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Session 1: Word List

ancient

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

synonym : archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories

They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

county

n. an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division

synonym : district, region, territory

(1) **county** seat, (2) throughout the **county**

The **county's** population has been increasing rapidly in recent years.

approximately

adv. close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time

synonym : about, around, roughly

(1) **approximately** 3 feet long, (2) **approximately** same

This trail takes **approximately** 2.5 hours.

industrial

adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry

synonym : manufacturing, mechanical

(1) beginning of the **industrial** revolution, (2) **industrial**

alcohol

Industrial design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.

suburb

n. an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods

synonym: outskirts, district, quarter

(1) **suburb** development, (2) **suburb** life

He grew up in the **suburbs** but always dreamed of living in the city.

steel

n. a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure

synonym: iron

(1) magnetic **steel**, (2) **steel** beam

This bridge is the third largest **steel** bridge in the world.

function

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

synonym: purpose, mapping, job

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

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

collaborate

v. to work with someone else to produce or achieve something

synonym: cooperate, unite, get together

(1) **collaborate** with the police, (2) **collaborate** on a press release

She agreed to **collaborate** with him in creating new artwork.

portrait

n. a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face

synonym : illustration, image, portraiture

(1) a **portrait** painter, (2) **portrait** of a well-known figure

A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's **portrait**.

landscape

n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

synonym : geography, terrain, topography

(1) a peaceful **landscape**, (2) **landscape** painting

Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political **landscape** in Europe.

aerial

n. a type of acrobatics or gymnastics performed while suspended from hanging fabric or rings; a pass or shot in sports (particularly in soccer or volleyball) that is made while the player is in the air

synonym : antenna, skywire, transmitter

(1) **aerial** antenna, (2) **aerial** photography

The **aerial** view from the airplane showed the beautiful landscape below.

visual

adj. relating to seeing or sight

synonym : optical, graphical, visible

(1) **visual** navigation, (2) field of **visual** arts

The building makes a remarkable **visual** impact.

arch

n. a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building

synonym : turn, bow, arc

(1) the **arch** of a person's foot, (2) an **arch-shaped** stone structure

The **arch** bears the weight of the overhead bridge.

intersection

n. a point where two or more roads, lines, etc., cross each other

synonym: crossroad, junction, hub

(1) busy **intersection**, (2) the **intersection** of coordinate axes

Take a right turn at the next **intersection**.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

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

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

environment

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

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym: custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

grand

adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent

synonym : impressive, great, ambitious

(1) a **grand** meal, (2) **grand** bargain

This year's **grand** gathering will be held in Canada.

narrative

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

synonym : the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**

The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

comprise

v. to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something

synonym : consist of, include, be composed of

(1) **comprise** a large percentage, (2) **comprise** the recent past

The team **comprises** players from different countries.

industrialism

n. an economic and social system or stage characterized by the growth of industry and the development of an industrialized society

synonym : industrialization, industrial society

(1) post- **industrialism**, (2) **industrialism** society

The rise of **industrialism** in the 19th century brought about significant economic and social changes.

rust

n. a reddish-brown coating or corrosion layer that forms on iron or steel as a result of exposure to moisture and oxygen; the process of corrosion on metal caused by oxidation

synonym : corrosion, oxidation, decay

(1) **rust-proofing**, (2) **rusty** metal

The old car was covered in **rust** and needed extensive repair work.

- belt**
- v.* to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body
- synonym*: sing, hit hard, (noun) strap
- (1) **belt** him in the face, (2) leather **belt**
- The band was **belting** out old songs in response to audience requests.
- revitalization**
- n.* the process of giving new life or energy to something
- synonym*: renewal, reactivation, rejuvenation
- (1) **revitalization** project, (2) **revitalization** of humanity
- The **revitalization** of the downtown area brought new life to the community.
- urban**
- adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
- synonym*: metropolitan, civic
- (1) **urban** planning, (2) **urban** property owners
- Only a small number of **urban** utilities offer sanitation services.
- pioneer**
- n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
- synonym*: frontiersperson, innovator, trailblazer
- (1) act as a **pioneer**, (2) early **pioneers**
- John Whitney was a computer animation **pioneer**.
- discovery**
- n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
- synonym*: finding, uncovering, detection
- (1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century
- Her research team made an important **discovery**.
- frontier**
- n.* a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line

synonym : border, boundary, borderland

(1) **frontier** disputes, (2) the Italian **frontier** with Switzerland
He worked at the **frontier** of behavioral economics.

mass

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

synonym : abundance, crowd, mob

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

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

omit

v. to leave out or exclude something; to fail to do something that is expected or required

synonym : exclude, leave out, disregard

(1) **omit** a dividend, (2) carefully **omit**

I accidentally **omitted** an important detail from my report.

predominantly

adv. mainly, mostly, or primarily; having the greatest influence or power in a particular situation or group

synonym : mostly, chiefly, largely

(1) **predominantly** rural, (2) **predominantly** Christian

The neighborhood is **predominantly** made up of young families with children.

co-opt

v. to elect or appoint someone as a member of a group or organization; to take over or appropriate something, often by force or without permission; to use someone or something for one's purposes or agenda

synonym : take over, appoint, appropriate

(1) **co-opt** members, (2) **co-opt** ideas

The company tried to **co-opt** competitors by offering them buyouts.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym : quiet, hushed, mute

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

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

erase

v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
synonym: wipe out, delete, obliterate

(1) **erase** a memory, (2) **erased** the files

He attempted to **erase** the misspelled word.

