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Session 1: Word List

downtown

adv. in or towards the central area of a town or city

synonym: central, city-center, urban

(1) **downtown** building, (2) **downtown** traffic

He decided to take a walk **downtown** area to explore the city.

bartender

n. a person who serves drinks, especially alcoholic beverages, at a bar

synonym: barman, mixologist, server

(1) professional **bartender**, (2) moonlight as a **bartender**

The chief **bartender** mixed the ingredients to create a new and exciting cocktail.

shift

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

synonym: transition, change, modification

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

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

pregnant

adj. having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus

synonym: expectant

(1) needs of **pregnant** women, (2) a silence **pregnant** with suspense

She vacated the position when she got **pregnant**.

hesitation

n. the act of pausing or being slow before saying or doing something, especially because you feel uncertain or nervous

synonym: unwillingness, indecision, uncertainty

(1) perform without **hesitation**, (2) after some **hesitation**

There was a **hesitation** in her speech.

abortion

n. the intentional termination of a pregnancy at an early stage

synonym: miscarriage

(1) **abortion** doctor, (2) the highly charged issue of **abortion**

We strongly oppose the **abortion** ban.

graduated

adj. having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees

synonym: completed, finished, earned

(1) **graduated** taxation, (2) **graduated** flask

She was a **graduated** student of a prestigious university.

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.

decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

synonym: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

criteria

n. (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided

synonym: bars, benchmarks, standards

(1) **criteria** for action, (2) consistency **criteria**

He didn't meet all the **criteria**, but he was hired anyway.

decision

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

regret

v. to feel sad, repentant, or disappointed over something you have done or something you have not been able to do

synonym: apologize, deplore, lament

(1) **regret** a decision, (2) **regret** being so careless

I **regret** to say that you did not gain admission to the university.

nation

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

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

trail

n. a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind

synonym: footpath, track, course

(1) a warm **trail**, (2) follow the **trail**

The storm left a **trail** of destruction behind it.

anniversary

n. the annual recurrence of a date marking a notable event; a date on which an event occurred in a previous year

synonym : commemoration, celebration, observance

(1) **anniversary** celebration, (2) a bicentennial **anniversary**

They celebrated their 10th **anniversary** with a romantic dinner.

roe

n. the eggs or egg-filled ovaries of female fish, typically used as a food item

synonym : fish eggs, caviar, spawn

(1) **roe** production, (2) salmon **roe**

The restaurant serves delicious sushi made with fresh **roe**.

wade

v. to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people

synonym : paddle, trudge, slish

(1) **wade** down a street, (2) **wade** through paperwork

I had to **wade** through the knee-deep water to get to the other side of the river.

communal

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

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

surf

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

synonym : browse, scan, paddle

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

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

Christ

n. the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

synonym : Savior, Jesus Christ, Jesus

(1) teaching of **Christ**, (2) before **Christ**

Christmas is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

fortunate

adj. having good luck or lucky

synonym : fortuitous, lucky, blessed

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

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

pro-life

adj. describing beliefs, policies, or advocacy that support the protection and preservation of human life, particularly about issues such as abortion, euthanasia, and capital punishment, focusing on the value and rights of the unborn or vulnerable individuals

synonym : anti-abortion, pro-birth, anti-choice

(1) **pro-life** legislation, (2) **pro-life** stance

The **pro-life** movement advocates for the protection of unborn children.

accord

n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have

synonym : alliance, pact, agreement

(1) **accord** with public opinion, (2) binational **accord**

The organization finally signed a peace **accord**.

institute

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

synonym : academy, university, college

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

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

lifetime

n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
synonym : lifespan, duration

(1) **lifetime** benefits, (2) **lifetime** ban from the sport
She had lived through two world wars in her **lifetime**.

dialogue

n. a conversation in a book, play, or film
synonym : conversation, discussion, talk

(1) Platonic **dialogues**, (2) the form of a **dialogue**
He recorded the **dialogue** at the time of the incident.

statistics

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**
The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

pro-choice

adj. advocating for the right of women to have control over their reproductive health and decisions, especially regarding abortion

synonym : pro-abortion, pro-reproductive rights, pro-women's choice

(1) **pro-choice** movement, (2) **pro-choice** stance
Those who are **pro-choice** believe in providing women with access to safe and legal abortions.

polar

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

synonym : opposing, contrary, contrasting

(1) **polar** bears, (2) **polar** regions
Polar animals are graceful and efficient swimmers.

