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Session 1: Word List

airwave

n. a system of transmitting sound, video, or other data through the air using radio waves or other electromagnetic waves

synonym: broadcast, transmission, radio signal

(1) walkie-talkie **airwave**, (2) commercial **airwave**

The radio station broadcasts my favorite song over the **airwaves**.

ballroom

n. a large room for dancing

synonym: dance hall, assembly hall

(1) **ballroom** dance, (2) **ballroom** floor

The grand **ballroom** was filled with twirling couples and the sound of music.

instruct

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

synonym: train, coach, guide

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

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

revival

n. an instance of bringing something back to life, popularity, or prominence; a period of renewed interest

or enthusiasm in something that was previously considered outdated or old-fashioned

synonym: resurgence, reawakening, renaissance

(1) **revival** meeting, (2) **revival** of the economy

The town's economy experienced a **revival** after opening a new factory.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

trot

v. to run or jog at a moderate pace; to walk with long, quick strides

synonym: jog, run, race

(1) **trot** across the street, (2) **trot** off happily

She **trotted** to keep up with him.

geek

n. a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed

synonym: nerd, dork, enthusiast

(1) airplane **geek**, (2) **geek** enthusiast

He was a computer **geek** and spent all his free time coding.

salsa

n. a type of spicy sauce or condiment made from tomatoes, onions, chili peppers, and other ingredients, commonly used in Latin American and Mexican cuisine, as well as a lively social dance style with origins in those same regions

synonym: sauce, dip, condiment

(1) **salsa** music, (2) homemade **salsa** dip

We brought chips and **salsa** to the party as a tasty appetizer.

competitive

adj. involving competition or competitiveness

synonym: aggressive, ambitious, militant

(1) a **competitive** price, (2) **competitive** position

The mobile application industry is a **competitive** one.

rumba

n. a lively, rhythmic dance of Cuban origin, typically performed to music with a syncopated beat; a subgenre of Latin American music associated with this dance style

(1) the rhythm of the **rumba**, (2) lively **rumba** music

The couple danced the **rumba** at their wedding reception, impressing all the guests with their moves.

tango

n. a ballroom dance that originated in Argentina and Uruguay, characterized by a close embrace and intricate footwork, typically danced to slow, expressive music

(1) passionate **tango**, (2) sensual **tango**

We took a **tango** lesson to prepare for our upcoming dance competition.

waltz

n. a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure

synonym: ballroom dance, tango, foxtrot

(1) **waltz** music, (2) elegant **waltz**

The dancers practiced the steps of the **waltz** meticulously to perfect their performance.

conscious

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

synonym: aware, cognizant, deliberate

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

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

parallel

adj. being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations

synonym: aligned, side-by-side, similar

(1) a **parallel** case, (2) **parallel** processing

He walked a road **parallel** to the railroad.

excitement

n. a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness

synonym: thrill, exhilaration, incitement

(1) the **excitement** in the business world, (2) aesthetic **excitement**

The **excitement** of the upcoming concert was palpable among the crowd.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym: abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

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

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

reserve

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

synonym: keep, hold, preserve

(1) **reserve** the right, (2) **reserve** a concert ticket

You can easily **reserve** seats over the telephone.

seminar

n. a group meeting or class for discussion, teaching, or training on a particular subject

synonym: workshop, conference, symposium

(1) business **seminar**, (2) academic **seminar**

I'm attending a leadership **seminar** next week.

toss

v. to throw something carelessly with a light motion

synonym: throw, sway

(1) **toss** a coin, (2) **toss** the bottle into a trash can

It would be best if you **tossed** out all those old magazines.

festival

n. a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works

synonym: fair, holiday, celebration

(1) **festival** attendee, (2) international film **festival**

The music **festival** attracts visitors from all over the world.

tap

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

synonym: knock, exploit, use

(1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger
To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.

dramatist

n. (also "dramaturge") a writer of plays, dramas, or theatrical pieces

synonym: playwright, author, scriptwriter

(1) the **dramatist's** latest production, (2) modern **dramatist**
The famous **dramatist** wrote many successful plays during his career.

playwright

n. a person who writes plays

synonym: dramatist, scribe, librettist

(1) acclaimed **playwright**, (2) a **playwright** attached to the theatre

The **playwright's** work was praised by critics and audiences alike.

collaboration

n. the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

synonym: affiliation, alliance, coalition

(1) **collaboration** between companies, (2) **collaboration** platform

The partnership program requires a mutual **collaboration** between both agencies.

develop

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

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

define

v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

synonym: characterize, depict, express

(1) **define** a word, (2) **define** my position

To advance this discussion, we must **define** "success" rigorously.

classic

adj. judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type

synonym: definitive, traditional, typical

(1) a **classic** experiment, (2) Chinese **classic** literature

He displayed the **classic** symptoms of depression.

