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Session 1: Word List

fellow

adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

synonym: buddy, mate, affiliate

(1) junior **fellow**, (2) nice **fellow**

He is the kind of **fellow** who only works for his success.

spite

n. feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty

synonym: malice, ill will, vindictiveness

(1) bear **spite** against him, (2) die in **spite** of intensive care

He did it out of **spite**, to annoy me.

quake

v. to shake or vibrate violently and for a short time

synonym: shake, trembler, tremor

(1) **quake** in his boots, (2) **quake** with cold

The earth began to **quake**, and he knew he had to leave the building immediately.

scare

v. to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

synonym: frighten, spook, intimidate

(1) **scare** off her attacker by screaming, (2) **scare** the birds

away

We hit the ground to **scare** out the rabbits.

suspect

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

synonym: assume, distrust, surmise

(1) **suspect** a plot, (2) **suspect** that he is sick

The cops **suspected** him of being the killer.

vision

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

synonym: sight, image, concept

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

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

malaise

n. a general feeling of discomfort, illness, or unease whose exact cause is difficult to identify

synonym: unease, discomfort, dissatisfaction

(1) emotional **malaise**, (2) societal **malaise**

The country is experiencing economic **malaise**.

synchronize

v. to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate

synonym: coordinate, accompany, harmonize

(1) **synchronize** movements, (2) **synchronize** our watches

The ball speed will increase when the lower body movements are perfectly **synchronized**.

insist

v. to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say

synonym: demand, assert, claim

(1) **insist** on a clear answer, (2) **insist** over and over

He **insisted** that she pay her debt to the last penny.

trigger

v. to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

synonym: activate, spark, drive

(1) **trigger** a biochemical response, (2) **trigger** inflation
The incident **triggered** a political controversy.

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.

industrialize

v. to organize the production of something into an industry
synonym: motorize

(1) **industrialize** service, (2) **industrialized** textile production

The nations of South East Asia will quickly **industrialize** and catch up with the West.

liquid

n. a substance, such as water or oil that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas

synonym: fluid

(1) colorless **liquid**, (2) hazardous **liquid**
The sponge takes up the **liquid** well.

relish

v. to enjoy or take pleasure in; to taste with appreciation
synonym: enjoy, savor, taste

(1) **relish** my food, (2) **relish** every bite

He **relished** the opportunity to try the exotic dishes at the new restaurant.

emancipation

n. the act or process of setting someone free from control or influence

synonym: liberation, freedom, release

(1) self- **emancipation**, (2) history of **emancipation**

His **emancipation** from his parents was a defining moment and gave him newfound freedom.

dominate

v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

synonym : govern, rule, prevail

(1) **dominate** possession, (2) **dominate** over the weak

The perspective of his right brain **dominates** his consciousness.

rot

v. to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually

synonym : perish, decay, corrode

(1) begin to **rot**, (2) **rot** with age

Please refrigerate the meat, or it will **rot**.

mockery

n. the act of ridiculing or making fun of someone or something, often in a contemptuous or mocking manner

synonym : ridicule, derision, taunt

(1) **mockery** of the situation, (2) public **mockery**

The comedian's **mockery** of the recent political scandal drew laughs from the crowd.

communal

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

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

patch

n. a small piece of material or fabric used to repair or reinforce a tear, hole, or damaged area; a small plot of land used for cultivation or a specific purpose

synonym : mend, repair, fix

(1) **patch** of grass, (2) software **patch**

I need to sew a **patch** onto my jeans that ripped.

flare

v. to burn brightly with a sudden, intense burst of flame or light; (noun) a sudden and brief burst of bright flame or

light; a sudden and intense burst of radiation from the Sun's surface

synonym : blaze, ignite, light up

(1) **flare** up into a major crisis, (2) the **flare** of a match
The Sun **flared** and caused a sudden brightening in the sky.

string

n. long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads

synonym : line, wire, rope

(1) retie the **string** and make it strong, (2) tense piano **strings**

She wore a **string** of pearls around her neck.

encounter

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

synonym : meet, run into, come across

(1) **encounter** a crisis, (2) **encounter** a storm

I'm prepared to **encounter** challenges throughout this adventure.

degree

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

synonym : level, qualification, diploma

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

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

intern

v. to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

synonym : apprentice, trainee, student

(1) **intern** civilians, (2) medical **intern**

The navy **interned** ships of defeated nations.

launch

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

synonym : start, initiate, begin

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

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

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.

wealth

n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

synonym : affluence, assets, fortunate

(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

quarter

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

synonym : fourth, one-fourth

(1) a **quarter** mile, (2) end of the first **quarter**

The unemployment rate in the first **quarter** was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

fishy

adj. suspicious or untrustworthy; having the qualities or taste of fish

synonym : suspicious, shady, questionable

(1) **fishy** smell, (2) **fishy** evidence

The politician's explanation for his sudden wealth seemed **fishy** to the reporters.

lifelong

adj. lasting for the whole of someone's life

synonym: enduring, eternal, permanent

(1) **lifelong** career, (2) **lifelong** commitment

He had a **lifelong** love of reading and spent hours daily with a book.

resident

n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place

synonym: dweller, inhabitant, inhabitant

(1) a **resident** of the city, (2) **resident** tax

Visa renewal for **resident** foreigners in this country is once every five years.

fabric

n. cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

synonym: cloth, material, goods

(1) a hand-loomed **fabric**, (2) **fabric** of creation

These synthetic **fabrics** are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

nourish

v. to provide a person, an animal, or plant with food to make them grow and stay healthy

synonym: feed, sustain, nurture

(1) **nourish** damaged skin, (2) **nourish** hope

The mother used her breast milk to **nourish** the baby.

dignity

n. the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station

synonym: grace, elegance, nobility

(1) respect for human **dignity**, (2) retain everyone's **dignity**

The failure destroyed his trust and personal **dignity**.

norm

n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

synonym: criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

distracted

adj. having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried

synonym: preoccupied, inattentive, absent-minded

(1) get **distracted** by an urgent matter, (2) **distracted** by a conversation

I was so **distracted** by my phone that I nearly walked into a lamppost.

mar

v. to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something

synonym: damage, deface, disfigure

(1) **mar** a proper relationship, (2) **mar** the reputation

The scratches on the car **marred** its otherwise perfect appearance.

struggle

v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

synonym: toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

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.

immortality

n. the state or quality of being able to live or last forever

synonym: endless life, timelessness, agelessness

(1) the **immortality** of the soul, (2) achieve **immortality**

Many people believe in the concept of **immortality** and an afterlife.

substance

n. the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug

synonym : essence, core, material

(1) an explosive **substance**, (2) **substance** abuse problem

The **substance** of the argument was well-presented.

threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

synonym : endanger, terrorize, intimidate

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

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

continental

adj. of or relating to a continent (= one of the earth's large landmasses)

synonym : mainland, intercontinental, transcontinental

(1) **continental** divide, (2) polar **continental** air

The **continental** breakfast at the hotel was included with the room.

elect

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

synonym : select, choose, prefer

(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death

Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.

vulgar

adj. not having sophistication or good taste; making explicit and offensive references to sex or bodily functions

synonym : crude, nasty, tasteless

(1) **vulgar** language, (2) **vulgar** content

She was offended by his **vulgar** gesture.

demagogue

n. a political leader who gains power and popularity by appealing to people's emotions, prejudices, and biases, often by making false and misleading claims

synonym : agitator, rabble-rouser, provocateur

(1) religious **demagogue**, (2) charismatic **demagogue**

The **demagogue's** divisive rhetoric was meant to stir up anger and hatred.

prologue

n. an introduction to a literary work, typically one that sets the background or provides explanations of the events that follow

synonym : introduction, preface, opening

(1) **prologue** to the battle, (2) recite a **prologue**

The **prologue** of the play provides important background information for the audience.

eager

adj. showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something

synonym : keen, enthusiastic, ardent

(1) **eager** anticipation, (2) with **eager** eyes

The children were **eager** to start the treasure hunt.

mere

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

synonym : bare, minor, sheer

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

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

guru

n. a spiritual teacher or leader, notably in Hindu and Sikh traditions; a person who has knowledge and expertise in a particular area

synonym : sage, mentor, master

(1) **guru** meditation, (2) spiritual **guru**

He was considered a **guru** in economics and consulted by many leaders.