ruby

n. a bright red precious stone consisting of corundum, used in jewelry; a transparent type of corundum of any color except red, which is called sapphire

synonym: gemstone, jewel, crimson

(1) **ruby** red dress, (2) **ruby** bracelet

The paintings in the gallery were filled with vibrant **ruby** hues.

avenue

n. a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach

synonym: artery, roadway, street

(1) an **avenue** of poplars, (2) an **avenue** to success

They explored every **avenue** they could think of.

goodwill

n. a friendly or cooperative attitude or feeling between people, businesses, or nations; the reputation or value that a business, organization, or brand has in the community

synonym: friendliness, rapport, amity

(1) **goodwill** gesture, (2) **goodwill** ambassador

The CEO's **goodwill** toward employees was apparent when he thanked every one of them.

nurse

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

synonym: healthcare worker, caregiver, medic

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

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

aid

n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
synonym: helper, resource, assistance
(1) financial **aid**, (2) country-by-country **aid** programs
Pakistan's **aid** budget was still being reviewed.

flee

v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
synonym: exit, escape, run away
(1) **flee** their homes, (2) **flee** abroad
It is a basic instinct to **flee** from a dangerous situation.

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.

disinvestment

n. the act of reducing or withdrawing the amount of money you have provided in a particular area or sector
synonym: divestment, withdrawal, pullout
(1) **disinvestment** strategy, (2) **disinvestment** plan
The company's decision to engage in **disinvestment** led to a reduction in its overall portfolio.

erode

v. to gradually wear away or break down (rock, soil, or other material) through the action of wind, water, or other natural agents; to gradually weaken or undermine (something) over time
synonym: wear away, deteriorate, corrode
(1) **erode** coast, (2) **erode** trust
The ongoing budget cuts have **eroded** the quality of education in many schools.

infrastructure

n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

synonym : foundation, framework

(1) IT **infrastructure**, (2) **infrastructure** cost

Aging societies tend to require huge costs for **infrastructure** maintenance.

dismantle

v. to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment

synonym : take apart, demolish, take down

(1) **dismantle** a machine, (2) **dismantle** a system

The old building had to be **dismantled** because it was structurally unsound.

stepfather

n. a man who is married to one's mother but is not one's biological father

synonym : stepdad, father figure, dad-in-law

(1) supportive **stepfather**, (2) **stepfather** role

I didn't get along with my **stepfather** when I was young, but now we're like best friends.

retire

v. to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age

synonym : relinquish, step down, withdraw

(1) **retire** voluntarily, (2) **retire** after four terms

After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to **retire** from her job.

pension

n. a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working

synonym : allowance, annuity, grant

(1) a disability **pension**, (2) public **pension** funds

Because of the country's poor economic prospects, the number of **pension** defaulters has been increasing.

temperature

n. the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place
synonym : climate, warmth, degree

(1) extreme **temperatures**, (2) the atmospheric **temperature**

Cities around the world set records for highest **temperatures** this summer.

rebuild

v. to build again or anew
synonym : reconstruct, renovate, restore

(1) **rebuild** a company, (2) **rebuild** communities

They are planning to **rebuild** the house after the fire.

furnace

n. an enclosed chamber for heating metal or glass to very high temperatures
synonym : incinerator

(1) electrical **furnace**, (2) gas-fired **furnace**

In the **furnace**, the metal gleamed with radiance.

spill

v. to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident
synonym : slop, drop, scatter

(1) **spill** a bit of wine, (2) **spill** my heart

He was determined to **spill** everything.

slag

n. the waste matter separated from metals during refining or smelting that is a glass-like by-product, usually a mixture of silicon, sulfur, phosphorous, and other substances; the rough and jagged pieces of rock ejected by a volcano

synonym : dross, waste, residue

(1) molten **slag**, (2) industrial **slag**

The construction workers removed the **slag** from the steel beams before welding them together.

traffic

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

synonym : congestion, jam, flow

(1) **traffic** jam, (2) heavy **traffic**

We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction **traffic** on the main road.

exposure

n. the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret

synonym : vulnerability, disclosure, uncovering

(1) a southern **exposure**, (2) the **exposure** of a fraud

The long **exposure** to the air tarnished the antique tableware.

benzene

n. a colorless, flammable liquid hydrocarbon compound with a distinctive sweet odor; commonly used as an industrial solvent and as a starting material for the production of various chemicals

synonym : benzol, phenyl hydride

(1) **benzene** ring, (2) **benzene** molecule

Exposure to high levels of **benzene** can lead to several health issues.

atom

n. the smallest unit of ordinary matter that forms a chemical element, composed of a nucleus and one or more electrons bound to the nucleus

synonym : particle, element, fraction

(1) oxygen **atom**, (2) neutral hydrogen **atoms**

The outermost electron shell of an **atom** determines its chemical characteristics.

cancer

n. abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

synonym : tumor, carcinoma, malignancy

(1) **cancer** diagnosis, (2) **cancer** research

Breast **cancer** is the most common type of cancer in women.

lupus

n. an autoimmune disease that can affect various parts of the body, including the skin, joints, and internal organs, and is characterized by inflammation and tissue damage

(1) drug-induced **lupus**, (2) **lupus** treatment

Treatment for **lupus** depends on the severity of the disease and may include medication, lifestyle changes, and regular check-ups with a rheumatologist.

license

n. an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service

synonym: permit, authorization, certificate

(1) **license** renewal, (2) software **license**

Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's **license**.

employee

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

synonym: worker, staff, personnel

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

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

rehabilitate

v. to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment

synonym: reform, restore, renovate

(1) **rehabilitate** prisoners, (2) **rehabilitate** wildlife

The organization works to **rehabilitate** drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.

decimate

v. to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number

synonym: devastate, destroy, annihilate

(1) **decimate** population, (2) **decimate** economy

The hurricane **decimated** the small town, leaving behind destruction and devastation.

