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Session 1: Word List

bilateral

adj. involving two sides or done by two parties together

synonym: two-sided, double-sided, two-faced

(1) **bilateral** talks, (2) **bilateral** symmetry

Both countries signed the **bilateral** agreement.

retinoblastoma

n. a rare type of malignant tumor that develops in the retina of the eye, primarily affecting young children, characterized by abnormal cell growth and can lead to vision loss or other eye-related complications if left untreated

synonym: ocular cancer, eye tumor

(1) **retinoblastoma** tumor, (2) **retinoblastoma** gene

Early detection and treatment of **retinoblastoma** can save both vision and lives.

retina

n. the innermost light-sensitive membrane covering the back wall of the eyeball

(1) **retinal** cells, (2) **retina** scanner

Damage to the **retina** may play a role in the development of glaucoma.

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.

awaken

v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping

synonym: rouse, arouse, revive

(1) **awaken** at daybreak, (2) **awaken** a child

The friend's death **awakens** them.

surgery

n. medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures

synonym: operation, (medical) procedure

(1) cardiac **surgery**, (2) the professor of **surgery**

He had undergone heart **surgery** years before.

crib

n. a small, enclosed bed for a baby, typically on rockers

synonym: bed, bassinet, cradle

(1) **crib** bed, (2) baby **crib**

She put the baby in the portable **crib** for a nap.

wander

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

synonym: ramble, roam, stroll

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

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

intensive

adj. involving a lot of work or activity in a short time

synonym: thorough, comprehensive, in-depth

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

The construction industry is labor **intensive**, although it has been somewhat automated by introducing large machinery.

nursery

n. a place where babies and young children are cared for while their parents are at work; a place where plants are grown and nurtured, especially for commercial purposes

synonym : playroom, greenhouse, conservatory

(1) day **nursery**, (2) **nursery** school

I work at the breeding **nursery**, where we grow and sell a variety of plants.

evident

adj. apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment

synonym : apparent, noticeable, obvious

(1) **evident** to all, (2) plainly **evident**

With **evident** joy, he signed his name.

impressive

adj. arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill

synonym : impactful, remarkable, exceptional

(1) **impressive** performances, (2) an **impressive** array of facts

The budget reduction was an **impressive** feat for our nation.

blind

adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

synonym : sightless, unseeing, random

(1) **blind** to the beauties, (2) **blind** spot

She was nearly **blind** due to severe diabetes.

threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

synonym : endanger, terrorize, intimidate

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

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

reaction

n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others

synonym : response, reply, answer

(1) chemical **reaction**, (2) trigger a **reaction**

There was a chemical **reaction** of the lime with the groundwater.

prospect

n. the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals

synonym : hope, possibility, expectation

(1) **prospect** for gold, (2) job **prospects**

The **prospect** of starting a new business can be both exciting and daunting.

incomprehensible

adj. impossible to understand or explain; not able to be grasped or comprehended

synonym : unintelligible, unfathomable, inexplicable

(1) **incomprehensible** jargon, (2) **incomprehensible** math problem

The mathematical formula was **incomprehensible** to most of the students.

epitome

n. a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type

synonym : embodiment, apotheosis

(1) an **epitome** of history, (2) world's **epitome**

He was the **epitome** of courage, always standing up for his beliefs.

ignorance

n. lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact

synonym : unintelligence, inexperience, unawareness

(1) **ignorance** of the law, (2) **ignorance** is bliss

His **ignorance** of the situation led him to make a poor decision.

unaware

adj. not understanding something or having knowledge or idea of something

synonym : incognizant, clueless, ignorant

(1) entirely **unaware** of the danger, (2) **unaware** of the reality

He was **unaware** of the scrutiny.

hapless

adj. having no luck; unfortunate

synonym : unfortunate, unlucky, pitiable

(1) her **hapless** fate, (2) **hapless** situation

The **hapless** victim had no way to defend themselves.

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.

ravage

v. to cause damage to something badly

synonym : devastate, ruin, destroy

(1) **ravage** a country, (2) **ravage** the brain

A large fire **ravaged** the forest.

poetic

adj. of or relating to poetry (= a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas); using language in an imaginative and expressive way

synonym : literary, verse-like, rhythmic

(1) **poetic** genius, (2) **poetic** justice

The sunset was so beautiful it looked like a **poetic** scene from a movie.

fortunate

adj. having good luck or lucky

synonym : fortuitous, lucky, blessed

(1) **fortunate** situation, (2) less **fortunate** person

He was pretty **fortunate** to pass the exam.

pragmatic

adj. practical rather than idealistic

synonym : practical, realistic, down-to-earth

(1) **pragmatic** approach, (2) **pragmatic** politics

He was a **pragmatic** leader who made decisions based on what was practical rather than ideal.

adaptable

adj. able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations

synonym : flexible, adjustable, elastic

(1) **adaptable** enough for the environment, (2) an **adaptable** person

We seek a candidate who possesses **adaptable** fighting potential.