worship

v. to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god

synonym : adore, idolize

(1) **worship** god, (2) absolutely **worship**

They traditionally **worship** their guru.

religion

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

synonym : faith, creed, belief

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

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

novelty

n. the quality of being new, attractive, and unusual

synonym : originality, newness, wonder

(1) bit of a **novelty**, (2) the **novelty** of an invention

In Europe, this tropical fruit is still a **novelty**.

sake

n. purpose; reason for wanting something done

synonym : purpose, reason, interest

(1) for your own **sake**, (2) for the **sake** of argument

He got a new job for the **sake** of his family.

kaleidoscope

n. a toy or optical instrument made up of mirrors and pieces of colored glass or plastic, which produce changing patterns and images when rotated; a constantly changing succession of different things or events

(1) **kaleidoscope** of cultures, (2) **kaleidoscope** pattern

The **kaleidoscope** of colors in the sunset was breathtaking.

diversity

n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

synonym : variety, multiplicity, variousness

(1) the **diversity** policy of the university, (2) lingual **diversity**

He was impressed by the range and **diversity** of the

collection.

faith

n. complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

synonym: belief, trust, confidence

(1) religious **faith**, (2) **faith** in government

He kept his robust **faith** in his company.

blind

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

synonym: sightless, unseeing, random

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

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

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**.

overlook

v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

synonym: disregard, look down, supervise

(1) **overlook** a street, (2) **overlook** that fact

We cannot **overlook** an opportunity for great success.

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

synonym: significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**

I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

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.

ritual

n. any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies

synonym : tradition, ceremony, routine

(1) a **ritual** dance, (2) morning **ritual**

The woman of the house does the holy **ritual** of lighting two candles.

stability

n. the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast

synonym : resilience, solidity, steadiness

(1) **stability** pact, (2) fiscal **stability** pact

The policy should increase the country's monetary **stability**.

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.

fundamentalist

n. a person who adheres strictly to the basic principles of any subject or discipline

synonym : extremist, zealot, hardliner

(1) **fundamentalist** church, (2) political **fundamentalist**

He is a religious **fundamentalist** and strictly adheres to the teachings of his faith.

polar

adj. relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites

synonym : opposing, contrary, contrasting

(1) **polar** bears, (2) **polar** regions

Polar animals are graceful and efficient swimmers.

cling

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

synonym: stick, adhere, attach

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

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

vary

v. to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.

synonym: alter, contrast, differ

(1) **vary** according to the age, (2) **vary** directly with the price

Maximum heart rates **vary** a lot for each individual.

disadvantage

n. a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position

synonym: detriment, drawback, (verb) disfavor

(1) the **disadvantage** of a plan, (2) **disadvantage** small businesses

A lack of education can be a significant **disadvantage** in today's job market.

subtle

adj. not readily apparent or visible

synonym: slight, nuanced, exquisite

(1) **subtle** changes, (2) a **subtle** poison

A famous artist painted the room in a **subtle** pink hue.

privilege

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

synonym: benefit, authorization, advantage

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

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

trait

n. a particular feature of your nature

synonym: attribute, feature, quality

(1) chemical **trait**, (2) personality **traits**

Multiple genes may influence behavioral **traits** concurrently.

hospitable

adj. friendly and generous to visitors or guests

synonym: benevolent, generous, gracious

(1) **hospitable** environment, (2) a **hospitable** welcome

He is a good-natured and **hospitable** man.

concede

v. to acknowledge or admit the truth or existence of something often reluctantly

synonym: admit, acknowledge, allow

(1) **concede** a territory, (2) **concede** a point

He had to **concede** defeat after losing the game.

dwindle

v. to gradually decrease in size, amount, or strength; to become smaller

synonym: shrink, decrease, fade

(1) **dwindle** in importance, (2) **dwindle** to almost nothing

The crowds at the festival **dwindled** as the night went on.

bonus

n. an extra amount of money that is added to payment as a present or reward for good work

synonym: extra, perk, compensation

(1) **bonus** appraisal, (2) annual **bonus**

The committee abolished the controversial **bonus** system.

discount

n. a reduction in the original price of an item, product, or service; a deduction from the usual cost or value of something; (verb) to disregard or minimize the importance of something; to offer a lower price for a product or service than its original price

synonym: sale, reduction, (verb) lower

(1) **discount** a draft, (2) **discount** store

I got a massive **discount** on my new laptop during the Black Friday sale.

burden

n. a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry

synonym: obligation, duty, load

(1) carry a **burden**, (2) **burden** of disease

That car has a low environmental **burden**.

gruel

n. a thin, often watery, and bland porridge-like food made by boiling cereal grains or breadcrumbs in water or milk; a simple and unappetizing dish

synonym: porridge, mush, broth

(1) bland **gruel**, (2) cornmeal **gruel**

The hungry child was given a bowl of warm **gruel** to eat.

inspire

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

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

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

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

refuse

v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

synonym: turn down, deny, decline

(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

knit

v. to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine

synonym: weave, crochet, knot

(1) **knit** my eyebrows, (2) **knit** a pair of socks

The grandmother **knit** a warm sweater for her grandchild.

interdependent

adj. depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected

synonym: interconnected, interrelated, mutual

(1) **interdependent** systems, (2) develop **interdependent**

skills

In nature, all living things are **interdependent** and rely on each other for survival.

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**.

forecast

n. a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance

synonym: prediction, outlook, (verb) guess

(1) a weather **forecast**, (2) **forecast** an epidemic

Their team specializes in demand **forecasts** for our products.

complain

v. to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

synonym: gripe, claim, denounce

(1) **complain** about a job, (2) call and **complain** frequently

Our users are often **complaining** about the slow application.

difficulty

n. a condition or state that causes problems

synonym: hardship, complication, problem

(1) the degree of **difficulty**, (2) **difficulty** in breathing

He has **difficulty** exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.

erratic

adj. characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality

synonym: unpredictable, irregular, unstable

(1) **erratic** behavior, (2) **erratic** movements

The stock market has been behaving in an **erratic** manner, making it difficult for investors to predict future trends.

volatile

adj. likely to change rapidly or unexpectedly, or being unstable or explosive

synonym: unstable, unpredictable, explosive

(1) highly- **volatile** elements, (2) **volatile** markets

Their relationship was **volatile** and prone to sudden outbursts of anger.

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.

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

synonym: transition, change, modification

(1) Doppler **shift**, (2) major paradigm **shift**

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

dogma

n. a belief or set of beliefs that the members of a group accept without being questioned or doubted

synonym: doctrine, tenet, creed

(1) religious **dogma**, (2) the secret **dogma**

All members strictly followed the **dogma** of the organization.

flexibility

n. the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations

synonym: elasticity, adaptability, resilience

(1) mental **flexibility**, (2) the **flexibility** of the body

We dealt with those problems with speed and **flexibility**.

joint

adj. shared, held, or made between two or more people;
(noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton

synonym: collaborative, cooperative, combined

(1) a **joint** venture, (2) the bone of a **joint**

After the summit meeting, the prime ministers issued a **joint**

statement.

inheritance

n. the money, property, etc., that someone gives you when they die; (genetics) attributes acquired via biological heredity from ancestors

synonym: legacy, estate, heritage

(1) paternal **inheritance**, (2) **inheritance** tax

His vast **inheritance** was equitably divided among the brothers.

obfuscate

v. to make something unclear, confusing, or difficult to understand; to intentionally obscure or muddle information

synonym: confuse, blur, obscure

(1) **obfuscate** the truth, (2) **obfuscate** the evidence

The politician intentionally **obfuscated** the details of his plan to avoid criticism.

deflect

v. to cause something, especially a criticism or attack, to be directed away from someone

synonym: deter, redirect, sidetrack

(1) **deflect** a blow, (2) **deflect** his criticism

The soccer player was able to **deflect** the ball away from the goal.

brand

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

synonym: trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car

There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

disrupt

v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

synonym: interrupt, disturb, break into

(1) **disrupt** a well-ordered condition, (2) **disrupt** sleep
I'm so sorry to **disrupt** you when you're pretty busy.

spruce

n. a type of evergreen tree with short, stiff needles and small cones, often used as a decorative or ornamental tree; (adjective) neat, clean, or tidy in appearance

synonym: fir, pine, (verb) clean

(1) **spruce** appearance, (2) **spruce** forest

The **spruce** tree was the perfect addition to the family's Christmas decorations.