debate

n. a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing

perspectives

synonym: argument, discussion, dispute

(1) **debate** topic, (2) **debate** competition

The **debate** over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

fellow

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

synonym: buddy, mate, affiliate

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

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

gap

n. a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.

synonym: opening, lacuna, spread

(1) the **gap** between ideal and reality, (2) distance **gap**

Many people are working together to close the gender **gap**.

battlefield

n. a place where a battle or conflict is fought

synonym: warzone, front line, combat area

(1) **battlefield** casualties, (2) tactics on the **battlefield**

The general reviewed the plans for the upcoming battle on the **battlefield**.

stance

n. a way of thinking about something, especially expressed publicly; attitude or position of a standing person or animal

synonym: attitude, standpoint, viewpoint

(1) change her **stance**, (2) the batting **stance**

He continued to support her political **stance**.

conflict

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

synonym: clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding

conflict

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

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.

cofounder

n. one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

(1) **cofounder** of the university, (2) late **cofounder**

He is the **cofounder** and chairman of this tech company.

exhale

v. to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently

synonym: breathe out, expel, emit

(1) **exhale** a big sigh, (2) **exhale** cigarette smoke

He took a deep breath and slowly began to **exhale**.

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.

judgment

n. the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

synonym: conclusion, decision, determination

(1) an emotional **judgment**, (2) deliver a **judgment**

Her **judgments** are consistently rational and sensible.

framework

n. the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text

synonym: structure, scheme, foundation

(1) legal **framework**, (2) the **framework** of a house
He devised a new analytical **framework** to capture the phenomenon.

feminist

adj. describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women;
(noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women

synonym : egalitarian

(1) **feminist** movement, (2) **feminist** perspective

The **feminist** ideals of inclusivity and diversity are important in creating a more just and equal world.

Catholic

adj. universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

(1) **catholic** in his tastes, (2) the **Catholic** Church

Sociologists are now interested in **catholic** world peace.

grateful

adj. feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful

synonym : thankful, appreciative, indebted

(1) a **grateful** breeze, (2) put a **grateful** expression

She was **grateful** for the help he provided.

neat

adj. clean or tidy, with everything in its place

synonym : tidy, uncluttered, refined

(1) a **neat** piece of work, (2) **neat** idea

She has **neat** habits.

invention

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

synonym : creation, design, innovation

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

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

struggle

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

synonym : toil, strive, compete

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

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

immigration

n. the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country

synonym : migration, settlement, emigration

(1) **immigration** control, (2) **immigration** application

The **immigration** policy in this country is stringent, making it difficult for many people to obtain a visa.

religion

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

synonym : faith, creed, belief

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

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

tolerance

n. the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant

synonym : acceptance, patience, forbearance

(1) religious **tolerance**, (2) **tolerance** for risk

The school's diversity program aimed to promote **tolerance** and understanding among the students.

violent

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

synonym : aggressive, intense, turbulent

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

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

immediate

adj. happening or done without delay or occurring shortly after something else

synonym: prompt, quick, instantaneous

(1) take **immediate** effect, (2) the **immediate** past

Both forts were subject to **immediate** attacks.

terminal

n. a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route

synonym: endpoint, final, concluding

(1) **terminal** disease, (2) a **terminal** syllable

The **terminal** at the airport is where passengers catch their flights.

storytelling

n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories

synonym: narrating, relating, recounting

(1) **storytelling** performance, (2) courtroom **storytelling**

She was skilled in **storytelling** techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

hallmark

n. a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing

synonym: symbol, authentication, indication

(1) the **hallmark** of a good scientist, (2) the **hallmark** of modern life

A clear and simple expression is the **hallmark** of good writing.

breakthrough

n. a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem

synonym: advance, progress, innovation

(1) **breakthrough** in the negotiations, (2) **breakthrough** discovery

A technique called deep learning has led to **breakthroughs** in AI.

sisterhood

n. a close association of women based on shared interests or goals; the sense of solidarity and loyalty that exists among women

synonym : sisterliness, sisterly relationship, sorority

(1) **sisterhood** bond, (2) **sisterhood** solidarity

Playing on the same sports team has created a **sisterhood** between the athletes.

slam

v. to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily

synonym : bang, crash, shut

(1) **slam** the door, (2) **slam** the book against a wall

She **slammed** the door shut, angry at the person on the other side.

