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All Words

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Session 1: Word List

allude

v. to suggest or make reference to something indirectly
synonym: imply, indicate, hint

(1) **allude** to his low origin, (2) **allude** to the planning
He **alluded** to the problem but did not mention it directly.

continually

adv. in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly
synonym: repeatedly, frequently, constantly

(1) **continually** access information, (2) **continually** changing world
Her tongue runs on **continually**.

attempt

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
synonym: endeavor, effort, try

(1) the **attempt** to rescue the hostages, (2) a reckless **attempt**
The third **attempt** was far more successful.

racial

adj. of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
synonym: ethnic, tribal, ethnical

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

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

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.

apartheid

n. a system of racial segregation and discrimination that was enforced in South Africa from 1948 to 1994; any similar system of discrimination or segregation based on race, ethnicity, or other factors

synonym: segregation, discrimination, oppression

(1) **apartheid** system, (2) **apartheid** policies

The South African government enforced **apartheid** laws that segregated people based on race.

tweet

n. a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

synonym: peep, chirp, post (on Twitter)

(1) a chick's **tweet**, (2) his latest **tweets**

We could hear the **tweet** of baby birds.

alcohol

n. a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.

synonym: booze, liquor, ethanol

(1) stop drinking **alcohol**, (2) diluted **alcohol**

There is a clear association between **alcohol** consumption and cognitive decline.

beg

v. to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something

synonym: plead, implore, entreat

(1) **beg** the question, (2) **beg** for help

She **begged** her parents to let her go to the concert.

stomach

n. the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the

chest that contains the stomach

synonym : belly, abdomen, gut

(1) upset **stomach**, (2) **stomach** virus

I have a **stomach** ache after overeating junk food.

convince

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

synonym : persuade, win over, convert

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

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

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym : take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

hashtag

n. a word or phrase preceded by the symbol #, used on social media websites and applications to identify messages on a specific topic

(1) marked with a **hashtag**, (2) trending **hashtag**

Our brand's campaign uses a unique **hashtag** to track engagement and reach.

garner

v. to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention

synonym : acquire, collect, obtain

(1) **garner** good reviews, (2) **garner** attention

He used his charm and charisma to **garner** support for his campaign.

continent

n. one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

synonym : landmass, (adjective) chaste, (adjective) pure

(1) the inland of a **continent**, (2) **continent** urinary diversion
Flight across the **continent** was a daring adventure in its day.

poke

v. to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger

synonym: prod, jab, push

(1) **poke** around the desk, (2) **poke** a fire

They **poked** fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.

stereotype

n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

(1) avoid **stereotype**, (2) negative **stereotypes**

Changing **stereotypes** about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

fee

n. a sum of money charged for a particular service

synonym: charge, cost, expense

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

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

bouncer

n. a person employed at a nightclub, bar, or similar establishment to check patrons for membership or age and to enforce rules of behavior, often through physical means if necessary; a type of shoe with a thick, resilient sole

synonym: doorman, security guard, protector

(1) **bouncer** job, (2) **bouncer** policy

The **bouncer** at the club checked everyone's ID at the door.

critic

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

synonym: pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

government

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

synonym : administration, regime, state

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

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

pronounce

v. to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way

synonym : articulate, enunciate, voice

(1) **pronounce** a judgment, (2) **pronounce** a name

She struggled to **pronounce** the word in a foreign language.

tab

n. a small flap or strip of material attached to or projecting from something; the key on a typewriter or a word processor that causes a tabulation; a bill

synonym : tag, label, marker

(1) split a dinner **tab**, (2) open a **tab**

He kept a **tab** on his expenses by writing them down in a notebook.

geopolitical

adj. of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area

(1) the **geopolitical** situations, (2) reduce **geopolitical** risk

The country holds dominant **geopolitical** power over its neighbors.

hell

n. the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

synonym : inferno, agony, misery

(1) run like **hell**, (2) **hell** broke loose

The battlefield became **hell** on earth.

turnaround

n. the amount of time needed to prepare a vessel or ship for a return trip; a change or improvement in the condition, performance, or affairs of something

synonym : recovery, improvement, reversal

(1) miraculous **turnaround**, (2) **turnaround** strategy

The company's **turnaround** was a result of new management strategies.

transport

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

synonym : shipment, transit, conveyance

(1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport**

Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

thrill

n. a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

synonym : exhilaration, delight, rush

(1) the **thrill** of speed, (2) incredible **thrill**

Skydiving is an overwhelming **thrill** for many people.

fingertip

n. the end or tip of a finger

(1) apply **fingertip** pressure, (2) burn my **fingertip**

The archaeologist ran his **fingertips** along the pattern of the tombstones.

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.

spark

v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

synonym : start, inspire, provoke

(1) **spark** his interest, (2) **spark** a chain reaction

The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate **sparked** turmoil in the stock market.

slightly

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

synonym: barely, narrowly, scarcely

(1) increase **slightly**, (2) **slightly** alkaline soils

He moved his body **slightly** to the left.

celebrate

v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

synonym: praise, glorify, honor

(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas

He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

stable

adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed

synonym: sturdy, unmoving, durable

(1) in **stable** condition, (2) have a **stable** job

Relations between the two countries have been relatively **stable** due to the summit meeting.

democracy

n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

synonym: self-government, republic, commonwealth

(1) **democracy** advocate, (2) principles of **democracy**

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

progressive

adj. relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one

synonym: advanced, forward-thinking, modern

(1) **progressive** taxation, (2) **progressive** development

The **progressive** approach to education emphasizes hands-on learning and student-centered classrooms.

policy

n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

synonym: strategy, plan, guideline

(1) health **policy**, (2) foreign **policy**

The company's new **policy** on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

kingdom

n. the country ruled by a king or queen

synonym: empire, realm, land

(1) establish his **kingdom**, (2) a subordinate **kingdom**

By remaining neutral, this **kingdom** continued to exist.

monarchy

n. a form of government in which a country is ruled by a king or a queen who typically inherits the authority

synonym: kingdom, realm, empire

(1) **monarchy** system, (2) abolish **monarchy**

The **monarchy** government had been in power for centuries.

royal

adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

synonym: imperial, noble, aristocratic

(1) a **royal** palace, (2) prince **royal**

She is willing to give up her position in the **royal** family to marry him.

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.

peculiar

adj. odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way
synonym : bizarre, abnormal, odd

(1) **peculiar** way, (2) **peculiar** people

The juice has a **peculiar** taste.

toddler

n. a young child who has recently learned to walk
synonym : child, infant, youngster

(1) an active **toddler**, (2) **toddler** in nappy

A **toddler** needs constant supervision and firm control.

fluent

adj. able to communicate in a specific language smoothly or effectively, or easily

synonym : eloquent, articulate, smooth-spoken

(1) **fluent** Chinese, (2) in a **fluent** tone

She learned five languages but is only **fluent** in two of them.

introduction

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

synonym : initiation, preamble, prologue

(1) **introduction** education, (2) self- **introduction**

The **introduction** to the new class was informative and engaging.