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.

capture

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

synonym: catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts

I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

consistent

adj. always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

synonym: coherent, constant, compatible

(1) do on a **consistent** basis, (2) get **consistent** results

You are not **consistent** in your behavior.

championship

n. a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and support

synonym : crown, title, contest

(1) a world **championship**, (2) **championship** flag

His team won the **championship** for three years running.

gender

n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

synonym : sexuality

(1) **gender-blind** policies, (2) dual **gender**

Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

relic

n. an object from a previous era, especially one of historical value

synonym : whiff, vestige, antique

(1) historical **relic**, (2) holy **relics**

This bronze sword is a **relic** of ancient times.

revive

v. to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore

synonym : reanimate, rejuvenate, renew

(1) **revive** my energy, (2) **revive** an old friendship

They **revived** the tradition of holding a parade on the main street every year.

represent

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

synonym : depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

strip

v. to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

synonym : deprive, undress, (noun) ribbon

(1) **strip** a tire off, (2) coast **strip**

The doctor advised him to **strip** down for a check.

principle

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

synonym : rule, creed, code

(1) **principle** of treatment, (2) **principle** in business

Efficiency isn't an essential **principle** here; fairness is.

regardless

adv. not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

synonym : anyhow, nevertheless, still

(1) **regardless** of the difficulties, (2) **regardless** tread

People can pick out superior products **regardless** of the quality of the advertising.

physics

n. the science of matter and energy and their interactions

(1) nuclear **physics**, (2) laws of **physics**

He studied the **physics** of radiation.

movement

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

synonym : motion, progression, action

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

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

representative

n. someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people

synonym : spokesperson, agent, delegate

(1) an official **representative**, (2) sales **representative**
The media **representatives** had special passes.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

synonym: cooperate, combine, collaborate

(1) **interact** directly with customers, (2) **interact** with one another

He should **interact** more with his colleagues.

nonconformist

n. a person who refuses to conform to established customs, norms, or beliefs, often characterized by independent thinking and behavior; members of Protestant groups in England during the 16th to 19th centuries who dissented from the Church of England

synonym: maverick, individualist, rebel

(1) artistic **nonconformist**, (2) rebellious **nonconformist**

The school's **nonconformist** curriculum emphasized creative thinking and self-expression.

disappear

v. to cease to exist or be visible

synonym: fade, evaporate, vanish

(1) **disappear** without a trace, (2) **disappear** after a week

They watched the train **disappear** into the distance.

mainstream

n. the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people

synonym: prevailing, average, common

(1) join the **mainstream**, (2) **mainstream** political beliefs

His thinking is **mainstream** in the country's culture.

competition

n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

synonym: contest, match, fight

(1) the first round of the **competition**, (2) intraspecific **competition**

Global **competition** is rising in virtually every industry.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym : acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

prohibit

v. to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law

synonym : ban, forbid, refuse

(1) **prohibit** destructive activities, (2) **prohibit** the use of phone

Congress passed a law to **prohibit** the disposal of nuclear waste.

Latina

n. a female person of Latin American origin or descent; a term used to refer to women from Latin American countries or with Latin American heritage

synonym : Hispanic woman

(1) **Latina** community, (2) **Latina** actress

She is the first **Latina** senator in the country's history.

straight

adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

synonym : linear, honest, consecutive

(1) a **straight** line, (2) **straight** for two months

He was sick for five **straight** days.

spray

n. a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage

synonym : mist, aerosol, atomizer

(1) a **spray** of mist, (2) an insect **spray**

The artist used a **spray** paint can to create a graffiti mural on the wall.

mahogany

n. a reddish-brown hardwood that is prized for its strength, durability, and beauty, often used in furniture-making and other decorative applications

synonym : rosewood, cherry, teak

(1) **mahogany** furniture, (2) **mahogany** finish

The antique desk was made of rich **mahogany** wood, adding to its timeless beauty.

mixed-race

adj. describing a person whose ancestry includes people from two or more different races or ethnicities; describing a social or cultural context that embraces or represents people from different racial or ethnic backgrounds

synonym : multiracial, biracial

(1) **mixed-race** family, (2) **mixed-race** children

The university's multicultural club hosts events that promote **mixed-race** awareness and acceptance.

paradigm

n. a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model

synonym : example, standard, epitome

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

He postulated a completely different **paradigm** to explain all these phenomena.

bold

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

synonym : brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds

The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

translate

v. to convert or change words into another language

synonym : convert, transcribe, render

(1) **translate** a document into English, (2) **translate** the emotion to a movement

Translate the text from Italian into English.

conversation

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

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

dictate

v. to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded

synonym: read out, prescribe, order

(1) **dictate** a letter to secretary, (2) **dictate** to the associate

The allies **dictated** the terms of surrender to the country.

react

v. to take action in response to something

synonym: respond, reply, oppose

(1) **react** at a high temperature, (2) **react** against his way of thinking

How did he **react** to your idea?

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.

gay

adj. homosexual; happy, carefree

synonym: cheerful, lively, joyful

(1) **gay** couple, (2) **gay** rights

The **gay** pride parade was a celebration of diversity and acceptance.

regard

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

synonym: consider, see, reckon

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

unfortunate

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

remotely

adv. at a distance; not directly or easily accessible

synonym : distantly, remotely, slightly

(1) **remotely** operate, (2) control **remotely**

The company can **remotely** access its employees' computers for troubleshooting purposes.

functional

adj. designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service

synonym : applicable, practical, usable

(1) field of **functional** medicine, (2) **functional** deafness

The mobile phone was still **functional** even after being dropped.

prime

adj. main or most important; basic

synonym : excellent, exceptional, premium

(1) **prime** number, (2) deputy **prime** minister

After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the **prime** suspect.

slap

v. to strike something or someone with an open palm or flat object, producing a sharp sound or sensation; to place something firmly, suddenly, or unexpectedly

synonym : smack, hit, whack

(1) **slap** on the back, (2) **slap** a heavy fine

The politician tried to **slap** down the rumors about his personal life.

makeup

n. colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance

synonym : maquillage, composition, cosmetic

(1) **makeup** artist, (2) take the **makeup** off her face

Her beauty resulted from a good night's sleep rather than **makeup**.

glitter

v. to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines

synonym : sparkle, glisten, shine

(1) **glitter** against her skin, (2) **glitter** in her eyes

Her dress **glittered** in the sunlight as she walked down the street.

