment in a legal trial; a group of people chosen for a special purpose or task

ANSWERS: 43. instance, 44. nation, 45. locate, 46. church, 47. bond, 48. universe, 49. rank, 50. religion, 51. urine, 52. jury

53. in_____et a graph *v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
54. miserable pl____t *n.* a difficult or unfortunate situation
55. pr_____e bad behavior *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
56. a mi_____ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
57. political equ_____ion *n.* the act of intentionally using ambiguous language or expressions to mislead or avoid giving a direct answer; a deliberate use of vague or unclear language to deceive or confuse
58. me_____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
59. co____r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
60. 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
61. local vi_____er *n.* a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community
62. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

ANSWERS: 53. interpret, 54. plight, 55. promote, 56. military, 57. equivocation, 58. mention, 59. confer, 60. prosecute, 61. villager, 62. opposition

63. lo___e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
64. an electric ra__r *n.* a sharp blade used for shaving or cutting hair
65. northern hem_____re *n.* half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere
66. ra___l and ethnic backgrounds *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
67. honor gr_____te *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
68. pro_____te street *n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
69. em___y job seekers *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
70. a su_____ne volcano *n.* a type of underwater vehicle or vessel that can operate beneath the surface of the water; (adjective) beneath the surface of the sea
71. la___h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
72. faithful pr___t *n.* a person who performs religious duties and ceremonies, especially in the Christian faith

ANSWERS: 63. locate, 64. razor, 65. hemisphere, 66. racial, 67. graduate, 68. prostitute, 69. employ, 70. submarine, 71. launch, 72. priest

73. mu___r in the second degree *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
74. an Imperial ma_____e *n.* an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task
75. the pe_____ve odor of garlic *adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
76. 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
77. an international co_____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
78. ab_____h slavery *v.* to do away with completely; to put an end to
79. co_____t him of manslaughter *v.* to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison
80. ex__t influence *v.* to put forth effort; to put into action; to bring into play
81. young people no_____ys *adv.* at the current time, in comparison to the past
82. in_____et the question *v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
83. ra___l prejudice *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

ANSWERS: 73. murder, 74. mandate, 75. pervasive, 76. relate, 77. congress, 78. abolish, 79. convict, 80. exert, 81. nowadays, 82. interpret, 83. racial

84. ca_____n industry *n.* a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption
85. take ex_____ve care *adj.* greater than what seems necessary, normal, or desirable
86. a last re____t *n.* a place where many people go for rest, sport, or another stated purpose; (verb) to turn to or take a course of action, especially an extreme or undesirable one, to resolve a difficult circumstance
87. sc_____re study *n.* the sacred writings of a particular religion or belief system, often regarded as authoritative and containing moral or spiritual teachings
88. glass ex_____or *adj.* situated in or suitable for the outdoors or outside of something
89. theory of the un_____se *n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy
90. ex_____e a bold strategy *v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.
91. underground br_____l *n.* (also "whorehouse") a place where people, particularly women, engage in sexual activity for payment; a house of prostitution
92. victim of sexual as_____t *n.* a violent physical attack; the crime of forcing someone to submit to sexual intercourse against their will

ANSWERS: 84. cartoon, 85. excessive, 86. resort, 87. scripture, 88. exterior, 89. universe, 90. execute, 91. brothel, 92. assault

93. re____te a matter to another authority
v. to assign or dismiss to a lower or less important status or place; to demote
94. te_____nt to the superior quality
n. a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else
95. ina_____ate language
adj. not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person
96. co_____t research
v. to organize and carry out a particular activity
97. in_____ce the daily life
n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
98. domed mo____e
n. a Muslim place of worship that usually has a minaret (= slender tower with balconies)
99. reconstructed sy_____ue
n. (also "shul") a Jewish house of worship, typically consisting of a hall for prayer and study and often containing a sanctuary, a social hall, and a collection of administrative offices
100. 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
101. la____h a spaceship into orbit
v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

ANSWERS: 93. relegate, 94. testament, 95. inappropriate, 96. conduct, 97. influence, 98. mosque, 99. synagogue, 100. rap, 101. launch