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

synonym : character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

outsider

n. a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles

synonym : stranger, foreigner, alien

(1) **outsider** perspective, (2) **outsider** artist

Living in a foreign country can make you feel like an **outsider** at times.

incapable

adj. unable to do, control, or achieve something

synonym: unable, incompetent, unskilled

(1) drunk and **incapable**, (2) **incapable** of being resisted

He seems **incapable** of understanding what she says.

comprehend

v. to understand the nature or meaning of something fully

synonym: understand, grasp, apprehend

(1) **comprehend** English, (2) **comprehend** instructions

She struggled to **comprehend** complex math problems.

constantly

adv. all the time

synonym: continuously, always, frequently

(1) a **constantly** innovative enterprise, (2) a **constantly** varying mind

The mobile application industry is **constantly** changing.

confront

v. to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person

synonym: engage, encounter, contend

(1) **confront** a global warming, (2) **confront** the issue

He finally decided to **confront** problems directly.

adolescent

n. a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult

synonym: teen, preadult, youth

(1) **adolescent** girl, (2) pre- **adolescent** children

Timely education about birth control might help reduce **adolescent** pregnancies.

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**.

belong

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

synonym: fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group
All the books in this section **belong** to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

vast

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

synonym: expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

simultaneously

adv. at the same time

synonym: concurrently, coincidentally, together

(1) **simultaneously** affected, (2) take several inputs
simultaneously

Two students answered the teacher's question
simultaneously.

obsess

v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

synonym: torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the fear

He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

geography

n. a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth

synonym: landscape, terrain, topography

(1) **geography** class, (2) economic **geography**
She did well on her **geography** exam.

curiosity

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something
synonym: interest, inquisitiveness, novelty

(1) boundless **curiosity**, (2) satisfy my intellectual **curiosity**
We are motivated by **curiosity** rather than necessity.

philosophy

n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
synonym: doctrine, attitude, creed

(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**
Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

gravity

n. the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
synonym: heaviness, attraction, weight

(1) the attraction of **gravity**, (2) preserve my **gravity**
The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of **gravity**.

intellect

n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
synonym: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**
Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

tackle

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
synonym: deal with, dive into, work on

(1) **tackle** the issue, (2) help **tackle** climate change
The government is determined to **tackle** sharp inflation.

complexity

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

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

complete it on time.

colonize

v. to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers

synonym: settle, occupy, inhabit

(1) **colonize** planets, (2) **colonize** for cultivation

European powers **colonized** much of the Americas in the 16th and 17th centuries.

conscious

adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

synonym: aware, cognizant, deliberate

(1) **conscious** effort, (2) **conscious** of having succeeded

He became **conscious** that he was being followed.

digest

v. to transform food into absorbable substances; break down

synonym: absorb, condense

(1) **digest** information, (2) help **digest** food

Most babies can readily **digest** a wide variety of foods.

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.

icon

n. a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

synonym: figure, hero, idol

(1) **icon** for young people, (2) television **icon**

Some comic book characters are considered gay **icons**.

statesman

n. a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs

synonym: solon, politician, legislator

(1) a woman **statesman**, (2) international **statesman**

This statue honors a distinguished **statesman**.

fiction

n. the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true

synonym: fantasy, fable, invention

(1) stuff of science **fiction**, (2) non- **fiction** bestseller

Truth is stranger than **fiction**.

hop

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

synonym: jump, bounce, skip

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

The rabbit **hopped** over the fence.

enthusiasm

n. a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it

synonym: eagerness, zeal, willingness

(1) unflagging **enthusiasm**, (2) lose **enthusiasm**

We are tackling the development for updates with **enthusiasm**.

bore

v. to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources

synonym: bear, tire, weary

(1) **bore** diameter, (2) **bore** him with his stories

The lecture on quantum physics **bored** me to tears.

random

adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

synonym: incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**

To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

affordable

adj. not expensive and able to pay

synonym : cheap, reasonable, inexpensive

(1) **affordable** housing, (2) **affordable** solution

The automaker has been providing **affordable** car financing options since last year.

smartphone

n. a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

(1) **smartphone** app developer, (2) **smartphone** addict

Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of **smartphones**.

surf

v. to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner

synonym : browse, scan, paddle

(1) **surf** the Internet, (2) **surf** the waves

I'll **surf** the online store to see if I can find that item in a different color.

creative

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

synonym : imaginative, innovative, inventive

(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit

All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.

commute

v. to regularly travel a particular journey, especially between one's home and place of work; (noun) a regular journey of some distance to and from your place of work

synonym : travel, journey, trip

(1) **commute** to work, (2) daily **commute**

He had to **commute** two hours each way to get to work.

communicate

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

synonym : convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,

(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

luxury

n. a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things

synonym : extravagance, indulgence, opulence

(1) get into the **luxury** car market, (2) **luxury** hotel

His anti- **luxury** practices were quite strict.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym : abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

vibrant

adj. full of energy, life, and enthusiasm

synonym : animated, dynamic, deep

(1) a city **vibrant** with life, (2) variety of **vibrant** colors

A **vibrant** private sector is crucial for economic growth.

cocktail

n. a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal

synonym : appetizer, beverage

(1) a light **cocktail**, (2) **cocktail** of chemicals

We invited some friends for a **cocktail** party.

resort

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

synonym : vacation spot, hotel, (verb) address

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

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

sector

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

synonym: division, department, branch

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

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

selfie

n. a photograph that one has taken of oneself, typically one taken with a smartphone or webcam to share on social media

synonym: self-portrait, self-photo, self-snap

(1) **selfie** stick, (2) pose for a **selfie**

She took a **selfie** in front of the famous tower and shared it on the app.

discuss

v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

synonym: talk about, converse, debate

(1) **discuss** options, (2) **discuss** solutions

We need to **discuss** the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

economy

n. the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

synonym: finance, trade, business

(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class

The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

invariably

adv. in every case or on every occasion; without exception

synonym : consistently, always, uniformly

(1) **invariably** polite, (2) **invariably** correct

She **invariably** arrived at the office early each day.

