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Session 1: Word List

laughter

n. the act or sound of laughing

synonym: laugh, chuckle, giggle

(1) **laughter** all around, (2) bring **laughter**

Some doctor says **laughter** is the best medicine.

scream

v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

synonym: cry, shout, yell

(1) **scream** a profanity, (2) **scream** at him to be quiet

She kept **screaming** for an ambulance.

incidentally

adv. by the way; as an aside or in passing

synonym: by chance, by accident, inadvertently

(1) **incidentally** discovered, (2) **incidentally** mentioned

Incidentally, I know the answer to that question.

toilet

n. a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture

synonym: bathroom, lavatory, washroom

(1) **toilet** paper, (2) **toilet** seat

She walked to the **toilet** to freshen up before the meeting.

immense

adj. extremely large or great

synonym : enormous, giant, huge

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

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

sophisticated

adj. having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion

synonym : refined, cultured, worldly

(1) **sophisticated** look, (2) a **sophisticated** lifestyle

Marketing strategies are growing more **sophisticated**.

humor

n. the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body

synonym : comedy, funniness, liquid substance

(1) sardonic **humor**, (2) vitreous **humor**

My wife seems to be in ill **humor**.

neuroscience

n. the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system

(1) the branch of **neuroscience**, (2) a theoretical concept in **neuroscience**

Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral **neuroscience**.

weird

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

synonym : bizarre, creepy, peculiar

(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**

My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

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.

primitive

adj. of or relating to an early stage of society with no industry or technological development; simple, naive, or old-fashioned in style

synonym: elementary, naive, rudimental

(1) **primitive** society, (2) artifact of a **primitive** humankind
The industry in this country is still **primitive**.

edit

v. to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it

synonym: revise, modify, adjust

(1) **edit** a history book, (2) **edit** a video

I need to **edit** this document before submitting it to my boss.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

normally

adv. usually; under normal conditions

synonym: commonly, generally, naturally

(1) complete **normally**, (2) not **normally** drink much

I don't **normally** take a vacation in the middle of summer.

ribcage

n. the bony structure in the chest that protects the heart and lungs, composed of twelve pairs of curved bones called ribs that are joined to the spine in the back and the breastbone (sternum) in the front

synonym: chest, thorax, torso

(1) **ribcage** pain, (2) **ribcage** injury

After the accident, the doctors found multiple fractures in his **ribcage** and advised him complete rest.

terribly

adv. very badly; to a great extent or very much

synonym: awfully, abominably, badly

(1) suffer **terribly**, (2) I am **terribly** sorry

His arm was swollen and **terribly** red.

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.

intercostal

adj. located between or among the ribs; relating to the intercostal muscles, which aid in breathing by raising and lowering the ribcage

synonym : ribcage, thoracic

(1) **intercostal** nerve, (2) **intercostal** artery

The **intercostal** muscles are essential for breathing.

rib

n. each of a series of curved bones that are connected to the spine and surround the chest; (adjective) subject to laughter or ridicule

synonym : costa

(1) brake a **rib**, (2) **rib** cage

The accident caused a cracked **rib**.

lung

n. either of the two organs in the chest that people and some animals use for breathing

(1) **lung** capacity, (2) do **lung** transplantation

He has terminal **lung** cancer.

expand

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

synonym : extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

contract

n. a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

synonym : agreement, deal, arrangement

(1) employment **contract**, (2) **contract** law

The company signed a **contract** with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

strap

n. a long, narrow strip or belt of leather, fabric, or another material used for binding, fastening, or supporting something or someone; a band or string that attaches one object to another, often used to secure items during transport

synonym : band, belt, sling

(1) leather **strap**, (2) camera **strap**

The athlete tightened the **strap** on his running shoes before the race.

breath

n. the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs

synonym : air, puff, whiff

(1) hold your **breath**, (2) **breath** of wind

He bated his **breath** when talking about this affair.

belt

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

synonym : sing, hit hard, (noun) strap

(1) **belt** him in the face, (2) leather **belt**

The band was **belting** out old songs in response to audience requests.

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.

gentle

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

synonym : mild, delicate, soft

(1) in a **gentle** voice, (2) **gentle** downward slope
Her **gentle** manner relaxed everyone there.

sinusoidal

adj. having a smooth, curved shape like a sine wave; characterized by regular, rhythmic oscillations or fluctuations

synonym: wave-like, undulating, wavy

(1) **sinusoidal** wave, (2) **sinusoidal** function

The brainwave displayed a **sinusoidal** pattern during the sleep study.

squeeze

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

synonym: compress, crush, clamp

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

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

mortal

adj. subject to death; unrelenting and deadly

synonym: deathly, perishable, non-eternal

(1) a **mortal** combat, (2) this **mortal** life

All humans are **mortal** and will eventually die.

regularly

adv. at regular intervals or times

synonym: repeatedly, routinely, usually

(1) **regularly** arranged, (2) post **regularly** to a blog

This site **regularly** shares high-quality academic materials.

zigzag

adj. having short sharp turns or angles

synonym: bent, crinkled, crooked

(1) **zigzag** sewing machine, (2) a **zigzag** line

We had to go through a **zigzag** course.

contraction

n. the act or process of becoming smaller or shorter in size, volume, or amount

synonym:

shrinking, compression, reduction

(1) **contraction** of a disease, (2) **contraction** in the industry
The **contraction** of the economy has led to job losses.

spasm

n. a sudden, involuntary contraction of a muscle, causing a range of sensations from mild discomfort to severe pain; a sudden outburst or brief episode of intense emotion or activity

synonym: convulsion, cramp, twitch

(1) gastric **spasm**, (2) **spasm** of laughter

The patient's face twitched in **spasms** as the dentist started drilling her tooth.

wheeze

v. to breathe with difficulty, usually accompanied by a whistling or rattling sound; to make a high-pitched or whistling sound

synonym: pant, gasp

(1) **wheeze** during exercise, (2) **wheeze** sickly

The asthmatic child began to **wheeze** after running too fast.