vulnerable

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

synonym : susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body

Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

exhaust

n. the system in a vehicle that removes waste gases from the engine; (verb) to make someone completely tired

synonym : emission, fumes, (verb) deplete

(1) **exhaust** pipe, (2) **exhaust** a topic

The factory's **exhaust** fumes polluted the air and affected the health of the nearby residents.

perception

n. a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

synonym : understanding, idea, awareness

(1) keen **perception**, (2) **perception** of a stimulus

He is a man admired for the depth of his **perception**.

lens

n. a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger,

smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

synonym : glass

(1) a convex **lens**, (2) a **lens** with a wide angle

The photographer took this photo using a telephoto **lens**.

open-ended

adj. without any limits or restrictions; allowing for a spontaneous response

synonym : unlimited, unrestricted, flexible

(1) an **open-ended** discussion, (2) **open-ended** agreements

Most people who saw the film were dissatisfied with the **open-ended** ending.

fetus

n. an unborn or unhatched animal in the later stages of development showing the main recognizable features of the mature animal

(1) development of the **fetus**, (2) an aborted **fetus**

The female vagina is elastic enough to allow the passage of a **fetus**.

gender

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

synonym : sexuality

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

Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

convey

v. to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another

synonym : communicate, transfer, deliver

(1) **convey** a complex idea, (2) **convey** goods by truck

An ironic remark often **conveys** an intended meaning obliquely.

counselor

n. a person trained to give advice and help people deal with personal or emotional problems

synonym: advisor, consultant, therapist

(1) **counselor** office, (2) admissions **counselor**

She is a school **counselor** dedicated to helping students navigate academic and personal challenges.

volunteer

n. a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do

synonym: unpaid worker, draftee, enlistee

(1) seek **volunteers**, (2) my **volunteer** work

The teachers make full use of **volunteer** assistance.

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.

circumstance

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

synonym: condition, context, environment

(1) **circumstance** of birth, (2) **circumstance** of injury

She explained the **circumstances** surrounding the accident.

adoption

n. the action or fact of legally taking another's child as one's own; the act of accepting with approval

synonym: fostering, acceptance, custody

(1) **adoption** assistance, (2) the **adoption** of a plan

The **adoption** process can be long and difficult, but it is worth it for the love of a child.

relief

n. a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced

synonym: remedy, consolation, alleviation

(1) tax **relief**, (2) sigh of **relief**

He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian **relief** fund.

confidence

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

synonym: self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

empathy

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

synonym: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

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

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

flaw

n. a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

synonym: defect, fault, imperfection

(1) a minor **flaw**, (2) the **flaw** in the legislation

Even the slightest design **flaw** in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

imperfectly

adv. in a faulty or incomplete way

synonym: amiss, insufficiently, clumsily

(1) **imperfectly** developed, (2) **imperfectly** known disease

He created an **imperfectly** shaped torso.

overcome

v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

synonym: beat, confound, overwhelm

(1) **overcome** opponents, (2) **overcome** all difficulties

He tried to **overcome** a bad reputation and win the election.

stigma

n. a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person

synonym: mark, blemish, disgrace

(1) social **stigma**, (2) **stigma** against obesity

The mental health **stigma** often prevents people from

seeking treatment.

sham

n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

synonym: bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**

The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

prejudice

n. a thought or feeling that is unfair and makes no sense, mainly when it is formed without enough thought or knowledge

synonym: bias, preconception, predisposition

(1) deep-rooted **prejudice**, (2) color **prejudice**

This community is free of social **prejudice**.

discriminate

v. to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things

synonym: show prejudice, segregate, differentiate

(1) **discriminate** against women employees,

(2) **discriminate** between different things

You should not **discriminate** against minorities.

oppress

v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

synonym: antagonize, distress, burden

(1) **oppress** the minority, (2) **oppress** the people with force

Historically, many countries have often **oppressed** certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.