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.

lawsuit

n. a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered

synonym: suit, legal action, litigation

(1) **lawsuit** settlement, (2) file a **lawsuit**

The company is facing a **lawsuit** for its alleged discrimination against employees.

tower

n. a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone

synonym: building, belfry, edifice

(1) a bell **tower**, (2) the **tower** on a cliff

She is a **tower** of strength for our team in trouble.

recreation

n. the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place

synonym: amusement, entertainment, refreshment

(1) outdoor **recreation**, (2) **recreation** of the homeland

Basketball is their usual **recreation** after school.

zone

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

synonym: area, region, territory

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

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

pixel

n. the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image

synonym: dot, point, picture element

(1) **pixel** density, (2) color **pixels**

The computer screen comprises thousands of tiny **pixels** that create the overall picture.

conceal

v. to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered

synonym: hide, keep secret, camouflage

(1) **conceal** my identity, (2) **conceal** a close relationship

Despite the intense verbal abuse, she **concealed** her anger well.

flammable

adj. able to burn easily

synonym: combustible, ignitable, incendiary

(1) **flammable** atmosphere, (2) non- **flammable** fiber

The warning labels indicated that the product was highly **flammable**.

squeeze

v. to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness

synonym: compress, crush, clamp

(1) **squeeze** a lemon, (2) **squeeze** a confession

She **squeezed** the toothpaste tube from the middle to get the last bit out.

charter

n. a document that grants certain rights or privileges; a contract to hire or lease transportation

synonym: constitution, agreement, pact

(1) a **charter** flight, (2) the **Charter** of the United Nations
The **charter** of the organization outlines its mission and goals.

helicopter

n. a type of aircraft that is capable of hovering in place and moving vertically, as well as flying horizontally; often used for emergency medical services, military operations, and transport in areas with limited access

synonym: chopper, copter, whirlybird

(1) **helicopter** ride, (2) police **helicopter**

The company's CEO arrived at the meeting via **helicopter** to avoid traffic congestion

aggressive

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

synonym: assertive, combative, threatening

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

An **aggressive** tide wrecked the ship.

dispossess

v. to deprive someone of the possession or use of something, often property or land

synonym: deprive, evict, seize

(1) **dispossess** a person of his property, (2) **dispossess** an entire township

He was forced to **dispossess** his tenants because they couldn't pay the rent.

observation

n. the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone

synonym: watching, notice, reflection

(1) class **observation** day, (2) **observation** instrument

In the hospital, she will remain under constant **observation**.

rev

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym : revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

bundle

n. a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things

synonym : package, parcel, bale

(1) **bundle** of papers, (2) travel **bundle**

I tied up the **bundle** of newspapers and took them to the recycling center.

conservation

n. the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity

synonym : preservation, protection, saving

(1) soil **conservation**, (2) the **conservation** law of physics

The forest was recently designated a **conservation** area.

claim

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

synonym : assert, declare, maintain

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

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

recycle

v. to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again

synonym : reclaim, reuse, reprocess

(1) **recycle** the cardboard boxes, (2) **recycle** milk packaging into new paper

We largely **recycle** the circuit board of cell phones because they contain a lot of valuable metals.

- tire**
- v. to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or fatigued; (noun) a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving
- synonym*: exhaust, weary, fatigue
- (1) **tire** my patience, (2) **tire** pressure
- I need to **tire** out my dog with a long walk so that he will sleep through the night.
- preserve**
- v. to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
- synonym*: conserve, care for, maintain
- (1) **preserve** my strength, (2) **preserve** a country's heritage
- They worked hard to **preserve** the nature of their native lands.
- improve**
- v. to make or become better
- synonym*: enhance, ameliorate, enrich
- (1) **improve** a process, (2) **improve** the test score
- We want to **improve** ties between our two countries.
- spiral**
- n. a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around
- synonym*: coil, helix, twist
- (1) **spiral** staircase, (2) **spiral** design
- The leaves of the fern were arranged in a **spiral** pattern.
- micro**
- n. extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth
- (1) **micro** bubble, (2) **micro** force sensor
- This approach employs both **micro** and macro analysis methods.
- macro**
- n. (computing) a set of instructions that automate a frequently used series of keystrokes or mouse actions; (photography) a lens that allows you to take close-up

photographs; (economics) a large-scale economic policy or system

synonym : large-scale, big-picture, major

(1) **macro** economy, (2) **macro** scale

Macro photography is a technique that allows you to take close-up photos of small objects.

excavate

v. to dig or remove earth, rocks, or other materials from the ground or a site, often to uncover or discover something

synonym : dig, unearth, extract

(1) **excavate** a deep hole, (2) **excavate** soil

The archaeologists **excavated** the ruins of an ancient city buried under the desert sands.

mount

v. to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone

synonym : climb, increase, get on

(1) **mount** a hill, (2) **mount** a counterattack

They **mounted** pictures on the paper in preparation for the birthday card.

exhibition

n. a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery

synonym : display, show, presentation

(1) a personal **exhibition**, (2) **exhibition** opening

The art museum is hosting an **exhibition** of contemporary paintings next month.