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.

restriction

n. a limitation or constraint placed on something, or the act of limiting or constraining something

synonym : limitation, constraint, control

(1) nutritional **restriction**, (2) **restriction** on trade

The **restriction** on travel during the pandemic made it difficult for people to see their loved ones.

finance

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

synonym : banking, investment, fund

(1) **finance** act, (2) manage my **finances**

Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in **finance**.

accident

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

synonym : calamity, casualty, chance

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

The **accident** partially destroyed my vehicle.

bombard

v. to attack a place with bombs or gunshots continuously; to address with continuously or persistently, as if with a barrage

synonym : bomb, shoot, blitz

(1) **bombard** him with questions, (2) **bombard** a fort with heavy shells

Overprotective parents often **bombard** their children with messages reinforcing their lack of mastery.

destine

v. to determine or set the course of something in advance, often in a way that seems predetermined or inevitable; to specify or choose someone or something for a particular fate or outcome

synonym: ordain, doom, predestine

(1) **destine** us to meet again, (2) be **destined** to become a great artist

Some people believe that we are all **destined** for greatness.

crush

v. to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller

synonym: destroy, demolish, pulverize

(1) **crush** coffee beans, (2) **crush** a revolt

The car was completely **crushed** in the accident.

nation

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

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

colonial

adj. of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony

synonym: imperial, immigrant, gregarious

(1) oppressive **colonial** rule, (2) **colonial** style

The city has a rich **colonial** history, with many historic buildings and landmarks.

archaic

adj. old and no longer used or applicable; of or seeming to belong to an ancient period in history

synonym : ancient, antique, old-fashioned

(1) **archaic** humans, (2) seem somewhat **archaic**

He deliberately read picture books in an **archaic** way to please the children.

unthinkingly

adv. without careful thought or consideration; reflexively or automatically; in a manner that lacks mindfulness or awareness

synonym : automatically, mindlessly, impulsively

(1) respond **unthinkingly**, (2) **unthinkingly** follow

She **unthinkingly** agreed to the terms of the contract without reading it thoroughly.

president

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

synonym : leader, CEO, chairperson

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

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

intertwine

v. to twist together or become twisted together

synonym : interweave, interlace, entwine

(1) **intertwine** thread, (2) **intertwine** story

The vines **intertwine** to form a thick canopy overhead.

disaster

n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

synonym : catastrophe, calamity, tragedy

(1) global **disaster**, (2) **disaster** recovery

The **disaster** response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.

turmoil

n. a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often marked by intense activity or strong emotions

synonym : chaos, confusion, disorder

(1) political **turmoil**, (2) the **turmoil** of the war

The company experienced financial **turmoil** after the CEO was arrested.

consequence

n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

synonym: result, impact, outcome

(1) unintended **consequences**, (2) the **consequence** of an argument

These economic activities had disastrous environmental **consequences**.

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.

refugee

n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

synonym: emigrant, evacuee, exile

(1) global **refugee** crisis, (2) the **refugee** camp

The community warmly welcomed the **refugees**.

eventually

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

synonym: finally, someday, ultimately

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

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

inter

v. to bury or place a dead body in a tomb or grave; to temporarily detain or imprison someone; (prefix) between or among

synonym: bury, entomb, inhume

(1) **inter** a dead body, (2) **inter-disciplinary**

The funeral director explained the process of how they **inter** remains after cremation.

fulfill

v. to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

synonym: satisfy, complete, accomplish

(1) **fulfill** a contract, (2) **fulfill** a lifetime dream

It was the first time for her, but she **fulfilled** the role of Priest.

foster

v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents

synonym: nurture, nourish, cultivate

(1) **foster** a better relationship, (2) **foster** two kids

The pastor contributed to **fostering** the sense of a community embracing all classes.

pan-American

adj. relating to or involving all of North, Central, and South America

(1) **pan-American** unity, (2) a **pan-American** organization

The goal of the summit was to **pan-American** efforts to combat climate change.

invention

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

synonym: creation, design, innovation

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

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

elite

adj. belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society

synonym: privileged, favored, elect

(1) earn **elite** status, (2) **elite** athlete

Very few educational **elites** go to Oxford or Cambridge.

exclusive

adj. not divided or shared with others

synonym : sole, deluxe, limited

(1) **exclusive** authority, (2) **exclusive** clubs

The condo offers **exclusive** access to the beach.

ordinary

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

synonym : mundane, prosaic, average

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

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

innovative

adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.

synonym : creative, ingenious, inventive

(1) use of **innovative** technology, (2) stylistically **innovative** works

The Prime Minister stressed the need to create **innovative** industries.

governance

n. the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes

synonym : administration, management, direction

(1) good **governance**, (2) corporate **governance**

The United Nations assists countries in building strong **governance** frameworks and institutions.

institute

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

synonym : academy, university, college

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

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

desperate

adj. feeling or showing a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation

synonym : anguish, frantic, hopeless

(1) her **desperate** screams, (2) **desperate** attempt
He was **desperate** when he lost all his money by gambling.

circumstance

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

synonym : condition, context, environment

(1) **circumstance** of birth, (2) **circumstance** of injury
She explained the **circumstances** surrounding the accident.

suffocate

v. to die or cause someone to die from lack of air or inability to breathe; to be overwhelmed or constricted by a feeling or situation, such as anxiety or oppression

synonym : choke, smother, stifle

(1) **suffocate** to death, (2) **suffocate** fire
People can **suffocate** from a lack of oxygen in confined spaces.

innovation

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

synonym : invention, initiation, creation

(1) **innovation** leader, (2) cutting-edge **innovation**
The vegetarian burger was an **innovation** that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

synonym : luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance
The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

canvas

n. the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

(1) blank **canvas**, (2) oil on **canvas**
Life is a vast **canvas**; you should put as much paint on it as possible.

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.

innovate

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

synonym: bring in, introduce, found

(1) **innovate** a new method, (2) **innovate** the quality of his life

Companies developing self-driving cars consistently **innovate** the emerging technologies.

violent

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

synonym: aggressive, intense, turbulent

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

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

heartburn

n. a burning sensation or discomfort in the chest or throat, often caused by stomach acid refluxing into the esophagus

synonym: acid reflux, pyrosis, indigestion

(1) **heartburn** relief, (2) chronic **heartburn**

After eating that spicy meal, she suffered from **heartburn** all night long.

medication

n. a drug or other form of medicine that treats, prevents, or alleviates the symptoms of the disease

synonym: cure, drug, medicine

(1) antibiotic **medication**, (2) **medication** by mouth

The pharmacist not only prescribes the **medication** but also guides its proper use.

tyrannical

adj. using power or authority over people, especially in a specific country, group, etc., in an unfair and cruel way

synonym : despotic, oppressive, authoritarian

(1) a **tyrannical** government, (2) a **tyrannical** parent

Tyrannical Hollywood film moguls can easily rule the movie star's career.

protest

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

synonym : objection, disapproval, challenge

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

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

suffer

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

synonym : endure, undergo, tolerate

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

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

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.

march

v. to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

synonym : parade

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

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

ridiculous

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

synonym : absurd, fatuous, foolish

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

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

tertiary

adj. relating to or being the third in a series, rank, or order; of or relating to third-level education or training

synonym : third-level, third-party, subordinate

(1) **tertiary** education, (2) **tertiary** sector

The university offers both undergraduate and graduate programs, as well as a variety of **tertiary** courses.

parliament

n. a legislative body, especially the one that represents the people of a country or state

synonym : congress, assembly, legislature

(1) disband **parliament**, (2) event of a hung **parliament**

He was a member of **parliament**.

journalist

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

synonym : reporter, newsperson, press

(1) a China-based **journalist**, (2) **journalist** on a magazine

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

illegal

adj. not allowed by law

synonym : banned, prohibited, illicit

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

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

detain

v. to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving

synonym : hold, keep, detainment

(1) **detain** a terrorist, (2) **detain** for investigation

The police **detained** the suspect for questioning.

aspiration

n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

synonym : ambition, inhalation, intake

(1) no **aspiration** for fame, (2) **aspiration** into the lungs

He has an **aspiration** to become a doctor.

wit

n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

synonym : humor, comedy, funniness

(1) the **wit** of man, (2) full of **wit**

He has the **wit** to keep talking about this topic.