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.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
synonym: thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

scared

adj. afraid or frightened
synonym: frightened, fearful, dreading

(1) **scared** all the time, (2) **scared** dog

I'm **scared** of insects.

freak

n. an abnormality that is not typical or expected
synonym: anomaly, deviation, oddity

(1) a rock **freak**, (2) **freak** weather

The **freak** accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.

awesome

adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

synonym: miraculous, marvelous, astounding

(1) **awesome** mental faculty, (2) have an **awesome** birthday

There is a lot of **awesome** nature and food in Hawaii.

dramatic

adj. very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement

synonym: striking, theatrical, breathtaking

(1) make **dramatic** changes, (2) a **dramatic** rescue at sea

The statement had a **dramatic** impact on house prices.

departure

n. the act of leaving, especially to start a journey
synonym: leaving, exit, flight

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

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

politic

adj. wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions

synonym: wise, tactful, expedient

(1) a **politic** decision, (2) heal the body **politic**

She was **politic** in her behavior.

stigmatize

v. to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect

synonym: brand, mark, denounce

(1) **stigmatize** the deviant as criminal, (2) **stigmatize** him as a swindler

She was **stigmatized** by society because she had a child out of wedlock.

discuss

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

synonym: talk about, converse, debate

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

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

poverty

n. the condition of being extremely poor

synonym: deprivation, destitution, poorness

(1) **poverty** alleviation, (2) the cycle of **poverty**

Many studies have investigated the relationship between **poverty** and academic achievement.

incarceration

n. the state of being confined in prison or jail

synonym: confinement, imprisonment, detention

(1) mass **incarceration**, (2) **incarceration** rates

The judge sentenced him to five years of **incarceration** for embezzlement.

definition

n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

synonym: description, connotation, meaning

(1) a precise **definition**, (2) the **definition** of a word
Parallel lines are, by **definition**, lines on the same plane that never cross.

spectrum

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

synonym: range, scale, spread

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

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22. put a gr_____ul expression *adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
23. de_____re from tradition *n.* the act of leaving, especially to start a journey
24. per_____on of a stimulus *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
25. a s__m battle *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
26. em_____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
27. deliver a ju_____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
28. ex_____t pipe *n.* the system in a vehicle that removes waste gases from the engine; (verb) to make someone completely tired

ANSWERS: 19. shift, 20. graduated, 21. decide, 22. grateful, 23. departure, 24. perception, 25. sham, 26. empathy, 27. judgment, 28. exhaust

29. co___y a complex idea
v. to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another
30. full of em____y
n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
31. co_____or office
n. a person trained to give advice and help people deal with personal or emotional problems
32. pr_____fe stance
adj. describing beliefs, policies, or advocacy that support the protection and preservation of human life, particularly about issues such as abortion, euthanasia, and capital punishment, focusing on the value and rights of the unborn or vulnerable individuals
33. co_____al swimming pool
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
34. a broad sp_____um of opinion
n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
35. sc____d dog
adj. afraid or frightened
36. the fr_____rk of a house
n. the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
37. di_____s options
v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

ANSWERS: 29. convey, 30. empathy, 31. counselor, 32. pro-life, 33. communal, 34. spectrum, 35. scared, 36. framework, 37. discuss

38. st___a against obesity *n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
39. research in_____tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
40. professional ba_____er *n.* a person who serves drinks, especially alcoholic beverages, at a bar
41. turn out to be all s__m *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
42. distance g_p *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
43. imm_____on control *n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
44. admissions co_____or *n.* a person trained to give advice and help people deal with personal or emotional problems
45. the form of a di_____ue *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
46. li_____me benefits *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
47. r_e production *n.* the eggs or egg-filled ovaries of female fish, typically used as a food item
48. make dr_____ic changes *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement

ANSWERS: 38. stigma, 39. institute, 40. bartender, 41. sham, 42. gap, 43. immigration, 44. counselor, 45. dialogue, 46. lifetime, 47. roe, 48. dramatic

49. de____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
50. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
51. keen per_____on *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
52. the state of being we__d *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
53. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
54. aw_____e mental faculty *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
55. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
56. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

ANSWERS: 49. decision, 50. debate, 51. perception, 52. weird, 53. relation, 54. awesome, 55. debate, 56. decision

57. a silence pr_____nt with suspense *adj.* having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus
58. in_____te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
59. the Ca_____ic Church *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
60. imp_____ly known disease *adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way
61. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
62. boost my con_____ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
63. an ope_____ed discussion *adj.* without any limits or restrictions; allowing for a spontaneous response
64. bre_____ugh discovery *n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem
65. st_____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
66. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 57. pregnant, 58. institute, 59. Catholic, 60. imperfectly, 61. nation, 62. confidence, 63. open-ended, 64. breakthrough, 65. struggle, 66. decide