platform

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

synonym : stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise

The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

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.

reclamation

n. the process of restoring or reclaiming something, particularly land or resources that have been damaged or depleted; the act of obtaining or recovering something that was lost or taken away

synonym : recovery, reutilization, restoration

(1) **reclamation** district, (2) coastal **reclamation**

The **reclamation** of the wetlands allowed for the restoration of the natural ecosystem.

historic

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

synonym : memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat

The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

socioeconomic

adj. relating to the social and economic factors that shape an individual, group, or community, particularly in terms of income, occupation, education, and social class

synonym : social, economic, financial

(1) **socioeconomic** status, (2) **socioeconomic** issues

The **socioeconomic** conditions of a country can significantly affect its political stability.

inequality

n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others;
(mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

synonym : imbalance, prejudice, unfairness

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

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|---|------|---|
| 1. sq_____e a lemon | v. | to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness |
| 2. ste_____er role | n. | a man who is married to one's mother but is not one's biological father |
| 3. 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 |
| 4. co_____al combination of funds | adj. | belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use |
| 5. the con_____ion law of physics | n. | the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity |
| 6. pr_____ve a country's heritage | v. | to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed |
| 7. a volunteer nu__e | n. | a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury |
| 8. beginning of the ind_____al revolution | adj. | of or relating to or resulting from industry |

ANSWERS: 1. squeeze, 2. stepfather, 3. discriminate, 4. communal, 5. conservation, 6. preserve, 7. nurse, 8. industrial

9. li_____e renewal *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
10. class obs_____on day *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
11. re_____d communities *v.* to build again or anew
12. the Ch_____r of the United Nations *n.* a document that grants certain rights or privileges; a contract to hire or lease transportation
13. act as a pi_____r *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
14. de_____te population *v.* to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number
15. field of vi_____l arts *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
16. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
17. re_____e the cardboard boxes *v.* to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
18. a personal exh_____on *n.* a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery

ANSWERS: 9. license, 10. observation, 11. rebuild, 12. charter, 13. pioneer, 14. decimate, 15. visual, 16. industrious, 17. recycle, 18. exhibition

19. public pe_____n funds *n.* a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working
20. mi__o force sensor *n.* extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth
21. non-fl_____le fiber *adj.* able to burn easily
22. im_____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
23. em_____ee benefits *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
24. IT inf_____ure *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
25. di_____le a machine *v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment
26. r__ty metal *n.* a reddish-brown coating or corrosion layer that forms on iron or steel as a result of exposure to moisture and oxygen; the process of corrosion on metal caused by oxidation
27. 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
28. the to__r on a cliff *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone

ANSWERS: 19. pension, 20. micro, 21. flammable, 22. improve, 23. employee, 24. infrastructure, 25. dismantle, 26. rust, 27. discriminate, 28. tower

29. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
30. rec_____on of the homeland *n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place
31. nu__e practitioner *n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury
32. obs_____on instrument *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
33. co____t ideas *v.* to elect or appoint someone as a member of a group or organization; to take over or appropriate something, often by force or without permission; to use someone or something for one's purposes or agenda
34. go_____ll gesture *n.* a friendly or cooperative attitude or feeling between people, businesses, or nations; the reputation or value that a business, organization, or brand has in the community
35. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 29. tradition, 30. recreation, 31. nurse, 32. observation, 33. co-opt, 34. goodwill, 35. discovery

36. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
37. im_____e a process *v.* to make or become better
38. an_____t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
39. an a__h-shaped stone structure *n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building
40. ur__n planning *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
41. color pi__ls *n.* the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image
42. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
43. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
44. the ex_____re of a fraud *n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
45. an agg_____ve tumor *adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly

ANSWERS: 36. mass, 37. improve, 38. ancient, 39. arch, 40. urban, 41. pixel, 42. industrious, 43. mass, 44. exposure, 45. aggressive

46. 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
47. soc_____mic status *adj.* relating to the social and economic factors that shape an individual, group, or community, particularly in terms of income, occupation, education, and social class
48. sp___l staircase *n.* a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around
49. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
50. early pi_____rs *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
51. pre_____tly Christian *adv.* mainly, mostly, or primarily; having the greatest influence or power in a particular situation or group
52. st___l beam *n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure
53. ma___o scale *n.* (computing) a set of instructions that automate a frequently used series of keystrokes or mouse actions; (photography) a lens that allows you to take close-up photographs; (economics) a large-scale economic policy or system

ANSWERS: 46. launch, 47. socioeconomic, 48. spiral, 49. environment, 50. pioneer, 51. predominantly, 52. steel, 53. macro

54. er__e trust *v.* to gradually wear away or break down (rock, soil, or other material) through the action of wind, water, or other natural agents; to gradually weaken or undermine (something) over time
55. a disability pe____n *n.* a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working
56. immune fu____on *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
57. magnetic st__l *n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure
58. gr__d bargain *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
59. si____t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
60. ma__o economy *n.* (computing) a set of instructions that automate a frequently used series of keystrokes or mouse actions; (photography) a lens that allows you to take close-up photographs; (economics) a large-scale economic policy or system

ANSWERS: 54. erode, 55. pension, 56. function, 57. steel, 58. grand, 59. silent, 60. macro