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym : compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

rescue

v. to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

synonym : save, extricate, retrieve

(1) **rescue** a dying dog, (2) **rescue** a company from bankruptcy

The fire department arrived just in time to **rescue** the family from the burning building.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym : highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

Session 2: Spelling

1. a con_____ly innovative enterprise *adv.* all the time
2. em_____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
3. di_____s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
4. unt_____gly follow *adv.* without careful thought or consideration; reflexively or automatically; in a manner that lacks mindfulness or awareness
5. a ro__l palace *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
6. pr_____ce a name *v.* to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way
7. 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
8. bo_____d a fort with heavy shells *v.* to attack a place with bombs or gunshots continuously; to address with continuously or persistently, as if with a barrage
9. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

ANSWERS: 1. constantly, 2. empathy, 3. discuss, 4. unthinkingly, 5. royal, 6. pronounce, 7. platform, 8. bombard, 9. amazing

10. split a dinner t_b *n.* a small flap or strip of material attached to or projecting from something; the key on a typewriter or a word processor that causes a tabulation; a bill
11. in_____le of being resisted *adj.* unable to do, control, or achieve something
12. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
13. manage my fi_____es *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
14. aff_____le solution *adj.* not expensive and able to pay
15. con_____ly changing world *adv.* in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly
16. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
17. co_____nt urinary diversion *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
18. earn el__e status *adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society

ANSWERS: 10. tab, 11. incapable, 12. invention, 13. finance, 14. affordable, 15. continually, 16. introduction, 17. continent, 18. elite

19. oil on ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
20. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
21. a light co_____il *n.* a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal
22. su_____te fire *v.* to die or cause someone to die from lack of air or inability to breathe; to be overwhelmed or constricted by a feeling or situation, such as anxiety or oppression
23. fo___r a better relationship *v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
24. co_____e to work *v.* to regularly travel a particular journey, especially between one's home and place of work; (noun) a regular journey of some distance to and from your place of work
25. sim_____sly affected *adv.* at the same time
26. il_____l drugs *adj.* not allowed by law
27. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

ANSWERS: 19. canvas, 20. consequence, 21. cocktail, 22. suffocate, 23. foster, 24. commute, 25. simultaneously, 26. illegal, 27. democracy

28. respond un_____gly *adv.* without careful thought or consideration; reflexively or automatically; in a manner that lacks mindfulness or awareness
29. in a fl____t tone *adj.* able to communicate in a specific language smoothly or effectively, or easily
30. ma__h east *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
31. b_g for help *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
32. preserve my gr____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
33. co_____us of having succeeded *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
34. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
35. com_____nd English *v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
36. antibiotic med_____on *n.* a drug or other form of medicine that treats, prevents, or alleviates the symptoms of the disease
37. global re_____e crisis *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
38. full of em_____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

ANSWERS: 28. unthinkingly, 29. fluent, 30. march, 31. beg, 32. gravity, 33. conscious, 34. complexity, 35. comprehend, 36. medication, 37. refugee, 38. empathy

39. the attraction of gr____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
40. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
41. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
42. pr_____ce a judgment *v.* to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way
43. su____r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
44. pe____ar way *adj.* odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way
45. co____al style *adj.* of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony
46. re____e a dying dog *v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
47. pe____ar people *adj.* odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way
48. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
49. ce_____te Christmas *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

ANSWERS: 39. gravity, 40. president, 41. vast, 42. pronounce, 43. suffer, 44. peculiar, 45. colonial, 46. rescue, 47. peculiar, 48. eventually, 49. celebrate

50. sma_____ne app developer *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
51. cause an ac_____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
52. id_____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
53. the re_____e camp *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
54. take several inputs sim_____sly *adv.* at the same time
55. f__e abroad *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
56. establish his ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
57. trending ha_____g *n.* a word or phrase preceded by the symbol #, used on social media websites and applications to identify messages on a specific topic
58. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
59. fu_____l a contract *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
60. br_____nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
61. s__f the Internet *v.* to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner

ANSWERS: 50. smartphone, 51. accident, 52. identity, 53. refugee, 54. simultaneously, 55. flee, 56. kingdom, 57. hashtag, 58. government, 59. fulfill, 60. brilliant, 61. surf

62. increase sl_____ly *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
63. ex_____ve clubs *adj.* not divided or shared with others
64. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
65. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
66. ap_____id policies *n.* a system of racial segregation and discrimination that was enforced in South Africa from 1948 to 1994; any similar system of discrimination or segregation based on race, ethnicity, or other factors
67. co_____nt the issue *v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
68. al____e to the planning *v.* to suggest or make reference to something indirectly
69. chronic he_____rn *n.* a burning sensation or discomfort in the chest or throat, often caused by stomach acid refluxing into the esophagus
70. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
71. jou_____st on a magazine *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

ANSWERS: 62. slightly, 63. exclusive, 64. opportune, 65. introduction, 66. apartheid, 67. confront, 68. allude, 69. heartburn, 70. nation, 71. journalist

72. co____ce her to go with us *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
73. re___e a company from bankruptcy *v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
74. ce_____te his election *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
75. pan_____can unity *adj.* relating to or involving all of North, Central, and South America
76. barren of cr____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
77. asp_____on into the lungs *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
78. disband par_____nt *n.* a legislative body, especially the one that represents the people of a country or state
79. a gr__d meal *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
80. reduce geo_____cal risk *adj.* of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area
81. economic ge_____hy *n.* a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth
82. co_____us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
83. blank ca____s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

ANSWERS: 72. convince, 73. rescue, 74. celebrate, 75. pan-American, 76. creative, 77. aspiration, 78. parliament, 79. grand, 80. geopolitical, 81. geography, 82. conscious, 83. canvas

84. de_____cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
85. ra___e a country *v.* to cause damage to something badly
86. use of inn_____ve technology *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
87. fu_____l a lifetime dream *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
88. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
89. te_____ry education *adj.* relating to or being the third in a series, rank, or order; of or relating to third-level education or training
90. injury in a car ac_____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
91. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
92. pro_____ve taxation *adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one
93. mistaken id_____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
94. the w_t of man *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

ANSWERS: 84. democracy, 85. ravage, 86. innovative, 87. fulfill, 88. complexity, 89. tertiary, 90. accident, 91. violent, 92. progressive, 93. identity, 94. wit