67. legal fr_____rk *n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
68. con_____us virus *adj.* able to be passed on to others through contact or proximity, especially by infection or disease
69. re___t a decision *v.* to feel sad, repentant, or disappointed over something you have done or something you have not been able to do
70. s__m the door *v.* to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily
71. a dr_____ic rescue at sea *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
72. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
73. con_____ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
74. the ha_____rk of modern life *n.* a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing
75. ac___d with public opinion *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
76. heal the body po_____c *adj.* wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
77. the im_____te past *adj.* happening or done without delay or occurring shortly after something else

ANSWERS: 67. framework, 68. contagious, 69. regret, 70. slam, 71. dramatic, 72. conversation, 73. confidence, 74. hallmark, 75. accord, 76. politic, 77. immediate

78. n__t idea *adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place
79. cr____ia for action *n.* (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided
80. freedom of re____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
81. a rock fr__k *n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected
82. cir_____nce of birth *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
83. inc_____ion rates *n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail
84. seek vo_____ers *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
85. a we__d dress *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
86. cir_____nce of injury *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
87. pro_____ce stance *adj.* advocating for the right of women to have control over their reproductive health and decisions, especially regarding abortion
88. to_____ce for risk *n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant

ANSWERS: 78. neat, 79. criteria, 80. religion, 81. freak, 82. circumstance, 83. incarceration, 84. volunteer, 85. weird, 86. circumstance, 87. pro-choice, 88. tolerance

89. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
90. a minor f__w *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
91. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
92. fo_____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
93. needs of pr_____nt women *adj.* having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus
94. courtroom sto_____ing *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
95. the batting st___e *n.* a way of thinking about something, especially expressed publicly; attitude or position of a standing person or animal
96. dual ge___r *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
97. po__r bears *adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
98. co_____er of the university *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
99. pro_____ce movement *adj.* advocating for the right of women to have control over their reproductive health and decisions, especially regarding abortion

ANSWERS: 89. statistics, 90. flaw, 91. conversation, 92. fortunate, 93. pregnant, 94. storytelling, 95. stance, 96. gender, 97. polar, 98. cofounder, 99. pro-choice

100. a te____al syllable *n.* a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route
101. the longstanding co____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
102. do____wn building *adv.* in or towards the central area of a town or city
103. color pr____ce *n.* a thought or feeling that is unfair and makes no sense, mainly when it is formed without enough thought or knowledge
104. a po____c decision *adj.* wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
105. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
106. tactics on the bat____ld *n.* a place where a battle or conflict is fought
107. imp____ly developed *adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way
108. an aborted fe__s *n.* an unborn or unhatched animal in the later stages of development showing the main recognizable features of the mature animal
109. ann____ry celebration *n.* the annual recurrence of a date marking a notable event; a date on which an event occurred in a previous year
110. social st__a *n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person

ANSWERS: 100. terminal, 101. conflict, 102. downtown, 103. prejudice, 104. politic, 105. shift, 106. battlefield, 107. imperfectly, 108. fetus, 109. anniversary, 110. stigma

111. Platonic di____ues *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
112. bat_____ld casualties *n.* a place where a battle or conflict is fought
113. deep-rooted pr_____ce *n.* a thought or feeling that is unfair and makes no sense, mainly when it is formed without enough thought or knowledge
114. follow the tr__l *n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind
115. nice fe___w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
116. ex_____t a topic *n.* the system in a vehicle that removes waste gases from the engine; (verb) to make someone completely tired
117. a bicentennial ann_____ry *n.* the annual recurrence of a date marking a notable event; a date on which an event occurred in a previous year
118. ov_____me all difficulties *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
119. s__f the Internet *v.* to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner

ANSWERS: 111. dialogue, 112. battlefield, 113. prejudice, 114. trail, 115. fellow, 116. exhaust, 117. anniversary, 118. overcome, 119. surf

120. gr_____ed taxation *adj.* having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
121. a vul_____le bridge *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
122. re_____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
123. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
124. s__f the waves *v.* to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner
125. infrared sp_____um *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
126. sto_____ing performance *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
127. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
128. sis_____od solidarity *n.* a close association of women based on shared interests or goals; the sense of solidarity and loyalty that exists among women
129. ad_____on assistance *n.* the action or fact of legally taking another's child as one's own; the act of accepting with approval

ANSWERS: 120. graduated, 121. vulnerable, 122. religion, 123. violent, 124. surf, 125. spectrum, 126. storytelling, 127. violent, 128. sisterhood, 129. adoption