seamless

adj. without spaces or breaks between one part and the next

synonym: smooth, continuous, unseamed

(1) enable **seamless** access, (2) **seamless** device connectivity

The service was **seamless**, and the food was quite delicious.

condescend

v. to behave or speak in a way that shows feelings of superiority or patronizing towards others; to do something that is considered beneath one's dignity or status

synonym: patronize, stoop, lower oneself

(1) **condescend** to acknowledge, (2) **condescend** to their level

Despite his vast knowledge, he never **condescends** to his students, explaining complex topics simply and understandably.

dogmatic

adj. characterized by strong and unwavering opinions or beliefs that are often expressed with force and without consideration for alternative viewpoints or evidence

synonym: authoritative, doctrinal, opinionated

(1) **dogmatic** beliefs, (2) **dogmatic** approach

The company's old **dogmatic** policies were the cause of its downfall.

ignore

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
synonym: neglect, disregard, shun

(1) **ignore** her advice, (2) **ignore** a ban

Since independence, the area has been completely **ignored**.

pride

n. a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements

synonym: vanity, conceit, egotism

(1) **pride** of a company, (2) hide his **pride**

She took great **pride** in her work, always striving for perfection.

desire

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

synonym: ambition, appetite, greed

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

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

scary

adj. causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating

synonym: terrifying, frightening, alarming

(1) **scary** dream, (2) **scary** story

The horror movie was so **scary** that I couldn't watch it alone.

inexplicable

adj. unable to be explained, understood, or accounted for; mysterious or puzzling

synonym: incomprehensible, mysterious, unaccountable

(1) **inexplicable** event, (2) **inexplicable** decision

The reason for his sudden disappearance from work was **inexplicable**.

demagoguery

n. the practice of gaining power or influence through impassioned appeals to the emotions and prejudices of a group rather than through rational or factual argument; the use of manipulative or inflammatory rhetoric to sway public opinion

synonym: charisma, manipulation, exploitation

(1) racial **demagoguery**, (2) rise of **demagoguery**

The politician's **demagoguery** was met with skepticism by many voters.

fracture

n. the breaking or cracking of a rigid material or object such as bone

synonym: break, crack, rupture

(1) **fracture** test, (2) risk of bone **fractures**

X-ray inspection revealed many **fractures**.

xenophobia

n. extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries

synonym: fear, hatred, aversion

(1) suffer from **xenophobia**, (2) linguistic **xenophobia**

The **xenophobia** in society makes it hard for immigrants to assimilate and integrate.

resentment

n. bitterness or indignation at being treated unfairly

synonym: bitterness, enmity, animosity

(1) abiding **resentment**, (2) bitter **resentment**

She felt **resentment** towards her boss for not giving her a promotion.

unheard

adj. not heard, listened to, or noticed; not having been brought to public attention

synonym: unknown, obscure

(1) an **unheard** story, (2) previously **unheard-of** economic development

The **unheard** melody was beautiful and touched everyone's hearts.

seduce

v. to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship

synonym: tempt, lure, entice

(1) **seduce** him into crime, (2) **seduce** her mind

He tried to **seduce** her with his charm and good looks.

- hint** *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
synonym: clue, indication, suggestion
(1) **hint** of trouble, (2) helpful **hints**
There was no **hint** of a problem.
- roundup** *n.* a systematic gathering or collection of things, animals, or people; a large-scale operation conducted by law enforcement officials to arrest or detain a number of individuals; a type of article or report that summarizes information on a particular topic
synonym: summary, gathering, assembly
(1) **roundup** of criminals, (2) weekly **roundup**
The annual **roundup** of cattle on the ranch is a busy time for the cowboys.
- raid** *n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
synonym: attack, invasion, aggression
(1) make a **raid** on an enemy's camp, (2) air- **raid** siren
Throughout the **raid**, the bank robbers wore masks.
- deport** *v.* to force someone to leave a country, typically on the grounds of illegal status or for having committed a crime
synonym: expel, banish, repatriate
(1) **deport** a refugee, (2) **deport** dissidents from the party
The government has decided to **deport** illegal immigrants back to their home countries.
- secession** *n.* the act of withdrawing or breaking away from a larger organization or group, particularly a political body or a larger country or state; the process of becoming separate or independent
synonym: separation, withdrawal, departure
(1) **secession** movement, (2) peaceful **secession**
The southern states' **secession** during the Civil War sparked a long and bloody conflict.

exaggerate

v. to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is

synonym: overstate, overestimate, amplify

(1) **exaggerate** in degree, (2) **exaggerate** story

She **exaggerated** the extent of her injuries to get more money from the settlement.

redemption

n. the act of saving or being saved from sin, error, or evil, or the process of regaining or earning something of value

synonym: rescue, salvation, liberation

(1) **redemption** of a loan, (2) a **redemption** bill

He saw his time in prison as an opportunity for **redemption**.

shallow

adj. not having much distance from the top to the bottom

synonym: superficial, external, surface

(1) **shallow** people, (2) **shallow** water

Shallow brooks are noisier than deep rivers.

witness

n. a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident

synonym: onlooker, attestant, bystander

(1) **witness** of the car accident, (2) a material **witness**

The manufacturing industry is **witnessing** fierce competition.

vengeful

adj. feeling or showing a strong desire for revenge; vindictive

synonym: retaliatory, revengeful, vindictive

(1) feel **vengeful** toward him, (2) **vengeful** actions

She was **vengeful** and always sought revenge on those who wronged her.

thirst

n. a feeling of needing something to drink; a strong desire for something

synonym: craving, desire, appetite

(1) a burning **thirst**, (2) **thirst** for authority

He read books to quench his **thirst** for knowledge.

revenge

n. the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution

synonym : retaliation, retribution, vengeance

(1) plot **revenge**, (2) **revenge** killing

He seeks **revenge** against the person who wronged him.

tempt

v. to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong

synonym : entice, lure, attract

(1) **tempt** young people, (2) **tempt** the taste buds

Though he was evil, he never **tempted** his friends into wrongdoing.

plot

n. a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal

synonym : scheme, plan, design

(1) **plot** twist, (2) **plot** a revolution

The **plot** of the novel centers around a group of friends who uncover a conspiracy to control the world's water supply.

elaborate

adj. containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts

synonym : detailed, intricate, complicated

(1) an **elaborate** hat, (2) **elaborate** Ponzi scheme

He proposed an **elaborate** program of public works.

amusement

n. the state or experience of finding something humorous or entertaining

synonym : entertainment, diversion, fun

(1) **amusement** quarters, (2) source of **amusement**

We went to the **amusement** park and rode roller coasters all day.

impersonal

adj. lacking personal warmth or feeling; not influenced by personal feelings or individual characteristics; relating to an object or concept rather than a specific person

synonym : detached, unemotional

(1) **impersonal** communication, (2) **impersonal** treatment

The high-rise office building had an **impersonal** atmosphere, making it feel corporate and uninviting.

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym : association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

relate

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

synonym : connect, link, associate

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

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

cherish

v. to hold someone or something dear; to feel or show affection for someone or something

synonym : treasure, value, hold dear

(1) **cherish** a stuffed animal, (2) **cherish** relationships

She **cherished** the memories of her childhood.

fantasy

n. a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen

synonym : fiction, illusion, fabrication

(1) **fantasy** novel, (2) confuse **fantasy** with reality

Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a **fantasy**.

purge

v. to remove or get rid of something, especially that is unwanted or impure

synonym: cleanse, clear, eliminate

(1) **purge** the system, (2) **purge** his sins

The government tried to **purge** corrupt officials from the bureaucracy.

deliberate

adj. done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident

synonym: intentional, planned, careful

(1) the **deliberate** act of provocation, (2) **deliberate** attempt

Despite its advanced science and technology, the empire was **deliberate** about invasion.

neglect

v. to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone

synonym: delinquency, carelessness, decay

(1) **neglect** to call, (2) **neglect** ethical issues

He **neglected** his health to make the project a success.

summon

v. to order someone to come to or be present at a specific place such as a court, or to arrange a meeting formally

synonym: call for, muster, assemble

(1) **summon** a lawyer, (2) **summon** a city council

The chairperson was responsible for **summoning** committees.

ominous

adj. giving the impression that something bad is going to happen; foreboding

synonym: foreboding, portentous, ominous

(1) an **ominous** silence, (2) **ominous** sign

The **ominous** clouds in the sky foretold of an approaching storm.