clap

v. to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise

synonym : applaud, spat, acclaim

(1) **clap** my hands, (2) **clap** a book shut

We **clapped** along with the singer's song.

applaud

v. to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands

synonym : clap, celebrate, praise

(1) **applaud** his courage, (2) **applaud** the orchestra

I enthusiastically **applaud** my rival's achievement.

absence

n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

synonym : dearth, scarcity, lack

(1) **absence** from work, (2) a leave of **absence**

Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's **absence**.

appealing

adj. attractive or exciting; evoking a positive response or desire; having qualities that are likely to encourage someone to like or enjoy something

synonym : attractive, alluring, captivating

(1) **appealing** design, (2) an **appealing** offer

The well-crafted plot and interesting characters made the book very **appealing** to readers

odd

adj. strange or unexpected; not divisible by two

synonym : strange, bizarre, abnormal

(1) in an **odd** way, (2) **odd** behavior

His grandfather was an **odd** man.

avid

adj. characterized by enthusiasm and vigorous pursuit, especially of an interest or activity

synonym : enthusiastic, eager, fervent

(1) **avid** baseball fan, (2) have **avid** eyes

She was an **avid** reader and spent hours every day lost in a book.

circuit

n. (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area

synonym : route, course, rotation

(1) **circuit** breaker, (2) federal **circuit** courts

An intelligent battery has a voltage monitoring **circuit**.

attest

v. to provide evidence or proof of something; to confirm or certify the authenticity of something; to bear witness to the truth of something

synonym : verify, confirm, certify

(1) **attest** to the truth, (2) **attest** to the facts

I can **attest** to his honesty and integrity, as I have known him for many years.

dynamic

adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

synonym : energetic, active, vital

(1) a **dynamic** market, (2) **dynamic** person

The sprinter has a **dynamic** way of running.

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym : exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

(1) **exciting** football player, (2) **exciting** news

The findings of the experiment were both **exciting** and unexpected.

aesthetic

adj. connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty
synonym : beautiful, artistic, esthetic

(1) **aesthetic** value, (2) **aesthetic** feeling

My **aesthetic** standards are quite different from hers.

masculine

adj. having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men

synonym : male, mannish, manly

(1) wear **masculine** attire, (2) **masculine** beauty

Her allure lies in her **masculine** rather than feminine beauty.

feminine

adj. relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women

synonym : womanly, womanlike, femalelike

(1) add a **feminine** touch, (2) the sacred **feminine**

The dress mixes sophisticated lines with an appealing floral design for a classically **feminine** style.

stumble

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

synonym : bumble, struggle, misstep

(1) **stumble** financially, (2) **stumble** through life

She **stumbled** over the tree root.

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.

transition

n. the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another

synonym : change, growth, shift

(1) **transition** phase, (2) ensure a smooth **transition**

The nation's healthcare system is in **transition** at the moment.

punctuate

v. to insert punctuation marks (= comma, period, colon, etc.) in the text; to interrupt periodically

synonym : emphasize, accent, mark

(1) **punctuate** a sentence, (2) **punctuate** his talk

Strikes had also **punctuated** the preceding weeks.

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym : spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

tricky

adj. requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with

synonym : thorny, problematic, crafty

(1) **tricky** problem, (2) a **tricky** recipe to follow

We have discussed the entirety of this **tricky** problem.

spot

n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

synonym : dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

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**.

surrender

v. to cease resistance to an enemy or opponent and submit to their authority

synonym : yield, submit, relinquish

(1) **surrender** at discretion, (2) **surrender** an insurance policy

The enemy was forced to **surrender** after a long battle.

essentially

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
synonym : fundamentally, basically, virtually

(1) **essentially** correct, (2) become **essentially** same
Essentially, a society is an organism.

tweak

v. to pinch or squeeze something sharply; to adjust something finely

synonym : nip, pinch, fine-tune

(1) **tweak** his cheek, (2) **tweak** the economy
He didn't **tweak** the plan, even though he had time.

negotiation

n. the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

synonym : bargaining, dialogue, haggling

(1) **negotiation** process, (2) **negotiation** skills
The **negotiation** between the two countries was a delicate and complex process.

blink

v. to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way

synonym : twinkle, flash, flicker

(1) **blink** his eyes, (2) **blink** in astonishment
He **blinked** in the dazzling sunlight.

efficient

adj. performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials

synonym : productive, effective, competent

(1) **efficient** operation, (2) energy- **efficient** appliances
The new washing machine is much more **efficient** than the old one.

backward

adv. at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear

synonym : back, rearward, in reverse

(1) walk **backward**, (2) **backward** angle

She falls over **backward** when she sees her mother-in-law.

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.

accident

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

synonym : calamity, casualty, chance

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

The **accident** partially destroyed my vehicle.

damn

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

synonym : curse, condemn, denounce

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

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

convention

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

synonym : meeting, conference, congress

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

They met at biennial **conventions**.

engage

v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

synonym : confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,

(2) **engage** a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the

reconstruction of that country.

sight

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

synonym : vision, spectacle, view

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

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

evoke

v. to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind

synonym : arouse, raise, inspire

(1) **evoke** a sense of awe, (2) **evoke** sympathy

This movie is likely to **evoke** strong emotions in the viewer.

initial

adj. of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name

synonym : basic, primary, beginning

(1) **initial** velocity, (2) an **initial** letter

They took the **initial** step toward reconciliation.

demonstration

n. a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others

synonym : manifestation, presentation, show

(1) **demonstration** project, (2) a campus **demonstration**

Thousands of people attended the protest **demonstration** against the proposed policy.