130. development of the fe__s *n.* an unborn or unhatched animal in the later stages of development showing the main recognizable features of the mature animal
131. dis____ate against women employees *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
132. a convex l__s *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
133. a l__s with a wide angle *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
134. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
135. a precise def____on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
136. the f__w in the legislation *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

ANSWERS: 130. fetus, 131. discriminate, 132. lens, 133. lens, 134. nation, 135. definition, 136. flaw

137. the cycle of po____y *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
138. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
139. po____y alleviation *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
140. ab____on doctor *n.* the intentional termination of a pregnancy at an early stage
141. sti_____ze him as a swindler *v.* to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect
142. con_____us enthusiasm *adj.* able to be passed on to others through contact or proximity, especially by infection or disease
143. ov____me opponents *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
144. ex___e cigarette smoke *v.* to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently
145. bre_____ugh in the negotiations *n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem
146. pr____fe legislation *adj.* describing beliefs, policies, or advocacy that support the protection and preservation of human life, particularly about issues such as abortion, euthanasia, and capital punishment, focusing on the value and rights of the unborn or vulnerable individuals

ANSWERS: 137. poverty, 138. communal, 139. poverty, 140. abortion, 141. stigmatize, 142. contagious, 143. overcome, 144. exhale, 145. breakthrough, 146. pro-life

147. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
148. take im_____te effect *adj.* happening or done without delay or occurring shortly after something else
149. the highly charged issue of ab_____on *n.* the intentional termination of a pregnancy at an early stage
150. ca_____ic in his tastes *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
151. sis_____od bond *n.* a close association of women based on shared interests or goals; the sense of solidarity and loyalty that exists among women
152. w__e through paperwork *v.* to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people
153. after some hes_____on *n.* the act of pausing or being slow before saying or doing something, especially because you feel uncertain or nervous
154. ope_____ed agreements *adj.* without any limits or restrictions; allowing for a spontaneous response
155. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
156. sc___d all the time *adj.* afraid or frightened
157. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

ANSWERS: 147. relation, 148. immediate, 149. abortion, 150. Catholic, 151. sisterhood, 152. wade, 153. hesitation, 154. open-ended, 155. emotional, 156. scared, 157. excite

158. de_____re from the company *n.* the act of leaving, especially to start a journey
159. have an aw_____e birthday *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
160. less fo_____te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
161. te_____al disease *n.* a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route
162. moonlight as a ba_____er *n.* a person who serves drinks, especially alcoholic beverages, at a bar
163. junior fe_____w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
164. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
165. vul_____le parts of the body *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
166. religious to_____ce *n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant
167. re_____t being so careless *v.* to feel sad, repentant, or disappointed over something you have done or something you have not been able to do
168. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

ANSWERS: 158. departure, 159. awesome, 160. fortunate, 161. terminal, 162. bartender, 163. fellow, 164. invention, 165. vulnerable, 166. tolerance, 167. regret, 168. invention

169. s__m the book against a wall *v.* to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily
170. fe_____st movement *adj.* describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women; (noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women
171. the ad_____on of a plan *n.* the action or fact of legally taking another's child as one's own; the act of accepting with approval
172. before Ch____t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
173. a warm tr__l *n.* a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind
174. po__r regions *adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
175. the ha_____rk of a good scientist *n.* a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing
176. op_____s the minority *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

ANSWERS: 169. slam, 170. feminist, 171. adoption, 172. Christ, 173. trail, 174. polar, 175. hallmark, 176. oppress

177. op_____s the people with force *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
178. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
179. my vo_____er work *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
180. ex___e a big sigh *v.* to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently
181. imm_____on application *n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
182. the co_____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
183. fr___k weather *n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected
184. di_____s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
185. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
186. the def_____on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
187. change her st___e *n.* a way of thinking about something, especially expressed publicly; attitude or position of a standing person or animal

ANSWERS: 177. oppress, 178. emotional, 179. volunteer, 180. exhale, 181. immigration, 182. conflict, 183. freak, 184. discuss, 185. statistics, 186. definition, 187. stance

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The judge sentenced him to five years of _____ for embezzlement.
n. the state of being confined in prison or jail
2. There was a _____ in her speech.
n. the act of pausing or being slow before saying or doing something, especially because you feel uncertain or nervous
3. She was _____ by society because she had a child out of wedlock.
v. to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect
4. He created an _____ shaped torso.
adv. in a faulty or incomplete way
5. This device displayed the speech _____ spectrographically.
n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
6. The _____ time for the flight is 6:00 am.
n. the act of leaving, especially to start a journey
7. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.
n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
8. Many people are working together to close the gender _____.
n. a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.