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.

immobilize

v. to render someone or something unable to move or function normally; to restrain, inhibit, or stop

synonym : incapacitate, paralyze, disable

(1) **immobilize** the city, (2) **immobilize** our opponent

The paramedics had to **immobilize** the accident victim to prevent further injury during transport to the hospital.

pose

v. to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed

synonym : present, put, position

(1) **pose** a significant threat to my company, (2) **pose** a challenge

The chemicals **pose** a massive health risk.

dignify

v. to make something worthy of respect or honor; to elevate or give importance to something that may otherwise be considered insignificant

synonym : elevate, ennoble, honor

(1) **dignify** the role, (2) **dignify** the occasion

It's important to **dignify** other people's opinions and not dismiss them without consideration.

departure

n. the act of leaving, especially to start a journey

synonym : leaving, exit, flight

(1) **departure** from tradition, (2) **departure** from the company

The **departure** time for the flight is 6:00 am.

cliff

n. a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river

synonym : crag, escarpment, precipice

(1) a bold **cliff**, (2) **cliff** diving

He stood at the edge of the **cliff** and looked out to sea.

warn

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

synonym : alert, caution, admonish

(1) **warn** a reckless driver, (2) **warned** me of the plan

I attempted to **warn** him, but he ignored me.

imaginable

adj. capable of being imagined

synonym : conceivable, plausible, possible

(1) easily **imaginable**, (2) worst **imaginable** case

This is the only **imaginable** strategy.

mishap

n. an unfortunate or unlucky accident or incident, often resulting in injury or damage

synonym : accident, misfortune, incident

(1) avoidable **mishap**, (2) unfortunate **mishap**

The small **mishap** caused a delay in the construction

schedule.

precedent

n. a previous event or action that serves as an example or rule to authorize or justify similar events or actions in the future

synonym : example, model, pattern

(1) break with **precedent**, (2) a bad **precedent**

The court used previous **precedents** to make its decision.

tongue

n. a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language

synonym : lingo, language, vocabulary

(1) native **tongue**, (2) **tongue** cancer

The **tongue** is boneless, but it is as strong as bones.

flash

n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness

synonym : sparkle, gleam, glimmer

(1) a **flash** of lightning, (2) brilliant **flash**

These heavy rains caused **flash** floods on several islands.

bat

n. a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis

synonym : cane, rod, stick

(1) **bat** cave, (2) **bat** an eye

The cave was a habitat for **bats**.

brain

n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

synonym : intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage

X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

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.

cortex

n. the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain

(1) **cortex** cells, (2) visual **cortex** neuron

The cerebral **cortex** consists of six layers.

process

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

synonym: procedure, method, system

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

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

navigate

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

synonym: guide, helm, voyage

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

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

moniker

n. a name or nickname, especially one that is unconventional or adopted rather than given

synonym: name, nickname, alias

(1) royal **moniker**, (2) commonly used **moniker**

The **moniker** of The King of Pop will forever be associated with Michael Jackson.

remarkable

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

synonym: outstanding, exceptional, extraordinary

(1) **remarkable** achievement, (2) the **remarkable** breadth of knowledge

The election was a **remarkable** success for the Whigs.

regard

v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

synonym : consider, see, reckon

(1) **regard** him as an enemy, (2) **regard** the situation as unfortunate

Frugality and industry are still **regarded** as virtues.

whoosh

n. a rushing or swishing sound, such as that made by something moving quickly through the air or by a sudden gust of wind; (verb) to move swiftly with a rushing or whooshing sound

synonym : swoosh, swish, whizz

(1) **whoosh** of a falling object, (2) hear a **whoosh**

The **whoosh** of the wind through the trees was the only sound in the forest.

endemic

adj. (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area

synonym : prevalent, widespread, native

(1) **endemic** disease, (2) cholera- **endemic** area

Malaria is **endemic** in many tropical countries.