102. political di____ce *n.* a loss of respect, honor, or dignity; a state of shame or public humiliation; an action or behavior that is seen as immoral or unacceptable; (verb) to bring shame, dishonor, or discredit upon someone or something
103. ju____e of Heaven *n.* the quality of being fair and reasonable and treating people equally according to their due
104. fo____ul argument *adj.* having or showing great strength or energy
105. count your bl____ngs *n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune
106. gra____ld development *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
107. co____n violence *v.* to express strong disapproval or criticism of something
108. an____e your real motives *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
109. b__d as a family *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
110. atomic b__bs *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
111. ill fo____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

ANSWERS: 102. disgrace, 103. justice, 104. forceful, 105. blessing, 106. grandchild, 107. condemn, 108. analyze, 109. bond, 110. bomb, 111. fortune

112. tra_____ng operation *n.* the illegal trade in goods, services, or people, often across national borders
113. criminal ju_____e *n.* the quality of being fair and reasonable and treating people equally according to their due
114. di_____ce our family name *n.* a loss of respect, honor, or dignity; a state of shame or public humiliation; an action or behavior that is seen as immoral or unacceptable; (verb) to bring shame, dishonor, or discredit upon someone or something
115. per_____te a fraud *v.* to commit or carry out a harmful or illegal act, particularly one that involves violence or deception; to be responsible for the creation or continuation of a negative situation
116. ho_____le smell *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
117. mis_____ion of data *n.* a mistake or error in understanding or explaining something; the act of interpreting incorrectly; an incorrect interpretation
118. cruise mi_____e attack *n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism
119. inc_____gly become common *adv.* more and more
120. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

ANSWERS: 112. trafficking, 113. justice, 114. disgrace, 115. perpetrate, 116. horrible, 117. misinterpretation, 118. missile, 119. increasingly, 120. responsible

121. mis_____ret the purpose *v.* to understand or explain something in the wrong way
122. j__y verdict *n.* a group of people called upon to render a verdict or judgment in a legal trial; a group of people chosen for a special purpose or task
123. dr__e flight *n.* a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control
124. or_____ry annual revenue *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
125. the speaker's dr__e *n.* a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control
126. men_____te regularly *v.* to have or experience the process in a woman's menstrual cycle during which blood and other materials are discharged from the uterus
127. religious ed__t *n.* an official order or command issued by a ruler or government; a formal or authoritative proclamation
128. enc_____ng sign *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
129. d__n with faint praise *v.* to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger

ANSWERS: 121. misinterpret, 122. jury, 123. drone, 124. ordinary, 125. drone, 126. menstruate, 127. edict, 128. encouraging, 129. damn

130. a ch_____on of peace *n.* someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
131. physical mut_____on *n.* the act of severely damaging or injuring a person's body or body part, particularly through cutting or disfiguring; the condition of being so damaged or disfigured
132. ar____t the progress *v.* to take into custody
133. corner of the pe_____y area *n.* a punishment for violating a law, rule, or contract
134. ov_____ad capital *n.* the expense of maintaining something that is involved in operating a business, such as rent and heating; (adverb) above your head; in the sky
135. bl____t a crop *v.* to have a detrimental effect on something, typically causing it to deteriorate or fail; (noun) any plant disease resulting in withering without rotting
136. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
137. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 130. champion, 131. mutilation, 132. arrest, 133. penalty, 134. overhead, 135. blight, 136. violent, 137. develop

138. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
139. a com_____nt to an alliance *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
140. a prefectural go_____or *n.* the person who holds the highest executive office in a state or province
141. re___t to desperate measures *n.* a place where many people go for rest, sport, or another stated purpose; (verb) to turn to or take a course of action, especially an extreme or undesirable one, to resolve a difficult circumstance
142. ch___f accountant *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
143. bestowed bl_____ngs *n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune
144. a sl___e trader *n.* a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person
145. believe Bi___e prophecy *n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
146. oc___y his time *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
147. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 138. nation, 139. commitment, 140. governor, 141. resort, 142. chief, 143. blessing, 144. slave, 145. bible, 146. occupy, 147. decide