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

synonym: luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance

The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

observe

v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

synonym: watch, monitor, scrutinize

(1) **observe** a tradition, (2) **observe** wildlife

It is important to **observe** safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

primate

n. any mammal of the order Primates, which includes monkeys, apes, and humans

synonym : ape, monkey, lemur

(1) **primate** species, (2) **primate** sanctuary

Many scientists study **primate** behavior and intelligence.

associate

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

synonym : tie in, link, consociate

(1) **associate** alcohol with gambling, (2) **associate** with people widely

The majority of consumers **associate** this brand with quality.

tickle

v. to lightly touch a sensitive part of somebody's body in a way that makes them laugh

synonym : titillate, make laugh

(1) **tickle** his ribs, (2) **tickle** her vanity

These models explain why you can't **tickle** yourself.

interaction

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

synonym : dealings, exchange, relations

(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,

(2) **interaction** among human beings

The **interaction** of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

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.

comedy

n. a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

synonym : humor, farce, satire

(1) **comedy** series, (2) romantic **comedy**

I love going to see live **comedy** shows with my friends.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym : affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

enormous

adj. extremely large or great

synonym : huge, giant, gigantic

(1) **enormous** amount, (2) **enormous** potential

Shakespeare's output of poetry was **enormous**.

contagious

adj. able to be passed on to others through contact or proximity, especially by infection or disease

synonym : infectious, transmissible, communicable

(1) **contagious** enthusiasm, (2) **contagious** virus

The disease is highly **contagious** and spreads quickly.

mod

n. a modification or alteration, typically one made to improve something or increase its functionality; a British teenager or young adult in the 1960s, noted for their clothes consciousness and opposition to the rockers

synonym : alteration, modification, tweak

(1) **mod** culture, (2) a house with **mod** cons

The **mod** for the video game added new features and improved gameplay.

context

n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

synonym : background, setting, environment

(1) historical **context**, (2) legal **context**

It's important to understand the **context** of a situation before making a decision.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something
synonym : root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

neurobiology

n. a field of biology that studies the structure, function, and development of the nervous system, including the brain, spinal cord, and peripheral nerves encompassing a wide range of research topics, including the molecular and cellular processes involved in neural signaling, the organization of neural circuits, and the neural basis of behavior, cognition, and emotion

synonym : brain science, neural science, neurology

(1) **neurobiology** research, (2) cellular **neurobiology**

The professor's research in **neurobiology** has led to groundbreaking discoveries in the field of brain science.

helpless

adj. unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help

synonym : defenseless, powerless, susceptible

(1) **helpless** baby, (2) **helpless** victims

I feel so **helpless** without you.

involuntary

adj. acting or done without or against one's will

synonym : coerced, forced, automatic

(1) **involuntary** manslaughter, (2) **involuntary** muscles

The drug's side effects can include **involuntary** loss of urine.

basis

n. the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

synonym : foundation, base, ground

(1) on an equal **basis**, (2) **basis** for calculation

This evidence will form the **basis** for our discussion.

polite

adj. showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous

behavior

synonym : courteous, civil, respectful

(1) **polite** manners, (2) **polite** tone

It's important to be **polite** even when you disagree with someone.

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.

horrible

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

synonym : dreadful, terrible, awful

(1) **horrible** accident, (2) **horrible** smell

The experience was **horrible** and left a lasting impression.

communicate

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

synonym : convey, share, transmit

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

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

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

evolution

n. a gradual process of transformation of living things

synonym : elaboration, expansion, transition

(1) human **evolution**, (2) **evolution** theory

They study the **evolution** of the universe.

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.

voluntary

adj. done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced

synonym : voluntary, self-willed, spontaneous

(1) **voluntary** action, (2) **voluntary** participation

The program is **voluntary**, so participants can choose whether or not to take part.

pose

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

synonym : present, put, position

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

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

chimpanzee

n. a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur

synonym : ape, chimp, pan troglodytes

(1) **chimpanzee** behavior, (2) **chimpanzee** society

Many zoos have **chimpanzee** exhibits, allowing visitors to observe these intelligent primates up close.

acoustic

adj. relating to sound or the sense of hearing

synonym : aural, hearing, acoustical

(1) **acoustic** properties of a hall, (2) **acoustic** guitar

The ground acts as an **acoustic** barrier against outside sounds.

pitch

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

synonym : angle, gradient, slope

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

Her voice gradually increased in **pitch**.

whistle

v. to make a high-pitched sound by forcing breath through a small opening, usually with the lips or fingers; (noun) a piece of equipment that forces air or steam against an edge or into a cavity and so produces a loud shrill sound

synonym : sound, honk, tweet

(1) **whistle** a tune, (2) **whistle** for help

The employee decided to **whistle-blow** on the company's illegal activities.

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.

contrast

v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences

synonym : differ, vary, counterpoint

(1) **contrast** with a decade ago, (2) **contrast** two things

It's intriguing to compare and **contrast** the two authors.

fake

adj. not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

synonym : affected, bogus, counterfeit

(1) **fake** police officer, (2) spread of **fake** news

The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and **faked** it

cue

n. a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something

synonym : signal, sign, hint

(1) **cue** card, (2) visual **cue**

The director gave the actor a **cue** to begin the scene.

nasal

adj. relating to the nose or the sense of smell; characterized by or involving the nasal passage

synonym : adenoidal, pinched, rhinal

(1) **nasal** congestion, (2) **nasal** bone

The **nasal** spray helped alleviate my allergies.

genuine

adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

synonym : actual, honest, unpretending

(1) a **genuine** article, (2) show **genuine** regret

Is this painting **genuine** or forged?

scan

v. to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

synonym : look over, scrutinize, browse

(1) **scan** the face of the man, (2) **scan** a document into PDF

She stood on the podium and **scanned** an audience.

brain

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

synonym : intellect, mind, encephalon

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

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

boring

adj. lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull

synonym : dull, tedious, monotonous

(1) **boring** work, (2) **boring** day

The lecture was so **boring** that many people fell asleep.

experiment

n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

synonym : experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

distract

v. to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

synonym : divert, preoccupy, confuse

(1) **distract** attention from the real issue, (2) **distract** public opinion

Please don't **distract** me while I'm studying.

nonetheless

adv. in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless

synonym : nevertheless, regardless, still

(1) we are **nonetheless** confident, (2) love him

nonetheless

They each choose **nonetheless** to battle.

auditory

adj. of or relating to hearing or the ability to hear

synonym : hearing, audible, aural

(1) a good **auditory** memory, (2) **auditory** system

The **auditory** nerve carries sound signals from the ear to the brain.

cortex

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

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

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

ambiguous

adj. open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided

synonym : unclear, uncertain, equivocal

(1) **ambiguous** situation, (2) clarify **ambiguous** points

The instructions provided were **ambiguous** and confused the team.

process

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

synonym : procedure, method, system

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

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

complicated.

novel

n. an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before

synonym: fiction, story, (adjective) innovative

(1) historical **novel**, (2) **novel** effect

The **novel** has largely gotten positive feedback.

occupy

v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time

synonym: inhabit, settle, populate

(1) **occupy** his time, (2) **occupy** a position

The young prince will soon **occupy** the throne.

necessarily

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

synonym: inevitable, certainly, automatically

(1) not **necessarily** a problem, (2) **necessarily** true

This accident was something that happened **necessarily**.