presence

n. the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

synonym : existence, actuality, fact

(1) the evidence of the **presence**, (2) his majestic **presence**

The path to a solid online **presence** necessitates a high technical ability.

suppose

v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

synonym : guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand

What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

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.

invigorate

v. to give energy, enthusiasm, or vitality to something or someone; to revitalize or refresh

synonym : energize, stimulate, revitalize

(1) **invigorate** the economy, (2) **invigorate** the team

Exercising in the morning helps to **invigorate** my mind and body.

historic

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

synonym : memorable, momentous, historical

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

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

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym : quiet, hushed, mute

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

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

invisible

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

synonym : hidden, imperceptible, unseen

(1) an **invisible** asset, (2) **invisible** stars

The phenomenon is **invisible** at optical wavelengths.

spectrum

n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

synonym: range, scale, spread

(1) a broad **spectrum** of opinion, (2) infrared **spectrum**

This device displayed the speech **spectrum** spectrographically.

identity

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

synonym: character, personality, individuality

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

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

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**.

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.

Session 2: Spelling

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|---------------------------------------|--|
| 1. an official rep_____ive | <i>n.</i> someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people |
| 2. cause an ac_____nt | <i>n.</i> an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury |
| 3. bl__d spot | <i>adj.</i> unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something |
| 4. re_____nt by a diagram | <i>v.</i> to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute |
| 5. inv_____te the team | <i>v.</i> to give energy, enthusiasm, or vitality to something or someone; to revitalize or refresh |
| 6. academic se_____r | <i>n.</i> a group meeting or class for discussion, teaching, or training on a particular subject |
| 7. become ess_____ly same | <i>adv.</i> relating to the essential features or concepts of anything |
| 8. dull si__t | <i>n.</i> the ability to see; anything that is seen |
| 9. big, b__d piano sounds | <i>adj.</i> brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks |
| 10. tra_____on phase | <i>n.</i> the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another |
| 11. the dr_____st's latest production | <i>n.</i> (also "dramaturge") a writer of plays, dramas, or theatrical pieces |

ANSWERS: 1. representative, 2. accident, 3. blind, 4. represent, 5. invigorate, 6. seminar, 7. essentially, 8. sight, 9. bold, 10. transition, 11. dramatist

12. Chinese cl____c literature *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
13. t__t off happily *v.* to run or jog at a moderate pace; to walk with long, quick strides
14. common in____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
15. infrared sp____um *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
16. ev__e sympathy *v.* to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind
17. a dy____c market *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
18. an in____le asset *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
19. an unexpected si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
20. airplane g__k *n.* a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed
21. ab____e from work *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
22. g_y rights *adj.* homosexual; happy, carefree

ANSWERS: 12. classic, 13. trot, 14. invention, 15. spectrum, 16. evoke, 17. dynamic, 18. invisible, 19. sight, 20. geek, 21. absence, 22. gay

23. historical re__c *n.* an object from a previous era, especially one of historical value
24. in_____le stars *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
25. t_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
26. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
27. modern dr_____st *n.* (also "dramaturge") a writer of plays, dramas, or theatrical pieces
28. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
29. ci_____t breaker *n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
30. pu_____te his talk *v.* to insert punctuation marks (= comma, period, colon, etc.) in the text; to interrupt periodically
31. sales rep_____ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
32. ba_____om dance *n.* a large room for dancing
33. the first round of the com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
34. tw__k his cheek *v.* to pinch or squeeze something sharply; to adjust something finely

ANSWERS: 23. relic, 24. invisible, 25. tap, 26. invention, 27. dramatist, 28. incredible, 29. circuit, 30. punctuate, 31. representative, 32. ballroom, 33. competition, 34. tweak

45. ex_____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
46. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
47. La____a community *n.* a female person of Latin American origin or descent; a term used to refer to women from Latin American countries or with Latin American heritage
48. political con_____on *n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
49. major pa_____gm shift *n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
50. elegant wa__z *n.* a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure
51. a st_____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
52. di_____ar without a trace *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
53. at___t to the facts *v.* to provide evidence or proof of something; to confirm or certify the authenticity of something; to bear witness to the truth of something
54. neg_____on skills *n.* the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

ANSWERS: 45. exciting, 46. relation, 47. Latina, 48. convention, 49. paradigm, 50. waltz, 51. straight, 52. disappear, 53. attest, 54. negotiation

55. homemade sa__a dip *n.* a type of spicy sauce or condiment made from tomatoes, onions, chili peppers, and other ingredients, commonly used in Latin American and Mexican cuisine, as well as a lively social dance style with origins in those same regions
56. el__t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
57. pr__e number *adj.* main or most important; basic
58. ef_____nt operation *adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials
59. re___e my energy *v.* to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore
60. neg_____on process *n.* the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others
61. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
62. re___d him as an enemy *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
63. gl_____r in her eyes *v.* to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines

ANSWERS: 55. salsa, 56. elect, 57. prime, 58. efficient, 59. revive, 60. negotiation, 61. develop, 62. regard, 63. glitter

64. business se_____r *n.* a group meeting or class for discussion, teaching, or training on a particular subject
65. tw__k the economy *v.* to pinch or squeeze something sharply; to adjust something finely
66. a world cha_____hip *n.* a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and support
67. add a fe_____ne touch *adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women
68. rebellious non_____ist *n.* a person who refuses to conform to established customs, norms, or beliefs, often characterized by independent thinking and behavior; members of Protestant groups in England during the 16th to 19th centuries who dissented from the Church of England
69. mix_____ce children *adj.* describing a person whose ancestry includes people from two or more different races or ethnicities; describing a social or cultural context that embraces or represents people from different racial or ethnic backgrounds
70. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 64. seminar, 65. tweak, 66. championship, 67. feminine, 68. nonconformist, 69. mixed-race, 70. develop

71. o_d behavior *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
72. aesthetic exc_____nt *n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness
73. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
74. su_____er at discretion *v.* to cease resistance to an enemy or opponent and submit to their authority
75. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
76. La___a actress *n.* a female person of Latin American origin or descent; a term used to refer to women from Latin American countries or with Latin American heritage
77. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
78. holy re__cs *n.* an object from a previous era, especially one of historical value
79. su_____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
80. pr_____le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
81. walkie-talkie ai_____e *n.* a system of transmitting sound, video, or other data through the air using radio waves or other electromagnetic waves

ANSWERS: 71. odd, 72. excitement, 73. conversation, 74. surrender, 75. improvisation, 76. Latina, 77. conversation, 78. relic, 79. suddenly, 80. principle, 81. airwave

82. international film fe_____al *n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works
83. an ap_____ng offer *adj.* attractive or exciting; evoking a positive response or desire; having qualities that are likely to encourage someone to like or enjoy something
84. col_____ion platform *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
85. a leave of ab_____e *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
86. ensure a smooth tra_____on *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
87. cha_____hip flag *n.* a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and support
88. achieve the hi_____ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
89. lively ru__a music *n.* a lively, rhythmic dance of Cuban origin, typically performed to music with a syncopated beat; a subgenre of Latin American music associated with this dance style
90. 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: 82. festival, 83. appealing, 84. collaboration, 85. absence, 86. transition, 87. championship, 88. historic, 89. rumba, 90. relate

91. a pa____el case *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
92. d__n with faint praise *v.* to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger
93. t__s a coin *v.* to throw something carelessly with a light motion
94. cultural pa____gm *n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
95. in____l velocity *adj.* of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name
96. re__t at a high temperature *v.* to take action in response to something
97. dual ge____r *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
98. the rhythm of the ru__a *n.* a lively, rhythmic dance of Cuban origin, typically performed to music with a syncopated beat; a subgenre of Latin American music associated with this dance style
99. re____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

ANSWERS: 91. parallel, 92. damn, 93. toss, 94. paradigm, 95. initial, 96. react, 97. gender, 98. rumba, 99. recognize

100. ba____rd angle *adv.* at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear
101. mai_____am political beliefs *n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
102. si____t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
103. pu_____te a sentence *v.* to insert punctuation marks (= comma, period, colon, etc.) in the text; to interrupt periodically
104. id____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
105. re_____l meeting *n.* an instance of bringing something back to life, popularity, or prominence; a period of renewed interest or enthusiasm in something that was previously considered outdated or old-fashioned
106. ex_____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
107. re_____e a concert ticket *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
108. con_____on center *n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
109. re____d the situation as unfortunate *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

ANSWERS: 100. backward, 101. mainstream, 102. silent, 103. punctuate, 104. identity, 105. revival, 106. exciting, 107. reserve, 108. convention, 109. regard

110. a campus dem_____ion *n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others
111. c__p my hands *v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
112. walk ba_____rd *adv.* at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear
113. coast st__p *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
114. mistaken id_____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
115. di_____e a letter to secretary *v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded
116. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
117. die su_____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
118. intraspecific com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
119. dem_____ion project *n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others

ANSWERS: 110. demonstration, 111. clap, 112. backward, 113. strip, 114. identity, 115. dictate, 116. straight, 117. suddenly, 118. competition, 119. demonstration

120. an insect sp__y *n.* a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage
121. get con_____nt results *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
122. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
123. c__p a book shut *v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
124. re_____l of the economy *n.* an instance of bringing something back to life, popularity, or prominence; a period of renewed interest or enthusiasm in something that was previously considered outdated or old-fashioned
125. pr_____it the use of phone *v.* to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law
126. control re_____ly *adv.* at a distance; not directly or easily accessible
127. his majestic pr_____ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
128. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

ANSWERS: 120. spray, 121. consistent, 122. relation, 123. clap, 124. revival, 125. prohibit, 126. remotely, 127. presence, 128. recognize

129. mix_____ce family *adj.* describing a person whose ancestry includes people from two or more different races or ethnicities; describing a social or cultural context that embraces or represents people from different racial or ethnic backgrounds
130. 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
131. gl_____r against her skin *v.* to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines
132. dy_____c person *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
133. g__k enthusiast *n.* a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed
134. re_____e the right *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
135. bl__d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
136. re__t against his way of thinking *v.* to take action in response to something

ANSWERS: 129. mixed-race, 130. belong, 131. glitter, 132. dynamic, 133. geek, 134. reserve, 135. blind, 136. react

137. ob____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
138. ma____p artist *n.* colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance
139. ma_____ne beauty *adj.* having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men
140. federal ci____t courts *n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
141. injury in a car ac____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
142. s__p a heavy fine *v.* to strike something or someone with an open palm or flat object, producing a sharp sound or sensation; to place something firmly, suddenly, or unexpectedly
143. ma____ny furniture *n.* a reddish-brown hardwood that is prized for its strength, durability, and beauty, often used in furniture-making and other decorative applications
144. ap____d the orchestra *v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands
145. inv_____te the economy *v.* to give energy, enthusiasm, or vitality to something or someone; to revitalize or refresh
146. di____e to the associate *v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded

ANSWERS: 137. obvious, 138. makeup, 139. masculine, 140. circuit, 141. accident, 142. slap, 143. mahogany, 144. applaud, 145. invigorate, 146. dictate