61. dis_____ent plan *n.* the act of reducing or withdrawing the amount of money you have provided in a particular area or sector
62. o__t a dividend *v.* to leave out or exclude something; to fail to do something that is expected or required
63. gas-fired fu_____e *n.* an enclosed chamber for heating metal or glass to very high temperatures
64. er__e coast *v.* to gradually wear away or break down (rock, soil, or other material) through the action of wind, water, or other natural agents; to gradually weaken or undermine (something) over time
65. ca____r diagnosis *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
66. outdoor rec_____on *n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place
67. co_____se the recent past *v.* to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something
68. a gr__d meal *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
69. r__y bracelet *n.* a bright red precious stone consisting of corundum, used in jewelry; a transparent type of corundum of any color except red, which is called sapphire

ANSWERS: 61. disinvestment, 62. omit, 63. furnace, 64. erode, 65. cancer, 66. recreation, 67. comprise, 68. grand, 69. ruby

70. reh_____ate wildlife *v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
71. be_____e ring *n.* a colorless, flammable liquid hydrocarbon compound with a distinctive sweet odor; commonly used as an industrial solvent and as a starting material for the production of various chemicals
72. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
73. vi____l navigation *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
74. dis_____ss a person of his property *v.* to deprive someone of the possession or use of something, often property or land
75. dis_____ent strategy *n.* the act of reducing or withdrawing the amount of money you have provided in a particular area or sector
76. an av_____e to success *n.* a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach
77. the a__h of a person's foot *n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building
78. hi_____ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so

ANSWERS: 70. rehabilitate, 71. benzene, 72. tradition, 73. visual, 74. dispossess, 75. disinvestment, 76. avenue, 77. arch, 78. historic

79. cl__m responsibility *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
80. soil con_____ion *n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
81. give si___t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
82. po_____it of a well-known figure *n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
83. rev_____ion of humanity *n.* the process of giving new life or energy to something
84. drug-induced lu__s *n.* an autoimmune disease that can affect various parts of the body, including the skin, joints, and internal organs, and is characterized by inflammation and tissue damage
85. 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
86. tr_____c jam *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

ANSWERS: 79. claim, 80. conservation, 81. silent, 82. portrait, 83. revitalization, 84. lupus, 85. develop, 86. traffic

87. false cl__m *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
88. t__e pressure *v.* to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or fatigued; (noun) a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving
89. supportive ste____er *n.* a man who is married to one's mother but is not one's biological father
90. re____e milk packaging into new paper *v.* to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again
91. sp__l my heart *v.* to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident
92. carefully o__t *v.* to leave out or exclude something; to fail to do something that is expected or required
93. r_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
94. ca____r research *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

ANSWERS: 87. claim, 88. tire, 89. stepfather, 90. recycle, 91. spill, 92. omit, 93. rev, 94. cancer

95. col_____te with the police *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
96. travel bu___e *n.* a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things
97. re___e voluntarily *v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
98. t__e my patience *v.* to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or fatigued;
(noun) a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving
99. neutral hydrogen a__ms *n.* the smallest unit of ordinary matter that forms a chemical element, composed of a nucleus and one or more electrons bound to the nucleus
100. la_____pe painting *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
101. inf_____ure cost *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
102. pre-Christian an_____t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

ANSWERS: 95. collaborate, 96. bundle, 97. retire, 98. tire, 99. atom, 100. landscape, 101. infrastructure, 102. ancient

103. sp___l design *n.* a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around
104. busy int_____ion *n.* a point where two or more roads, lines, etc., cross each other
105. the Italian fr_____er with Switzerland *n.* a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line
106. rev_____ion project *n.* the process of giving new life or energy to something
107. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
108. ex_____te soil *v.* to dig or remove earth, rocks, or other materials from the ground or a site, often to uncover or discover something
109. ur__n property owners *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
110. 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
111. 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
112. a ch_____r flight *n.* a document that grants certain rights or privileges; a contract to hire or lease transportation

ANSWERS: 103. spiral, 104. intersection, 105. frontier, 106. revitalization, 107. discovery, 108. excavate, 109. urban, 110. develop, 111. launch, 112. charter

113. mo__t a hill *v.* to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
114. personal na_____ve *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
115. re_____d a company *v.* to build again or anew
116. leather b__t *v.* to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body
117. sq_____e a confession *v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness
118. r__y red dress *n.* a bright red precious stone consisting of corundum, used in jewelry; a transparent type of corundum of any color except red, which is called sapphire
119. coastal rec_____on *n.* the process of restoring or reclaiming something, particularly land or resources that have been damaged or depleted; the act of obtaining or recovering something that was lost or taken away
120. reh_____ate prisoners *v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment

ANSWERS: 113. mount, 114. narrative, 115. rebuild, 116. belt, 117. squeeze, 118. ruby, 119. reclamation, 120. rehabilitate

121. co_____l a close relationship *v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered
122. post-ind_____ism *n.* an economic and social system or stage characterized by the growth of industry and the development of an industrialized society
123. di_____le a system *v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment
124. ine_____ty in salary *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
125. an agg_____ve war *adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly
126. co____t members *v.* to elect or appoint someone as a member of a group or organization; to take over or appropriate something, often by force or without permission; to use someone or something for one's purposes or agenda
127. extreme tem_____res *n.* the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place
128. a bell to__r *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
129. em_____ee evaluation *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

ANSWERS: 121. conceal, 122. industrialism, 123. dismantle, 124. inequality, 125. aggressive, 126. co-opt, 127. temperature, 128. tower, 129. employee

130. dis_____ss an entire township *v.* to deprive someone of the possession or use of something, often property or land
131. lu__s treatment *n.* an autoimmune disease that can affect various parts of the body, including the skin, joints, and internal organs, and is characterized by inflammation and tissue damage
132. mi__o bubble *n.* extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth
133. ind_____ism society *n.* an economic and social system or stage characterized by the growth of industry and the development of an industrialized society
134. time z__e *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
135. mo__t a counterattack *v.* to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
136. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
137. de_____te economy *v.* to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number

ANSWERS: 130. dispossess, 131. lupus, 132. micro, 133. industrialism, 134. zone, 135. mount, 136. platform, 137. decimate

138. re___e after four terms *v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
139. throughout the co___y *n.* an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division
140. country-by-country a_d programs *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
141. exh_____on opening *n.* a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery
142. soc_____mic issues *adj.* relating to the social and economic factors that shape an individual, group, or community, particularly in terms of income, occupation, education, and social class
143. z__e defense *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
144. pr_____ve my strength *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
145. su___b life *n.* an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods
146. software li_____e *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service

ANSWERS: 138. retire, 139. county, 140. aid, 141. exhibition, 142. socioeconomic, 143. zone, 144. preserve, 145. suburb, 146. license

147. ind_____al alcohol *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
148. fl_____le atmosphere *adj.* able to burn easily
149. ae____l antenna *n.* a type of acrobatics or gymnastics performed while suspended from hanging fabric or rings; a pass or shot in sports (particularly in soccer or volleyball) that is made while the player is in the air
150. ex_____te a deep hole *v.* to dig or remove earth, rocks, or other materials from the ground or a site, often to uncover or discover something
151. molten s__g *n.* the waste matter separated from metals during refining or smelting that is a glass-like by-product, usually a mixture of silicon, sulfur, phosphorous, and other substances; the rough and jagged pieces of rock ejected by a volcano
152. go_____ll ambassador *n.* a friendly or cooperative attitude or feeling between people, businesses, or nations; the reputation or value that a business, organization, or brand has in the community
153. achieve the hi_____ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
154. be_____e molecule *n.* a colorless, flammable liquid hydrocarbon compound with a distinctive sweet odor; commonly used as an industrial solvent and as a starting material for the production of various chemicals

ANSWERS: 147. industrial, 148. flammable, 149. aerial, 150. excavate, 151. slag, 152. goodwill, 153. historic, 154. benzene

155. heavy tr____c *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
156. pi__l density *n.* the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image
157. co___y seat *n.* an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division
158. financial a_d *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
159. app_____ely 3 feet long *adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
160. co_____l my identity *v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered
161. r__t-proofing *n.* a reddish-brown coating or corrosion layer that forms on iron or steel as a result of exposure to moisture and oxygen; the process of corrosion on metal caused by oxidation
162. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
163. co_____se a large percentage *v.* to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something
164. er__ed the files *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

ANSWERS: 155. traffic, 156. pixel, 157. county, 158. aid, 159. approximately, 160. conceal, 161. rust, 162. communal, 163. comprise, 164. erase

165. file a la____t *n.* a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered
166. a southern ex____re *n.* the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret
167. a po____it painter *n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
168. f__e their homes *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
169. police hel____er *n.* a type of aircraft that is capable of hovering in place and moving vertically, as well as flying horizontally; often used for emergency medical services, military operations, and transport in areas with limited access
170. na____ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
171. fr____er disputes *n.* a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line
172. the atmospheric tem____re *n.* the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place
173. the int____ion of coordinate axes *n.* a point where two or more roads, lines, etc., cross each other
174. env____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

ANSWERS: 165. lawsuit, 166. exposure, 167. portrait, 168. flee, 169. helicopter, 170. narrative, 171. frontier, 172. temperature, 173. intersection, 174. environment

175. ae___l photography *n.* a type of acrobatics or gymnastics performed while suspended from hanging fabric or rings; a pass or shot in sports (particularly in soccer or volleyball) that is made while the player is in the air
176. la_____t settlement *n.* a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered
177. su___b development *n.* an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods
178. er__e a memory *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
179. hel_____er ride *n.* a type of aircraft that is capable of hovering in place and moving vertically, as well as flying horizontally; often used for emergency medical services, military operations, and transport in areas with limited access
180. fu_____on properly *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

ANSWERS: 175. aerial, 176. lawsuit, 177. suburb, 178. erase, 179. helicopter, 180. function

181. app_____ely same *adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
182. oxygen a__m *n.* the smallest unit of ordinary matter that forms a chemical element, composed of a nucleus and one or more electrons bound to the nucleus
183. an av___e of poplars *n.* a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach
184. algebraic ine_____ty *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
185. f__e abroad *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
186. electrical fu_____e *n.* an enclosed chamber for heating metal or glass to very high temperatures
187. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
188. b__t him in the face *v.* to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body
189. an arrival pl_____m *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

ANSWERS: 181. approximately, 182. atom, 183. avenue, 184. inequality, 185. flee, 186. furnace, 187. rev, 188. belt, 189. platform

190. col_____te on a press release *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
191. a peaceful la_____pe *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
192. rec_____on district *n.* the process of restoring or reclaiming something, particularly land or resources that have been damaged or depleted; the act of obtaining or recovering something that was lost or taken away
193. industrial s__g *n.* the waste matter separated from metals during refining or smelting that is a glass-like by-product, usually a mixture of silicon, sulfur, phosphorous, and other substances; the rough and jagged pieces of rock ejected by a volcano
194. bu___e of papers *n.* a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things
195. sp__l a bit of wine *v.* to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident
196. pre_____tly rural *adv.* mainly, mostly, or primarily; having the greatest influence or power in a particular situation or group