148. take fo____ul action *adj.* having or showing great strength or energy
149. disarm the b__b *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
150. ch___h bell *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
151. give properties by te_____nt *n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else
152. co_____n crime *v.* to express strong disapproval or criticism of something
153. research in_____tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
154. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
155. mis_____ion of signals *n.* a mistake or error in understanding or explaining something; the act of interpreting incorrectly; an incorrect interpretation
156. gr_____te degree program *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
157. tre_____us amount *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

ANSWERS: 148. forceful, 149. bomb, 150. church, 151. testament, 152. condemn, 153. institute, 154. opposition, 155. misinterpretation, 156. graduate, 157. tremendous

158. mental aff_____on *n.* a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief
159. p__p lifestyle *n.* a person, typically a man, who lives off the earnings of a prostitute or sex worker
160. en_____us amount *adj.* extremely large or great
161. ab_____h censorship *v.* to do away with completely; to put an end to
162. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
163. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
164. en_____us potential *adj.* extremely large or great
165. a sl__e of drink *n.* a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person
166. tre_____us popularity *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
167. ve__e play *n.* a type of poetry that is characterized by a metrical structure and often a rhyme scheme
168. em___y a new method *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of

ANSWERS: 158. affliction, 159. pimp, 160. enormous, 161. abolish, 162. decide, 163. responsible, 164. enormous, 165. slave, 166. tremendous, 167. verse, 168. employ

169. enjoy im____ty *n.* exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal accountability
170. mut_____on crime *n.* the act of severely damaging or injuring a person's body or body part, particularly through cutting or disfiguring; the condition of being so damaged or disfigured
171. the pl____t of the poor *n.* a difficult or unfortunate situation
172. variety of ma____e life *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
173. lose ex____s weight *n.* an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable
174. death pe____y *n.* a punishment for violating a law, rule, or contract
175. il____l drugs *adj.* not allowed by law
176. a mi____ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
177. s_w a button *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
178. th_____ld increase *adj.* three times as great or as many
179. de____n robe *n.* in some Christian denominations, an ordained minister ranks below a priest; a layperson chosen to assist and support a priest or pastor in their religious duties, often involved in serving the community and performing charitable acts

ANSWERS: 169. impunity, 170. mutilation, 171. plight, 172. marine, 173. excess, 174. penalty, 175. illegal, 176. military, 177. sew, 178. threefold, 179. deacon

180. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
181. ar____t the thief *v.* to take into custody
182. dis_____ate against women employees *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
183. 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
184. wa_____e behavior *adj.* characterized by a tendency toward or readiness for war or aggression; belligerent or hostile in manner
185. a passage from the Bi__e *n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
186. st_____ze surfaces *v.* to make something free of all forms of life, especially bacteria or viruses, by using heat, chemicals, or radiation
187. em_____er responsibility *n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
188. an ex____s of exports *n.* an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable
189. as_____nt sign *n.* a person's ancestor; the predecessor or originator of something; rising or dominant; in astrology, the zodiacal sign or house that is on the horizon at a particular time and place

ANSWERS: 180. extreme, 181. arrest, 182. discriminate, 183. rap, 184. warlike, 185. bible, 186. sterilize, 187. employer, 188. excess, 189. ascendant

190. co___r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
191. mis_____ret the data *v.* to understand or explain something in the wrong way
192. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
193. sl_____y labor *n.* the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work
194. college se_____ry *n.* an educational institution, typically for the training of candidates for the priesthood or ministry; a school for higher learning
195. meet his com_____nts *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
196. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
197. bu___t train *n.* a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
198. go_____or general *n.* the person who holds the highest executive office in a state or province
199. new ex_____or design *adj.* situated in or suitable for the outdoors or outside of something
200. mu_____te a document *v.* to cause severe damage, disfigurement, or injury, usually to a person or an animal; to destroy, alter, or damage something severely or irreparably
201. act with im_____ty *n.* exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal accountability