95. unflagging ent_____sm *n.* a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it
96. di____t information *v.* to transform food into absorbable substances; break down
97. negative ste_____pes *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
98. int_____ne story *v.* to twist together or become twisted together
99. mo_____hy system *n.* a form of government in which a country is ruled by a king or a queen who typically inherits the authority
100. run like h__l *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
101. med_____on by mouth *n.* a drug or other form of medicine that treats, prevents, or alleviates the symptoms of the disease
102. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
103. f__e their homes *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

ANSWERS: 95. enthusiasm, 96. digest, 97. stereotype, 98. intertwine, 99. monarchy, 100. hell, 101. medication, 102. communicate, 103. flee

104. a silent pr____t *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
105. his latest tw__ts *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
106. su____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
107. variety of vi____t colors *adj.* full of energy, life, and enthusiasm
108. pro____ve development *adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one
109. bombs fell at ra____m *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
110. gov____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
111. busy int____ion *n.* a point where two or more roads, lines, etc., cross each other
112. a chick's tw__t *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
113. inv____ly correct *adv.* in every case or on every occasion; without exception
114. stylistically inn____ve works *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
115. re__t to desperate measures *n.* a place where many people go for rest, sport, or another stated purpose; (verb) to turn to or take a course of action, especially an extreme or undesirable one, to resolve a difficult circumstance

ANSWERS: 104. protest, 105. tweet, 106. suddenly, 107. vibrant, 108. progressive, 109. random, 110. government, 111. intersection, 112. tweet, 113. invariably, 114. innovative, 115. resort

116. be de_____ed to become a great artist *v.* to determine or set the course of something in advance, often in a way that seems predetermined or inevitable; to specify or choose someone or something for a particular fate or outcome
117. help ta_____e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
118. p__e around the desk *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
119. h_p on one foot *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
120. a pan_____can organization *adj.* relating to or involving all of North, Central, and South America
121. a reckless at_____t *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
122. an active to_____r *n.* a young child who has recently learned to walk
123. avoid ste_____pe *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
124. upset st_____h *n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach

ANSWERS: 116. destine, 117. tackle, 118. poke, 119. hop, 120. pan-American, 121. attempt, 122. toddler, 123. stereotype, 124. stomach

125. fo___r two kids
v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
126. private se___r
n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
127. a China-based jou_____st
n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
128. help di___t food
v. to transform food into absorbable substances; break down
129. ar_____c humans
adj. old and no longer used or applicable; of or seeming to belong to an ancient period in history
130. a rid_____us suggestion
adj. very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
131. bo_____r job
n. a person employed at a nightclub, bar, or similar establishment to check patrons for membership or age and to enforce rules of behavior, often through physical means if necessary; a type of shoe with a thick, resilient sole
132. stuff of science fi_____n
n. the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
133. have a st___e job
adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed

ANSWERS: 125. foster, 126. sector, 127. journalist, 128. digest, 129. archaic, 130. ridiculous, 131. bouncer, 132. fiction, 133. stable

134. ap_____id system *n.* a system of racial segregation and discrimination that was enforced in South Africa from 1948 to 1994; any similar system of discrimination or segregation based on race, ethnicity, or other factors
135. su_____te to death *v.* to die or cause someone to die from lack of air or inability to breathe; to be overwhelmed or constricted by a feeling or situation, such as anxiety or oppression
136. ou_____er perspective *n.* a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles
137. col_____te with the police *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
138. con_____ly access information *adv.* in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly
139. cr__h coffee beans *v.* to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller
140. s__f the waves *v.* to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner
141. al___e to his low origin *v.* to suggest or make reference to something indirectly

ANSWERS: 134. apartheid, 135. suffocate, 136. outsider, 137. collaborate, 138. continually, 139. crush, 140. surf, 141. allude

142. a subordinate ki____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
143. in____te a new method *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
144. cir_____nce of injury *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
145. prince ro__l *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
146. de___n for investigation *v.* to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving
147. foreign po____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
148. seem somewhat ar____c *adj.* old and no longer used or applicable; of or seeming to belong to an ancient period in history
149. incredible th____l *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
150. ob____s over her weight *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
151. am____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
152. lu____y hotel *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things

ANSWERS: 142. kingdom, 143. innovate, 144. circumstance, 145. royal, 146. detain, 147. policy, 148. archaic, 149. thrill, 150. obsess, 151. amazing, 152. luxury

153. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
154. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
155. fl____t Chinese *adj.* able to communicate in a specific language smoothly or effectively, or easily
156. in__r a dead body *v.* to bury or place a dead body in a tomb or grave; to temporarily detain or imprison someone; (prefix) between or among
157. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
158. aff_____le housing *adj.* not expensive and able to pay
159. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
160. art cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
161. ge_____hy class *n.* a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth

ANSWERS: 153. invention, 154. consequence, 155. fluent, 156. inter, 157. economy, 158. affordable, 159. creative, 160. critic, 161. geography

162. full of w_t *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
163. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
164. 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
165. the th____l of speed *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
166. he_____rn relief *n.* a burning sensation or discomfort in the chest or throat, often caused by stomach acid refluxing into the esophagus
167. be____g to different species *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
168. ta____e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
169. get into the lu____y car market *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
170. oppressive co_____al rule *adj.* of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony
171. a tyr_____al parent *adj.* using power or authority over people, especially in a specific country, group, etc., in an unfair and cruel way

ANSWERS: 162. wit, 163. participate, 164. tradition, 165. thrill, 166. heartburn, 167. belong, 168. tackle, 169. luxury, 170. colonial, 171. tyrannical

172. good gov_____ce *n.* the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes
173. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
174. su___r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
175. health po____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
176. corporate gov_____ce *n.* the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes
177. ex_____ve authority *adj.* not divided or shared with others
178. severe cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
179. sp__k a chain reaction *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
180. sl_____ly alkaline soils *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
181. pose for a se____e *n.* a photograph that one has taken of oneself, typically one taken with a smartphone or webcam to share on social media

ANSWERS: 172. governance, 173. eventually, 174. suffer, 175. policy, 176. governance, 177. exclusive, 178. critic, 179. spark, 180. slightly, 181. selfie

182. col_____te on a press release *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
183. pre-ado_____nt children *n.* a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult
184. b__e diameter *v.* to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources
185. a ra___m choice *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
186. the ul_____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
187. to_____r in nappy *n.* a young child who has recently learned to walk
188. research in_____tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
189. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
190. open a t_b *n.* a small flap or strip of material attached to or projecting from something; the key on a typewriter or a word processor that causes a tabulation; a bill

ANSWERS: 182. collaborate, 183. adolescent, 184. bore, 185. random, 186. ultimate, 187. toddler, 188. institute, 189. innovation, 190. tab