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.

royal

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

synonym: imperial, noble, aristocratic

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

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

onset

n. the beginning or early stages of unpleasant something; a military attack

synonym: beginning, attack, commencement

(1) at the first **onset**, (2) the **onset** of spring

This medicine works best when taken at the **onset** of a cold.

peak

n. the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain

synonym : summit, vertex, apex

(1) at **peak** hour, (2) the **peak** current in the circuit

This measurement aims to reduce traffic at **peak** periods.

dataset

n. a structured collection of data that is compiled and processed in a computer system or program, typically for analysis, research, or machine learning purposes

synonym : data array, database

(1) **dataset** analysis, (2) publicly available **dataset**

The scientist analyzed the large **dataset** to conclude the experiment.

puberty

n. the process of a person's physical changes through which their sexual organs develop and become capable of reproduction

synonym : adolescence, young adulthood

(1) at the height of **puberty** ., (2) the onset of **puberty**

In this culture, men are initiated when they reach **puberty**.

grumpy

adj. easily annoyed or irritable; inclined to complain or show dissatisfaction, often in an ill-tempered way

synonym : crabby, grouchy, irritable

(1) **grumpy** cat, (2) **grumpy** mood

The **grumpy** older man snapped at the children for playing too loudly.

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym : guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

incorrect

adj. not in accordance with fact or truth or not accurate

synonym : unsound, wrong, inaccurate

(1) make an **incorrect** report, (2) an **incorrect** translation

He found my English sentences are **incorrect**.

emotion

n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

synonym : feeling, sentiment, passion

(1) control my **emotion**, (2) afraid to show **emotion**

Some **emotions** are common across cultures and backgrounds.

phenomenally

adv. extremely or exceptionally, especially in a way that is surprising

synonym : exceptionally, amazingly, remarkably

(1) **phenomenally** quick, (2) **phenomenally** gifted

He became **phenomenally** successful in the entertainment industry.

nuanced

adj. characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.

synonym : fine, subtle, slight

(1) **nuanced** view, (2) the common but **nuanced** opinion

The sommelier can distinguish **nuanced** variance in the flavor of the wine.

lab

n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

synonym : workshop, laboratory, research chamber

(1) **lab** instrument, (2) medical **lab**

The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's **lab**.

longitudinal

adj. relating to or measuring along the length of an object or course or longitude (= the angular distance between a point on any meridian and the prime meridian at Greenwich); running downwards rather than across

synonym : axial, lengthwise

(1) **longitudinal** axes, (2) **longitudinal** data

The researchers conducted a **longitudinal** study on the effects of the new medication.

polygraph

n. a machine that measures physiological responses such as heart rate, respiration, and skin conductance, used especially as a lie detector in criminal investigations or other circumstances where truthfulness is questioned

synonym : lie detector, truth detector

(1) **polygraph** interrogation, (2) **polygraph** machine

Some people refuse to take a **polygraph** test because they believe it is unreliable.

irritate

v. to annoy, provoke, or cause resentment or anger in someone; to inflame or make sore

synonym : annoy, vex, bother

(1) **irritate** skin, (2) **irritate** my partner

The sound of his chewing loudly **irritates** me during dinner.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym : directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer **immediately**

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

physically

adv. in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

(1) **physically** and mentally, (2) stay **physically** fit

Having a **physically** healthy physique is essential for a great life.

unpleasant

adj. not enjoyable or comfortable

synonym : disagreeable, displeasing, distasteful

(1) **unpleasant** behavior, (2) with **unpleasant** body odor
It is **unpleasant** to see criminal behavior even though it is minor.

satisfaction

n. a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something

synonym : delight, pleasure, content

(1) a sense of **satisfaction**, (2) customer **satisfaction**
The mediated settlement brought **satisfaction** to both sides.

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.

index

n. a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index

synonym : list, directory, indicator

(1) a full-text **index**, (2) health **index**
The stock market **index** measures the performance of a group of stocks.

emit

v. to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.

synonym : give off, radiate, expel

(1) **emit** a gamma ray, (2) **emit** air pollution
During the unloading, the container box **emits** a clicking sound.

romantic

adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

synonym : idealistic, unrealistic, amatory

(1) **romantic** movies, (2) **romantic** breakup

It was his first **romantic** love.

characteristic

n. a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody

synonym : feature, quality, attribute

(1) stripes **characteristic** of the zebra, (2) my friend's **characteristic** laugh

Bananas have their **characteristic** taste and odor.

clip

n. a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip

synonym : buckle, hook, pin

(1) tie **clip**, (2) short video **clip**

He fastens some sheets of paper with a **clip**.

promote

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

synonym : boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior

The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

macho

adj. characterized by a strong sense of masculinity or male dominance, often in a way that is perceived as arrogant or aggressive

synonym : masculine, aggressive, virile

(1) **macho** culture, (2) maintain a **macho** image

His **macho** posturing was just a cover for his insecurities and lack of confidence.

mood

n. the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind

synonym : mindset, disposition, temper

(1) the **mood** in a room, (2) in an ugly **mood**

His gaffe spoiled the **mood** of the dinner party.

trunk

n. the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow

synonym : body, chest, torso

(1) the **trunk** of the tree, (2) the **trunk** of the body

Destructive fungi thrive in moist environments, such as those seen in wounds on the **trunk**.

visible

adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view

synonym : clear, observable, seeable

(1) **visible** stars, (2) **visible** by X-ray

My home is easily **visible** from the shore.

embarrass

v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

synonym : disconcert, unsettle, agitate

(1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project

He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in public.

pants

n. an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs

synonym : trousers, breeches, slacks

(1) woolly **pants**, (2) pajama **pants**

I always wear **pants** when I go outside, even in the summer.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym : comparative, proximate, congeneric

(1) a remote **relative**, (2) **relative** factors

Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close **relatives**.

mum

n. a British term for "mom" or "mother"; (adjective) failing to speak or communicate when expected to do so

synonym: mother, silent, soundless

(1) **mum's** cooking, (2) keep **mum**

My **mum** always knew how to comfort me when I was feeling down.

sitcom

n. a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations, typically presented in a half-hour format

synonym: comedy, TV show

(1) **sitcom** series, (2) popular **sitcom**

I love to watch **sitcoms** when I need a good laugh.

reaction

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

synonym: response, reply, answer

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

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

underestimate

v. to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is

synonym: underrate, misjudge, miscalculate

(1) **underestimate** an enemy, (2) **underestimate** the probability

They frequently **underestimated** their abilities and felt inferior.

ancient

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

synonym: archaic, age-old, obsolete

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

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

evolutionary

adj. relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms

synonym : developmental, mutative, transformative

(1) ecology and **evolutionary** biology, (2) the **evolutionary** process

Evolutionary algorithms can find ways to optimize that humans do not anticipate.

evolve

v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

synonym : develop, mature, grow

(1) **evolve**, (2) **evolve** over the past decade

Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

maintain

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

synonym : preserve, uphold, sustain

(1) **maintain** order, (2) **maintain** good health

I need to **maintain** my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

bond

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

synonym : bind, adhesion, attachment

(1) **bond** as a family, (2) global **bond** market

They had formed a friendship **bond**.

specific

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

synonym : particular, definite, distinct

(1) **specific** instructions, (2) industry- **specific** regulations

The scientist conducted a study that provided **specific** details about the species' behavior.

