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Session 1: Word List

magnificent

adj. extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

synonym : splendid, brilliant, exquisite

(1) a **magnificent** plan, (2) a **magnificent** mountain

The **magnificent** scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.

giant

adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

synonym : big, gigantic, huge

(1) **giant** trees, (2) **giant** tech company

The **giant** jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

impressive

adj. arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill

synonym : impactful, remarkable, exceptional

(1) **impressive** performances, (2) an **impressive** array of facts

The budget reduction was an **impressive** feat for our nation.

aspect

n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

synonym : characteristic, element, factor

(1) nontechnical **aspects** of the job, (2) **aspects** of social, political, and economic life

His professional experience includes all **aspects** of media

production.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym : unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

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

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

intelligence

n. the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

synonym : brains, brightness, cleverness

(1) an **intelligence** test, (2) field of artificial **intelligence**

In terms of **intelligence**, he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

creative

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

synonym : imaginative, innovative, inventive

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

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

benevolent

adj. well-meaning and kind; serving a charitable or philanthropic purpose

synonym : kindly, compassionate, philanthropic

(1) **benevolent** gesture, (2) a **benevolent** individual

The **benevolent** donor's contribution to the charity greatly impacted the lives of those it served.

creature

n. a living being, especially an animal

synonym : being, animal, organism

(1) **creature** of habit, (2) artificial **creature**

The deep sea **creature** was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.

proverb

n. a short saying that expresses a truth or gives advice based on practical experience

synonym :

adage, saying, maxim

(1) a hackneyed **proverb**, (2) ancient **proverb**

The famous **proverb** "actions speak louder than words" reminds us to focus on deeds instead of words.

accurate

adj. correct and exact in all details

synonym: exact, precise, proper

(1) provide **accurate** information, (2) **accurate** measurements

The official transcript contains **accurate** academic records.

herd

n. a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock

synonym: flock, brood, horde

(1) **herd** of cattle, (2) the common **herd**

He was riding **herd** on the sheep during the day.

recognize

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

synonym: acknowledge, identify, admit

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

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

companion

n. a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel

synonym: affiliate, fellow, mate

(1) a working **companion**, (2) drinking **companions**

Her dog is her excellent **companion**.

sight

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

synonym: vision, spectacle, view

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

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

migrate

v. to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally

synonym: relocate, emigrate, roam

(1) **migrate** across borders, (2) **migrate** a service

Many Germans **migrated** to South America in the mid-19th century.

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.

hostile

adj. unfriendly or aggressively opposed

synonym: unfriendly, aggressive, antagonistic

(1) take up a **hostile** attitude, (2) **hostile** environment

The **hostile** takeover of the company was met with resistance from the employees.

distinguish

v. to notice or understand the difference between two people or things

synonym: determine, differentiate, characterize

(1) **distinguish** these two things, (2) **distinguish** man from the other animals

This study **distinguished** four different ways to run a business.

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.

recall

v. to remember something

synonym: remember, retrieve, recollect

(1) **recall** the incident, (2) **recall** his name

She vividly **recalls** getting laid off several years ago.

locate

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

synonym: discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

unrelated

adj. having no connection; not belonging to the kinship

synonym: irrelevant, unconnected, independent

(1) statistically **unrelated**, (2) an **unrelated** position

Excuse me if my question is **unrelated** to the topic.

survival

n. the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger

synonym: endurance, continuity

(1) **survival** ability, (2) **survival** food

He evaluated his chances for **survival** rather pessimistically.

fascinating

adj. extremely interesting

synonym: alluring, intriguing, captivating

(1) **fascinating** story, (2) completely **fascinating** to me

The museum houses a **fascinating** collection of Celtic artifacts.

circus

n. a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment

synonym: fair, carnival, spectacle

(1) **circus** performer, (2) **circus** tent

The kids were excited to go to the **circus** and see the clowns and animals perform.

rejoice

v. to feel or express great joy or happiness; to celebrate or express gratitude for a happy or positive situation or event

synonym: enjoy, delight, celebrate

(1) **rejoice** over a victory, (2) **rejoice** at the moment

We should all **rejoice** in the good things life has to offer.

recognition

n. the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal

synonym: acknowledgement, identification, credit

(1) **recognition** award, (2) joint **recognition**

He was given **recognition** for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.

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**.

stimulus

n. something that causes growth or arouses action

synonym: incitement, inspiration, motivation

(1) a response to a **stimulus**, (2) economic **stimulus**

This book provides children with ideas and a **stimulus** for outside recreation.

boast

v. to talk about someone's accomplishments, wealth, or abilities excessively with undue pride and self-satisfaction

synonym: show off, brag, bluster

(1) **boast** of his success, (2) **boast** a long history

This town **boasts** a national park.

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**.

encephalon

n. the entire mass of the brain, including the cerebrum, cerebellum, and brainstem; the principal part of the central nervous system, responsible for processing and coordinating sensory information, motor responses, and higher cognitive functions

synonym: brain, cerebrum, grey matter

(1) injury to the **encephalon**, (2) functions of the **encephalon**

Damage to the **encephalon** can result in severe cognitive impairment.

quotient

n. a degree or measure of a specific quality or characteristic; the result of dividing one number by another

synonym: dividend, ratio, proportion

(1) **quotient** rule, (2) creativity **quotient**

My intelligence **quotient** is below average, according to the test results.