ANSWERS: 190. collaborate, 191. landscape, 192. reclamation, 193. slag, 194. bundle, 195. spill, 196. predominantly

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ of the organization outlines its mission and goals.
 - n.* a document that grants certain rights or privileges; a contract to hire or lease transportation
2. The company tried to _____ competitors by offering them buyouts.
 - v.* to elect or appoint someone as a member of a group or organization; to take over or appropriate something, often by force or without permission; to use someone or something for one's purposes or agenda
3. In the hospital, she will remain under constant _____.
 - n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
4. He grew up in the _____ but always dreamed of living in the city.
 - n.* an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods
5. They have been living near water since _____ times.
 - adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
6. The hurricane _____ the small town, leaving behind destruction and devastation.
 - v.* to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number
7. Despite the intense verbal abuse, she _____ her anger well.
 - v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered

ANSWERS: 1. charter, 2. co-opt, 3. observation, 4. suburbs, 5. ancient, 6. decimated, 7. concealed

8. The building makes a remarkable _____ impact.

adj. relating to seeing or sight

9. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.

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

10. The art museum is hosting an _____ of contemporary paintings next month.

n. a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery

11. An _____ tide wrecked the ship.

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

12. There are several causes of economic _____ within societies.

n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

13. I accidentally _____ an important detail from my report.

v. to leave out or exclude something; to fail to do something that is expected or required

14. Breast _____ is the most common type of cancer in women.

n. abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

ANSWERS: 8. visual, 9. environment, 10. exhibition, 11. aggressive, 12. inequality, 13. omitted, 14. cancer

15. The _____ population has been increasing rapidly in recent years.
- n.* an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division
16. I tied up the _____ of newspapers and took them to the recycling center.
- n.* a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things
17. She _____ the toothpaste tube from the middle to get the last bit out.
- v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness
18. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.
- n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
19. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.
- adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
20. This bridge is the third largest _____ bridge in the world.
- n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure
21. The old car was covered in _____ and needed extensive repair work.
- n.* a reddish-brown coating or corrosion layer that forms on iron or steel as a result of exposure to moisture and oxygen; the process of corrosion on metal caused by oxidation
22. I need to _____ out my dog with a long walk so that he will sleep through the night.
- v.* to become weary or fatigued, often due to physical or mental exertion; to cause someone to feel weary or fatigued; (noun) a rubber covering that is placed around the rim of a wheel, which provides traction and absorbs shock while driving

ANSWERS: 15. county's, 16. bundle, 17. squeezed, 18. infrastructure, 19. historic,

20. steel, 21. rust, 22. tire

23. She agreed to _____ with him in creating new artwork.
v. to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
24. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.
v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
25. He worked at the _____ of behavioral economics.
n. a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line
26. This approach employs both _____ and macro analysis methods.
n. extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth
27. The computer screen comprises thousands of tiny _____ that create the overall picture.
n. the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image
28. He was forced to _____ his tenants because they couldn't pay the rent.
v. to deprive someone of the possession or use of something, often property or land
29. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.
n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
30. The _____ view from the airplane showed the beautiful landscape below.
n. a type of acrobatics or gymnastics performed while suspended from hanging fabric or rings; a pass or shot in sports (particularly in soccer or volleyball) that is made while the player is in the air

ANSWERS: 23. collaborate, 24. flee, 25. frontier, 26. micro, 27. pixels, 28. dispossess, 29. narrative, 30. aerial

31. He was determined to _____ everything.

v. to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident

32. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

33. John Whitney was a computer animation _____.

n. inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something

34. The band was _____ out old songs in response to audience requests.

v. to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body

35. The company is facing a _____ for its alleged discrimination against employees.

n. a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered

36. 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

37. Cities around the world set records for highest _____ this summer.

n. the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place

38. The warning labels indicated that the product was highly _____.

adj. able to burn easily

ANSWERS: 31. spill, 32. industrious, 33. pioneer, 34. belting, 35. lawsuit, 36. develop, 37. temperatures, 38. flammable

39. The construction workers removed the _____ from the steel beams before welding them together.
- n.* the waste matter separated from metals during refining or smelting that is a glass-like by-product, usually a mixture of silicon, sulfur, phosphorous, and other substances; the rough and jagged pieces of rock ejected by a volcano
40. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud _____.
- n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
41. The organization works to _____ drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.
- v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
42. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.
- n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
43. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.
- adj.* without any or little sound
44. In the _____ the metal gleamed with radiance.
- n.* an enclosed chamber for heating metal or glass to very high temperatures
45. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
- n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

ANSWERS: 39. slag, 40. rev, 41. rehabilitate, 42. platform, 43. silent, 44. furnace, 45. mass

46. I didn't get along with my _____ when I was young, but now we're like best friends.
- n.* a man who is married to one's mother but is not one's biological father
47. The old building had to be _____ because it was structurally unsound.
- v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment
48. The company's CEO arrived at the meeting via _____ to avoid traffic congestion
- n.* a type of aircraft that is capable of hovering in place and moving vertically, as well as flying horizontally; often used for emergency medical services, military operations, and transport in areas with limited access
49. Treatment for _____ depends on the severity of the disease and may include medication, lifestyle changes, and regular check-ups with a rheumatologist.
- n.* an autoimmune disease that can affect various parts of the body, including the skin, joints, and internal organs, and is characterized by inflammation and tissue damage
50. _____ photography is a technique that allows you to take close-up photos of small objects.
- n.* (computing) a set of instructions that automate a frequently used series of keystrokes or mouse actions; (photography) a lens that allows you to take close-up photographs; (economics) a large-scale economic policy or system
51. He was reluctant to leave his comfort _____ and try something new.
- n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
52. Her research team made an important _____.
- n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 46. stepfather, 47. dismantled, 48. helicopter, 49. lupus, 50. Macro, 51. zone, 52. discovery