AI

n. (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation

synonym : robot, machine learning, neural network

(1) **AI** expert, (2) apply **AI** technology to art

The evolution of processors has dramatically improved the performance of **AI**.

Session 2: Spelling

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|-------------------------------------|---|
| 1. ti___e her vanity | <i>v.</i> to lightly touch a sensitive part of somebody's body in a way that makes them laugh |
| 2. nec_____ly true | <i>adv.</i> in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise |
| 3. stripes cha_____tic of the zebra | <i>n.</i> a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody |
| 4. im___e amount | <i>adj.</i> extremely large or great |
| 5. not no___ly drink much | <i>adv.</i> usually; under normal conditions |
| 6. post re_____ly to a blog | <i>adv.</i> at regular intervals or times |
| 7. ma___in good health | <i>v.</i> to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true |
| 8. br_____nt performance | <i>adj.</i> extremely clever, skilled, or impressive |
| 9. con_____on of a disease | <i>n.</i> the act or process of becoming smaller or shorter in size, volume, or amount |
| 10. ma___in order | <i>v.</i> to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true |
| 11. la___er all around | <i>n.</i> the act or sound of laughing |
| 12. con_____us enthusiasm | <i>adj.</i> able to be passed on to others through contact or proximity, especially by infection or disease |

ANSWERS: 1. tickle, 2. necessarily, 3. characteristic, 4. immense, 5. normally, 6. regularly, 7. maintain, 8. brilliant, 9. contraction, 10. maintain, 11. laughter, 12. contagious

13. wh___e during exercise *v.* to breathe with difficulty, usually accompanied by a whistling or rattling sound; to make a high-pitched or whistling sound
14. ob____e wildlife *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
15. pre-Christian an____t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
16. ho____le smell *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
17. chemical re____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
18. da____t analysis *n.* a structured collection of data that is compiled and processed in a computer system or program, typically for analysis, research, or machine learning purposes
19. em____ss my project *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
20. vi____e stars *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
21. am____us situation *adj.* open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided

ANSWERS: 13. wheeze, 14. observe, 15. ancient, 16. horrible, 17. reaction, 18. dataset, 19. embarrass, 20. visible, 21. ambiguous

22. ev_____on theory *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
23. phy_____ly and mentally *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
24. ri_____e pain *n.* the bony structure in the chest that protects the heart and lungs, composed of twelve pairs of curved bones called ribs that are joined to the spine in the back and the breastbone (sternum) in the front
25. a we__d dress *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
26. en_____us amount *adj.* extremely large or great
27. hold your br___h *n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs
28. a low-pi__hed sound *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
29. ir_____te my partner *v.* to annoy, provoke, or cause resentment or anger in someone; to inflame or make sore
30. to___t paper *n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
31. po___e manners *adj.* showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior

ANSWERS: 22. evolution, 23. physically, 24. ribcage, 25. weird, 26. enormous, 27. breath, 28. pitch, 29. irritate, 30. toilet, 31. polite

32. e__t air pollution *v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
33. publicly available da____t *n.* a structured collection of data that is compiled and processed in a computer system or program, typically for analysis, research, or machine learning purposes
34. I am te____ly sorry *adv.* very badly; to a great extent or very much
35. a good au____ry memory *adj.* of or relating to hearing or the ability to hear
36. do l__g transplantation *n.* either of the two organs in the chest that people and some animals use for breathing
37. lon____nal axes *adj.* relating to or measuring along the length of an object or course or longitude (= the angular distance between a point on any meridian and the prime meridian at Greenwich); running downwards rather than across
38. inc____lly discovered *adv.* by the way; as an aside or in passing
39. health in__x *n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index
40. a remote re____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

ANSWERS: 32. emit, 33. dataset, 34. terribly, 35. auditory, 36. lung, 37. longitudinal, 38. incidentally, 39. index, 40. relative

41. ex____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
42. my friend's cha_____tic laugh *n.* a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody
43. ex___d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
44. make a pi__h for a new product *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
45. l__g capacity *n.* either of the two organs in the chest that people and some animals use for breathing
46. a mo___l combat *adj.* subject to death; unrelenting and deadly
47. in an ugly m__d *n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind
48. a house with m_d cons *n.* a modification or alteration, typically one made to improve something or increase its functionality; a British teenager or young adult in the 1960s, noted for their clothes consciousness and opposition to the rockers
49. inv_____ry manslaughter *adj.* acting or done without or against one's will
50. in an o_d way *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
51. keep m_m *n.* a British term for "mom" or "mother"; (adjective) failing to speak or communicate when expected to do so

ANSWERS: 41. exciting, 42. characteristic, 43. expand, 44. pitch, 45. lung, 46. mortal, 47. mood, 48. mod, 49. involuntary, 50. odd, 51. mum

52. pr____e species *n.* any mammal of the order Primates, which includes monkeys, apes, and humans
53. sc___m a profanity *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
54. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
55. int_____al nerve *adj.* located between or among the ribs; relating to the intercostal muscles, which aid in breathing by raising and lowering the ribcage
56. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
57. visual co___x neuron *n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain
58. not nec_____ly a problem *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
59. as___e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
60. br___h of wind *n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs
61. in a ge___e voice *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

ANSWERS: 52. primate, 53. scream, 54. assume, 55. intercostal, 56. psychology, 57. cortex, 58. necessarily, 59. assume, 60. breath, 61. gentle

62. ev___e over the past decade *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
63. apply AI technology to art *n.* (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation
64. oc___y a position *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
65. ir_____te skin *v.* to annoy, provoke, or cause resentment or anger in someone; to inflame or make sore
66. chi_____ee behavior *n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur
67. m_m's cooking *n.* a British term for "mom" or "mother"; (adjective) failing to speak or communicate when expected to do so
68. suffer te_____ly *adv.* very badly; to a great extent or very much
69. wh_____e a tune *v.* to make a high-pitched sound by forcing breath through a small opening, usually with the lips or fingers; (noun) a piece of equipment that forces air or steam against an edge or into a cavity and so produces a loud shrill sound

ANSWERS: 62. evolve, 63. AI, 64. occupy, 65. irritate, 66. chimpanzee, 67. mum, 68. terribly, 69. whistle