191. bo____r policy *n.* a person employed at a nightclub, bar, or similar establishment to check patrons for membership or age and to enforce rules of behavior, often through physical means if necessary; a type of shoe with a thick, resilient sole
192. an arrival pl____rm *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
193. h__l broke loose *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
194. no asp_____on for fame *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
195. di____er recovery *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
196. ado_____nt girl *n.* a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult
197. b_g the question *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
198. western phi_____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

ANSWERS: 191. bouncer, 192. platform, 193. hell, 194. aspiration, 195. disaster, 196. adolescent, 197. beg, 198. philosophy

199. enrich my in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
200. the at_____t to rescue the hostages *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
201. cr__h a revolt *v.* to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller
202. marked with a ha_____g *n.* a word or phrase preceded by the symbol #, used on social media websites and applications to identify messages on a specific topic
203. a con_____ly varying mind *adv.* all the time
204. global di_____er *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
205. the int_____ion of coordinate axes *n.* a point where two or more roads, lines, etc., cross each other
206. drunk and in_____le *adj.* unable to do, control, or achieve something
207. inv_____ly polite *adv.* in every case or on every occasion; without exception
208. co_____ze planets *v.* to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers
209. nutritional res_____on *n.* a limitation or constraint placed on something, or the act of limiting or constraining something

ANSWERS: 199. intellect, 200. attempt, 201. crush, 202. hashtag, 203. constantly, 204. disaster, 205. intersection, 206. incapable, 207. invariably, 208. colonize, 209. restriction

210. the tu_____l of the war *n.* a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often marked by intense activity or strong emotions
211. a city vi_____t with life *adj.* full of energy, life, and enthusiasm
212. co_____nt a global warming *v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
213. satisfy my intellectual cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
214. co_____ce an opponent *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
215. human in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
216. a tyr_____al government *adj.* using power or authority over people, especially in a specific country, group, etc., in an unfair and cruel way
217. br_____nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
218. di_____s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
219. a last re____t *n.* a place where many people go for rest, sport, or another stated purpose; (verb) to turn to or take a course of action, especially an extreme or undesirable one, to resolve a difficult circumstance
220. he is ob____sed with the fear *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

ANSWERS: 210. turmoil, 211. vibrant, 212. confront, 213. curiosity, 214. convince, 215. intellect, 216. tyrannical, 217. brilliant, 218. discuss, 219. resort, 220. obsess

221. sp__k his interest *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
222. res _____on on trade *n.* a limitation or constraint placed on something, or the act of limiting or constraining something
223. bo_____d him with questions *v.* to attack a place with bombs or gunshots continuously; to address with continuously or persistently, as if with a barrage
224. hold a pr_____t *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
225. co_____ze for cultivation *v.* to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers
226. de_____e us to meet again *v.* to determine or set the course of something in advance, often in a way that seems predetermined or inevitable; to specify or choose someone or something for a particular fate or outcome
227. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
228. die su_____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
229. in_____te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

ANSWERS: 221. spark, 222. restriction, 223. bombard, 224. protest, 225. colonize, 226. destine, 227. vast, 228. suddenly, 229. institute

230. ga___r attention *v.* to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention
231. child of il____l immigrants *adj.* not allowed by law
232. in____te the quality of his life *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
233. her de____te screams *adj.* feeling or showing a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation
234. non-fi____n bestseller *n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
235. 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
236. sma____ne addict *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
237. daily co____e *v.* to regularly travel a particular journey, especially between one's home and place of work; (noun) a regular journey of some distance to and from your place of work
238. b__e him with his stories *v.* to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources

ANSWERS: 230. garner, 231. illegal, 232. innovate, 233. desperate, 234. fiction, 235. tradition, 236. smartphone, 237. commute, 238. bore

239. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
240. or_____ry annual revenue *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
241. apply fi_____ip pressure *n.* the end or tip of a finger
242. the geo_____cal situations *adj.* of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area
243. co_____il of chemicals *n.* a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal
244. tr_____rt facilities *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
245. ou_____er artist *n.* a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles
246. p__e a fire *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
247. a rid_____us amount of money *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
248. te_____ry sector *adj.* relating to or being the third in a series, rank, or order; of or relating to third-level education or training

ANSWERS: 239. participate, 240. ordinary, 241. fingertip, 242. geopolitical, 243. cocktail, 244. transport, 245. outsider, 246. poke, 247. ridiculous, 248. tertiary

249. gr__d bargain *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
250. in__r-disciplinary *v.* to bury or place a dead body in a tomb or grave; to temporarily detain or imprison someone; (prefix) between or among
251. a woman st_____an *n.* a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs
252. h_p from one place to another *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
253. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
254. tur_____nd strategy *n.* the amount of time needed to prepare a vessel or ship for a return trip; a change or improvement in the condition, performance, or affairs of something
255. burn my fi_____ip *n.* the end or tip of a finger
256. television i__n *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
257. political tu_____l *n.* a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often marked by intense activity or strong emotions

ANSWERS: 249. grand, 250. inter, 251. statesman, 252. hop, 253. president, 254. turnaround, 255. fingertip, 256. icon, 257. turmoil

258. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
259. diluted al_____l *n.* a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.
260. ra____l prejudice *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
261. cir_____nce of birth *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
262. be____g to a group *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
263. f_e calculation *n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service
264. de_____te attempt *adj.* feeling or showing a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation
265. el__e athlete *adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society
266. abolish mo_____hy *n.* a form of government in which a country is ruled by a king or a queen who typically inherits the authority
267. boundless cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something

ANSWERS: 258. opportune, 259. alcohol, 260. racial, 261. circumstance, 262. belong, 263. fee, 264. desperate, 265. elite, 266. monarchy, 267. curiosity

268. ga___r good reviews *v.* to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention
269. the ul_____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
270. fi_____e act *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
271. st_____h virus *n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach
272. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
273. com_____nd instructions *v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
274. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
275. ma__h against the war *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
276. int_____ne thread *v.* to twist together or become twisted together
277. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
278. miraculous tur_____nd *n.* the amount of time needed to prepare a vessel or ship for a return trip; a change or improvement in the condition, performance, or affairs of something

ANSWERS: 268. garner, 269. ultimate, 270. finance, 271. stomach, 272. nation, 273. comprehend, 274. communicate, 275. march, 276. intertwine, 277. innovation, 278. turnaround

279. de___n a terrorist *v.* to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving
280. service f_e *n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service
281. se___e stick *n.* a photograph that one has taken of oneself, typically one taken with a smartphone or webcam to share on social media
282. an or____ry school *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
283. industrial se___r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
284. ec____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
285. ra___l and ethnic backgrounds *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
286. access to public tr____rt *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
287. stop drinking al____l *n.* a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.