chase

v. to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes

synonym : pursue, hunt, track

(1) **chase** a dream, (2) wild goose **chase**

The police officer **chased** the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.

shimmer

v. to shine with a soft, flickering light; to reflect light in a wavering or twinkling way; to glimmer or glisten

synonym : gleam, glimmer, flash

(1) **shimmer** with tears, (2) **shimmer** in the moonlight

The sunlight made the water in the pool **shimmer** like diamonds.

unleash

v. to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled

synonym : discharge, free, release

(1) **unleash** a hound, (2) **unleash** her anger

The general was still reluctant to **unleash** his troops in pursuit of an enemy.

dare

v. to have the courage to do something

synonym : challenge, risk, attempt

(1) **dare** not go, (2) **dare** to take risks

I wouldn't **dare** to speak to him like that.

commit

v. to do something illegal or wrong

synonym : engage, carry out, execute

(1) **commit** suicide, (2) **commit** mistakes

The military has **committed** an abuse of human rights.

neon

n. a chemical element of atomic number 10 that is a gas with no smell or color, does not react with other chemicals, and shines with a bright light when electricity is passed through it

synonym : fluorescent, glowing, illuminated

(1) luminous **neon** tube, (2) **neon** lights

The nightlife district was lit up with colorful **neon** signs and

bright lights.

sincere

adj. (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine;
not deceitful

synonym: earnest, fervent, candid

(1) a **sincere** man, (2) express **sincere** regret

Please accept my **sincere** condolences on your friend's
death.

Session 2: Spelling

1. kal_____ope of cultures
n. a toy or optical instrument made up of mirrors and pieces of colored glass or plastic, which produce changing patterns and images when rotated; a constantly changing succession of different things or events
2. a si_____e man
adj. (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
3. co_____al swimming pool
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
4. freedom of re_____on
n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
5. make a r__d on an enemy's camp
n. a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
6. se___e him into crime
v. to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship
7. syn_____ze movements
v. to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
8. sc__y story
adj. causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating
9. a burning th___t
n. a feeling of needing something to drink; a strong desire for something
10. fi__y smell
adj. suspicious or untrustworthy; having the qualities or taste of fish
11. del_____te attempt
adj. done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident

ANSWERS: 1. kaleidoscope, 2. sincere, 3. communal, 4. religion, 5. raid, 6. seduce, 7. synchronize, 8. scary, 9. thirst, 10. fishy, 11. deliberate

12. call and co_____in frequently *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
13. spiritual g__u *n.* a spiritual teacher or leader, notably in Hindu and Sikh traditions; a person who has knowledge and expertise in a particular area
14. fa__h in government *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
15. enable se_____ss access *adj.* without spaces or breaks between one part and the next
16. cl__g onto power *v.* to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
17. bl__d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
18. the degree of dif_____ty *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
19. imp_____al communication *adj.* lacking personal warmth or feeling; not influenced by personal feelings or individual characteristics; relating to an object or concept rather than a specific person
20. ob_____te the evidence *v.* to make something unclear, confusing, or difficult to understand; to intentionally obscure or muddle information
21. se___e her mind *v.* to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship

ANSWERS: 12. complain, 13. guru, 14. faith, 15. seamless, 16. cling, 17. blind, 18. difficulty, 19. impersonal, 20. obfuscate, 21. seduce

22. do____ic beliefs *adj.* characterized by strong and unwavering opinions or beliefs that are often expressed with force and without consideration for alternative viewpoints or evidence
23. el__t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
24. po__r regions *adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
25. fa____y novel *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
26. respect for human di____y *n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
27. in____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
28. unsatisfied de____e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
29. develop int_____ent skills *adj.* depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected
30. di____t sleep *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
31. re____e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

ANSWERS: 22. dogmatic, 23. elect, 24. polar, 25. fantasy, 26. dignity, 27. inspire, 28. desire, 29. interdependent, 30. disrupt, 31. relate

32. nice fe___w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
33. in_____te the quality of his life *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
34. st_____ty pact *n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
35. v__y according to the age *v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
36. ea__r anticipation *adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
37. inh_____ce tax *n.* the money, property, etc., that someone gives you when they die; (genetics) attributes acquired via biological heredity from ancestors
38. the dis_____age of a plan *n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
39. carry a bu___n *n.* a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry
40. the br__d of the new car *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
41. ig___e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

ANSWERS: 32. fellow, 33. innovate, 34. stability, 35. vary, 36. eager, 37. inheritance, 38. disadvantage, 39. burden, 40. brand, 41. ignore

42. sh____w people *adj.* not having much distance from the top to the bottom
43. qu__e with cold *v.* to shake or vibrate violently and for a short time
44. ch____h a stuffed animal *v.* to hold someone or something dear; to feel or show affection for someone or something
45. create a br__d logo *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
46. dis____age small businesses *n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
47. ch__e a dream *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
48. a material wi____s *n.* a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
49. er____c behavior *adj.* characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality
50. qu__e in his boots *v.* to shake or vibrate violently and for a short time

ANSWERS: 42. shallow, 43. quake, 44. cherish, 45. brand, 46. disadvantage, 47. chase, 48. witness, 49. erratic, 50. quake

51. un_____h her anger *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
52. public mo_____y *n.* the act of ridiculing or making fun of someone or something, often in a contemptuous or mocking manner
53. er_____c movements *adj.* characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality
54. en_____er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
55. sh_____r in the moonlight *v.* to shine with a soft, flickering light; to reflect light in a wavering or twinkling way; to glimmer or glisten
56. d__e to take risks *v.* to have the courage to do something
57. an un_____d story *adj.* not heard, listened to, or noticed; not having been brought to public attention
58. 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
59. k__t a pair of socks *v.* to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine

ANSWERS: 51. unleash, 52. mockery, 53. erratic, 54. encounter, 55. shimmer, 56. dare, 57. unheard, 58. economy, 59. knit

60. re___e a request *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
61. de___t a refugee *v.* to force someone to leave a country, typically on the grounds of illegal status or for having committed a crime
62. retie the st___g and make it strong *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
63. societal ma_____e *n.* a general feeling of discomfort, illness, or unease whose exact cause is difficult to identify
64. telescopic vi___n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
65. 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
66. confuse fa_____y with reality *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
67. chemical tr__t *n.* a particular feature of your nature
68. fa___c of creation *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

ANSWERS: 60. refuse, 61. deport, 62. string, 63. malaise, 64. vision, 65. economy, 66. fantasy, 67. trait, 68. fabric

69. g__u meditation *n.* a spiritual teacher or leader, notably in Hindu and Sikh traditions; a person who has knowledge and expertise in a particular area
70. ne_____t to call *v.* to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone
71. do_____te possession *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
72. vu____r content *adj.* not having sophistication or good taste; making explicit and offensive references to sex or bodily functions
73. for your own s__e *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
74. con_____al divide *adj.* of or relating to a continent (= one of the earth's large landmasses)
75. st_____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
76. a jo__t venture *adj.* shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton
77. co____t mistakes *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
78. se_____on movement *n.* the act of withdrawing or breaking away from a larger organization or group, particularly a political body or a larger country or state; the process of becoming separate or independent

ANSWERS: 69. guru, 70. neglect, 71. dominate, 72. vulgar, 73. sake, 74. continental, 75. struggle, 76. joint, 77. commit, 78. secession

79. do____te over the weak *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
80. pu__e the system *v.* to remove or get rid of something, especially that is unwanted or impure
81. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
82. co_____e a point *v.* to acknowledge or admit the truth or existence of something often reluctantly
83. un_____h a hound *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
84. fiscal st_____ty pact *n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
85. re___e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
86. in___n civilians *v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria
87. ig___e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
88. con_____nd to their level *v.* to behave or speak in a way that shows feelings of superiority or patronizing towards others; to do something that is considered beneath one's dignity or status
89. end of the first qu_____r *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

ANSWERS: 79. dominate, 80. purge, 81. opportune, 82. concede, 83. unleash, 84. stability, 85. refuse, 86. intern, 87. ignore, 88. condescend, 89. quarter