ANSWERS: 190. confer, 191. misinterpret, 192. government, 193. slavery, 194. seminary, 195. commitment, 196. government, 197. bullet, 198. governor, 199. exterior, 200. mutilate, 201. impunity

202. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
203. sub_____nt role *adj.* willing to obey or serve someone else without question or complaint; excessively obedient or submissive
204. s_w with thread *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
205. ca_____n character *n.* a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption
206. historical sy_____ue *n.* (also "shul") a Jewish house of worship, typically consisting of a hall for prayer and study and often containing a sanctuary, a social hall, and a collection of administrative offices
207. co_____t in a jail *v.* to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison
208. the grand ch_____on *n.* someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
209. a breach of pr_____ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
210. a bl__e of grass *n.* the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting

ANSWERS: 202. statistics, 203. subservient, 204. sew, 205. cartoon, 206. synagogue, 207. convict, 208. champion, 209. privilege, 210. blade

211. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
212. an_____e a chemical compound *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
213. a h__y shrine *adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion
214. 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
215. in_____ce a child's future *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
216. face inc_____gly complicated challenges *adv.* more and more
217. biblical sc_____re *n.* the sacred writings of a particular religion or belief system, often regarded as authoritative and containing moral or spiritual teachings
218. illegal em_____er *n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
219. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
220. pro_____on of disease *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
221. st_____ze chemically *v.* to make something free of all forms of life, especially bacteria or viruses, by using heat, chemicals, or radiation

ANSWERS: 211. separate, 212. analyze, 213. holy, 214. prosecute, 215. influence, 216. increasingly, 217. scripture, 218. employer, 219. separate, 220. progression, 221. sterilize

222. victim of sexual ab__e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
223. r__k amateur *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
224. pr_____ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
225. re_____te task *v.* to assign or dismiss to a lower or less important status or place; to demote
226. infantry ba_____on *n.* a large, organized military unit composed of several companies, typically commanded by a lieutenant colonel or a major
227. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
228. an ex_____ve force *adj.* greater than what seems necessary, normal, or desirable
229. narcotic tra_____ng *n.* the illegal trade in goods, services, or people, often across national borders
230. ex__t control *v.* to put forth effort; to put into action; to bring into play
231. sub_____nt relationship *adj.* willing to obey or serve someone else without question or complaint; excessively obedient or submissive
232. per_____te harassment *v.* to commit or carry out a harmful or illegal act, particularly one that involves violence or deception; to be responsible for the creation or continuation of a negative situation

ANSWERS: 222. abuse, 223. rank, 224. privilege, 225. relegate, 226. battalion, 227. president, 228. excessive, 229. trafficking, 230. exert, 231. subservient, 232. perpetrate

233. se___l killer *adj.* consisting of or occurring in a series or sequence; relating to or involving a series or sequence of events, stories, or incidents
234. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
235. a male pro_____te *n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
236. child of il_____l immigrants *adj.* not allowed by law
237. ex_____e a double play *v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.
238. illegal br_____l *n.* (also "whorehouse") a place where people, particularly women, engage in sexual activity for payment; a house of prostitution
239. ch__f events of the year *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
240. ina_____ate behavior *adj.* not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person
241. ma_____e obligation *n.* an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task
242. ab_____e parent *adj.* involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else

ANSWERS: 233. serial, 234. religion, 235. prostitute, 236. illegal, 237. execute, 238. brothel, 239. chief, 240. inappropriate, 241. mandate, 242. abusive

243. the sacred mo___e *n.* a Muslim place of worship that usually has a minaret (= slender tower with balconies)
244. vi_____er community *n.* a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community
245. pr_____e a better relationship *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
246. pr___t in clerical garb *n.* a person who performs religious duties and ceremonies, especially in the Christian faith
247. attempted mu___r *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
248. he_____ss baby *adj.* unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help
249. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
250. mi_____e defense *n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism
251. enc_____ng approval *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
252. ad___e kids with attitude *v.* to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
253. pain in the ge_____l area *adj.* of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs

ANSWERS: 243. mosque, 244. villager, 245. promote, 246. priest, 247. murder, 248. helpless, 249. mention, 250. missile, 251. encouraging, 252. admire, 253. genital

254. ch__t on my taxes
v. to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws
255. ab____e behavior
adj. involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else
256. moral equ____ion
n. the act of intentionally using ambiguous language or expressions to mislead or avoid giving a direct answer; a deliberate use of vague or unclear language to deceive or confuse
257. rise nearly th____ld
adj. three times as great or as many
258. mu____te a body
v. to cause severe damage, disfigurement, or injury, usually to a person or an animal; to destroy, alter, or damage something severely or irreparably
259. a cloud passing ov____ad
n. the expense of maintaining something that is involved in operating a business, such as rent and heating; (adverb) above your head; in the sky
260. pe____ve language
adj. spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
261. the bl__e of a turbine
n. the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting
262. vice-pr____nt for finance
n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

ANSWERS: 254. cheat, 255. abusive, 256. equivocation, 257. threefold, 258. mutilate, 259. overhead, 260. pervasive, 261. blade, 262. president

263. ho____le accident *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
264. p__p culture *n.* a person, typically a man, who lives off the earnings of a prostitute or sex worker
265. institution of sl____y *n.* the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work
266. de____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
267. ex____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
268. technological as____nt trends *n.* a person's ancestor; the predecessor or originator of something; rising or dominant; in astrology, the zodiacal sign or house that is on the horizon at a particular time and place
269. blood in the ur__e *n.* a liquid by-product of metabolism in humans and in many other animals that are released from the body when you urinate
270. ma____e insurance *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
271. the problem of drug ab__e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
272. cerebral hem____re *n.* half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere

ANSWERS: 263. horrible, 264. pimp, 265. slavery, 266. develop, 267. extreme, 268. ascendant, 269. urine, 270. marine, 271. abuse, 272. hemisphere

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The news article's _____ of the study's findings confused readers.
n. a mistake or error in understanding or explaining something; the act of interpreting incorrectly; an incorrect interpretation
2. 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
3. The company is launching a new line of _____ products aimed at young adults.
adj. consisting of or occurring in a series or sequence; relating to or involving a series or sequence of events, stories, or incidents
4. He heard a _____ of sirens roar from the neighboring town.
n. a low continuous humming noise; someone who takes more time than necessary; a pilot-less aerial vehicle that is operated by remote control
5. He was _____ on fraud charges and sentenced to five years in prison.
v. to prove or declare someone to be guilty of a crime; (noun) a person serving a sentence in a jail or prison
6. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.
n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
7. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

ANSWERS: 1. misinterpretation, 2. rap, 3. serial, 4. drone, 5. convicted, 6. privilege, 7. government

8. They met at biennial _____.
- n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
9. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
10. 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
11. The criminal was able to escape with _____ despite committing multiple offenses.
- n.* exemption or freedom from punishment or harm; a state of being immune to negative consequences or legal accountability
12. The test results were _____ and showed improvement.
- adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
13. The _____ role in our church primarily focuses on outreach and charity work.
- n.* in some Christian denominations, an ordained minister ranks below a priest; a layperson chosen to assist and support a priest or pastor in their religious duties, often involved in serving the community and performing charitable acts
14. The former emperor had a particular _____ even after he abdicated.
- n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

ANSWERS: 8. conventions, 9. develop, 10. assault, 11. impunity, 12. encouraging, 13. deacon's, 14. influence

15. The _____ given to the new government is to improve the economy.

n. an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task

16. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.