lectern

n. a tall stand or podium with a slanted top used to hold a book or notes from which a speaker can read or deliver a speech

synonym : podium, stand, platform

(1) portable **lectern**, (2) **lectern** microphone

The speaker stood confidently behind the wooden **lectern**, ready to deliver their important speech.

folk

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

synonym : community, family, person

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

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

panel

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

synonym : board, commission, discussion

(1) **panel** discussion, (2) cost of solar **panels**

A **panel** of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

pitch

n. the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something

synonym : angle, gradient, slope

(1) make a **pitch** for a new product, (2) a low- **pitched** sound

Her voice gradually increased in **pitch**.

resist

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

synonym : fight, defy, revolt

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

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

relax

v. to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer

synonym : soften, comfort, soothe

(1) **relax** a series of muscles, (2) **relax** at home

The rules were **relaxed** after the new executive arrived.

centimeter

n. a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter

(1) **centimeter** measurement, (2) thirty **centimeters** tall

The room was only one **centimeter** wider than the piano, making it a tight fit.

gradual

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

synonym : incremental, gradational, piecemeal

(1) a **gradual** process, (2) a **gradual** change

The country experienced a **gradual** increase in population.

amazing

adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

synonym : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

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.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym : suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

sight

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

synonym : vision, spectacle, view

(1) an unexpected **sight**, (2) dull **sight**

Many famous **sights** are within walking distance.

obstacle

n. a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

synonym : hindrance, barrier, block

(1) an **obstacle** to progress, (2) **obstacle** avoidance

The **obstacle** course was challenging but fun.

victory

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

synonym : win, triumph, success

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

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

terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym : unnerve, scare, horrify

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

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

background

n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

synonym : ground, experience, backdrop

(1) a **background** color, (2) a criminal **background**

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's **background**.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym : boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

exemplify

v. to serve as a typical example of something

synonym : illustrate, show, demonstrate

(1) **exemplify** the importance, (2) **exemplify** the solution

The example of a successful startup serves to **exemplify** the potential of the industry.

immense

adj. extremely large or great

synonym : enormous, giant, huge

(1) **immense** amount, (2) **immense** pressure

He left his wife an **immense** fortune.

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**.

spectacular

adj. striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement

synonym : breathtaking, impressive, grand

(1) **spectacular** view, (2) achieve **spectacular** growth

The **spectacular** fireworks display was the highlight of the festival.

ovation

n. a sustained and enthusiastic show of appreciation, usually given in the form of applause, for something or someone that is admired or respected

synonym : applause, accolade, praise

(1) standing **ovation**, (2) spontaneous **ovation**

The singer received an **ovation** from the crowd after her performance.

extraordinary

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

synonym : exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

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

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

construct

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

synonym : build, assemble, create

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

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

degree

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

synonym : level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

fuzzy

adj. having a soft and indistinct outline or covered with fine, soft, and hairlike fibers

synonym : hazy, blurry, indistinct

(1) **fuzzy** logic, (2) **fuzzy** memory

The picture was **fuzzy** because it was taken with an old camera.

dimension

n. a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

synonym : extent, measurement, size

(1) new **dimension**, (2) the crosswise **dimension**

Overall **dimensions** are approximately 400x200mm.

geometry

n. the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces

(1) Euclidean **geometry**, (2) spherical **geometry**

The mathematician pioneered fractal **geometry**.

instruct

v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

synonym : train, coach, guide

(1) **instruct** a student, (2) **instruct** a computer

The facility manager **instructed** the security guards to be on high alert.

vision

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

synonym : sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

synonym : chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**
Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

X-ray

n. a type of electromagnetic radiation that has a wavelength shorter than visible light allowing hidden objects such as bones and organs inside the body to be photographed

synonym : roentgenogram, photon radiography

(1) **X-ray** scan, (2) an **X-ray** of arteries

The doctor ordered an **X-ray** to see if there was any damage to the bones.

loudspeaker

n. an electronic device that amplifies sound, typically used to address a large audience or to play music or other audio content in public areas

synonym : speaker, loudhailer, megaphone

(1) wireless **loudspeaker**, (2) **loudspeaker** system

The teacher spoke through the **loudspeaker** so that every student could hear the announcement.

frank

adj. honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

synonym : candid, direct, freehearted

(1) **frank** and open discussion, (2) make a **frank** apology
Full involvement means **frank** and prompt responses.

fidget

v. to make small, restless movements; to be unable to sit still

synonym : fiddle, jiggle, squirm

(1) **fidget** with hands, (2) **fidget** on my lap

He **fidgeted** with his pen while waiting for the interview to begin.