90. th____en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
91. no____h hope *v.* to provide a person, an animal, or plant with food to make them grow and stay healthy
92. ine____ble event *adj.* unable to be explained, understood, or accounted for; mysterious or puzzling
93. source of am____nt *n.* the state or experience of finding something humorous or entertaining
94. no____h damaged skin *v.* to provide a person, an animal, or plant with food to make them grow and stay healthy
95. th____en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
96. peaceful se____on *n.* the act of withdrawing or breaking away from a larger organization or group, particularly a political body or a larger country or state; the process of becoming separate or independent
97. with ea__r eyes *adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
98. software pa__h *n.* a small piece of material or fabric used to repair or reinforce a tear, hole, or damaged area; a small plot of land used for cultivation or a specific purpose
99. charismatic de____ue *n.* a political leader who gains power and popularity by appealing to people's emotions, prejudices, and biases, often by making false and misleading claims

ANSWERS: 90. threaten, 91. nourish, 92. inexplicable, 93. amusement, 94. nourish, 95. threaten, 96. secession, 97. eager, 98. patch, 99. demagogue

100. su___n a city council *v.* to order someone to come to or be present at a specific place such as a court, or to arrange a meeting formally
101. dw_____e to almost nothing *v.* to gradually decrease in size, amount, or strength; to become smaller
102. for the s__e of argument *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
103. re_____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
104. el__t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
105. begin to r_t *v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
106. in___t over and over *v.* to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say
107. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
108. an el_____te hat *adj.* containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts
109. dif_____ty in breathing *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
110. ind_____ized textile production *v.* to organize the production of something into an industry
111. vo_____le markets *adj.* likely to change rapidly or unexpectedly, or being unstable or explosive

ANSWERS: 100. summon, 101. dwindle, 102. sake, 103. religion, 104. elect, 105. rot, 106. insist, 107. relation, 108. elaborate, 109. difficulty, 110. industrialize, 111. volatile

112. su_____ce abuse problem *n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
113. ro_____p of criminals *n.* a systematic gathering or collection of things, animals, or people; a large-scale operation conducted by law enforcement officials to arrest or detain a number of individuals; a type of article or report that summarizes information on a particular topic
114. ob_____te the truth *v.* to make something unclear, confusing, or difficult to understand; to intentionally obscure or muddle information
115. cornmeal gr___l *n.* a thin, often watery, and bland porridge-like food made by boiling cereal grains or breadcrumbs in water or milk; a simple and unappetizing dish
116. co_____e a territory *v.* to acknowledge or admit the truth or existence of something often reluctantly
117. air-r__d siren *n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
118. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
119. en_____er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
120. paternal inh_____ce *n.* the money, property, etc., that someone gives you when they die; (genetics) attributes acquired via biological heredity from ancestors

ANSWERS: 112. substance, 113. roundup, 114. obfuscate, 115. gruel, 116. concede, 117. raid, 118. amazing, 119. encounter, 120. inheritance

121. pr__e of a company *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
122. religious fa__h *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
123. re___h every bite *v.* to enjoy or take pleasure in; to taste with appreciation
124. an explosive su_____ce *n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
125. religious de_____ue *n.* a political leader who gains power and popularity by appealing to people's emotions, prejudices, and biases, often by making false and misleading claims
126. re_____nt tax *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
127. in_____te a new method *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
128. sc__e the birds away *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
129. risk of bone fr_____res *n.* the breaking or cracking of a rigid material or object such as bone
130. a re_____nt of the city *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
131. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

ANSWERS: 121. pride, 122. faith, 123. relish, 124. substance, 125. demagogue, 126. resident, 127. innovate, 128. scare, 129. fracture, 130. resident, 131. consequence

132. bland gr__l *n.* a thin, often watery, and bland porridge-like food made by boiling cereal grains or breadcrumbs in water or milk; a simple and unappetizing dish
133. imp_____al treatment *adj.* lacking personal warmth or feeling; not influenced by personal feelings or individual characteristics; relating to an object or concept rather than a specific person
134. su___e changes *adj.* not readily apparent or visible
135. the no_____y of an invention *n.* the quality of being new, attractive, and unusual
136. de___t dissidents from the party *v.* to force someone to leave a country, typically on the grounds of illegal status or for having committed a crime
137. su___n a lawyer *v.* to order someone to come to or be present at a specific place such as a court, or to arrange a meeting formally
138. v__y directly with the price *v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
139. ne_____t ethical issues *v.* to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone
140. ov_____ok a street *v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
141. self-ema_____ion *n.* the act or process of setting someone free from control or influence
142. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 132. gruel, 133. impersonal, 134. subtle, 135. novelty, 136. deport, 137. summon, 138. vary, 139. neglect, 140. overlook, 141. emancipation, 142. opportune

143. co_____in about a job *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
144. the fle_____ty of the body *n.* the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations
145. k__t my eyebrows *v.* to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine
146. bear sp__e against him *n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty
147. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
148. bo__s appraisal *n.* an extra amount of money that is added to payment as a present or reward for good work
149. religious do__a *n.* a belief or set of beliefs that the members of a group accept without being questioned or doubted
150. kal_____ope pattern *n.* a toy or optical instrument made up of mirrors and pieces of colored glass or plastic, which produce changing patterns and images when rotated; a constantly changing succession of different things or events
151. pr_____ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

ANSWERS: 143. complain, 144. flexibility, 145. knit, 146. spite, 147. inspire, 148. bonus, 149. dogma, 150. kaleidoscope, 151. privilege

152. su____t that he is sick *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
153. sp___e forest *n.* a type of evergreen tree with short, stiff needles and small cones, often used as a decorative or ornamental tree; (adjective) neat, clean, or tidy in appearance
154. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
155. ine_____ble decision *adj.* unable to be explained, understood, or accounted for; mysterious or puzzling
156. the bone of a jo__t *adj.* shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton
157. mental fle_____ty *n.* the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations
158. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
159. the secret do__a *n.* a belief or set of beliefs that the members of a group accept without being questioned or doubted
160. highly-vo_____le elements *adj.* likely to change rapidly or unexpectedly, or being unstable or explosive
161. personality tr__ts *n.* a particular feature of your nature
162. do_____ic approach *adj.* characterized by strong and unwavering opinions or beliefs that are often expressed with force and without consideration for alternative viewpoints or evidence

ANSWERS: 152. suspect, 153. spruce, 154. shift, 155. inexplicable, 156. joint, 157. flexibility, 158. invention, 159. dogma, 160. volatile, 161. trait, 162. dogmatic

163. m_r a proper relationship *v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
164. sc__y dream *adj.* causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating
165. 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
166. di____t a well-ordered condition *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
167. sc__e off her attacker by screaming *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
168. abiding res_____nt *n.* bitterness or indignation at being treated unfairly
169. history of ema_____ion *n.* the act or process of setting someone free from control or influence
170. bachelor's de___e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
171. di____nt a draft *n.* a reduction in the original price of an item, product, or service; a deduction from the usual cost or value of something; (verb) to disregard or minimize the importance of something; to offer a lower price for a product or service than its original price

ANSWERS: 163. mar, 164. scary, 165. belong, 166. disrupt, 167. scare, 168. resentment, 169. emancipation, 170. degree, 171. discount

172. la___h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
173. recite a pr____ue *n.* an introduction to a literary work, typically one that sets the background or provides explanations of the events that follow
174. de____t a blow *v.* to cause something, especially a criticism or attack, to be directed away from someone
175. a man of imp____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
176. re____e killing *n.* the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution
177. hos____le environment *adj.* friendly and generous to visitors or guests
178. feel ve____ul toward him *adj.* feeling or showing a strong desire for revenge; vindictive
179. the fl__e of a match *v.* to burn brightly with a sudden, intense burst of flame or light; (noun) a sudden and brief burst of bright flame or light; a sudden and intense burst of radiation from the Sun's surface
180. colorless li____d *n.* a substance, such as water or oil that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas

ANSWERS: 172. launch, 173. prologue, 174. deflect, 175. importance, 176. revenge, 177. hospitable, 178. vengeful, 179. flare, 180. liquid

181. linguistic xen_____ia *n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
182. co___t suicide *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
183. p__t twist *n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal
184. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
185. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
186. a weather fo_____st *n.* a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance
187. red_____on of a loan *n.* the act of saving or being saved from sin, error, or evil, or the process of regaining or earning something of value
188. pr_____ue to the battle *n.* an introduction to a literary work, typically one that sets the background or provides explanations of the events that follow
189. a qu_____r mile *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
190. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 181. xenophobia, 182. commit, 183. plot, 184. relation, 185. relate, 186. forecast, 187. redemption, 188. prologue, 189. quarter, 190. communal

191. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
192. 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
193. mo_____y of the situation *n.* the act of ridiculing or making fun of someone or something, often in a contemptuous or mocking manner
194. fi__y evidence *adj.* suspicious or untrustworthy; having the qualities or taste of fish
195. a ri___l dance *n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies
196. r_t with age *v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
197. bitter res_____nt *n.* bitterness or indignation at being treated unfairly
198. fo_____st an epidemic *n.* a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance
199. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
200. medical in___n *v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

ANSWERS: 191. amazing, 192. belong, 193. mockery, 194. fishy, 195. ritual, 196. rot, 197. resentment, 198. forecast, 199. consequence, 200. intern

201. wi____s of the car accident *n.* a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
202. ov____ok that fact *v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
203. sh____r with tears *v.* to shine with a soft, flickering light; to reflect light in a wavering or twinkling way; to glimmer or glisten
204. m__e incident *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
205. a prodigious vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
206. bit of a no____y *n.* the quality of being new, attractive, and unusual
207. the in____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
208. fl__e up into a major crisis *v.* to burn brightly with a sudden, intense burst of flame or light; (noun) a sudden and brief burst of bright flame or light; a sudden and intense burst of radiation from the Sun's surface
209. a su____e poison *adj.* not readily apparent or visible
210. syn____ze our watches *v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
211. int____ent systems *adj.* depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected

ANSWERS: 201. witness, 202. overlook, 203. shimmer, 204. mere, 205. vision, 206. novelty, 207. invention, 208. flare, 209. subtle, 210. synchronize, 211. interdependent

212. d__e not go *v.* to have the courage to do something
213. pa__h of grass *n.* a small piece of material or fabric used to repair or reinforce a tear, hole, or damaged area; a small plot of land used for cultivation or a specific purpose
214. bl__d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
215. li_____ng career *adj.* lasting for the whole of someone's life
216. se_____ss device connectivity *adj.* without spaces or breaks between one part and the next
217. ve_____ul actions *adj.* feeling or showing a strong desire for revenge; vindictive
218. material we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
219. el_____te Ponzi scheme *adj.* containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts
220. helpful h__ts *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
221. junior fe____w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
222. te__t young people *v.* to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
223. a hos_____le welcome *adj.* friendly and generous to visitors or guests

ANSWERS: 212. dare, 213. patch, 214. blind, 215. lifelong, 216. seamless, 217. vengeful, 218. wealth, 219. elaborate, 220. hint, 221. fellow, 222. tempt, 223. hospitable

224. absolutely wo____p *v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
225. p__t a revolution *n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal
226. the di____ty policy of the university *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
227. sh____w water *adj.* not having much distance from the top to the bottom
228. the imm____ty of the soul *n.* the state or quality of being able to live or last forever
229. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
230. tr____r a biochemical response *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
231. wild goose ch__e *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
232. the del____te act of provocation *adj.* done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident

ANSWERS: 224. worship, 225. plot, 226. diversity, 227. shallow, 228. immortality, 229. norm, 230. trigger, 231. chase, 232. deliberate

233. an om____s silence *adj.* giving the impression that something bad is going to happen; foreboding
234. th____t for authority *n.* a feeling of needing something to drink; a strong desire for something
235. express si____e regret *adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
236. political fun_____ist *n.* a person who adheres strictly to the basic principles of any subject or discipline
237. ch____h relationships *v.* to hold someone or something dear; to feel or show affection for someone or something
238. su____t a plot *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
239. annual bo__s *n.* an extra amount of money that is added to payment as a present or reward for good work
240. pu__e his sins *v.* to remove or get rid of something, especially that is unwanted or impure
241. lingual di_____ty *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
242. exa_____te story *v.* to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is
243. high imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
244. exa_____te in degree *v.* to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is

ANSWERS: 233. ominous, 234. thirst, 235. sincere, 236. fundamentalist, 237. cherish, 238. suspect, 239. bonus, 240. purge, 241. diversity, 242. exaggerate, 243. importance, 244. exaggerate

245. hazardous li___d *n.* a substance, such as water or oil that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas
246. polar con_____al air *adj.* of or relating to a continent (= one of the earth's large landmasses)
247. re___h my food *v.* to enjoy or take pleasure in; to taste with appreciation
248. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
249. po__r bears *adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
250. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
251. m__e acquaintance *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
252. ind_____ize service *v.* to organize the production of something into an industry
253. dis_____ed by a conversation *adj.* having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried
254. previously un____d-of economic development *adj.* not heard, listened to, or noticed; not having been brought to public attention
255. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

ANSWERS: 245. liquid, 246. continental, 247. relish, 248. shift, 249. polar, 250. norm, 251. mere, 252. industrialize, 253. distracted, 254. unheard, 255. degree

256. te__t the taste buds *v.* to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
257. retain everyone's di____y *n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
258. 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
259. m_r the reputation *v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
260. sp___e appearance *n.* a type of evergreen tree with short, stiff needles and small cones, often used as a decorative or ornamental tree; (adjective) neat, clean, or tidy in appearance
261. rise of dem____ry *n.* the practice of gaining power or influence through impassioned appeals to the emotions and prejudices of a group rather than through rational or factual argument; the use of manipulative or inflammatory rhetoric to sway public opinion
262. bu___n of disease *n.* a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry
263. tense piano st___gs *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads

ANSWERS: 256. tempt, 257. dignity, 258. tradition, 259. mar, 260. spruce, 261. demagoguery, 262. burden, 263. string

264. get dis_____ed by an urgent matter *adj.* having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried
265. majority of his we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
266. de_____t his criticism *v.* to cause something, especially a criticism or attack, to be directed away from someone
267. fr_____re test *n.* the breaking or cracking of a rigid material or object such as bone
268. tr_____r inflation *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
269. n__n lights *n.* a chemical element of atomic number 10 that is a gas with no smell or color, does not react with other chemicals, and shines with a bright light when electricity is passed through it
270. 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
271. vu____r language *adj.* not having sophistication or good taste; making explicit and offensive references to sex or bodily functions
272. suffer from xen_____ia *n.* extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries

ANSWERS: 264. distracted, 265. wealth, 266. deflect, 267. fracture, 268. trigger, 269. neon, 270. tradition, 271. vulgar, 272. xenophobia

273. hide his pr__e *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
274. fun_____ist church *n.* a person who adheres strictly to the basic principles of any subject or discipline
275. weekly ro____p *n.* a systematic gathering or collection of things, animals, or people; a large-scale operation conducted by law enforcement officials to arrest or detain a number of individuals; a type of article or report that summarizes information on a particular topic
276. luminous n__n tube *n.* a chemical element of atomic number 10 that is a gas with no smell or color, does not react with other chemicals, and shines with a bright light when electricity is passed through it
277. om____s sign *adj.* giving the impression that something bad is going to happen; foreboding
278. emotional ma_____e *n.* a general feeling of discomfort, illness, or unease whose exact cause is difficult to identify
279. racial dem_____ry *n.* the practice of gaining power or influence through impassioned appeals to the emotions and prejudices of a group rather than through rational or factual argument; the use of manipulative or inflammatory rhetoric to sway public opinion

ANSWERS: 273. pride, 274. fundamentalist, 275. roundup, 276. neon, 277. ominous, 278. malaise, 279. demagoguery

280. dw_____e in importance *v.* to gradually decrease in size, amount, or strength; to become smaller
281. am_____nt quarters *n.* the state or experience of finding something humorous or entertaining
282. in____t on a clear answer *v.* to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say
283. li_____ng commitment *adj.* lasting for the whole of someone's life
284. a red_____on bill *n.* the act of saving or being saved from sin, error, or evil, or the process of regaining or earning something of value
285. di_____nt store *n.* a reduction in the original price of an item, product, or service; a deduction from the usual cost or value of something; (verb) to disregard or minimize the importance of something; to offer a lower price for a product or service than its original price
286. die in sp__e of intensive care *n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty
287. wo_____p god *v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
288. morning ri____l *n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies

ANSWERS: 280. dwindle, 281. amusement, 282. insist, 283. lifelong, 284. redemption, 285. discount, 286. spite, 287. worship, 288. ritual