70. gr___y mood *adj.* easily annoyed or irritable; inclined to complain or show dissatisfaction, often in an ill-tempered way
71. b__t him in the face *v.* to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body
72. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
73. pajama pa__s *n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
74. bo___g day *adj.* lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull
75. we are non_____ss confident *adv.* in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless
76. leather st__p *n.* a long, narrow strip or belt of leather, fabric, or another material used for binding, fastening, or supporting something or someone; a band or string that attaches one object to another, often used to secure items during transport
77. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
78. m_d culture *n.* a modification or alteration, typically one made to improve something or increase its functionality; a British teenager or young adult in the 1960s, noted for their clothes consciousness and opposition to the rockers

ANSWERS: 70. grumpy, 71. belt, 72. brain, 73. pants, 74. boring, 75. nonetheless, 76. strap, 77. immediately, 78. mod

79. neu_____ogy research *n.* a field of biology that studies the structure, function, and development of the nervous system, including the brain, spinal cord, and peripheral nerves encompassing a wide range of research topics, including the molecular and cellular processes involved in neural signaling, the organization of neural circuits, and the neural basis of behavior, cognition, and emotion
80. e__t a video *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
81. co___x cells *n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain
82. the on__t of spring *n.* the beginning or early stages of unpleasant something; a military attack
83. ev___e *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
84. s__n a document into PDF *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
85. on an equal ba__s *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
86. e__t a history book *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it

ANSWERS: 79. neurobiology, 80. edit, 81. cortex, 82. onset, 83. evolve, 84. scan, 85. basis, 86. edit

87. the evo_____ary process *adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms
88. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
89. ex___d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
90. to___t seat *n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
91. lon_____nal data *adj.* relating to or measuring along the length of an object or course or longitude (= the angular distance between a point on any meridian and the prime meridian at Greenwich); running downwards rather than across
92. imm_____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
93. phe_____lly gifted *adv.* extremely or exceptionally, especially in a way that is surprising
94. en_____er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
95. ti___e his ribs *v.* to lightly touch a sensitive part of somebody's body in a way that makes them laugh
96. the m__d in a room *n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind
97. di_____ct public opinion *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

ANSWERS: 87. evolutionary, 88. emotional, 89. expand, 90. toilet, 91. longitudinal, 92. immediately, 93. phenomenally, 94. encounter, 95. tickle, 96. mood, 97. distract

98. a ge____e article *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
99. leather b__t *v.* to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body
100. inc_____lly mentioned *adv.* by the way; as an aside or in passing
101. sop_____ted look *adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
102. prince ro__l *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
103. vitreous hu__r *n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
104. medical l_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
105. customer sat_____ion *n.* a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something
106. ex_____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
107. unp_____nt behavior *adj.* not enjoyable or comfortable
108. brake a r_b *n.* each of a series of curved bones that are connected to the spine and surround the chest; (adjective) subject to laughter or ridicule
109. trigger a re_____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others

ANSWERS: 98. genuine, 99. belt, 100. incidentally, 101. sophisticated, 102. royal, 103. humor, 104. lab, 105. satisfaction, 106. exciting, 107. unpleasant, 108. rib, 109. reaction

110. ge___e downward slope *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
111. di____ct attention from the real issue *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
112. the tr__k of the tree *n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
113. con_____us virus *adj.* able to be passed on to others through contact or proximity, especially by infection or disease
114. po_____ph machine *n.* a machine that measures physiological responses such as heart rate, respiration, and skin conductance, used especially as a lie detector in criminal investigations or other circumstances where truthfulness is questioned
115. series of exp_____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
116. pr_____e bad behavior *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
117. sp__m of laughter *n.* a sudden, involuntary contraction of a muscle, causing a range of sensations from mild discomfort to severe pain; a sudden outburst or brief episode of intense emotion or activity
118. a sop_____ted lifestyle *adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion

ANSWERS: 110. gentle, 111. distract, 112. trunk, 113. contagious, 114. polygraph, 115. experiment, 116. promote, 117. spasm, 118. sophisticated

119. ro____ic movies *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
120. human ev_____on *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
121. an____t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
122. industry-sp____ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
123. ma__o culture *adj.* characterized by a strong sense of masculinity or male dominance, often in a way that is perceived as arrogant or aggressive
124. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
125. re____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
126. pr_____ve society *adj.* of or relating to an early stage of society with no industry or technological development; simple, naive, or old-fashioned in style
127. this mo___l life *adj.* subject to death; unrelenting and deadly
128. the int_____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
129. a ro__l palace *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

ANSWERS: 119. romantic, 120. evolution, 121. ancient, 122. specific, 123. macho, 124. opportune, 125. relation, 126. primitive, 127. mortal, 128. interaction, 129. royal

130. 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
131. historical co____t
- n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
132. cellular neu____ogy
- n.* a field of biology that studies the structure, function, and development of the nervous system, including the brain, spinal cord, and peripheral nerves encompassing a wide range of research topics, including the molecular and cellular processes involved in neural signaling, the organization of neural circuits, and the neural basis of behavior, cognition, and emotion
133. pr____s improvement
- n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
134. a zi____g line
- adj.* having short sharp turns or angles
135. bring la____er
- n.* the act or sound of laughing
136. ba__s for calculation
- n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

ANSWERS: 130. movement, 131. context, 132. neurobiology, 133. process, 134. zigzag, 135. laughter, 136. basis

137. sardonic hu__r *n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
138. gr___y cat *adj.* easily annoyed or irritable; inclined to complain or show dissatisfaction, often in an ill-tempered way
139. s__n the face of the man *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
140. sq_____e a confession *v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness
141. co___y series *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
142. e__t a gamma ray *v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
143. an in_____ct translation *adj.* not in accordance with fact or truth or not accurate
144. po___e tone *adj.* showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior
145. p__e a challenge *v.* to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed
146. gastric sp__m *n.* a sudden, involuntary contraction of a muscle, causing a range of sensations from mild discomfort to severe pain; a sudden outburst or brief episode of intense emotion or activity

ANSWERS: 137. humor, 138. grumpy, 139. scan, 140. squeeze, 141. comedy, 142. emit, 143. incorrect, 144. polite, 145. pose, 146. spasm

147. im_____e pressure *adj.* extremely large or great
148. at the first on__t *n.* the beginning or early stages of unpleasant something; a military attack
149. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
150. ro_____ic breakup *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
151. zi___g sewing machine *adj.* having short sharp turns or angles
152. con_____on in the industry *n.* the act or process of becoming smaller or shorter in size, volume, or amount
153. ac_____ic properties of a hall *adj.* relating to sound or the sense of hearing
154. f__e police officer *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
155. love him non_____ss *adv.* in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless
156. control my em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
157. int_____al artery *adj.* located between or among the ribs; relating to the intercostal muscles, which aid in breathing by raising and lowering the ribcage
158. no__l effect *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
159. em_____ss political enemy *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