movement

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

synonym: motion, progression, action

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

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

perspective

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

synonym: viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle

His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

curvature

n. the degree to which a line or surface deviates from being straight or flat; a measure of the amount of bending of a curve

synonym: bend, arch, bow

(1) the degree of **curvature**, (2) spinal **curvature**

The **curvature** of the earth can be seen from space.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. easily ima_____le | <i>adj.</i> capable of being imagined |
| 2. a friendly con_____ion | <i>n.</i> an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc. |
| 3. hear a wh___h | <i>n.</i> a rushing or swishing sound, such as that made by something moving quickly through the air or by a sudden gust of wind; (verb) to move swiftly with a rushing or whooshing sound |
| 4. pr_____ct for gold | <i>n.</i> the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals |
| 5. to___e cancer | <i>n.</i> a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language |
| 6. imm_____ze the city | <i>v.</i> to render someone or something unable to move or function normally; to restrain, inhibit, or stop |
| 7. cen_____er measurement | <i>n.</i> a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter |
| 8. p___e a challenge | <i>v.</i> to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed |

ANSWERS: 1. imaginable, 2. conversation, 3. whoosh, 4. prospect, 5. tongue, 6. immobilize, 7. centimeter, 8. pose

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| 9. permanent br__n damage | <i>n.</i> the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling |
| 10. baby c__b | <i>n.</i> a small, enclosed bed for a baby, typically on rockers |
| 11. re___al cells | <i>n.</i> the innermost light-sensitive membrane covering the back wall of the eyeball |
| 12. co_____ct a 3D image | <i>v.</i> to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole |
| 13. te_____y people | <i>v.</i> to frighten someone very much |
| 14. p__e a significant threat to my company | <i>v.</i> to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed |
| 15. lou_____er system | <i>n.</i> an electronic device that amplifies sound, typically used to address a large audience or to play music or other audio content in public areas |
| 16. de_____re from the company | <i>n.</i> the act of leaving, especially to start a journey |
| 17. b_t cave | <i>n.</i> a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis |
| 18. spontaneous ov_____n | <i>n.</i> a sustained and enthusiastic show of appreciation, usually given in the form of applause, for something or someone that is admired or respected |

ANSWERS: 9. brain, 10. crib, 11. retina, 12. construct, 13. terrify, 14. pose, 15. loudspeaker, 16. departure, 17. bat, 18. ovation

19. plainly ev____t *adj.* apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment
20. make a pi__h for a new product *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
21. X-__y scan *n.* a type of electromagnetic radiation that has a wavelength shorter than visible light allowing hidden objects such as bones and organs inside the body to be photographed
22. nu____y school *n.* a place where babies and young children are cared for while their parents are at work; a place where plants are grown and nurtured, especially for commercial purposes
23. am____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
24. the per____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
25. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
26. 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
27. wa____r far from home *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction

ANSWERS: 19. evident, 20. pitch, 21. X-ray, 22. nursery, 23. amazing, 24. perspective, 25. amazing, 26. cancer, 27. wander

28. a h__y shrine *adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion
29. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
30. ex_____fy the importance *v.* to serve as a typical example of something
31. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
32. brilliant fl__h *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
33. pr_____ic politics *adj.* practical rather than idealistic
34. royal mo_____r *n.* a name or nickname, especially one that is unconventional or adopted rather than given
35. make a fr__k apology *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
36. an ep_____e of history *n.* a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type
37. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
38. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 28. holy, 29. degree, 30. exemplify, 31. inspire, 32. flash, 33. pragmatic, 34. moniker, 35. frank, 36. epitome, 37. opportune, 38. movement

39. c__b bed *n.* a small, enclosed bed for a baby, typically on rockers
40. ha____s situation *adj.* having no luck; unfortunate
41. avoidable mi____p *n.* an unfortunate or unlucky accident or incident, often resulting in injury or damage
42. un____e of the reality *adj.* not understanding something or having knowledge or idea of something
43. 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
44. re__x a series of muscles *v.* to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer
45. thirty cen_____ers tall *n.* a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter
46. entirely un____e of the danger *adj.* not understanding something or having knowledge or idea of something
47. fu__y logic *adj.* having a soft and indistinct outline or covered with fine, soft, and hairlike fibers
48. imm_____ze our opponent *v.* to render someone or something unable to move or function normally; to restrain, inhibit, or stop
49. the professor of su____y *n.* medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures

ANSWERS: 39. crib, 40. hapless, 41. mishap, 42. unaware, 43. discovery, 44. relax, 45. centimeter, 46. unaware, 47. fuzzy, 48. immobilize, 49. surgery

50. cost of solar pa__ls *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
51. chemical re____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
52. the threats te____y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
53. dull si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
54. de____re from tradition *n.* the act of leaving, especially to start a journey
55. co__x cells *n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain
56. an imp____ve array of facts *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
57. spherical ge____ry *n.* the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces
58. ig____ce is bliss *n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
59. wireless lou____er *n.* an electronic device that amplifies sound, typically used to address a large audience or to play music or other audio content in public areas
60. re__d the situation as unfortunate *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

ANSWERS: 50. panel, 51. reaction, 52. terrify, 53. sight, 54. departure, 55. cortex, 56. impressive, 57. geometry, 58. ignorance, 59. loudspeaker, 60. regard

61. a bad pr_____nt *n.* a previous event or action that serves as an example or rule to authorize or justify similar events or actions in the future
62. w__ned me of the plan *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
63. en_____c disease *adj.* (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area
64. f__k art *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
65. na_____te through a document *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
66. ret_____oma gene *n.* a rare type of malignant tumor that develops in the retina of the eye, primarily affecting young children, characterized by abnormal cell growth and can lead to vision loss or other eye-related complications if left untreated
67. ev_____t to all *adj.* apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment
68. native to___e *n.* a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language
69. new di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

ANSWERS: 61. precedent, 62. warn, 63. endemic, 64. folk, 65. navigate, 66. retinoblastoma, 67. evident, 68. tongue, 69. dimension

70. worst ima_____le case *adj.* capable of being imagined
71. im_____e amount *adj.* extremely large or great
72. commonly used mo_____r *n.* a name or nickname, especially one that is unconventional or adopted rather than given
73. ig_____ce of the law *n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
74. in_____ct a computer *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
75. bl__d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
76. job pr_____cts *n.* the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
77. world's ep_____e *n.* a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type
78. fr__k and open discussion *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
79. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 70. imaginable, 71. immense, 72. moniker, 73. ignorance, 74. instruct, 75. blind, 76. prospect, 77. epitome, 78. frank, 79. discovery

80. di_____y the occasion *v.* to make something worthy of respect or honor; to elevate or give importance to something that may otherwise be considered insignificant
81. in_____ct a student *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
82. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
83. vi____l navigation *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
84. achieve spe_____ar growth *adj.* striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement
85. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
86. ra____e the brain *v.* to cause damage to something badly
87. 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
88. ra____e a country *v.* to cause damage to something badly
89. in_____ve agriculture *adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time
90. pr_____ic approach *adj.* practical rather than idealistic

ANSWERS: 80. dignify, 81. instruct, 82. inspire, 83. visual, 84. spectacular, 85. background, 86. ravage, 87. exposure, 88. ravage, 89. intensive, 90. pragmatic

91. fo_____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
92. inc_____ble math problem *adj.* impossible to understand or explain; not able to be grasped or comprehended
93. bi_____al symmetry *adj.* involving two sides or done by two parties together
94. cholera-en_____c area *adj.* (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area
95. less fo_____te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
96. telescopic vi_____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
97. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
98. a fl__h of lightning *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
99. basic br__n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
100. unfortunate mi___p *n.* an unfortunate or unlucky accident or incident, often resulting in injury or damage
101. a h__y man *adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion
102. cardiac su_____y *n.* medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures

ANSWERS: 91. fortunate, 92. incomprehensible, 93. bilateral, 94. endemic, 95. fortunate, 96. vision, 97. folk, 98. flash, 99. brain, 100. mishap, 101. holy, 102. surgery

103. w__n a reckless driver *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
104. a bold cl__f *n.* a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river
105. an X-__y of arteries *n.* a type of electromagnetic radiation that has a wavelength shorter than visible light allowing hidden objects such as bones and organs inside the body to be photographed
106. po___c genius *adj.* of or relating to poetry (= a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas); using language in an imaginative and expressive way
107. aw___n at daybreak *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
108. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
109. fi__t on my lap *v.* to make small, restless movements; to be unable to sit still
110. an ob___le to progress *n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
111. a prodigious vi___n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
112. her ha___s fate *adj.* having no luck; unfortunate
113. in_____ve care *adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time