289. h__t of trouble *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
290. la___h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
291. fleshly de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
292. a hand-loomed fa___c *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
293. con_____nd to acknowledge *v.* to behave or speak in a way that shows feelings of superiority or patronizing towards others; to do something that is considered beneath one's dignity or status
294. a breach of pr_____ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
295. plot re_____e *n.* the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution
296. cl__g tightly to the skin *v.* to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
297. achieve imm_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being able to live or last forever

ANSWERS: 289. hint, 290. launch, 291. desire, 292. fabric, 293. condescend, 294. privilege, 295. revenge, 296. cling, 297. immortality

298. st____le to get the job

v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

ANSWERS: 298. struggle

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Throughout the _____ the bank robbers wore masks.
n. a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
2. Their team specializes in demand _____ for our products.
n. a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance
3. I'm so sorry to _____ you when you're pretty busy.
v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
4. The ball speed will increase when the lower body movements are perfectly _____.
v. to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
5. He kept his robust _____ in his company.
n. complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
6. His _____ from his parents was a defining moment and gave him newfound freedom.
n. the act or process of setting someone free from control or influence
7. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
8. The grandmother _____ a warm sweater for her grandchild.
v. to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine

ANSWERS: 1. raid, 2. forecasts, 3. disrupt, 4. synchronized, 5. faith, 6. emancipation, 7. relations, 8. knit

9. He was considered a _____ in economics and consulted by many leaders.
n. a spiritual teacher or leader, notably in Hindu and Sikh traditions; a person who has knowledge and expertise in a particular area
10. 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
11. The stock market has been behaving in an _____ manner, making it difficult for investors to predict future trends.
adj. characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality
12. The reason for his sudden disappearance from work was _____.
adj. unable to be explained, understood, or accounted for; mysterious or puzzling
13. She _____ the memories of her childhood.
v. to hold someone or something dear; to feel or show affection for someone or something
14. The comedian's _____ of the recent political scandal drew laughs from the crowd.
n. the act of ridiculing or making fun of someone or something, often in a contemptuous or mocking manner
15. She _____ the extent of her injuries to get more money from the settlement.
v. to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is

ANSWERS: 9. guru, 10. economy, 11. erratic, 12. inexplicable, 13. cherished, 14. mockery, 15. exaggerated

16. The _____ of the play provides important background information for the audience.
- n.* an introduction to a literary work, typically one that sets the background or provides explanations of the events that follow
17. The nations of South East Asia will quickly _____ and catch up with the West.
- v.* to organize the production of something into an industry
18. The annual _____ of cattle on the ranch is a busy time for the cowboys.
- n.* a systematic gathering or collection of things, animals, or people; a large-scale operation conducted by law enforcement officials to arrest or detain a number of individuals; a type of article or report that summarizes information on a particular topic
19. There was no _____ of a problem.
- n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
20. She took great _____ in her work, always striving for perfection.
- n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
21. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
- adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
22. The _____ melody was beautiful and touched everyone's hearts.
- adj.* not heard, listened to, or noticed; not having been brought to public attention
23. He saw his time in prison as an opportunity for _____.
- n.* the act of saving or being saved from sin, error, or evil, or the process of regaining or earning something of value

ANSWERS: 16. prologue, 17. industrialize, 18. roundup, 19. hint, 20. pride, 21. amazing, 22. unheard, 23. redemption

24. 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
25. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
- n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
26. The navy _____ ships of defeated nations.
- v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria
27. Multiple genes may influence behavioral _____ concurrently.
- n.* a particular feature of your nature
28. These synthetic _____ are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.
- n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
29. The Sun _____ and caused a sudden brightening in the sky.
- v.* to burn brightly with a sudden, intense burst of flame or light; (noun) a sudden and brief burst of bright flame or light; a sudden and intense burst of radiation from the Sun's surface
30. He lost the election by _____ votes.
- adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
31. The mother used her breast milk to _____ the baby.
- v.* to provide a person, an animal, or plant with food to make them grow and stay healthy

ANSWERS: 24. tradition, 25. norms, 26. interned, 27. traits, 28. fabrics, 29. flared, 30. mere, 31. nourish

32. Could you help me _____ some furniture?
n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
33. She felt _____ towards her boss for not giving her a promotion.
n. bitterness or indignation at being treated unfairly
34. We went to the _____ park and rode roller coasters all day.
n. the state or experience of finding something humorous or entertaining
35. I got a massive _____ on my new laptop during the Black Friday sale.
n. a reduction in the original price of an item, product, or service; a deduction from the usual cost or value of something; (verb) to disregard or minimize the importance of something; to offer a lower price for a product or service than its original price
36. The government tried to _____ corrupt officials from the bureaucracy.
v. to remove or get rid of something, especially that is unwanted or impure
37. The sunlight made the water in the pool _____ like diamonds.
v. to shine with a soft, flickering light; to reflect light in a wavering or twinkling way; to glimmer or glisten
38. The politician intentionally _____ the details of his plan to avoid criticism.
v. to make something unclear, confusing, or difficult to understand; to intentionally obscure or muddle information
39. He has _____ exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.
n. a condition or state that causes problems

ANSWERS: 32. shift, 33. resentment, 34. amusement, 35. discount, 36. purge, 37. shimmer, 38. obfuscated, 39. difficulty

40. He _____ his health to make the project a success.
- v. to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone
41. My initial reaction was to _____.
- v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
42. The politician's _____ was met with skepticism by many voters.
- n. the practice of gaining power or influence through impassioned appeals to the emotions and prejudices of a group rather than through rational or factual argument; the use of manipulative or inflammatory rhetoric to sway public opinion
43. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
- n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
44. He _____ to the hope that he will find a job soon.
- v. to hold onto something tightly; to be closely attached to someone or something
45. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.
- n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
46. Despite his vast knowledge, he never _____ to his students, explaining complex topics simply and understandably.
- v. to behave or speak in a way that shows feelings of superiority or patronizing towards others; to do something that is considered beneath one's dignity or status
47. The military has _____ an abuse of human rights.
- v. to do something illegal or wrong

ANSWERS: 40. neglected, 41. refuse, 42. demagoguery, 43. religion, 44. clings, 45. consequences, 46. condescends, 47. committed

48. The chairperson was responsible for _____ committees.
- v.* to order someone to come to or be present at a specific place such as a court, or to arrange a meeting formally
49. A famous artist painted the room in a _____ pink hue.
- adj.* not readily apparent or visible
50. The woman of the house does the holy _____ of lighting two candles.
- n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies
51. The high-rise office building had an _____ atmosphere, making it feel corporate and uninviting.
- adj.* lacking personal warmth or feeling; not influenced by personal feelings or individual characteristics; relating to an object or concept rather than a specific person
52. He did it out of _____ to annoy me.
- n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty
53. The sponge takes up the _____ well.
- n.* a substance, such as water or oil that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas
54. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.
- n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
55. I'm prepared to _____ challenges throughout this adventure.
- v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

ANSWERS: 48. summoning, 49. subtle, 50. ritual, 51. impersonal, 52. spite, 53. liquid, 54. desire, 55. encounter

56. In nature, all living things are _____ and rely on each other for survival.

adj. depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected

57. X-ray inspection revealed many _____.

n. the breaking or cracking of a rigid material or object such as bone

58. The _____ of the novel centers around a group of friends who uncover a conspiracy to control the world's water supply.

n. a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal

59. Visa renewal for _____ foreigners in this country is once every five years.

n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place

60. A lack of education can be a significant _____ in today's job market.

n. a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position

61. The _____ of colors in the sunset was breathtaking.

n. a toy or optical instrument made up of mirrors and pieces of colored glass or plastic, which produce changing patterns and images when rotated; a constantly changing succession of different things or events

62. 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

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

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

ANSWERS: 56. interdependent, 57. fractures, 58. plot, 59. resident, 60. disadvantage, 61. kaleidoscope, 62. belong, 63. innovate

64. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.
- n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
65. Though he was evil, he never _____ his friends into wrongdoing.
- v.* to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
66. He is the kind of _____ who only works for his success.
- adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
67. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.
- n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
68. Despite its advanced science and technology, the empire was _____ about invasion.
- adj.* done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident
69. The crowds at the festival _____ as the night went on.
- v.* to gradually decrease in size, amount, or strength; to become smaller
70. He could not _____ against temptation.
- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
71. Many people believe in the concept of _____ and an afterlife.
- n.* the state or quality of being able to live or last forever

ANSWERS: 64. privilege, 65. tempted, 66. fellow, 67. wealth, 68. deliberate, 69. dwindled, 70. struggle, 71. immortality

72. The service was _____ and the food was quite delicious.

adj. without spaces or breaks between one part and the next

73. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of _____.