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

17. The government should do more to _____ sustainable agribusiness.

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

18. People can clone a sheep _____.

adv. at the current time, in comparison to the past

19. They had formed a friendship _____.

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

20. 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

21. Seals and whales are _____ animals beloved by the people.

adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there

22. He _____ her statement and got the wrong idea.

v. to understand or explain something in the wrong way

ANSWERS: 15. mandate, 16. violent, 17. promote, 18. nowadays, 19. bond, 20. pimp, 21. marine, 22. misinterpreted

23. The judge instructed the _____ on the law and the evidence presented in the trial.
- n.* a group of people called upon to render a verdict or judgment in a legal trial; a group of people chosen for a special purpose or task
24. The stray _____ went through the window and hit the wall.
- n.* a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
25. The poet recited a _____ from her latest collection.
- n.* a type of poetry that is characterized by a metrical structure and often a rhyme scheme
26. The teenage girl began to _____ last month.
- v.* to have or experience the process in a woman's menstrual cycle during which blood and other materials are discharged from the uterus
27. The club _____ does not have absolute power.
- n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
28. The _____ leader of the political party promises to bring change to the country.
- n.* a person's ancestor; the predecessor or originator of something; rising or dominant; in astrology, the zodiacal sign or house that is on the horizon at a particular time and place
29. The state _____ visited the affected areas and promised to aid the victims.
- n.* the person who holds the highest executive office in a state or province
30. Even though he knew it was wrong, he _____ on the exam.
- v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws

ANSWERS: 23. jury, 24. bullet, 25. verse, 26. menstruate, 27. president, 28. ascendant, 29. governor, 30. cheated

31. The _____ of the katana itself is still in excellent condition.
- n.* the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting
32. Police will _____ random breath testing for drunk driving.
- v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
33. The nurse _____ the instruments before the surgery to prevent any infections.
- v.* to make something free of all forms of life, especially bacteria or viruses, by using heat, chemicals, or radiation
34. This merger will help them reduce _____ costs substantially.
- n.* the expense of maintaining something that is involved in operating a business, such as rent and heating; (adverb) above your head; in the sky
35. You should work hard but not be a _____ to it.
- n.* a person who is, either legally or illegally, owned by someone; a person entirely dominated by some influence or a person
36. 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
37. 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
38. The general gave a _____ to his troops to prepare for battle.
- n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something

ANSWERS: 31. blade, 32. conduct, 33. sterilized, 34. overhead, 35. slave, 36. trafficking, 37. decide, 38. command

39. Chronic pain can be a debilitating _____ that affects every aspect of one's life.

- n.* a condition of physical or mental suffering or distress, often caused by illness, injury, or other adversity; a burden or trouble that causes hardship or grief

40. The _____ on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.

- n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination

41. Four _____ walls surround the courtyard.

- adj.* situated in or suitable for the outdoors or outside of something

42. An _____ attitude toward its employees significantly impacts their productivity.

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

43. 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

44. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

- n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

45. Many employers hire _____ trainees to train as managers.

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

46. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.

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

ANSWERS: 39. affliction, 40. church, 41. exterior, 42. employer's, 43. relate, 44. religion, 45. graduate, 46. locate

47. The rural _____ were saddened by the destruction of their homes in the natural disaster.
- n.* a person who lives in a village or small rural community; a person who is part of a close-knit and traditional community
48. The price of the item was reduced _____ after the sale.
- adj.* three times as great or as many
49. The underperforming team was _____ to a lower division.
- v.* to assign or dismiss to a lower or less important status or place; to demote
50. _____ must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.
- n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
51. The company's poor financial performance is likely to _____ the CEO's chances of being re-elected to the board.
- v.* to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger
52. Different people might _____ this news differently.
- v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
53. The military _____ disappeared without a trace.
- n.* a type of underwater vehicle or vessel that can operate beneath the surface of the water; (adjective) beneath the surface of the sea
54. The government voted to _____ the outdated law.
- v.* to do away with completely; to put an end to

ANSWERS: 47. villagers, 48. threefold, 49. relegated, 50. Congress, 51. damn, 52. interpret, 53. submarine, 54. abolish

55. The use of cluster _____ is strictly prohibited by international law.
- n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
56. Jumeirah _____ is one of the most beautiful buildings in the United Arab Emirates.
- n.* a Muslim place of worship that usually has a minaret (= slender tower with balconies)
57. If both countries _____ to nuclear deterrence, the consequence could be mutual destruction.
- n.* a place where many people go for rest, sport, or another stated purpose; (verb) to turn to or take a course of action, especially an extreme or undesirable one, to resolve a difficult circumstance
58. The criminal decided to _____ another robbery despite his previous arrest.
- v.* to commit or carry out a harmful or illegal act, particularly one that involves violence or deception; to be responsible for the creation or continuation of a negative situation
59. Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for _____ of authority.
- n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
60. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.
- n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
61. It is cruel for anyone to _____ an animal for any reason.
- v.* to cause severe damage, disfigurement, or injury, usually to a person or an animal; to destroy, alter, or damage something severely or irreparably

ANSWERS: 55. bombs, 56. Mosque, 57. resort, 58. perpetrate, 59. abuse, 60. instances, 61. mutilate

62. A police officer has the authority to _____ a criminal.

v. to take into custody

63. The _____ bicyclist outrode all his competitors.

n. someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief

64. The road of _____ leads to the palace of wisdom.

n. an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable

65. He was ordained as a _____ in the Catholic Church.

n. a person who performs religious duties and ceremonies, especially in the Christian faith

66. The enemy forces were no match for the well-trained _____.

n. a large, organized military unit composed of several companies, typically commanded by a lieutenant colonel or a major

67. The _____ issued by the king had to be obeyed by all his subjects.

n. an official order or command issued by a ruler or government; a formal or authoritative proclamation

68. The grandparents take care of their _____ while the parents are at work.

n. a child of someone's son or daughter

69. The abolition of _____ in the United States was a major achievement in the fight for human rights.

n. the practice or system of owning, buying, and selling people as property and forcing them to work

ANSWERS: 62. arrest, 63. champion, 64. excess, 65. priest, 66. battalion, 67. edict, 68. grandchild, 69. slavery

70. She spoke with a _____ tone and made her point clear.

adj. having or showing great strength or energy

71. The _____ is about 13.8 billion years old.

n. everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

72. 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

73. My mother taught me how to _____.

v. to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle

74. His _____ during the interview raised suspicions about his honesty.

n. the act of intentionally using ambiguous language or expressions to mislead or avoid giving a direct answer; a deliberate use of vague or unclear language to deceive or confuse

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

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

76. Many people find comfort in reading _____ during times of hardship.

n. the sacred writings of a particular religion or belief system, often regarded as authoritative and containing moral or spiritual teachings

77. Shakespeare's output of poetry was _____.

adj. extremely large or great

ANSWERS: 70. forceful, 71. universe, 72. justice, 73. sew, 74. equivocation, 75. statistics, 76. scripture, 77. enormous

78. 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
79. The hospital _____ provided emotional support and spiritual guidance to the patients and their families.
- n.* a member of the clergy or religious community who is employed to provide spiritual guidance, counseling, or support to a particular group, such as a hospital or military unit; a person who performs religious ceremonies or rites, particularly within a non-denominational or multi-faith setting
80. A minor _____ conflict later led to a civil war.
- adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
81. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
- n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
82. The company has made great strides in its _____ toward sustainability.
- n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
83. Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal _____.
- n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
84. The abandoned factory was _____ by vandalism and graffiti.
- v.* to have a detrimental effect on something, typically causing it to deteriorate or fail; (noun) any plant disease resulting in withering without rotting

ANSWERS: 78. prosecute, 79. chaplain, 80. racial, 81. opposition, 82. progression, 83. fortune, 84. blighted

85. We had a _____ time yesterday.

adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

86. My boss wouldn't _____ of the plan.

v. to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.

87. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.

adj. very great in amount or degree

88. 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

89. She turned to _____ to make ends meet.

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

90. 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

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

adv. more and more

92. The government has ignored the _____ of the homeless population.

n. a difficult or unfortunate situation

ANSWERS: 85. tremendous, 86. approve, 87. extreme, 88. responsible, 89. prostitute, 90. brothel, 91. increasingly, 92. plight