ANSWERS: 147. immense, 148. onset, 149. opportune, 150. romantic, 151. zigzag, 152. contraction, 153. acoustic, 154. fake, 155. nonetheless, 156. emotion, 157. intercostal, 158. novel, 159. embarrass

160. romantic co___y *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
161. ac___ic guitar *adj.* relating to sound or the sense of hearing
162. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
163. show ge___e regret *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
164. sp___ic instructions *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
165. he___ss victims *adj.* unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help
166. si___m series *n.* a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations, typically presented in a half-hour format
167. re_____ly arranged *adv.* at regular intervals or times
168. po_____ph interrogation *n.* a machine that measures physiological responses such as heart rate, respiration, and skin conductance, used especially as a lie detector in criminal investigations or other circumstances where truthfulness is questioned

ANSWERS: 160. comedy, 161. acoustic, 162. conversation, 163. genuine, 164. specific, 165. helpless, 166. sitcom, 167. regularly, 168. polygraph

169. tie c__p *n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
170. br_____nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
171. a theoretical concept in neu_____nce *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
172. a sense of sat_____ion *n.* a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something
173. und_____ate the probability *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
174. maintain a ma__o image *adj.* characterized by a strong sense of masculinity or male dominance, often in a way that is perceived as arrogant or aggressive
175. en____us potential *adj.* extremely large or great
176. r_b cage *n.* each of a series of curved bones that are connected to the spine and surround the chest; (adjective) subject to laughter or ridicule
177. at p__k hour *n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
178. historical no__l *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before

ANSWERS: 169. clip, 170. brilliant, 171. neuroscience, 172. satisfaction, 173. underestimate, 174. macho, 175. enormous, 176. rib, 177. peak, 178. novel

179. und_____ate an enemy *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
180. 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
181. 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
182. as_____te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
183. na__l bone *adj.* relating to the nose or the sense of smell; characterized by or involving the nasal passage
184. 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
185. oc___y his time *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
186. l_b instrument *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
187. sq_____e a lemon *v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness
188. chi_____ee society *n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur

ANSWERS: 179. underestimate, 180. spot, 181. develop, 182. associate, 183. nasal, 184. spot, 185. occupy, 186. lab, 187. squeeze, 188. chimpanzee

189. nu____d view *adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.
190. p__e a significant threat to my company *v.* to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed
191. wh_____e for help *v.* to make a high-pitched sound by forcing breath through a small opening, usually with the lips or fingers; (noun) a piece of equipment that forces air or steam against an edge or into a cavity and so produces a loud shrill sound
192. the p__k current in the circuit *n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
193. pr_____e a better relationship *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
194. phe_____lly quick *adv.* extremely or exceptionally, especially in a way that is surprising
195. at the height of pu_____y. *n.* the process of a person's physical changes through which their sexual organs develop and become capable of reproduction
196. sin_____al function *adj.* having a smooth, curved shape like a sine wave; characterized by regular, rhythmic oscillations or fluctuations
197. o_d behavior *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two

ANSWERS: 189. nuanced, 190. pose, 191. whistle, 192. peak, 193. promote, 194. phenomenally, 195. puberty, 196. sinusoidal, 197. odd

198. as_____te alcohol with gambling *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
199. artifact of a pr_____ve humankind *adj.* of or relating to an early stage of society with no industry or technological development; simple, naive, or old-fashioned in style
200. na__l congestion *adj.* relating to the nose or the sense of smell; characterized by or involving the nasal passage
201. a full-text in__x *n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index
202. c_e card *n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something
203. the tr__k of the body *n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
204. co_____st two things *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
205. inv_____ry muscles *adj.* acting or done without or against one's will
206. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
207. au_____ry system *adj.* of or relating to hearing or the ability to hear

ANSWERS: 198. associate, 199. primitive, 200. nasal, 201. index, 202. cue, 203. trunk, 204. contrast, 205. involuntary, 206. psychology, 207. auditory

208. afraid to show em____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
209. co____ct law *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
210. exp_____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
211. ob_____e a tradition *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
212. vo_____ry action *adj.* done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced
213. pr_____e sanctuary *n.* any mammal of the order Primates, which includes monkeys, apes, and humans
214. sc___m at him to be quiet *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
215. the branch of neu_____nce *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
216. make an in_____ct report *adj.* not in accordance with fact or truth or not accurate

ANSWERS: 208. emotion, 209. contract, 210. experiment, 211. observe, 212. voluntary, 213. primate, 214. scream, 215. neuroscience, 216. incorrect

217. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
218. 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
219. visual c_e *n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something
220. basic br__n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
221. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
222. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
223. spread of f__e news *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
224. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
225. stay phy_____ly fit *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

ANSWERS: 217. emotional, 218. movement, 219. cue, 220. brain, 221. context, 222. relation, 223. fake, 224. process, 225. physically

226. clarify am_____us points	<i>adj.</i> open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided
227. a friendly con_____ion	<i>n.</i> an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
228. the onset of pu_____y	<i>n.</i> the process of a person's physical changes through which their sexual organs develop and become capable of reproduction
229. with unp_____nt body odor	<i>adj.</i> not enjoyable or comfortable
230. the state of being we__d	<i>adj.</i> extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
231. he_____ss baby	<i>adj.</i> unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help
232. en_____er a crisis	<i>v.</i> to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
233. int_____on among human beings	<i>n.</i> the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
234. ecology and evo_____ary biology	<i>adj.</i> relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms
235. ho_____le accident	<i>adj.</i> extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
236. popular si_____m	<i>n.</i> a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations, typically presented in a half-hour format

ANSWERS: 226. ambiguous, 227. conversation, 228. puberty, 229. unpleasant, 230. weird, 231. helpless, 232. encounter, 233. interaction, 234. evolutionary, 235. horrible, 236. sitcom

237. 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
238. AI expert *n.* (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation
239. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
240. b__d as a family *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
241. racial or____n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
242. re____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
243. sin_____al wave *adj.* having a smooth, curved shape like a sine wave; characterized by regular, rhythmic oscillations or fluctuations
244. complete no____ly *adv.* usually; under normal conditions

ANSWERS: 237. develop, 238. AI, 239. communicate, 240. bond, 241. origin, 242. relative, 243. sinusoidal, 244. normally

245. global b__d market *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
246. woolly pa__s *n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
247. vi_____e by X-ray *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
248. vo_____ry participation *adj.* done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced
249. or___n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
250. ri_____e injury *n.* the bony structure in the chest that protects the heart and lungs, composed of twelve pairs of curved bones called ribs that are joined to the spine in the back and the breastbone (sternum) in the front
251. camera st__p *n.* a long, narrow strip or belt of leather, fabric, or another material used for binding, fastening, or supporting something or someone; a band or string that attaches one object to another, often used to secure items during transport
252. employment co_____ct *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