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

74. The manufacturing industry is _____ fierce competition.

n. a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident

75. She was _____ and always sought revenge on those who wronged her.

adj. feeling or showing a strong desire for revenge; vindictive

76. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.

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

77. The scratches on the car _____ its otherwise perfect appearance.

v. to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something

78. He _____ that she pay her debt to the last penny.

v. to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say

79. I wouldn't _____ to speak to him like that.

v. to have the courage to do something

80. The _____ breakfast at the hotel was included with the room.

adj. of or relating to a continent (= one of the earth's large landmasses)

ANSWERS: 72. seamless, 73. importance, 74. witnessing, 75. vengeful, 76. vision, 77. marred, 78. insisted, 79. dare, 80. continental

81. The _____ in society makes it hard for immigrants to assimilate and integrate.
n. extreme fear or hatred of people from other countries
82. The hungry child was given a bowl of warm _____ to eat.
n. a thin, often watery, and bland porridge-like food made by boiling cereal grains or breadcrumbs in water or milk; a simple and unappetizing dish
83. Our users are often _____ about the slow application.
v. to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
84. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.
v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
85. The politician's explanation for his sudden wealth seemed _____ to the reporters.
adj. suspicious or untrustworthy; having the qualities or taste of fish
86. The company's old _____ policies were the cause of its downfall.
adj. characterized by strong and unwavering opinions or beliefs that are often expressed with force and without consideration for alternative viewpoints or evidence
87. The policy should increase the country's monetary _____.
n. the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
88. She was nearly _____ due to severe diabetes.
adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

ANSWERS: 81. xenophobia, 82. gruel, 83. complaining, 84. threatening, 85. fishy, 86. dogmatic, 87. stability, 88. blind

89. The nightlife district was lit up with colorful _____ signs and bright lights.
- n.* a chemical element of atomic number 10 that is a gas with no smell or color, does not react with other chemicals, and shines with a bright light when electricity is passed through it
90. The general was still reluctant to _____ his troops in pursuit of an enemy.
- v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
91. We cannot _____ an opportunity for great success.
- v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
92. The committee abolished the controversial _____ system.
- n.* an extra amount of money that is added to payment as a present or reward for good work
93. _____ animals are graceful and efficient swimmers.
- adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
94. The southern states' _____ during the Civil War sparked a long and bloody conflict.
- n.* the act of withdrawing or breaking away from a larger organization or group, particularly a political body or a larger country or state; the process of becoming separate or independent
95. He proposed an _____ program of public works.
- adj.* containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts

ANSWERS: 89. neon, 90. unleash, 91. overlook, 92. bonus, 93. Polar, 94. secession, 95. elaborate

96. The horror movie was so _____ that I couldn't watch it alone.

adj. causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating

97. The unemployment rate in the first _____ was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

98. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

99. The _____ of the argument was well-presented.

n. the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug

100. He is a religious _____ and strictly adheres to the teachings of his faith.

n. a person who adheres strictly to the basic principles of any subject or discipline

101. The failure destroyed his trust and personal _____.

n. the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station

102. Please accept my _____ condolences on your friend's death.

adj. (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful

103. Since independence, the area has been completely _____.

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

104. She was offended by his _____ gesture.

adj. not having sophistication or good taste; making explicit and offensive references to sex or bodily functions

ANSWERS: 96. scary, 97. quarter, 98. Communal, 99. substance, 100. fundamentalist, 101. dignity, 102. sincere, 103. ignored, 104. vulgar

105. That car has a low environmental _____.

- n.* a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry

106. Necessity is the mother of _____.

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

107. The country is experiencing economic _____.

- n.* a general feeling of discomfort, illness, or unease whose exact cause is difficult to identify

108. He got a new job for the _____ of his family.

- n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done

109. He _____ the opportunity to try the exotic dishes at the new restaurant.

- v.* to enjoy or take pleasure in; to taste with appreciation

110. The perspective of his right brain _____ his consciousness.

- v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

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

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

112. We dealt with those problems with speed and _____.

- n.* the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations

ANSWERS: 105. burden, 106. invention, 107. malaise, 108. sake, 109. relished, 110. dominates, 111. degree, 112. flexibility

113. After the summit meeting, the prime ministers issued a _____ statement.

adj. shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton

114. I need to sew a _____ onto my jeans that ripped.

n. a small piece of material or fabric used to repair or reinforce a tear, hole, or damaged area; a small plot of land used for cultivation or a specific purpose

115. He tried to _____ her with his charm and good looks.

v. to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship

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

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

117. He is a good-natured and _____ man.

adj. friendly and generous to visitors or guests

118. Maximum heart rates _____ a lot for each individual.

v. to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.

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

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

120. He seeks _____ against the person who wronged him.

n. the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution

ANSWERS: 113. joint, 114. patch, 115. seduce, 116. launch, 117. hospitable, 118. vary, 119. inspired, 120. revenge

121. We hit the ground to _____ out the rabbits.

v. to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

122. She wore a _____ of pearls around her neck.

n. long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads

123. Their relationship was _____ and prone to sudden outbursts of anger.

adj. likely to change rapidly or unexpectedly, or being unstable or explosive

124. All members strictly followed the _____ of the organization.

n. a belief or set of beliefs that the members of a group accept without being questioned or doubted

125. The earth began to _____ and he knew he had to leave the building immediately.

v. to shake or vibrate violently and for a short time

126. The police officer _____ the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.

v. to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes

127. In Europe, this tropical fruit is still a _____.

n. the quality of being new, attractive, and unusual

128. He read books to quench his _____ for knowledge.

n. a feeling of needing something to drink; a strong desire for something

ANSWERS: 121. scare, 122. string, 123. volatile, 124. dogma, 125. quake, 126. chased, 127. novelty, 128. thirst

129. His vast _____ was equitably divided among the brothers.

- n.* the money, property, etc., that someone gives you when they die; (genetics) attributes acquired via biological heredity from ancestors

130. _____ brooks are noisier than deep rivers.

- adj.* not having much distance from the top to the bottom

131. The government has decided to _____ illegal immigrants back to their home countries.

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

132. The children were _____ to start the treasure hunt.

- adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something

133. Every five years, the provincial governors are _____.

- v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

134. I was so _____ by my phone that I nearly walked into a lamppost.

- adj.* having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried

135. Please refrigerate the meat, or it will _____.

- v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually

136. Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a _____.

- n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen

ANSWERS: 129. inheritance, 130. Shallow, 131. deport, 132. eager, 133. elected, 134. distracted, 135. rot, 136. fantasy

137. The _____ clouds in the sky foretold of an approaching storm.
adj. giving the impression that something bad is going to happen; foreboding
138. The cops _____ him of being the killer.
v. to consider anything to be actual or probable
139. The _____ divisive rhetoric was meant to stir up anger and hatred.
n. a political leader who gains power and popularity by appealing to people's emotions, prejudices, and biases, often by making false and misleading claims
140. The _____ tree was the perfect addition to the family's Christmas decorations.
n. a type of evergreen tree with short, stiff needles and small cones, often used as a decorative or ornamental tree; (adjective) neat, clean, or tidy in appearance
141. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
142. He was impressed by the range and _____ of the collection.
n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
143. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
144. The soccer player was able to _____ the ball away from the goal.
v. to cause something, especially a criticism or attack, to be directed away from someone

ANSWERS: 137. ominous, 138. suspected, 139. demagogue's, 140. spruce, 141. relate, 142. diversity, 143. opportune, 144. deflect

145. He had to _____ defeat after losing the game.

- v. to acknowledge or admit the truth or existence of something often reluctantly

146. He had a _____ love of reading and spent hours daily with a book.

- adj. lasting for the whole of someone's life

147. There's a new _____ of hero in the movies now.

- n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

148. The incident _____ a political controversy.

- v. to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

149. They traditionally _____ their guru.

- v. to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god

ANSWERS: 145. concede, 146. lifelong, 147. brand, 148. triggered, 149. worship