93. We all _____ him because he is a nobleman.
v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
94. Receiving support from his friends was a great _____ in his time of need.
n. a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune
95. This weather pattern is unique to the southern _____.
n. half of the terrestrial globe; half of a sphere
96. The mafioso who collaborated with the police was _____.
v. to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.
97. Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology _____.
n. the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
98. The government's failure to address the poverty issue was a _____ to their leadership
n. a loss of respect, honor, or dignity; a state of shame or public humiliation; an action or behavior that is seen as immoral or unacceptable; (verb) to bring shame, dishonor, or discredit upon someone or something
99. The young prince will soon _____ the throne.
v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
100. It was highly _____ to make jokes during a serious business meeting.
adj. not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person

ANSWERS: 93. admire, 94. blessing, 95. hemisphere, 96. executed, 97. bible, 98. disgrace, 99. occupy, 100. inappropriate

101. You should not _____ against minorities.

- v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things

102. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.

- v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

103. He shaved with a _____ to get a close shave.

- n.* a sharp blade used for shaving or cutting hair

104. His wealth is a _____ to his success.

- n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

105. When making arrests, police officers frequently _____ excessive force.

- v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of

106. Mining is a _____ source of income for the country.

- adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

107. Her _____ attitude made it easy for her boss to take advantage of her.

- adj.* willing to obey or serve someone else without question or complaint; excessively obedient or submissive

108. We attended services at the local _____ during the High Holidays.

- n.* (also "shul") a Jewish house of worship, typically consisting of a hall for prayer and study and often containing a sanctuary, a social hall, and a collection of administrative offices

ANSWERS: 101. discriminate, 102. confer, 103. razor, 104. testament, 105. employ, 106. chief, 107. subservient, 108. synagogue

109. The _____ organs of the human body are necessary for reproduction.

adj. of or relating to the external and internal reproductive organs

110. 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

111. The military launched a ballistic _____ at the enemy's stronghold.

n. a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism

112. He spent his afternoon watching _____ movies on TV.

n. a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption

113. I feel so _____ without you.

adj. unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help

114. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

115. The lawyer was reinstated after paying the _____.

n. a punishment for violating a law, rule, or contract

116. It would be best if you did not demand such an _____ charge.

adj. greater than what seems necessary, normal, or desirable

117. The _____ imagery depicted on the temple walls was meant to inspire warriors to fight bravely.

adj. characterized by a tendency toward or readiness for war or aggression; belligerent or hostile in manner

ANSWERS: 109. genital, 110. military, 111. missile, 112. cartoon, 113. helpless, 114. separate, 115. penalty, 116. excessive, 117. warlike

118. 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

119. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.

- v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

120. This region has many _____ offering higher education.

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

121. They collected a _____ specimen for urinalysis.

- n.* a liquid by-product of metabolism in humans and in many other animals that are released from the body when you urinate

122. The _____ of the artwork was a devastating loss for the artist.

- n.* the act of severely damaging or injuring a person's body or body part, particularly through cutting or disfiguring; the condition of being so damaged or disfigured

123. His business _____ took him to the United States.

- n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

124. Suspicion and worry were _____ in our minds.

- adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place

125. The teacher attempted to _____ the root cause of our mistake.

- v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

ANSWERS: 118. nation, 119. launch, 120. institutes, 121. urine, 122. mutilation, 123. commitments, 124. pervasive, 125. analyze

126. The customs agents seized the _____ shipment.

adj. not allowed by law

127. They gathered to hear the _____ teachings of the guru.

adj. of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion

128. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

129. The government was _____ for its handling of the crisis.

v. to express strong disapproval or criticism of something

130. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

131. The experience was _____ and left a lasting impression.

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

132. He enrolled in the _____ to study theology and become a minister.

n. an educational institution, typically for the training of candidates for the priesthood or ministry; a school for higher learning

133. He _____ himself to lift the heavyweight.

v. to put forth effort; to put into action; to bring into play

134. He was promoted to the _____ of captain in the military.

n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others

ANSWERS: 126. illegal, 127. holy, 128. mentioned, 129. condemned, 130. murder, 131. horrible, 132. seminary, 133. exerted, 134. rank

135. The teacher's _____ language towards the students was unacceptable.

adj. involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else

136. The _____ session of the Diet opened.

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

ANSWERS: 135. abusive, 136. ordinary