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**.

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.

distant

adj. far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship

synonym : far, isolated, remote

(1) a **distant** memory, (2) **distant** ancestors

The sun set over the crest of **distant** hills.

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.

convergent

adj. tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge

synonym : merging, meeting

(1) **convergent** beam, (2) **convergent** thinking

The similarities between the two cultures suggest **convergent** evolution.

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.

remarkable

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

synonym : outstanding, exceptional, extraordinary

(1) **remarkable** achievement, (2) the **remarkable** breadth of knowledge

The election was a **remarkable** success for the Whigs.

neuron

n. a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body

synonym : nerve cell

(1) excite the **neurons**, (2) **neuron** cell body

Our body transfers information along each **neuron** using an electrical impulse.

synapse

n. the fact or state of failing to finish an activity and of stopping using, making, or doing it

(1) **synapse** circuit, (2) end at a **synapse**

Animals transmit nerve impulses through **synapses**.

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.

hippocampus

n. a major component of the brain of humans and other vertebrates that is part of the limbic system and is vital for memory

(1) involvement of the **hippocampus**, (2) neurons in the **hippocampus**

The **hippocampus** is crucial for learning and memory storage.

cerebral

adj. relating to the brain or intellect; intellectual or studious rather than emotional or physical

synonym: brain, mental, intellectual

(1) **cerebral** palsy, (2) **cerebral** cortex

The patient experienced a **cerebral** hemorrhage and required surgery.

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.

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.

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.

aid

n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support

synonym: helper, resource, assistance

(1) financial **aid**, (2) country-by-country **aid** programs

Pakistan's **aid** budget was still being reviewed.

recollection

n. the act of remembering or the state of being remembered

synonym: memory, reminiscence, remembrance

(1) a vague **recollection**, (2) **recollection** of a traumatic event

The older man's **recollections** of his youth were filled with stories of adventure and romance.

encode

v. to convert information into a code or format suitable for storage or transmission

synonym: transcribe, convert

(1) **encode** data, (2) **encode** information

The software can **encode** and decode encrypted messages.

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note
synonym: significance, primacy, matter

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

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

complexity

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

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory

The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

adaptable

adj. able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations

synonym: flexible, adjustable, elastic

(1) **adaptable** enough for the environment, (2) an **adaptable** person

We seek a candidate who possesses **adaptable** fighting potential.

faculty

n. an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge

synonym: capability, talent, aptitude

(1) a member of the **faculty**, (2) the illative **faculty** of the mind

This university's computer science **faculty** is world distinguished.

rote

n. repetition of something to the point of memorization, especially of facts, without fully understanding it

synonym: repetition, memorization, drill

(1) **rote** memorization, (2) learn by **rote**

The students were taught math facts through **rote** repetition but struggled to apply them to new problems.

memorize

v. to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly

synonym: learn, remember, remind

(1) **memorize** musical scores, (2) try hard to **memorize** the lines

Lawyers need to **memorize** even the most minor provisions of the law.

survive

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

synonym: endure, persist, stay

(1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash

These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

drought

n. a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation

synonym: dryness, aridity, water shortage

(1) periods of **drought**, (2) **drought** conditions

The region has been experiencing a severe **drought**, leading to water shortages and crop failures.

warn

v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

synonym: alert, caution, admonish

(1) **warn** a reckless driver, (2) **warned** me of the plan

I attempted to **warn** him, but he ignored me.

clan

n. a group of families united by actual or perceived kinship and descent, especially in Scotland

synonym: family, kin, tribe

(1) **clan** society, (2) tribal **clan**

This **clan** saved people from a world full of violence.

matriarch

n. a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group

synonym: leader, head, founder

(1) ruled by a **matriarch**, (2) **matriarch** figure

The **matriarch** of the family was known for her wisdom and guidance.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym: regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**

The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

suffer

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

synonym: endure, undergo, tolerate

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

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

traumatic

adj. relating to or caused by injury, especially emotional injury

synonym: distressing

(1) **traumatic** event, (2) **traumatic** brain injury

The experience was so **traumatic** that it left a lasting impact on the survivor's mental health.

disorder

n. an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions

synonym: chaos, disturbance, disease

(1) the files are in complete **disorder**, (2) people with bipolar **disorder**

The doctor prescribed some medicine for the mental **disorder**.

display

v. to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or

value

synonym : show, exhibit, present

(1) **display** merchandise, (2) **display** artwork

We need to **display** our products in an attractive way to attract customers.

tackle

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation

synonym : deal with, dive into, work on

(1) **tackle** the issue, (2) help **tackle** climate change

The government is determined to **tackle** sharp inflation.

cooperative

adj. involving doing something jointly or working with others to achieve a common goal

synonym : harmonious, collegial, helpful

(1) **cooperative** savings, (2) fishing **cooperative**

We appreciate your **cooperative** efforts.

outwit

v. to defeat or overcome someone cleverly or cunningly by outsmarting them; to be more clever or cunning than someone else

synonym : outsmart, outmaneuver, outfox

(1) **outwit** a problem, (2) **outwit** his competitors

He could **outwit** his opponents with his quick thinking and clever strategy.

manipulate

v. to influence or control something or someone to your advantage, often in an unfair or dishonest way

synonym : control, exploit, abuse

(1) **manipulate** figures, (2) vulnerable to **manipulate**

Please tell me how to **manipulate** this computer.

grasp

v. to take hold of something or someone quickly and firmly

synonym : grab, clasp, grip

(1) **grasp** his hand, (2) **grasp** a chance

They spent a lot of time trying to **grasp** the current situation.

arithmetic

n. the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division

synonym: computation, calculation, math

(1) decimal **arithmetic**, (2) mental **arithmetic**

The abacus is an ancient counting device that was used for **arithmetic** calculations.

combination

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

synonym: blend, hybrid, compounding

(1) genic **combinations**, (2) **combination** number

The **combination** to the safe was a secret.

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.

infrasonic

adj. relating to sound waves below the range of human hearing, typically below 20 Hz

synonym: inaudible, subsonic

(1) **infrasonic** sensor, (2) **infrasonic** electronic waves

Infrasonic waves can be used for communication, such as in long-range submarines.

rumble

v. to make a low, heavy continuous sound

synonym: roar, growl, grumble

(1) **rumble** an order, (2) **rumble** down the dirt track

The thunder **rumbled** in the distance.

syntax

n. the grammatical order or rule of words in a sentence

synonym: grammar

(1) French **syntax**, (2) **syntax** error
Let's investigate the **syntax** of Latin.

grammar

n. the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words

synonym: syntax, elements

(1) **grammar** checker, (2) Latin **grammar**

Mastering **grammar** takes a lot of time for those learning a foreign language.

combine

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

synonym: coalesce, cohere, blend

(1) **combine** chemically with another substance,

(2) **combine** augmented reality

Hydrogen and oxygen **combine** to form water.

distinct

adj. noticeable from something else of a similar type

synonym: different, special, characteristic

(1) **distinct** difference, (2) **distinct** from each other

It is essential to keep these two issues **distinct**.

recreate

v. to make something that existed previously happen or appear to exist again

synonym: renovate, vivify, revive

(1) **recreate** a single country, (2) **recreate** the feeling of the 1920s

She **recreated** the atmosphere of the pre-war age with her stage setting.

melody

n. a succession of musical tones forming part of a larger piece of music

synonym: tune, song, piece

(1) a simple **melody**, (2) the **melody** of a tune

This harmonious **melody** immortalized its composer.

amazing

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

synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

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.

altruism

n. the belief or practice of disinterested and selfless concern for the well-being of others; unselfish devotion to the welfare of others often expressed as acts of kindness or charity

synonym: selflessness, philanthropy, generosity

(1) acts of **altruism**, (2) **altruism** in society

His act of volunteering at the homeless shelter was a clear example of practical **altruism**.

mourn

v. to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone

synonym: grieve, lament, weep

(1) **mourn** with deep grief, (2) **mourn** death

We **mourned** the loss of our dear friend at the memorial service.

burial

n. the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave

synonym: interment, funeral, entombment

(1) **burial** at sea, (2) a round **burial** mound

The **burial** ceremony was a somber reminder of his passing.

ritual

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

synonym: tradition, ceremony, routine

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

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

refuse

v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
synonym: turn down, deny, decline

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

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

injury

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

synonym: wound, damage, hurt

(1) without **injury**, (2) a fatal **injury**

My accidental **injury** got better right away.

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.

comfort

n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

synonym: ease, solace, coziness

(1) words of **comfort**, (2) **comfort** level

He found **comfort** in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

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**.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive**

layoffs.

poach

v. to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings

synonym : steal, snatch

(1) **poach** on his land, (2) **poach** deer

The chef **poached** the eggs perfectly for the benedict breakfast dish.

deliberate

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

synonym : intentional, planned, careful

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

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

revenge

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

synonym : retaliation, retribution, vengeance

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

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

conclude

v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

synonym : complete, finish, decide

(1) **conclude** a meeting, (2) **conclude** that he is healthy

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

conscious

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

synonym : aware, cognizant, deliberate

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

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

intelligent

adj. having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree

synonym: brilliant, clever, competent

(1) an **intelligent** person, (2) **intelligent** assisting system
Intelligent robots that can cooperate with humans have limited motor output for safety.

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.

destruction

n. the act of causing so much damage to something

synonym: devastation, annihilation, ruin

(1) path of **destruction**, (2) cyclonic **destruction**

The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat **destruction**.

ivory

n. a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items

synonym: elephant tusk, bone, tooth

(1) tower of **ivory**, (2) **ivory** carving

The intricate carvings on the **ivory** tusk were a work of art.

mist

n. a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water

synonym: fog, murk, haze

(1) **mist** in the morning, (2) fine **mist**

The sun has risen, and the **mist** has faded.

captivity

n. the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from

synonym: confinement, detention, imprisonment

(1) escape from **captivity**, (2) animals in **captivity** in the

ZOO

Pandas rarely breed in **captivity**.

poet

n. a person who writes poetry

synonym: versifier, rhymer, writer

(1) a court **poet**, (2) a **poet** of sorts

She is a talented **poet** who has been recognized for her work.

masterpiece

n. a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement

synonym: classic, chef-d'oeuvre, magnum opus

(1) literary **masterpiece**, (2) a **masterpiece** of design

The Mona Lisa is widely considered to be a **masterpiece** of art.

canvas

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

(1) blank **canvas**, (2) oil on **canvas**

Life is a vast **canvas**; you should put as much paint on it as possible.

Session 2: Spelling

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|---|---|
| 1. co_____e chemically with another substance | <i>v.</i> to join or merge to form a single thing or group |
| 2. ma_____ch figure | <i>n.</i> a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group |
| 3. a hackneyed pr_____b | <i>n.</i> a short saying that expresses a truth or gives advice based on practical experience |
| 4. bu____l at sea | <i>n.</i> the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave |
| 5. co_____e augmented reality | <i>v.</i> to join or merge to form a single thing or group |
| 6. try hard to me_____ze the lines | <i>v.</i> to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly |
| 7. gi__t trees | <i>adj.</i> enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are |
| 8. ev_____on theory | <i>n.</i> a gradual process of transformation of living things |
| 9. an unexpected si__t | <i>n.</i> the ability to see; anything that is seen |
| 10. rec_____on award | <i>n.</i> the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal |
| 11. am_____g advances | <i>adj.</i> extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire |

ANSWERS: 1. combine, 2. matriarch, 3. proverb, 4. burial, 5. combine, 6. memorize, 7. giant, 8. evolution, 9. sight, 10. recognition, 11. amazing

12. periods of dr____t *n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
13. drinking co_____ons *n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel
14. di____ct from each other *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
15. the tr__k of the tree *n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
16. re_____e killing *n.* the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution
17. a di____t memory *adj.* far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
18. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
19. 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
20. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
21. neurons in the hip_____us *n.* a major component of the brain of humans and other vertebrates that is part of the limbic system and is vital for memory
22. mi____e across borders *v.* to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally

ANSWERS: 12. drought, 13. companion, 14. distinct, 15. trunk, 16. revenge, 17. distant, 18. unfortunately, 19. cue, 20. unfortunately, 21. hippocampus, 22. migrate

23. an un_____ed position *adj.* having no connection; not belonging to the kinship
24. ce_____al cortex *adj.* relating to the brain or intellect; intellectual or studious rather than emotional or physical
25. gr__p a chance *v.* to take hold of something or someone quickly and firmly
26. functions of the enc_____on *n.* the entire mass of the brain, including the cerebrum, cerebellum, and brainstem; the principal part of the central nervous system, responsible for processing and coordinating sensory information, motor responses, and higher cognitive functions
27. c__n society *n.* a group of families united by actual or perceived kinship and descent, especially in Scotland
28. escape from ca_____ty *n.* the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from
29. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
30. int_____nt assisting system *adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
31. dis_____sh these two things *v.* to notice or understand the difference between two people or things
32. the tr__k of the body *n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
33. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

ANSWERS: 23. unrelated, 24. cerebral, 25. grasp, 26. encephalon, 27. clan, 28. captivity, 29. relation, 30. intelligent, 31. distinguish, 32. trunk, 33. locate

34. ta___e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
35. as___ts of social, political, and economic life *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
36. control my em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
37. 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
38. the rem_____le breadth of knowledge *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
39. co___x cells *n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain
40. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
41. the files are in complete di_____er *n.* an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions
42. visual co___x neuron *n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain
43. ou___t his competitors *v.* to defeat or overcome someone cleverly or cunningly by outsmarting them; to be more clever or cunning than someone else

ANSWERS: 34. tackle, 35. aspect, 36. emotion, 37. develop, 38. remarkable, 39. cortex, 40. massive, 41. disorder, 42. cortex, 43. outwit

44. qu_____nt rule *n.* a degree or measure of a specific quality or characteristic; the result of dividing one number by another
45. mi_____e a service *v.* to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally
46. excite the ne_____ns *n.* a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body
47. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
48. a member of the fa_____y *n.* an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge
49. a simple me_____y *n.* a succession of musical tones forming part of a larger piece of music
50. path of des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
51. del_____te attempt *adj.* done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident
52. a mag_____nt mountain *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
53. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
54. a remote re_____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

ANSWERS: 44. quotient, 45. migrate, 46. neuron, 47. complexity, 48. faculty, 49. melody, 50. destruction, 51. deliberate, 52. magnificent, 53. amazing, 54. relative

55. a round bu___l mound *n.* the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave
56. 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
57. decimal ari_____ic *n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division
58. plot re_____e *n.* the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution
59. su_____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
60. imp_____ve performances *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
61. re___l the incident *v.* to remember something
62. al_____sm in society *n.* the belief or practice of disinterested and selfless concern for the well-being of others; unselfish devotion to the welfare of others often expressed as acts of kindness or charity
63. re___e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
64. en___e data *v.* to convert information into a code or format suitable for storage or transmission
65. man_____te figures *v.* to influence or control something or someone to your advantage, often in an unfair or dishonest way

ANSWERS: 55. burial, 56. communicate, 57. arithmetic, 58. revenge, 59. survive, 60. impressive, 61. recall, 62. altruism, 63. refuse, 64. encode, 65. manipulate

66. re____e at the moment *v.* to feel or express great joy or happiness; to celebrate or express gratitude for a happy or positive situation or event
67. po__h deer *v.* to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings
68. re____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
69. an imp____ve array of facts *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
70. financial a_d *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
71. re____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
72. fine m__t *n.* a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water
73. ou__t a problem *v.* to defeat or overcome someone cleverly or cunningly by outsmarting them; to be more clever or cunning than someone else
74. ho____e environment *adj.* unfriendly or aggressively opposed
75. a response to a st____us *n.* something that causes growth or arouses action

ANSWERS: 66. rejoice, 67. poach, 68. relation, 69. impressive, 70. aid, 71. recognize, 72. mist, 73. outwit, 74. hostile, 75. stimulus

76. ruled by a ma_____ch *n.* a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group
77. em_____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
78. joint rec_____on *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
79. human ev_____on *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
80. ci___s tent *n.* a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment
81. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
82. gr_____r checker *n.* the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words
83. ma_____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
84. en___e information *v.* to convert information into a code or format suitable for storage or transmission
85. chi_____ee society *n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur

ANSWERS: 76. matriarch, 77. empathy, 78. recognition, 79. evolution, 80. circus, 81. recognize, 82. grammar, 83. massive, 84. encode, 85. chimpanzee

86. m__t in the morning *n.* a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water
87. inf_____ic electronic waves *adj.* relating to sound waves below the range of human hearing, typically below 20 Hz
88. fishing coo_____ve *adj.* involving doing something jointly or working with others to achieve a common goal
89. high imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
90. ben_____nt gesture *adj.* well-meaning and kind; serving a charitable or philanthropic purpose
91. 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
92. en_____er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
93. the me____y of a tune *n.* a succession of musical tones forming part of a larger piece of music
94. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
95. iv__y carving *n.* a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items

ANSWERS: 86. mist, 87. infrasonic, 88. cooperative, 89. importance, 90. benevolent, 91. develop, 92. encounter, 93. melody, 94. complexity, 95. ivory

96. learn by r__e *n.* repetition of something to the point of memorization, especially of facts, without fully understanding it
97. a court p__t *n.* a person who writes poetry
98. a working co_____on *n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel
99. co_____us of having succeeded *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
100. provide ac_____te information *adj.* correct and exact in all details
101. completely fas_____ng to me *adj.* extremely interesting
102. bo__t a long history *v.* to talk about someone's accomplishments, wealth, or abilities excessively with undue pride and self-satisfaction
103. ci___s performer *n.* a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment
104. mental ari_____ic *n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division
105. di_____y merchandise *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
106. economic st_____us *n.* something that causes growth or arouses action

ANSWERS: 96. rote, 97. poet, 98. companion, 99. conscious, 100. accurate, 101. fascinating, 102. boast, 103. circus, 104. arithmetic, 105. display, 106. stimulus

107. barren of cr____ve spirit	<i>adj.</i> relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
108. an ad_____le person	<i>adj.</i> able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations
109. a ben_____nt individual	<i>adj.</i> well-meaning and kind; serving a charitable or philanthropic purpose
110. mo__n death	<i>v.</i> to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone
111. gi__t tech company	<i>adj.</i> enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
112. ru___e down the dirt track	<i>v.</i> to make a low, heavy continuous sound
113. the del_____te act of provocation	<i>adj.</i> done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident
114. cr_____re of habit	<i>n.</i> a living being, especially an animal
115. h__d of cattle	<i>n.</i> a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
116. ac_____te measurements	<i>adj.</i> correct and exact in all details
117. inc_____le amount	<i>adj.</i> unbelievable; enormous
118. nontechnical as___ts of the job	<i>n.</i> one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
119. tr_____ic event	<i>adj.</i> relating to or caused by injury, especially emotional injury
120. French sy___x	<i>n.</i> the grammatical order or rule of words in a sentence

ANSWERS: 107. creative, 108. adaptable, 109. benevolent, 110. mourn, 111. giant, 112. rumble, 113. deliberate, 114. creature, 115. herd, 116. accurate, 117. incredible, 118. aspect, 119. traumatic, 120. syntax

121. rec_____ion of a traumatic event *n.* the act of remembering or the state of being remembered
122. injury to the enc_____on *n.* the entire mass of the brain, including the cerebrum, cerebellum, and brainstem; the principal part of the central nervous system, responsible for processing and coordinating sensory information, motor responses, and higher cognitive functions
123. di_____ct difference *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
124. me_____ze musical scores *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
125. ru____e an order *v.* to make a low, heavy continuous sound
126. su_____e a plane crash *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
127. rem_____le achievement *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
128. tribal c__n *n.* a group of families united by actual or perceived kinship and descent, especially in Scotland
129. field of artificial int_____nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
130. a fatal in____y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
131. re____l his name *v.* to remember something

ANSWERS: 121. recollection, 122. encephalon, 123. distinct, 124. memorize, 125. rumble, 126. survive, 127. remarkable, 128. clan, 129. intelligence, 130. injury, 131. recall

132. w__ned me of the plan
v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
133. inf_____ic sensor
adj. relating to sound waves below the range of human hearing, typically below 20 Hz
134. 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
135. a mag_____nt plan
adj. extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
136. chi_____ee behavior
n. a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur
137. ne___n cell body
n. a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body
138. di_____t ancestors
adj. far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
139. artificial cr_____re
n. a living being, especially an animal
140. full of em_____y
n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
141. sy_____e circuit
n. the fact or state of failing to finish an activity and of stopping using, making, or doing it

ANSWERS: 132. warn, 133. infrasonic, 134. bond, 135. magnificent, 136. chimpanzee, 137. neuron, 138. distant, 139. creature, 140. empathy, 141. synapse

142. without in___y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
143. words of co_____t *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
144. su___r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
145. involvement of the hip_____us *n.* a major component of the brain of humans and other vertebrates that is part of the limbic system and is vital for memory
146. mo__n with deep grief *v.* to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone
147. 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
148. afraid to show em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
149. dr_____t conditions *n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
150. su_____al ability *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger

ANSWERS: 142. injury, 143. comfort, 144. suffer, 145. hippocampus, 146. mourn, 147. cue, 148. emotion, 149. drought, 150. survival

151. help ta___e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
152. re_____te the feeling of the 1920s *v.* to make something that existed previously happen or appear to exist again
153. tower of iv___y *n.* a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items
154. creativity qu_____nt *n.* a degree or measure of a specific quality or characteristic; the result of dividing one number by another
155. a p__t of sorts *n.* a person who writes poetry
156. blank ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
157. a ri___l dance *n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies
158. ce_____al palsy *adj.* relating to the brain or intellect; intellectual or studious rather than emotional or physical
159. co_____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
160. en_____er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

ANSWERS: 151. tackle, 152. recreate, 153. ivory, 154. quotient, 155. poet, 156. canvas, 157. ritual, 158. cerebral, 159. conclude, 160. encounter

161. po__h on his land *v.* to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings
162. literary mas_____ce *n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
163. people with bipolar di_____er *n.* an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions
164. as_____te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
165. vulnerable to man_____te *v.* to influence or control something or someone to your advantage, often in an unfair or dishonest way
166. su_____al food *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
167. bo__t of his success *v.* to talk about someone's accomplishments, wealth, or abilities excessively with undue pride and self-satisfaction
168. coo_____ve savings *adj.* involving doing something jointly or working with others to achieve a common goal
169. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

ANSWERS: 161. poach, 162. masterpiece, 163. disorder, 164. associate, 165. manipulate, 166. survival, 167. boast, 168. cooperative, 169. communicate

170. con_____nt thinking *adj.* tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge
171. genic com_____ons *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
172. Latin gr_____r *n.* the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words
173. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
174. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
175. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
176. re_____e over a victory *v.* to feel or express great joy or happiness; to celebrate or express gratitude for a happy or positive situation or event
177. com_____on number *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
178. morning ri____l *n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies
179. in a ge____e voice *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
180. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

ANSWERS: 170. convergent, 171. combination, 172. grammar, 173. emotional, 174. incredible, 175. emotional, 176. rejoice, 177. combination, 178. ritual, 179. gentle, 180. creative

181. take up a ho____e attitude *adj.* unfriendly or aggressively opposed
182. statistically un____ed *adj.* having no connection; not belonging to the kinship
183. re____te a single country *v.* to make something that existed previously happen or appear to exist again
184. con____nt beam *adj.* tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge
185. the common h__d *n.* a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
186. ad____le enough for the environment *adj.* able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations
187. basic br__n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
188. r__e memorization *n.* repetition of something to the point of memorization, especially of facts, without fully understanding it
189. a man of imp____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
190. lo____e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
191. tr____ic brain injury *adj.* relating to or caused by injury, especially emotional injury

ANSWERS: 181. hostile, 182. unrelated, 183. recreate, 184. convergent, 185. herd, 186. adaptable, 187. brain, 188. rote, 189. importance, 190. locate, 191. traumatic

192. re____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
193. 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
194. co_____us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
195. acts of al____sm *n.* the belief or practice of disinterested and selfless concern for the well-being of others; unselfish devotion to the welfare of others often expressed as acts of kindness or charity
196. ge___e downward slope *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
197. a mas_____ce of design *n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
198. dull si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
199. cyclonic des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
200. country-by-country a_d programs *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
201. dis_____sh man from the other animals *v.* to notice or understand the difference between two people or things
202. re___e a request *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
203. an int_____nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

ANSWERS: 192. relative, 193. bond, 194. conscious, 195. altruism, 196. gentle, 197. masterpiece, 198. sight, 199. destruction, 200. aid, 201. distinguish, 202. refuse, 203. intelligence

204. oil on ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
205. an int_____nt person *adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
206. ancient pr____b *n.* a short saying that expresses a truth or gives advice based on practical experience
207. gr__p his hand *v.* to take hold of something or someone quickly and firmly
208. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
209. fas_____ng story *adj.* extremely interesting
210. co_____t level *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
211. as_____te alcohol with gambling *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
212. w__n a reckless driver *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
213. end at a sy_____e *n.* the fact or state of failing to finish an activity and of stopping using, making, or doing it
214. co_____de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
215. sy___x error *n.* the grammatical order or rule of words in a sentence

ANSWERS: 204. canvas, 205. intelligent, 206. proverb, 207. grasp, 208. brain, 209. fascinating, 210. comfort, 211. associate, 212. warn, 213. synapse, 214. conclude, 215. syntax

216. di____y artwork *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
217. su____r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
218. a vague rec_____ion *n.* the act of remembering or the state of being remembered
219. the illative fa____y of the mind *n.* an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge
220. animals in ca_____ty in the zoo *n.* the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from

ANSWERS: 216. display, 217. suffer, 218. recollection, 219. faculty, 220. captivity

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ to the safe was a secret.
n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

2. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

3. His act of volunteering at the homeless shelter was a clear example of practical _____.
n. the belief or practice of disinterested and selfless concern for the well-being of others; unselfish devotion to the welfare of others often expressed as acts of kindness or charity

4. The students were taught math facts through _____ repetition but struggled to apply them to new problems.
n. repetition of something to the point of memorization, especially of facts, without fully understanding it

5. Damage to the _____ can result in severe cognitive impairment.
n. the entire mass of the brain, including the cerebrum, cerebellum, and brainstem; the principal part of the central nervous system, responsible for processing and coordinating sensory information, motor responses, and higher cognitive functions

6. Let's investigate the _____ of Latin.
n. the grammatical order or rule of words in a sentence

ANSWERS: 1. combination, 2. Empathy, 3. altruism, 4. rote, 5. encephalon, 6. syntax

7. The woman of the house does the holy _____ of lighting two candles.
n. any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies
8. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.
adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
9. The official transcript contains _____ academic records.
adj. correct and exact in all details
10. This study _____ four different ways to run a business.
v. to notice or understand the difference between two people or things
11. Pakistan's ___ budget was still being reviewed.
n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
12. 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
13. The software can _____ and decode encrypted messages.
v. to convert information into a code or format suitable for storage or transmission
14. 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: 7. ritual, 8. creative, 9. accurate, 10. distinguished, 11. aid, 12. emotions, 13. encode, 14. trunk

15. The cerebral _____ consists of six layers.
n. the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain
16. The museum houses a _____ collection of Celtic artifacts.
adj. extremely interesting
17. Our body transfers information along each _____ using an electrical impulse.
n. a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body
18. _____ waves can be used for communication, such as in long-range submarines.
adj. relating to sound waves below the range of human hearing, typically below 20 Hz
19. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.
adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
20. We _____ the loss of our dear friend at the memorial service.
v. to feel or express sorrow, grief, or sadness, especially over the death of someone
21. Many Germans _____ to South America in the mid-19th century.
v. to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally
22. His professional experience includes all _____ of media production.
n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

ANSWERS: 15. cortex, 16. fascinating, 17. neuron, 18. Infrasonic, 19. relatives, 20. mourned, 21. migrated, 22. aspects

23. The chef _____ the eggs perfectly for the benedict breakfast dish.
v. to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings
24. The _____ of the family was known for her wisdom and guidance.
n. a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group
25. Life is a vast _____ you should put as much paint on it as possible.
n. the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
26. She _____ the atmosphere of the pre-war age with her stage setting.
v. to make something that existed previously happen or appear to exist again
27. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.
adj. unbelievable; enormous
28. My accidental _____ got better right away.
n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
29. The _____ ceremony was a somber reminder of his passing.
n. the act or ceremony of placing a dead body in a grave
30. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.
v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

ANSWERS: 23. poached, 24. matriarch, 25. canvas;, 26. recreated, 27. incredible, 28. injury, 29. burial, 30. survive

31. The thunder _____ in the distance.
v. to make a low, heavy continuous sound
32. He was given _____ for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.
n. the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
33. 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
34. The experience was so _____ that it left a lasting impact on the survivor's mental health.
adj. relating to or caused by injury, especially emotional injury
35. This harmonious _____ immortalized its composer.
n. a succession of musical tones forming part of a larger piece of music
36. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.
adv. by bad luck; unluckily
37. The sun set over the crest of _____ hills.
adj. far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
38. He could _____ his opponents with his quick thinking and clever strategy.
v. to defeat or overcome someone cleverly or cunningly by outsmarting them; to be more clever or cunning than someone else

ANSWERS: 31. rumbled, 32. recognition, 33. encounter, 34. traumatic, 35. melody, 36. unfortunately, 37. distant, 38. outwit

39. The patient experienced a _____ hemorrhage and required surgery.

adj. relating to the brain or intellect; intellectual or studious rather than emotional or physical

40. The election was a _____ success for the Whigs.

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

41. We need to _____ our products in an attractive way to attract customers.

v. to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value

42. 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

43. We seek a candidate who possesses _____ fighting potential.

adj. able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations

44. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

45. Excuse me if my question is _____ to the topic.

adj. having no connection; not belonging to the kinship

46. My intelligence _____ is below average, according to the test results.

n. a degree or measure of a specific quality or characteristic; the result of dividing one number by another

47. _____ robots that can cooperate with humans have limited motor output for safety.

adj. having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree

ANSWERS: 39. cerebral, 40. remarkable, 41. display, 42. relations, 43. adaptable, 44. combine, 45. unrelated, 46. quotient, 47. Intelligent

48. 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

49. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

50. We _____ a cease-fire.

v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

51. The similarities between the two cultures suggest _____ evolution.

adj. tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge

52. He found _____ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

53. She vividly _____ getting laid off several years ago.

v. to remember something

54. Pandas rarely breed in _____.

n. the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from

55. This town _____ a national park.

v. to talk about someone's accomplishments, wealth, or abilities excessively with undue pride and self-satisfaction

ANSWERS: 48. cue, 49. amazing, 50. concluded, 51. convergent, 52. comfort, 53. recalls, 54. captivity, 55. boasts

56. The sun has risen, and the _____ has faded.

n. a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water

57. This book provides children with ideas and a _____ for outside recreation.

n. something that causes growth or arouses action

58. The _____ donor's contribution to the charity greatly impacted the lives of those it served.

adj. well-meaning and kind; serving a charitable or philanthropic purpose

59. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation

60. The doctor prescribed some medicine for the mental _____.

n. an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions

61. They spent a lot of time trying to _____ the current situation.

v. to take hold of something or someone quickly and firmly

62. Her _____ manner relaxed everyone there.

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

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

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

64. He became _____ that he was being followed.

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

ANSWERS: 56. mist, 57. stimulus, 58. benevolent, 59. tackle, 60. disorder, 61. grasp, 62. gentle, 63. importance, 64. conscious

65. The region has been experiencing a severe _____ leading to water shortages and crop failures.
- n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
66. 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
67. He was riding _____ on the sheep during the day.
- n.* a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
68. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
- n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
69. My initial reaction was to _____.
- v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
70. 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
71. In terms of _____ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.
- n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
72. Lawyers need to _____ even the most minor provisions of the law.
- v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly

ANSWERS: 65. drought, 66. bond, 67. herd, 68. complexity, 69. refuse, 70. brain, 71. intelligence, 72. memorize

73. Please tell me how to _____ this computer.
- v. to influence or control something or someone to your advantage, often in an unfair or dishonest way
74. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.
- v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
75. Mastering _____ takes a lot of time for those learning a foreign language.
- n. the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words
76. The abacus is an ancient counting device that was used for _____ calculations.
- n. the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division
77. The famous _____ "actions speak louder than words" reminds us to focus on deeds instead of words.
- n. a short saying that expresses a truth or gives advice based on practical experience
78. 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
79. The _____ is crucial for learning and memory storage.
- n. a major component of the brain of humans and other vertebrates that is part of the limbic system and is vital for memory

ANSWERS: 73. manipulate, 74. recognize, 75. grammar, 76. arithmetic, 77. proverb, 78. chimpanzee, 79. hippocampus

80. The Mona Lisa is widely considered to be a _____ of art.
n. a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
81. The _____ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.
adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
82. Her dog is her excellent _____.
n. a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel
83. The budget reduction was an _____ feat for our nation.
adj. arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
84. 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
85. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.
v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
86. We appreciate your _____ efforts.
adj. involving doing something jointly or working with others to achieve a common goal
87. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.
adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

ANSWERS: 80. masterpiece, 81. giant, 82. companion, 83. impressive, 84. develop, 85. suffers, 86. cooperative, 87. massive

88. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
89. The majority of consumers _____ this brand with quality.
v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
90. The intricate carvings on the _____ tusk were a work of art.
n. a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items
91. She is a talented _____ who has been recognized for her work.
n. a person who writes poetry
92. The kids were excited to go to the _____ and see the clowns and animals perform.
n. a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment
93. The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat _____.
n. the act of causing so much damage to something
94. Animals transmit nerve impulses through _____.
n. the fact or state of failing to finish an activity and of stopping using, making, or doing it
95. The older man's _____ of his youth were filled with stories of adventure and romance.
n. the act of remembering or the state of being remembered

ANSWERS: 88. locate, 89. associate, 90. ivory, 91. poet, 92. circus, 93. destruction, 94. synapses, 95. recollections

96. He evaluated his chances for _____ rather pessimistically.
n. the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
97. I attempted to _____ him, but he ignored me.
v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
98. The _____ scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.
adj. extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
99. It is essential to keep these two issues _____.
adj. noticeable from something else of a similar type
100. The _____ takeover of the company was met with resistance from the employees.
adj. unfriendly or aggressively opposed
101. They study the _____ of the universe.
n. a gradual process of transformation of living things
102. He seeks _____ against the person who wronged him.
n. the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution
103. Many famous _____ are within walking distance.
n. the ability to see; anything that is seen
104. This university's computer science _____ is world distinguished.
n. an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge

ANSWERS: 96. survival, 97. warn, 98. magnificent, 99. distinct, 100. hostile, 101. evolution, 102. revenge, 103. sights, 104. faculty

105. 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

106. The deep sea _____ was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.

- n.* a living being, especially an animal

107. We should all _____ in the good things life has to offer.

- v.* to feel or express great joy or happiness; to celebrate or express gratitude for a happy or positive situation or event

108. Despite its advanced science and technology, the empire was _____ about invasion.

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

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

- adj.* relating to people's feelings

110. This _____ saved people from a world full of violence.

- n.* a group of families united by actual or perceived kinship and descent, especially in Scotland

ANSWERS: 105. communicate, 106. creature, 107. rejoice, 108. deliberate, 109. emotional, 110. clan