147. a com_____ve price *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
148. el__t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
149. an in_____l letter *adj.* of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name
150. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
151. a broad sp_____um of opinion *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
152. wear ma_____ne attire *adj.* having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men
153. ma_____ny finish *n.* a reddish-brown hardwood that is prized for its strength, durability, and beauty, often used in furniture-making and other decorative applications
154. ap_____ng design *adj.* attractive or exciting; evoking a positive response or desire; having qualities that are likely to encourage someone to like or enjoy something
155. 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

ANSWERS: 147. competitive, 148. elect, 149. initial, 150. movement, 151. spectrum, 152. masculine, 153. mahogany, 154. appealing, 155. belong

156. t__s the bottle into a trash can *v.* to throw something carelessly with a light motion
157. laws of ph____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
158. have a__d eyes *adj.* characterized by enthusiasm and vigorous pursuit, especially of an interest or activity
159. colorless li____d *n.* a substance, such as water or oil that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas
160. en___e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
161. tr_____te a document into English *v.* to convert or change words into another language
162. hazardous li____d *n.* a substance, such as water or oil that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas
163. energy-ef_____nt appliances *adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials
164. a sp__y of mist *n.* a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage
165. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
166. fun_____al deafness *adj.* designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service

ANSWERS: 156. toss, 157. physics, 158. avid, 159. liquid, 160. engage, 161. translate, 162. liquid, 163. efficient, 164. spray, 165. obvious, 166. functional

167. ge___r-blind policies *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
168. ae_____ic feeling *adj.* connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty
169. acclaimed pla_____ht *n.* a person who writes plays
170. co_____us of having succeeded *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
171. artistic non_____ist *n.* a person who refuses to conform to established customs, norms, or beliefs, often characterized by independent thinking and behavior; members of Protestant groups in England during the 16th to 19th centuries who dissented from the Church of England
172. re_____ly operate *adv.* at a distance; not directly or easily accessible
173. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
174. bl__k his eyes *v.* to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way
175. a cl_____c experiment *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
176. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

ANSWERS: 167. gender, 168. aesthetic, 169. playwright, 170. conscious, 171. nonconformist, 172. remotely, 173. incredible, 174. blink, 175. classic, 176. define

177. give si___t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
178. sa__a music *n.* a type of spicy sauce or condiment made from tomatoes, onions, chili peppers, and other ingredients, commonly used in Latin American and Mexican cuisine, as well as a lively social dance style with origins in those same regions
179. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
180. tr___y problem *adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with
181. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
182. take the ma___p off her face *n.* colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance
183. su_____er an insurance policy *v.* to cease resistance to an enemy or opponent and submit to their authority
184. ap_____d his courage *v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands
185. in_____ct a student *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
186. pr_____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
187. in_____ct directly with customers *v.* to communicate or react with somebody

ANSWERS: 177. silent, 178. salsa, 179. engage, 180. tricky, 181. suppose, 182. makeup, 183. surrender, 184. applaud, 185. instruct, 186. principle, 187. interact

188. pr____it destructive activities *v.* to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law
189. g_y couple *adj.* homosexual; happy, carefree
190. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
191. sensual ta__o *n.* a ballroom dance that originated in Argentina and Uruguay, characterized by a close embrace and intricate footwork, typically danced to slow, expressive music
192. t__t across the street *v.* to run or jog at a moderate pace; to walk with long, quick strides
193. di_____ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
194. deputy pr__e minister *adj.* main or most important; basic
195. a__d baseball fan *adj.* characterized by enthusiasm and vigorous pursuit, especially of an interest or activity
196. commercial ai_____e *n.* a system of transmitting sound, video, or other data through the air using radio waves or other electromagnetic waves
197. a s__t on his honor *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
198. nuclear ph_____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
199. ess_____ly correct *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

ANSWERS: 188. prohibit, 189. gay, 190. opportune, 191. tango, 192. trot, 193. disappear, 194. prime, 195. avid, 196. airwave, 197. spot, 198. physics, 199. essentially

200. join the mai_____am *n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
201. t_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
202. the sacred fe_____ne *adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women
203. st_____e financially *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
204. wa__z music *n.* a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure
205. hi_____ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
206. bl__k in astonishment *v.* to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way
207. the characters that re_____nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
208. com_____ve position *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
209. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

ANSWERS: 200. mainstream, 201. tap, 202. feminine, 203. stumble, 204. waltz, 205. historic, 206. blink, 207. represent, 208. competitive, 209. suppose

210. the evidence of the pr____ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
211. ca____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
212. de____e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
213. mo____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
214. ae____ic value *adj.* connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty
215. in an o_d way *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
216. d__n the consequences *v.* to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger
217. pa____el processing *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
218. reg____ss tread *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
219. a tr____y recipe to follow *adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with

ANSWERS: 210. presence, 211. capture, 212. define, 213. movement, 214. aesthetic, 215. odd, 216. damn, 217. parallel, 218. regardless, 219. tricky

220. fe____al attendee *n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works
221. beauty s__t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
222. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
223. a b__d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
224. in____ct a computer *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
225. ev__e a sense of awe *v.* to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind
226. in____ct with one another *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
227. the exc_____nt in the business world *n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness
228. ba____om floor *n.* a large room for dancing
229. at__t to the truth *v.* to provide evidence or proof of something; to confirm or certify the authenticity of something; to bear witness to the truth of something
230. col_____ion between companies *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

ANSWERS: 220. festival, 221. spot, 222. improvisation, 223. bold, 224. instruct, 225. evoke, 226. interact, 227. excitement, 228. ballroom, 229. attest, 230. collaboration

231. an op_____ne remark

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

232. 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

233. a pla_____ht attached to the theatre

n. a person who writes plays

234. st_____e through life

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

ANSWERS: 231. opportune, 232. relate, 233. playwright, 234. stumble

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The enemy was forced to _____ after a long battle.
v. to cease resistance to an enemy or opponent and submit to their authority
2. It would be best if you _____ out all those old magazines.
v. to throw something carelessly with a light motion
3. The mobile application industry is a _____ one.
adj. involving competition or competitiveness
4. Strikes had also _____ the preceding weeks.
v. to insert punctuation marks (= comma, period, colon, etc.) in the text; to interrupt periodically
5. I enthusiastically _____ my rival's achievement.
v. to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands
6. The dancers practiced the steps of the _____ meticulously to perfect their performance.
n. a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure
7. She falls over _____ when she sees her mother-in-law.
adv. at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear
8. Congress passed a law to _____ the disposal of nuclear waste.
v. to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law

ANSWERS: 1. surrender, 2. tossed, 3. competitive, 4. punctuated, 5. applaud, 6. waltz, 7. backward, 8. prohibit

9. We have discussed the entirety of this _____ problem.

adj. requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with

10. You can easily _____ seats over the telephone.

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

11. His grandfather was an ____ man.

adj. strange or unexpected; not divisible by two

12. Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's _____.

n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

13. To expand the company, we must ____ new human resources.

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

14. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

15. I was able to _____ the moment on film.

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

16. Her dress _____ in the sunlight as she walked down the street.

v. to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines

ANSWERS: 9. tricky, 10. reserve, 11. odd, 12. absence, 13. tap, 14. obvious, 15. capture, 16. glittered

17. The path to a solid online _____ necessitates a high technical ability.

n. the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

18. This remote _____ is rarely visited.

n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

19. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

adj. unbelievable; enormous

20. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

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

21. The mobile phone was still _____ even after being dropped.

adj. designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service

22. _____ a society is an organism.

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

23. The grand _____ was filled with twirling couples and the sound of music.

n. a large room for dancing

24. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.

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

ANSWERS: 17. presence, 18. spot, 19. incredible, 20. movement, 21. functional, 22. Essentially, 23. ballroom, 24. identity

25. Her allure lies in her _____ rather than feminine beauty.

adj. having characteristics or an appearance that are usually regarded as typical or appropriate for men

26. The famous _____ wrote many successful plays during his career.

n. (also "dramaturge") a writer of plays, dramas, or theatrical pieces

27. They met at biennial _____.

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

28. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

29. The allies _____ the terms of surrender to the country.

v. to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded

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

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

31. The _____ of the upcoming concert was palpable among the crowd.

n. a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness

32. We _____ along with the singer's song.

v. to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise

ANSWERS: 25. masculine, 26. dramatist, 27. conventions, 28. recognize, 29. dictated, 30. instructed, 31. excitement, 32. clapped

33. She _____ to keep up with him.

v. to run or jog at a moderate pace; to walk with long, quick strides

34. The well-crafted plot and interesting characters made the book very _____ to readers

adj. attractive or exciting; evoking a positive response or desire; having qualities that are likely to encourage someone to like or enjoy something

35. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

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

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

37. Frugality and industry are still _____ as virtues.

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

38. She _____ over the tree root.

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

39. They _____ the tradition of holding a parade on the main street every year.

v. to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore

40. The new washing machine is much more _____ than the old one.

adj. performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials

ANSWERS: 33. trotted, 34. appealing, 35. opportune, 36. damn, 37. regarded, 38. stumbled, 39. revived, 40. efficient

41. She was an _____ reader and spent hours every day lost in a book.

adj. characterized by enthusiasm and vigorous pursuit, especially of an interest or activity

42. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.

adj. without any or little sound

43. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

44. They took the _____ step toward reconciliation.

adj. of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name

45. 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

46. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

47. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

48. The nation's healthcare system is in _____ at the moment.

n. the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another

ANSWERS: 41. avid, 42. silent, 43. historic, 44. initial, 45. relate, 46. exciting, 47. conversation, 48. transition

49. The music _____ attracts visitors from all over the world.
- n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works
50. _____ the text from Italian into English.
- v.* to convert or change words into another language
51. His thinking is _____ in the country's culture.
- n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
52. They watched the train _____ into the distance.
- v.* to cease to exist or be visible
53. This bronze sword is a _____ of ancient times.
- n.* an object from a previous era, especially one of historical value
54. Global _____ is rising in virtually every industry.
- n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
55. This movie is likely to _____ strong emotions in the viewer.
- v.* to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind
56. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?
- v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
57. Exercising in the morning helps to _____ my mind and body.
- v.* to give energy, enthusiasm, or vitality to something or someone; to revitalize or refresh

ANSWERS: 49. festival, 50. Translate, 51. mainstream, 52. disappear, 53. relic, 54. competition, 55. evoke, 56. suppose, 57. invigorate

58. He was sick for five _____ days.

adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

59. The university's multicultural club hosts events that promote _____ awareness and acceptance.

adj. describing a person whose ancestry includes people from two or more different races or ethnicities; describing a social or cultural context that embraces or represents people from different racial or ethnic backgrounds

60. The ____ pride parade was a celebration of diversity and acceptance.

adj. homosexual; happy, carefree

61. Her beauty resulted from a good night's sleep rather than _____.

n. colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance

62. The dress mixes sophisticated lines with an appealing floral design for a classically _____ style.

adj. relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women

63. The _____ partially destroyed my vehicle.

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

64. The partnership program requires a mutual _____ between both agencies.

n. the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

65. 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

ANSWERS: 58. straight, 59. mixed-race, 60. gay, 61. makeup, 62. feminine, 63. accident, 64. collaboration, 65. relations