ANSWERS: 279. detain, 280. fee, 281. selfie, 282. ordinary, 283. sector, 284. economy, 285. racial, 286. transport, 287. alcohol

288. international st_____an *n.* a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs
289. in st___e condition *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
290. ra___e the brain *v.* to cause damage to something badly
291. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
292. i__n for young people *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
293. the inland of a co_____nt *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
294. event of a hung par_____nt *n.* a legislative body, especially the one that represents the people of a country or state
295. phi_____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
296. lose ent_____sm *n.* a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it

ANSWERS: 288. statesman, 289. stable, 290. ravage, 291. violent, 292. icon, 293. continent, 294. parliament, 295. philosophy, 296. enthusiasm

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something
2. The company experienced financial _____ after the CEO was arrested.
n. a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often marked by intense activity or strong emotions
3. Changing _____ about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.
n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
4. The technology _____ is constantly evolving and innovating.
n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
5. She did well on her _____ exam.
n. a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth
6. The mobile application industry is _____ changing.
adv. all the time
7. A _____ needs constant supervision and firm control.
n. a young child who has recently learned to walk

ANSWERS: 1. participated, 2. turmoil, 3. stereotypes, 4. sector, 5. geography, 6. constantly, 7. toddler

8. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.
- n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
9. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.
- n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
10. We are motivated by _____ rather than necessity.
- n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
11. If both countries _____ to nuclear deterrence, the consequence could be mutual destruction.
- n.* a place where many people go for rest, sport, or another stated purpose; (verb) to turn to or take a course of action, especially an extreme or undesirable one, to resolve a difficult circumstance
12. Truth is stranger than _____.
- n.* the type of book or story, especially novels, that describes imaginary events and people; anything made up or imagined that is not true
13. She _____ her parents to let her go to the concert.
- v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
14. He _____ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.
- v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
15. He _____ to the problem but did not mention it directly.
- v.* to suggest or make reference to something indirectly

ANSWERS: 8. consequences, 9. finance, 10. curiosity, 11. resort, 12. fiction, 13. begged, 14. celebrated, 15. alluded

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

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

17. There is a clear association between _____ consumption and cognitive decline.

n. a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.

18. It was the first time for her, but she _____ the role of Priest.

v. to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

19. Timely education about birth control might help reduce _____ pregnancies.

n. a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult

20. The fire department arrived just in time to _____ the family from the burning building.

v. to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

21. 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

22. A large fire _____ the forest.

v. to cause damage to something badly

23. He used his charm and charisma to _____ support for his campaign.

v. to acquire or accumulate something through effort or attention

ANSWERS: 16. grand, 17. alcohol, 18. fulfilled, 19. adolescent, 20. rescue, 21. tradition, 22. ravaged, 23. garner

24. The _____ session of the Diet opened.

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

25. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

26. He was _____ when he lost all his money by gambling.

adj. feeling or showing a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation

27. Necessity is the mother of _____.

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

28. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

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

29. The automaker has been providing _____ car financing options since last year.

adj. not expensive and able to pay

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

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

31. The _____ at the club checked everyone's ID at the door.

n. a person employed at a nightclub, bar, or similar establishment to check patrons for membership or age and to enforce rules of behavior, often through physical means if necessary; a type of shoe with a thick, resilient sole

ANSWERS: 24. ordinary, 25. introduction, 26. desperate, 27. invention, 28. eventually, 29. affordable, 30. violent, 31. bouncer

32. Take a right turn at the next _____.
- n.* a point where two or more roads, lines, etc., cross each other
33. Overprotective parents often _____ their children with messages reinforcing their lack of mastery.
- v.* to attack a place with bombs or gunshots continuously; to address with continuously or persistently, as if with a barrage
34. The vines _____ to form a thick canopy overhead.
- v.* to twist together or become twisted together
35. He has an _____ to become a doctor.
- n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
36. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.
- adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
37. The South African government enforced _____ laws that segregated people based on race.
- n.* a system of racial segregation and discrimination that was enforced in South Africa from 1948 to 1994; any similar system of discrimination or segregation based on race, ethnicity, or other factors
38. Who answers _____ knows little.
- adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
39. The pharmacist not only prescribes the _____ but also guides its proper use.
- n.* a drug or other form of medicine that treats, prevents, or alleviates the symptoms of the disease

ANSWERS: 32. intersection, 33. bombard, 34. intertwine, 35. aspiration, 36. creative, 37. apartheid, 38. suddenly, 39. medication

40. The club _____ does not have absolute power.
n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
41. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.
n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
42. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.
v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
43. She _____ arrived at the office early each day.
adv. in every case or on every occasion; without exception
44. _____ Hollywood film moguls can easily rule the movie star's career.
adj. using power or authority over people, especially in a specific country, group, etc., in an unfair and cruel way
45. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
46. Our brand's campaign uses a unique _____ to track engagement and reach.
n. a word or phrase preceded by the symbol #, used on social media websites and applications to identify messages on a specific topic
47. Ethics is a branch of _____.
n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

ANSWERS: 40. president, 41. Democracy, 42. tackle, 43. invariably, 44. Tyrannical, 45. innovation, 46. hashtag, 47. philosophy

48. He finally decided to _____ problems directly.

v. to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person

49. A minor _____ conflict later led to a civil war.

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

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

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

51. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

52. The juice has a _____ taste.

adj. odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way

53. The lecture on quantum physics _____ me to tears.

v. to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources

54. She learned five languages but is only _____ in two of them.

adj. able to communicate in a specific language smoothly or effectively, or easily

55. She struggled to _____ the word in a foreign language.

v. to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way

ANSWERS: 48. confront, 49. racial, 50. ridiculous, 51. critics, 52. peculiar, 53. bored, 54. fluent, 55. pronounce

56. His anti-_____ practices were quite strict.

- n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things

57. He had to _____ two hours each way to get to work.

- v.* to regularly travel a particular journey, especially between one's home and place of work; (noun) a regular journey of some distance to and from your place of work

58. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

- n.* the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

59. He seems _____ of understanding what she says.

- adj.* unable to do, control, or achieve something

60. He became _____ that he was being followed.

- adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

61. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

- n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

62. We could hear the _____ of baby birds.

- n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

63. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.