ANSWERS: 245. bond, 246. pants, 247. visible, 248. voluntary, 249. origin, 250. ribcage, 251. strap, 252. contract

253. bo___g work *adj.* lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull
254. co_____st with a decade ago *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
255. the common but nu_____d opinion *adj.* characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.
256. short video c__p *n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
257. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
258. wh___e sickly *v.* to breathe with difficulty, usually accompanied by a whistling or rattling sound; to make a high-pitched or whistling sound

ANSWERS: 253. boring, 254. contrast, 255. nuanced, 256. clip, 257. communicate, 258. wheeze

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
2. The brainwave displayed a _____ pattern during the sleep study.
adj. having a smooth, curved shape like a sine wave; characterized by regular, rhythmic oscillations or fluctuations
3. She walked to the _____ to freshen up before the meeting.
n. a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
4. The band was _____ out old songs in response to audience requests.
v. to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body
5. Is this painting _____ or forged?
adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
6. She had a master's degree in _____.
n. the scientific study of mind and behavior
7. During the unloading, the container box _____ a clicking sound.
v. to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
8. He became _____ successful in the entertainment industry.
adv. extremely or exceptionally, especially in a way that is surprising

ANSWERS: 1. opportune, 2. sinusoidal, 3. toilet, 4. belting, 5. genuine, 6. psychology, 7. emits, 8. phenomenally

9. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.
- n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
10. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.
- v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
11. The cerebral _____ consists of six layers.
- n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain
12. Many scientists study _____ behavior and intelligence.
- n.* any mammal of the order Primates, which includes monkeys, apes, and humans
13. He fastens some sheets of paper with a _____.
- n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
14. The drug's side effects can include _____ loss of urine.
- adj.* acting or done without or against one's will
15. After the accident, the doctors found multiple fractures in his _____ and advised him complete rest.
- n.* the bony structure in the chest that protects the heart and lungs, composed of twelve pairs of curved bones called ribs that are joined to the spine in the back and the breastbone (sternum) in the front
16. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.
- n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

ANSWERS: 9. interaction, 10. expand, 11. cortex, 12. primate, 13. clip, 14. involuntary, 15. ribcage, 16. brain

17. Shakespeare's output of poetry was _____.

adj. extremely large or great

18. 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

19. 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

20. The ground acts as an _____ barrier against outside sounds.

adj. relating to sound or the sense of hearing

21. The director gave the actor a ____ to begin the scene.

n. a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something

22. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

23. The patient's face twitched in _____ as the dentist started drilling her tooth.

n. a sudden, involuntary contraction of a muscle, causing a range of sensations from mild discomfort to severe pain; a sudden outburst or brief episode of intense emotion or activity

24. Marketing strategies are growing more _____.

adj. having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion

ANSWERS: 17. enormous, 18. relations, 19. develop, 20. acoustic, 21. cue, 22. conversation, 23. spasms, 24. sophisticated

25. This accident was something that happened _____.

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

26. These models explain why you can't _____ yourself.

v. to lightly touch a sensitive part of somebody's body in a way that makes them laugh

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

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

28. This site _____ shares high-quality academic materials.

adv. at regular intervals or times

29. _____ algorithms can find ways to optimize that humans do not anticipate.

adj. relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms

30. In this culture, men are initiated when they reach _____.

n. the process of a person's physical changes through which their sexual organs develop and become capable of reproduction

31. The government should do more to _____ sustainable agribusiness.

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

32. The lecture was so _____ that many people fell asleep.

adj. lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull

33. The _____ nerve carries sound signals from the ear to the brain.

adj. of or relating to hearing or the ability to hear

ANSWERS: 25. necessarily, 26. tickle, 27. royal, 28. regularly, 29. Evolutionary, 30. puberty, 31. promote, 32. boring, 33. auditory

34. The young prince will soon _____ the throne.

v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time

35. He left his wife an _____ fortune.

adj. extremely large or great

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

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

37. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.

n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

38. Having a _____ healthy physique is essential for a great life.

adv. in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

39. Her _____ manner relaxed everyone there.

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

40. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's _____.

n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

41. The _____ has largely gotten positive feedback.

n. an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before

ANSWERS: 34. occupy, 35. immense, 36. process, 37. emotions, 38. physically, 39. gentle, 40. lab, 41. novel

42. It was his first _____ love.

adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

43. The sommelier can distinguish _____ variance in the flavor of the wine.

adj. characterized by subtle differences in appearance, meaning, sound, etc.

44. Please don't _____ me while I'm studying.

v. to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

45. My home is easily _____ from the shore.

adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view

46. He bated his _____ when talking about this affair.

n. the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs

47. My ___ always knew how to comfort me when I was feeling down.

n. a British term for "mom" or "mother"; (adjective) failing to speak or communicate when expected to do so

48. I always wear _____ when I go outside, even in the summer.

n. an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs

49. She kept _____ for an ambulance.

v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

50. 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: 42. romantic, 43. nuanced, 44. distract, 45. visible, 46. breath, 47. mum, 48. pants, 49. screaming, 50. encounter

51. They each choose _____ to battle.

adv. in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless

52. His arm was swollen and _____ red.

adv. very badly; to a great extent or very much

53. We had to go through a _____ course.

adj. having short sharp turns or angles

54. The mediated settlement brought _____ to both sides.

n. a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something

55. They frequently _____ their abilities and felt inferior.

v. to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is

56. My computer has been acting _____ recently.

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

57. The instructions provided were _____ and confused the team.

adj. open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided

58. This evidence will form the _____ for our discussion.

n. the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

59. The company signed a _____ with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

n. a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

ANSWERS: 51. nonetheless, 52. terribly, 53. zigzag, 54. satisfaction, 55. underestimated, 56. weird, 57. ambiguous, 58. basis, 59. contract

60. This medicine works best when taken at the _____ of a cold.
n. the beginning or early stages of unpleasant something; a military attack
61. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.
n. the first existence or beginning of something
62. The ____ for the video game added new features and improved gameplay.
n. a modification or alteration, typically one made to improve something or increase its functionality; a British teenager or young adult in the 1960s, noted for their clothes consciousness and opposition to the rockers
63. Some people refuse to take a _____ test because they believe it is unreliable.
n. a machine that measures physiological responses such as heart rate, respiration, and skin conductance, used especially as a lie detector in criminal investigations or other circumstances where truthfulness is questioned
64. I don't _____ take a vacation in the middle of summer.
adv. usually; under normal conditions
65. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
66. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.
adv. now or without delay
67. He looked for an opportunity to _____ that actor in public.
v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

ANSWERS: 60. onset, 61. origin, 62. mod, 63. polygraph, 64. normally, 65. assumes, 66. immediately, 67. embarrass

68. The stock market _____ measures the performance of a group of stocks.

n. a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index

69. The researchers conducted a _____ study on the effects of the new medication.

adj. relating to or measuring along the length of an object or course or longitude (= the angular distance between a point on any meridian and the prime meridian at Greenwich); running downwards rather than across

70. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

71. The scientist conducted a study that provided _____ details about the species' behavior.

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

72. I love to watch _____ when I need a good laugh.

n. a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations, typically presented in a half-hour format

73. The program is _____ so participants can choose whether or not to take part.

adj. done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced

74. The disease is highly _____ and spreads quickly.

adj. able to be passed on to others through contact or proximity, especially by infection or disease

ANSWERS: 68. index, 69. longitudinal, 70. relatives, 71. specific, 72. sitcoms, 73. voluntary, 74. contagious

75. _____ I know the answer to that question.

adv. by the way; as an aside or in passing

76. All humans are _____ and will eventually die.

adj. subject to death; unrelenting and deadly

77. I need to _____ my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

78. The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and _____ it

adj. not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

79. They study the _____ of the universe.

n. a gradual process of transformation of living things

80. His _____ showed highly positive results.

n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

81. The sound of his chewing loudly _____ me during dinner.

v. to annoy, provoke, or cause resentment or anger in someone; to inflame or make sore

82. The _____ of the economy has led to job losses.

n. the act or process of becoming smaller or shorter in size, volume, or amount

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

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

ANSWERS: 75. Incidentally, 76. mortal, 77. maintain, 78. faked, 79. evolution, 80. experiments, 81. irritates, 82. contraction, 83. exciting

84. They had formed a friendship _____.

- n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

85. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.

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

86. His gaffe spoiled the _____ of the dinner party.

- n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind

87. Some doctor says _____ is the best medicine.

- n.* the act or sound of laughing

88. He has terminal _____ cancer.

- n.* either of the two organs in the chest that people and some animals use for breathing

89. There was a chemical _____ of the lime with the groundwater.

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

90. The athlete tightened the _____ on his running shoes before the race.

- n.* a long, narrow strip or belt of leather, fabric, or another material used for binding, fastening, or supporting something or someone; a band or string that attaches one object to another, often used to secure items during transport

91. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.

- v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

ANSWERS: 84. bond, 85. communicate, 86. mood, 87. laughter, 88. lung, 89. reaction, 90. strap, 91. evolved

92. It's intriguing to compare and _____ the two authors.

v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences

93. The accident caused a cracked _____.

n. each of a series of curved bones that are connected to the spine and surround the chest; (adjective) subject to laughter or ridicule

94. The majority of consumers _____ this brand with quality.

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

95. 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

96. Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral _____.

n. the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system

97. His _____ posturing was just a cover for his insecurities and lack of confidence.

adj. characterized by a strong sense of masculinity or male dominance, often in a way that is perceived as arrogant or aggressive

98. I feel so _____ without you.

adj. unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help

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

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

ANSWERS: 92. contrast, 93. rib, 94. associate, 95. spot, 96. neuroscience, 97. macho, 98. helpless, 99. brilliant

100. The experience was _____ and left a lasting impression.

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

101. I love going to see live _____ shows with my friends.

n. a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

102. It is important to _____ safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

103. She stood on the podium and _____ an audience.

v. to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

104. This measurement aims to reduce traffic at _____ periods.

n. the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain

105. The _____ muscles are essential for breathing.

adj. located between or among the ribs; relating to the intercostal muscles, which aid in breathing by raising and lowering the ribcage

106. Bananas have their _____ taste and odor.

n. a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody

ANSWERS: 100. horrible, 101. comedy, 102. observe, 103. scanned, 104. peak, 105. intercostal, 106. characteristic

107. They have been living near water since _____ times.

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

108. 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

109. The professor's research in _____ has led to groundbreaking discoveries in the field of brain science.

n. a field of biology that studies the structure, function, and development of the nervous system, including the brain, spinal cord, and peripheral nerves encompassing a wide range of research topics, including the molecular and cellular processes involved in neural signaling, the organization of neural circuits, and the neural basis of behavior, cognition, and emotion

110. He found my English sentences are _____.

adj. not in accordance with fact or truth or not accurate

111. She _____ the toothpaste tube from the middle to get the last bit out.

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

112. The evolution of processors has dramatically improved the performance of ____.

n. (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation

ANSWERS: 107. ancient, 108. movement, 109. neurobiology, 110. incorrect, 111. squeezed, 112. AI

113. Many zoos have _____ exhibits, allowing visitors to observe these intelligent primates up close.
- n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur
114. The _____ spray helped alleviate my allergies.
- adj.* relating to the nose or the sense of smell; characterized by or involving the nasal passage
115. His grandfather was an _____ man.
- adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
116. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
- n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
117. The scientist analyzed the large _____ to conclude the experiment.
- n.* a structured collection of data that is compiled and processed in a computer system or program, typically for analysis, research, or machine learning purposes
118. I need to _____ this document before submitting it to my boss.
- v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
119. It's important to be _____ even when you disagree with someone.
- adj.* showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior
120. Destructive fungi thrive in moist environments, such as those seen in wounds on the _____.
- n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow

ANSWERS: 113. chimpanzee, 114. nasal, 115. odd, 116. context, 117. dataset, 118. edit, 119. polite, 120. trunk

121. The chemicals _____ a massive health risk.

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

122. It is _____ to see criminal behavior even though it is minor.

adj. not enjoyable or comfortable

123. The _____ older man snapped at the children for playing too loudly.

adj. easily annoyed or irritable; inclined to complain or show dissatisfaction, often in an ill-tempered way

124. The employee decided to _____ on the company's illegal activities.

v. to make a high-pitched sound by forcing breath through a small opening, usually with the lips or fingers; (noun) a piece of equipment that forces air or steam against an edge or into a cavity and so produces a loud shrill sound

125. The asthmatic child began to _____ after running too fast.

v. to breathe with difficulty, usually accompanied by a whistling or rattling sound; to make a high-pitched or whistling sound

126. The industry in this country is still _____.

adj. of or relating to an early stage of society with no industry or technological development; simple, naive, or old-fashioned in style

127. Her voice gradually increased in _____.

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

128. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

adj. relating to people's feelings

ANSWERS: 121. pose, 122. unpleasant, 123. grumpy, 124. whistle-blow, 125. wheeze, 126. primitive, 127. pitch, 128. emotional

129. My wife seems to be in ill _____.

n. the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body

ANSWERS: 129. humor