66. He didn't _____ the plan, even though he had time.

v. to pinch or squeeze something sharply; to adjust something finely

67. We took a _____ lesson to prepare for our upcoming dance competition.

n. a ballroom dance that originated in Argentina and Uruguay, characterized by a close embrace and intricate footwork, typically danced to slow, expressive music

68. Necessity is the mother of _____.

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

69. You are not _____ in your behavior.

adj. always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

70. How did he _____ to your idea?

v. to take action in response to something

71. I'm attending a leadership _____ next week.

n. a group meeting or class for discussion, teaching, or training on a particular subject

72. The phenomenon is _____ at optical wavelengths.

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

73. She was nearly _____ due to severe diabetes.

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

ANSWERS: 66. tweak, 67. tango, 68. invention, 69. consistent, 70. react, 71. seminar, 72. invisible, 73. blind

74. The antique desk was made of rich _____ wood, adding to its timeless beauty.

- n.* a reddish-brown hardwood that is prized for its strength, durability, and beauty, often used in furniture-making and other decorative applications

75. Many famous _____ are within walking distance.

- n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen

76. He studied the _____ of radiation.

- n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions

77. The company can _____ access its employees' computers for troubleshooting purposes.

- adv.* at a distance; not directly or easily accessible

78. The doctor advised him to _____ down for a check.

- v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

79. The radio station broadcasts my favorite song over the _____.

- n.* a system of transmitting sound, video, or other data through the air using radio waves or other electromagnetic waves

80. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.

- n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

81. My _____ standards are quite different from hers.

- adj.* connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty

ANSWERS: 74. mahogany, 75. sights, 76. physics, 77. remotely, 78. strip, 79. airwaves, 80. principle, 81. aesthetic

82. This device displayed the speech _____ spectrographically.
n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
83. Who answers _____ knows little.
adv. quickly and unexpectedly
84. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.
n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
85. We brought chips and _____ to the party as a tasty appetizer.
n. a type of spicy sauce or condiment made from tomatoes, onions, chili peppers, and other ingredients, commonly used in Latin American and Mexican cuisine, as well as a lively social dance style with origins in those same regions
86. 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
87. After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the _____ suspect.
adj. main or most important; basic
88. He walked a road _____ to the railroad.
adj. being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
89. He postulated a completely different _____ to explain all these phenomena.
n. a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model

ANSWERS: 82. spectrum, 83. suddenly, 84. improvisation, 85. salsa, 86. liquid, 87. prime, 88. parallel, 89. paradigm

90. He displayed the _____ symptoms of depression.

adj. judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type

91. The media _____ had special passes.

n. someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people

92. The couple danced the _____ at their wedding reception, impressing all the guests with their moves.

n. a lively, rhythmic dance of Cuban origin, typically performed to music with a syncopated beat; a subgenre of Latin American music associated with this dance style

93. Thousands of people attended the protest _____ against the proposed policy.

n. a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others

94. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.

v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

95. She is the first _____ senator in the country's history.

n. a female person of Latin American origin or descent; a term used to refer to women from Latin American countries or with Latin American heritage

96. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

ANSWERS: 90. classic, 91. representatives, 92. rumba, 93. demonstration, 94. engaged, 95. Latina, 96. represent

97. His team won the _____ for three years running.

- n.* a contest to decide who is the best player or team in a particular sport; the act of providing approval and support

98. He became _____ that he was being followed.

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

99. The politician tried to _____ down the rumors about his personal life.

- v.* to strike something or someone with an open palm or flat object, producing a sharp sound or sensation; to place something firmly, suddenly, or unexpectedly

100. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.

- v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

101. I can _____ to his honesty and integrity, as I have known him for many years.

- v.* to provide evidence or proof of something; to confirm or certify the authenticity of something; to bear witness to the truth of something

102. People can pick out superior products _____ of the quality of the advertising.

- adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

103. 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

104. An intelligent battery has a voltage monitoring _____.

- n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area

ANSWERS: 97. championship, 98. conscious, 99. slap, 100. define, 101. attest, 102. regardless, 103. elected, 104. circuit

105. The _____ work was praised by critics and audiences alike.

n. a person who writes plays

106. He _____ in the dazzling sunlight.

v. to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way

107. 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

108. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

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

109. He should _____ more with his colleagues.

v. to communicate or react with somebody

110. The _____ between the two countries was a delicate and complex process.

n. the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

111. The school's _____ curriculum emphasized creative thinking and self-expression.

n. a person who refuses to conform to established customs, norms, or beliefs, often characterized by independent thinking and behavior; members of Protestant groups in England during the 16th to 19th centuries who dissented from the Church of England

ANSWERS: 105. playwright's, 106. blinked, 107. belong, 108. develop, 109. interact, 110. negotiation, 111. nonconformist

112. The artist used a _____ paint can to create a graffiti mural on the wall.
n. a fine mist of liquid that is dispersed into the air; flower arrangement consisting of a single branch or shoot bearing flowers and foliage
113. Cultural norms strongly influence _____ expectations.
n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
114. The sprinter has a _____ way of running.
adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
115. The town's economy experienced a _____ after opening a new factory.
n. an instance of bringing something back to life, popularity, or prominence; a period of renewed interest or enthusiasm in something that was previously considered outdated or old-fashioned
116. He was a computer _____ and spent all his free time coding.
n. a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed
117. The effort to alleviate climate change needs _____ action.
adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

ANSWERS: 112. spray, 113. gender, 114. dynamic, 115. revival, 116. geek, 117. bold