ANSWERS: 103. warn, 104. cliff, 105. X-ray, 106. poetic, 107. awaken, 108. extraordinary, 109. fidget, 110. obstacle, 111. vision, 112. hapless, 113. intensive

114. visual co___x neuron *n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain
115. ad_____le enough for the environment *adj.* able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations
116. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
117. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
118. break with pr_____nt *n.* a previous event or action that serves as an example or rule to authorize or justify similar events or actions in the future
119. 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
120. ob_____le avoidance *n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
121. re___d him as an enemy *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
122. the rem_____le breadth of knowledge *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
123. 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: 114. cortex, 115. adaptable, 116. movement, 117. responsible, 118. precedent, 119. exposure, 120. obstacle, 121. regard, 122. remarkable, 123. cancer

124. ext_____ary weather	<i>adj.</i> exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
125. con_____ion in English	<i>n.</i> an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
126. day nu_____y	<i>n.</i> a place where babies and young children are cared for while their parents are at work; a place where plants are grown and nurtured, especially for commercial purposes
127. an ad_____le person	<i>adj.</i> able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations
128. a gr_____l process	<i>adj.</i> happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
129. di_____y the role	<i>v.</i> to make something worthy of respect or honor; to elevate or give importance to something that may otherwise be considered insignificant
130. a gr_____l change	<i>adj.</i> happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
131. an unexpected si__t	<i>n.</i> the ability to see; anything that is seen
132. re__x at home	<i>v.</i> to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer
133. bi_____al talks	<i>adj.</i> involving two sides or done by two parties together
134. fi___t with hands	<i>v.</i> to make small, restless movements; to be unable to sit still
135. th_____en a healthy relationship	<i>v.</i> to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

ANSWERS: 124. extraordinary, 125. conversation, 126. nursery, 127. adaptable, 128. gradual, 129. dignify, 130. gradual, 131. sight, 132. relax, 133. bilateral, 134. fidget, 135. threaten

136. ret_____oma tumor *n.* a rare type of malignant tumor that develops in the retina of the eye, primarily affecting young children, characterized by abnormal cell growth and can lead to vision loss or other eye-related complications if left untreated
137. na_____te the Pacific *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
138. po____c justice *adj.* of or relating to poetry (= a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas); using language in an imaginative and expressive way
139. pa__l discussion *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
140. Euclidean ge_____ry *n.* the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces
141. standing ov_____n *n.* a sustained and enthusiastic show of appreciation, usually given in the form of applause, for something or someone that is admired or respected
142. spe_____ar view *adj.* striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement
143. th_____en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

ANSWERS: 136. retinoblastoma, 137. navigate, 138. poetic, 139. panel, 140. geometry, 141. ovation, 142. spectacular, 143. threaten

144. wa___r alone in a strange country *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
145. cl__f diving *n.* a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river
146. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
147. le_____n microphone *n.* a tall stand or podium with a slanted top used to hold a book or notes from which a speaker can read or deliver a speech
148. a low-pi__hed sound *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
149. imp_____ve performances *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
150. spinal cu_____re *n.* the degree to which a line or surface deviates from being straight or flat; a measure of the amount of bending of a curve
151. portable le_____n *n.* a tall stand or podium with a slanted top used to hold a book or notes from which a speaker can read or deliver a speech
152. a criminal bac_____nd *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

ANSWERS: 144. wander, 145. cliff, 146. responsible, 147. lectern, 148. pitch, 149. impressive, 150. curvature, 151. lectern, 152. background

153. bachelor's de___e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
154. im_____e pressure *adj.* extremely large or great
155. trigger a re_____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
156. ex_____fy the solution *v.* to serve as a typical example of something
157. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
158. re___t being kissed *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
159. rem_____le achievement *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
160. re___t temptation *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
161. field of vi___l arts *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
162. bl__d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
163. vi_____y over terrorism *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
164. wh___h of a falling object *n.* a rushing or swishing sound, such as that made by something moving quickly through the air or by a sudden gust of wind; (verb) to move swiftly with a rushing or whooshing sound

ANSWERS: 153. degree, 154. immense, 155. reaction, 156. exemplify, 157. opportune, 158. resist, 159. remarkable, 160. resist, 161. visual, 162. blind, 163. victory, 164. whoosh

165. the crosswise di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
166. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
167. inc_____ble jargon *adj.* impossible to understand or explain; not able to be grasped or comprehended
168. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
169. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
170. the degree of cu_____re *n.* the degree to which a line or surface deviates from being straight or flat; a measure of the amount of bending of a curve
171. fu__y memory *adj.* having a soft and indistinct outline or covered with fine, soft, and hairlike fibers
172. vi_____y in the law court *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
173. aw___n a child *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping

ANSWERS: 165. dimension, 166. process, 167. incomprehensible, 168. perspective, 169. construct, 170. curvature, 171. fuzzy, 172. victory, 173. awaken

174. b_t an eye *n.* a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis
175. pr____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
176. re___a scanner *n.* the innermost light-sensitive membrane covering the back wall of the eyeball

ANSWERS: 174. bat, 175. process, 176. retina

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The rules were _____ after the new executive arrived.
v. to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer
2. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
3. I chose to _____ cancer by trying every possible treatment.
v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
4. The _____ is boneless, but it is as strong as bones.
n. a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language
5. 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
6. We seek a candidate who possesses _____ fighting potential.
adj. able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations
7. With _____ joy, he signed his name.
adj. apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment
8. Overall _____ are approximately 400x200mm.
n. a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

ANSWERS: 1. relaxed, 2. constructs, 3. resist, 4. tongue, 5. discovery, 6. adaptable, 7. evident, 8. dimensions

9. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.
v. to frighten someone very much
10. His _____ of the situation led him to make a poor decision.
n. lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
11. She put the baby in the portable _____ for a nap.
n. a small, enclosed bed for a baby, typically on rockers
12. It's important to _____ other people's opinions and not dismiss them without consideration.
v. to make something worthy of respect or honor; to elevate or give importance to something that may otherwise be considered insignificant
13. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
14. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
15. He stood at the edge of the _____ and looked out to sea.
n. a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river
16. Her voice gradually increased in _____.
n. the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something

ANSWERS: 9. terrify, 10. ignorance, 11. crib, 12. dignify, 13. amazing, 14. movement, 15. cliff, 16. pitch

17. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.
v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
18. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.
adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
19. There was a chemical _____ of the lime with the groundwater.
n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
20. The country experienced a _____ increase in population.
adj. happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
21. The speaker stood confidently behind the wooden _____ ready to deliver their important speech.
n. a tall stand or podium with a slanted top used to hold a book or notes from which a speaker can read or deliver a speech
22. The picture was _____ because it was taken with an old camera.
adj. having a soft and indistinct outline or covered with fine, soft, and hairlike fibers
23. This is the only _____ strategy.
adj. capable of being imagined
24. The sunset was so beautiful it looked like a _____ scene from a movie.
adj. of or relating to poetry (= a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas); using language in an imaginative and expressive way
25. She was nearly _____ due to severe diabetes.
adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

ANSWERS: 17. threatening, 18. extraordinary, 19. reaction, 20. gradual, 21. lectern, 22. fuzzy, 23. imaginable, 24. poetic, 25. blind

26. He was a _____ leader who made decisions based on what was practical rather than ideal.

adj. practical rather than idealistic

27. Our knowledge helps _____ our clients successfully.

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

28. The _____ fireworks display was the highlight of the festival.

adj. striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement

29. The _____ time for the flight is 6:00 am.

n. the act of leaving, especially to start a journey

30. The _____ of The King of Pop will forever be associated with Michael Jackson.

n. a name or nickname, especially one that is unconventional or adopted rather than given

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

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

32. The friend's death _____ them.

v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping

33. The teacher spoke through the _____ so that every student could hear the announcement.

n. an electronic device that amplifies sound, typically used to address a large audience or to play music or other audio content in public areas

ANSWERS: 26. pragmatic, 27. navigate, 28. spectacular, 29. departure, 30. moniker, 31. holy, 32. awakens, 33. loudspeaker

34. Full involvement means _____ and prompt responses.

adj. honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

35. The facility manager _____ the security guards to be on high alert.

v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

36. 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

37. The _____ of starting a new business can be both exciting and daunting.

n. the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals

38. These heavy rains caused _____ floods on several islands.

n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness

39. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.

adj. having good luck or lucky

40. A large fire _____ the forest.

v. to cause damage to something badly

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

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

ANSWERS: 34. frank, 35. instructed, 36. responsible, 37. prospect, 38. flash, 39. fortunate, 40. ravaged, 41. process