- v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

ANSWERS: 56. luxury, 57. commute, 58. economy, 59. incapable, 60. conscious, 61. intellect, 62. tweet, 63. flee

64. This statue honors a distinguished _____.

n. a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs

65. I'll _____ the online store to see if I can find that item in a different color.

v. to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner

66. Relations between the two countries have been relatively _____ due to the summit meeting.

adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed

67. She agreed to _____ with him in creating new artwork.

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

68. He moved his body _____ to the left.

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

69. Flight across the _____ was a daring adventure in its day.

n. one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

70. Most babies can readily _____ a wide variety of foods.

v. to transform food into absorbable substances; break down

71. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

ANSWERS: 64. statesman, 65. surf, 66. stable, 67. collaborate, 68. slightly, 69. continent, 70. digest, 71. opportune

72. She _____ agreed to the terms of the contract without reading it thoroughly.

adv. without careful thought or consideration; reflexively or automatically; in a manner that lacks mindfulness or awareness

73. She struggled to _____ complex math problems.

v. to understand the nature or meaning of something fully

74. Very few educational _____ go to Oxford or Cambridge.

adj. belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society

75. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

76. The company's _____ was a result of new management strategies.

n. the amount of time needed to prepare a vessel or ship for a return trip; a change or improvement in the condition, performance, or affairs of something

77. The _____ government had been in power for centuries.

n. a form of government in which a country is ruled by a king or a queen who typically inherits the authority

78. She explained the _____ surrounding the accident.

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

79. The condo offers _____ access to the beach.

adj. not divided or shared with others

ANSWERS: 72. unthinkingly, 73. comprehend, 74. elites, 75. brilliant, 76. turnaround, 77. monarchy, 78. circumstances, 79. exclusive

80. The _____ partially destroyed my vehicle.

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

81. The funeral director explained the process of how they _____ remains after cremation.

v. to bury or place a dead body in a tomb or grave; to temporarily detain or imprison someone; (prefix) between or among

82. We invited some friends for a _____ party.

n. a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal

83. He was a member of _____.

n. a legislative body, especially the one that represents the people of a country or state

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

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

85. _____ is also necessary to understand history.

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

86. The police _____ the suspect for questioning.

v. to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving

87. Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of _____.

n. a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

ANSWERS: 80. accident, 81. inter, 82. cocktail, 83. parliament, 84. government, 85. Empathy, 86. detained, 87. smartphones

88. The city has a rich _____ history, with many historic buildings and landmarks.

adj. of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony

89. She is willing to give up her position in the _____ family to marry him.

adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

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

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

91. The country holds dominant _____ power over its neighbors.

adj. of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area

92. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

93. The rabbit _____ over the fence.

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

94. He deliberately read picture books in an _____ way to please the children.

adj. old and no longer used or applicable; of or seeming to belong to an ancient period in history

95. The community warmly welcomed the _____.

n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

ANSWERS: 88. colonial, 89. royal, 90. complexity, 91. geopolitical, 92. amazing, 93. hopped, 94. archaic, 95. refugees

96. By remaining neutral, this _____ continued to exist.
n. the country ruled by a king or queen
97. Some comic book characters are considered gay _____.
n. a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
98. I am considering what I should do to _____ him.
v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
99. He's utterly _____ with his promotion.
v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
100. Foreign TV crews and _____ can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.
n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
101. The goal of the summit was to _____ efforts to combat climate change.
adj. relating to or involving all of North, Central, and South America
102. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
103. The university offers both undergraduate and graduate programs, as well as a variety of _____ courses.
adj. relating to or being the third in a series, rank, or order; of or relating to third-level education or training

ANSWERS: 96. kingdom, 97. icons, 98. convince, 99. obsessed, 100. journalists, 101. pan-American, 102. nation, 103. tertiary

104. We are tackling the development for updates with _____.

n. a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it

105. The third _____ was far more successful.

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

106. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

107. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

108. This region has many _____ offering higher education.

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

109. A _____ private sector is crucial for economic growth.

adj. full of energy, life, and enthusiasm

110. After eating that spicy meal, she suffered from _____ all night long.

n. a burning sensation or discomfort in the chest or throat, often caused by stomach acid refluxing into the esophagus

111. Two students answered the teacher's question _____.

adv. at the same time

112. Her tongue runs on _____.

adv. in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly

ANSWERS: 104. enthusiasm, 105. attempt, 106. ultimate, 107. vast, 108. institutes, 109. vibrant, 110. heartburn, 111. simultaneously, 112. continually

113. To find drunk drivers, police conduct _____ tests.

adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

114. Companies developing self-driving cars consistently _____ the emerging technologies.

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

115. The United Nations assists countries in building strong _____ frameworks and institutions.

n. the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes

116. The customs agents seized the _____ shipment.

adj. not allowed by law

117. Life is a vast _____ you should put as much paint on it as possible.

n. the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

118. The _____ response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.

n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

119. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

120. Enhanced rail _____ is crucial for our business.

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

ANSWERS: 113. random, 114. innovate, 115. governance, 116. illegal, 117. canvas, 118. disaster, 119. identity, 120. transportation

121. The _____ on travel during the pandemic made it difficult for people to see their loved ones.
- n.* a limitation or constraint placed on something, or the act of limiting or constraining something
122. The company's new _____ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.
- n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
123. The lawyer's _____ for the case was \$10,000.
- n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service
124. People can _____ from a lack of oxygen in confined spaces.
- v.* to die or cause someone to die from lack of air or inability to breathe; to be overwhelmed or constricted by a feeling or situation, such as anxiety or oppression
125. All the books in this section _____ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.
- v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
126. The pastor contributed to _____ the sense of a community embracing all classes.
- v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents

ANSWERS: 121. restriction, 122. policy, 123. fee, 124. suffocate, 125. belong, 126. fostering

127. The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of _____.
- n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
128. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.
- v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
129. Some people believe that we are all _____ for greatness.
- v.* to determine or set the course of something in advance, often in a way that seems predetermined or inevitable; to specify or choose someone or something for a particular fate or outcome
130. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.
- v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
131. 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
132. Living in a foreign country can make you feel like an _____ at times.
- n.* a person who is not part of a particular group, community, or society; someone who is considered to be on the periphery or outside of established social circles
133. The archaeologist ran his _____ along the pattern of the tombstones.
- n.* the end or tip of a finger
134. The _____ approach to education emphasizes hands-on learning and student-centered classrooms.
- adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one

ANSWERS: 127. gravity, 128. communicate, 129. destined, 130. suffers, 131. platform, 132. outsider, 133. fingertips, 134. progressive

135. He has the ____ to keep talking about this topic.

n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

136. The battlefield became _____ on earth.

n. the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

137. They _____ fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.

v. to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger

138. He left the party in _____ at its radical political stance.

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

139. The Prime Minister stressed the need to create _____ industries.

adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.

140. The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate _____ turmoil in the stock market.

v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

141. The car was completely _____ in the accident.

v. to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller

142. He kept a ____ on his expenses by writing them down in a notebook.

n. a small flap or strip of material attached to or projecting from something; the key on a typewriter or a word processor that causes a tabulation; a bill

ANSWERS: 135. wit, 136. hell, 137. poked, 138. protest, 139. innovative, 140. sparked, 141. crushed, 142. tab

143. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.
- v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
144. I have a _____ ache after overeating junk food.
- n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach
145. Skydiving is an overwhelming _____ for many people.
- n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
146. She took a _____ in front of the famous tower and shared it on the app.
- n.* a photograph that one has taken of oneself, typically one taken with a smartphone or webcam to share on social media
147. European powers _____ much of the Americas in the 16th and 17th centuries.
- v.* to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers
148. The troops _____ shoulder-to-shoulder.
- v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

ANSWERS: 143. discuss, 144. stomach, 145. thrill, 146. selfie, 147. colonized, 148. marched