53. They are planning to _____ the house after the fire.

v. to build again or anew

54. 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

55. Only a small number of _____ utilities offer sanitation services.

adj. relating to or located in a town or city

56. The team _____ players from different countries.

v. to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something

57. The leaves of the fern were arranged in a _____ pattern.

n. a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around

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

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

59. We largely _____ the circuit board of cell phones because they contain a lot of valuable metals.

v. to sort and collect things to process them and produce valuable materials that can be used again

60. She is a _____ of strength for our team in trouble.

n. a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone

ANSWERS: 53. rebuild, 54. launch, 55. urban, 56. comprises, 57. spiral, 58. traffic, 59. recycle, 60. tower

61. This year's _____ gathering will be held in Canada.

adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent

62. The _____ of the wetlands allowed for the restoration of the natural ecosystem.

n. the process of restoring or reclaiming something, particularly land or resources that have been damaged or depleted; the act of obtaining or recovering something that was lost or taken away

63. Because of the country's poor economic prospects, the number of _____ defaulters has been increasing.

n. a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working

64. Pakistan's _____ budget was still being reviewed.

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

65. A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's _____.

n. a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face

66. The _____ bears the weight of the overhead bridge.

n. a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building

67. They _____ pictures on the paper in preparation for the birthday card.

v. to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone

68. The long _____ to the air tarnished the antique tableware.

n. the state of being in a particular situation or place where there is no protection from or guarantee to something harmful; the disclosure of something secret

ANSWERS: 61. grand, 62. reclamation, 63. pension, 64. aid, 65. portrait, 66. arch, 67. mounted, 68. exposure

69. The neighborhood is _____ made up of young families with children.
adv. mainly, mostly, or primarily; having the greatest influence or power in a particular situation or group
70. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
71. Exposure to high levels of _____ can lead to several health issues.
n. a colorless, flammable liquid hydrocarbon compound with a distinctive sweet odor; commonly used as an industrial solvent and as a starting material for the production of various chemicals
72. The _____ conditions of a country can significantly affect its political stability.
adj. relating to the social and economic factors that shape an individual, group, or community, particularly in terms of income, occupation, education, and social class
73. The archaeologists _____ the ruins of an ancient city buried under the desert sands.
v. to dig or remove earth, rocks, or other materials from the ground or a site, often to uncover or discover something
74. The CEO's _____ toward employees was apparent when he thanked every one of them.
n. a friendly or cooperative attitude or feeling between people, businesses, or nations; the reputation or value that a business, organization, or brand has in the community

ANSWERS: 69. predominantly, 70. tradition, 71. benzene, 72. socioeconomic, 73. excavated, 74. goodwill

75. The outermost electron shell of an _____ determines its chemical characteristics.
n. the smallest unit of ordinary matter that forms a chemical element, composed of a nucleus and one or more electrons bound to the nucleus
76. The night shift _____ checked my vital signs before administering the medication.
n. a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured;
(verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury
77. They worked hard to _____ the nature of their native lands.
v. to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
78. He attempted to _____ the misspelled word.
v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
79. _____ design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.
adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry
80. This trail takes _____ 2.5 hours.
adv. close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
81. Take a right turn at the next _____.
n. a point where two or more roads, lines, etc., cross each other
82. Basketball is their usual _____ after school.
n. the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place

ANSWERS: 75. atom, 76. nurse, 77. preserve, 78. erase, 79. Industrial, 80. approximately, 81. intersection, 82. recreation

83. He wants to _____ ownership of the abandoned property.
- v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
84. The company's decision to engage in _____ led to a reduction in its overall portfolio.
- n.* the act of reducing or withdrawing the amount of money you have provided in a particular area or sector
85. 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
86. The paintings in the gallery were filled with vibrant _____ hues.
- n.* a bright red precious stone consisting of corundum, used in jewelry; a transparent type of corundum of any color except red, which is called sapphire
87. The forest was recently designated a _____ area.
- n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
88. The ongoing budget cuts have _____ the quality of education in many schools.
- v.* to gradually wear away or break down (rock, soil, or other material) through the action of wind, water, or other natural agents; to gradually weaken or undermine (something) over time
89. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 83. claim, 84. disinvestment, 85. discriminate, 86. ruby, 87. conservation, 88. eroded, 89. Communal

90. Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political _____ in Europe.
- n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
91. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.
- v.* to make or become better
92. After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to _____ from her job.
- v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
93. The _____ handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.
- n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
94. The rise of _____ in the 19th century brought about significant economic and social changes.
- n.* an economic and social system or stage characterized by the growth of industry and the development of an industrialized society
95. Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's _____.
- n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
96. The _____ of the downtown area brought new life to the community.
- n.* the process of giving new life or energy to something
97. The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's _____.
- n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

ANSWERS: 90. landscape, 91. improve, 92. retire, 93. employee, 94. industrialism,

95. license, 96. revitalization, 97. function

98. They explored every _____ they could think of.

- n.* a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach

ANSWERS: 98. avenue