42. The mathematical formula was _____ to most of the students.
adj. impossible to understand or explain; not able to be grasped or comprehended
43. A _____ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.
n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
44. The _____ of the wind through the trees was the only sound in the forest.
n. a rushing or swishing sound, such as that made by something moving quickly through the air or by a sudden gust of wind; (verb) to move swiftly with a rushing or whooshing sound
45. He was the _____ of courage, always standing up for his beliefs.
n. a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type
46. We are optimistic about our final _____.
n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
47. Early detection and treatment of _____ can save both vision and lives.
n. a rare type of malignant tumor that develops in the retina of the eye, primarily affecting young children, characterized by abnormal cell growth and can lead to vision loss or other eye-related complications if left untreated
48. The cave was a habitat for _____.
n. a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis

ANSWERS: 42. incomprehensible, 43. panel, 44. whoosh, 45. epitome, 46. victory, 47. retinoblastoma, 48. bats

49. The _____ victim had no way to defend themselves.

adj. having no luck; unfortunate

50. The example of a successful startup serves to _____ the potential of the industry.

v. to serve as a typical example of something

51. The cerebral _____ consists of six layers.

n. the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain

52. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.

n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

53. Frugality and industry are still _____ as virtues.

v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

54. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

55. 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

56. The doctor ordered an _____ to see if there was any damage to the bones.

n. a type of electromagnetic radiation that has a wavelength shorter than visible light allowing hidden objects such as bones and organs inside the body to be photographed

ANSWERS: 49. hapless, 50. exemplify, 51. cortex, 52. brain, 53. regarded, 54. perspective, 55. exposure, 56. X-ray

57. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's _____.
- n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
58. The court used previous _____ to make its decision.
- n.* a previous event or action that serves as an example or rule to authorize or justify similar events or actions in the future
59. Damage to the _____ may play a role in the development of glaucoma.
- n.* the innermost light-sensitive membrane covering the back wall of the eyeball
60. The election was a _____ success for the Whigs.
- adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
61. The small _____ caused a delay in the construction schedule.
- n.* an unfortunate or unlucky accident or incident, often resulting in injury or damage
62. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.
- n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
63. Some seaweed was used as _____ medicine in ancient times.
- n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
64. The singer received an _____ from the crowd after her performance.
- n.* a sustained and enthusiastic show of appreciation, usually given in the form of applause, for something or someone that is admired or respected

ANSWERS: 57. background, 58. precedents, 59. retina, 60. remarkable, 61. mishap, 62. vision, 63. folk, 64. ovation

65. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

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

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

67. The chemicals _____ a massive health risk.

v. to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed

68. Malaria is _____ in many tropical countries.

adj. (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area

69. The room was only one _____ wider than the piano, making it a tight fit.

n. a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter

70. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

71. The _____ course was challenging but fun.

n. a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

72. Many famous _____ are within walking distance.

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

ANSWERS: 65. opportune, 66. warn, 67. pose, 68. endemic, 69. centimeter, 70. inspired, 71. obstacle, 72. sights

73. The _____ of the earth can be seen from space.

- n.* the degree to which a line or surface deviates from being straight or flat; a measure of the amount of bending of a curve

74. The budget reduction was an _____ feat for our nation.

- adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill

75. The paramedics had to _____ the accident victim to prevent further injury during transport to the hospital.

- v.* to render someone or something unable to move or function normally; to restrain, inhibit, or stop

76. 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

77. Both countries signed the _____ agreement.

- adj.* involving two sides or done by two parties together

78. He was _____ of the scrutiny.

- adj.* not understanding something or having knowledge or idea of something

79. He _____ with his pen while waiting for the interview to begin.

- v.* to make small, restless movements; to be unable to sit still

80. The building makes a remarkable _____ impact.

- adj.* relating to seeing or sight

ANSWERS: 73. curvature, 74. impressive, 75. immobilize, 76. cancer, 77. bilateral, 78. unaware, 79. fidgeted, 80. visual

81. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.

- n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

82. I often _____ around the park for half an hour.

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

83. He left his wife an _____ fortune.

- adj.* extremely large or great

84. The construction industry is labor _____ although it has been somewhat automated by introducing large machinery.

- adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time

85. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

86. I work at the breeding _____ where we grow and sell a variety of plants.

- n.* a place where babies and young children are cared for while their parents are at work; a place where plants are grown and nurtured, especially for commercial purposes

87. The mathematician pioneered fractal _____.

- n.* the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces

88. He had undergone heart _____ years before.

- n.* medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures

ANSWERS: 81. degree, 82. wander, 83. immense, 84. intensive, 85. conversation, 86. nursery, 87. geometry, 88. surgery

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