ANSWERS: 1. incarceration, 2. hesitation, 3. stigmatized, 4. imperfectly, 5. spectrum, 6. departure, 7. conversation, 8. gap

9. He devised a new analytical _____ to capture the phenomenon.
n. the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
10. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
11. She was _____ in her behavior.
adj. wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
12. You should not _____ against minorities.
v. to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
13. The news of her promotion _____ her.
v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
14. This community is free of social _____.
n. a thought or feeling that is unfair and makes no sense, mainly when it is formed without enough thought or knowledge
15. Playing on the same sports team has created a _____ between the athletes.
n. a close association of women based on shared interests or goals; the sense of solidarity and loyalty that exists among women
16. The data he prepared was completely _____.
n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

ANSWERS: 9. framework, 10. religion, 11. politic, 12. discriminate, 13. excited, 14. prejudice, 15. sisterhood, 16. sham

17. He continued to support her political _____.

n. a way of thinking about something, especially expressed publicly; attitude or position of a standing person or animal

18. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

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

19. There is a lot of _____ nature and food in Hawaii.

adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

20. _____ animals are graceful and efficient swimmers.

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

21. The general reviewed the plans for the upcoming battle on the _____.

n. a place where a battle or conflict is fought

22. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

23. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.

adj. having good luck or lucky

24. Both forts were subject to _____ attacks.

adj. happening or done without delay or occurring shortly after something else

ANSWERS: 17. stance, 18. nation, 19. awesome, 20. Polar, 21. battlefield, 22. statistics, 23. fortunate, 24. immediate

25. I'll _____ the online store to see if I can find that item in a different color.
- v.* to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner
26. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.
- adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
27. Most people who saw the film were dissatisfied with the _____ ending.
- adj.* without any limits or restrictions; allowing for a spontaneous response
28. The photographer took this photo using a telephoto _____.
- n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
29. He is a man admired for the depth of his _____.
- n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
30. They celebrated their 10th _____ with a romantic dinner.
- n.* the annual recurrence of a date marking a notable event; a date on which an event occurred in a previous year
31. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
- n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

ANSWERS: 25. surf, 26. violent, 27. open-ended, 28. lens, 29. perception, 30. anniversary, 31. relations

32. We strongly oppose the _____ ban.

n. the intentional termination of a pregnancy at an early stage

33. My computer has been acting _____ recently.

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

34. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

35. The disease is highly _____ and spreads quickly.

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

36. The storm left a _____ of destruction behind it.

n. a path or track roughly through a countryside, mountain, or forest area, often made or used for a particular purpose; (verb) to lag or linger behind

37. I _____ to say that you did not gain admission to the university.

v. to feel sad, repentant, or disappointed over something you have done or something you have not been able to do

38. She has _____ habits.

adj. clean or tidy, with everything in its place

39. He recorded the _____ at the time of the incident.

n. a conversation in a book, play, or film

40. The _____ movement advocates for the protection of unborn children.

adj. describing beliefs, policies, or advocacy that support the protection and preservation of human life, particularly about issues such as abortion, euthanasia, and capital punishment, focusing on the value and rights of the unborn or vulnerable individuals

ANSWERS: 32. abortion, 33. weird, 34. decide, 35. contagious, 36. trail, 37. regret, 38. neat, 39. dialogue, 40. pro-life

41. Even the slightest design _____ in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.
n. a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
42. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.
n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
43. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
adj. relating to people's feelings
44. The school's diversity program aimed to promote _____ and understanding among the students.
n. the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant
45. She was a _____ student of a prestigious university.
adj. having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
46. He decided to take a walk _____ area to explore the city.
adv. in or towards the central area of a town or city
47. Those who are _____ believe in providing women with access to safe and legal abortions.
adj. advocating for the right of women to have control over their reproductive health and decisions, especially regarding abortion
48. A technique called deep learning has led to _____ in AI.
n. a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem

ANSWERS: 41. flaw, 42. conflicts, 43. emotional, 44. tolerance, 45. graduated, 46. downtown, 47. pro-choice, 48. breakthroughs

49. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.
v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
50. He is the kind of _____ who only works for his success.
adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
51. Skill and _____ are an unconquered army.
n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
52. The chief _____ mixed the ingredients to create a new and exciting cocktail.
n. a person who serves drinks, especially alcoholic beverages, at a bar
53. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
54. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
55. The _____ policy in this country is stringent, making it difficult for many people to obtain a visa.
n. the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
56. I'm _____ of insects.
adj. afraid or frightened

ANSWERS: 49. discuss, 50. fellow, 51. confidence, 52. bartender, 53. Empathy, 54. Communal, 55. immigration, 56. scared

57. He took a deep breath and slowly began to _____.
- v. to breathe out air or vapor from the lungs or mouth; to release or emit something slowly or gently
58. He didn't meet all the _____ but he was hired anyway.
- n. (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided
59. He tried to _____ a bad reputation and win the election.
- v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
60. She was skilled in _____ techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.
- n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories
61. The factory's _____ fumes polluted the air and affected the health of the nearby residents.
- n. the system in a vehicle that removes waste gases from the engine; (verb) to make someone completely tired
62. A clear and simple expression is the _____ of good writing.
- n. a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing
63. Could you help me _____ some furniture?
- n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
64. The _____ ideals of inclusivity and diversity are important in creating a more just and equal world.
- adj. describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women; (noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women

ANSWERS: 57. exhale, 58. criteria, 59. overcome, 60. storytelling, 61. exhaust, 62. hallmark, 63. shift, 64. feminist

65. Cultural norms strongly influence _____ expectations.
- n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
66. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.
- n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
67. He could not _____ against temptation.
- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
68. The teachers make full use of _____ assistance.
- n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
69. Her _____ are consistently rational and sensible.
- n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
70. Necessity is the mother of _____.
- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
71. The statement had a _____ impact on house prices.
- adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
72. Historically, many countries have often _____ certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.
- v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

ANSWERS: 65. gender, 66. debate, 67. struggle, 68. volunteer, 69. judgments, 70. invention, 71. dramatic, 72. oppressed

73. The _____ accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.
n. an abnormality that is not typical or expected
74. The _____ process can be long and difficult, but it is worth it for the love of a child.
n. the action or fact of legally taking another's child as one's own; the act of accepting with approval
75. The female vagina is elastic enough to allow the passage of a _____.
n. an unborn or unhatched animal in the later stages of development showing the main recognizable features of the mature animal
76. The mental health _____ often prevents people from seeking treatment.
n. a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
77. Infants and pregnant women are particularly _____.
adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
78. The _____ at the airport is where passengers catch their flights.
n. a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route
79. The restaurant serves delicious sushi made with fresh _____.
n. the eggs or egg-filled ovaries of female fish, typically used as a food item
80. She had lived through two world wars in her _____.
n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

ANSWERS: 73. freak, 74. adoption, 75. fetus, 76. stigma, 77. vulnerable, 78. terminal, 79. roe, 80. lifetime

81. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
82. She vacated the position when she got _____.
adj. having a baby or young animal developing in the uterus
83. I had to ____ through the knee-deep water to get to the other side of the river.
v. to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people
84. Many studies have investigated the relationship between _____ and academic achievement.
n. the condition of being extremely poor
85. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.
n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
86. The organization finally signed a peace _____.
n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.;
(verb) allow to have
87. She _____ the door shut, angry at the person on the other side.
v. to shut a door or window noisily; to strike something violently or noisily
88. This region has many _____ offering higher education.
n. an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

ANSWERS: 81. decision, 82. pregnant, 83. wade, 84. poverty, 85. definition, 86. accord, 87. slammed, 88. institutes

89. He is the _____ and chairman of this tech company.

n. one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

90. An ironic remark often _____ an intended meaning obliquely.

v. to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another

91. Sociologists are now interested in _____ world peace.

adj. universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

92. She was _____ for the help he provided.

adj. feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful

93. _____ is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

n. the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

94. She explained the _____ surrounding the accident.

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

95. He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian _____ fund.

n. a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced

96. She is a school _____ dedicated to helping students navigate academic and personal challenges.

n. a person trained to give advice and help people deal with personal or emotional problems

ANSWERS: 89. cofounder, 90. conveys, 91. catholic, 92. grateful, 93. Christmas, 94. circumstances, 95. relief, 96. counselor

ANSWERS: