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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### draft

*n.* a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form

*synonym* : blueprint, outline, rough drawing

(1) a working **draft**, (2) write the first **draft**

During debates in the legislature, the **draft** of the law caused a lot of controversies.

### cartographer

*v.* a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools

*synonym* : mapmaker

(1) expert **cartographer**, (2) **cartographer's** tool

A **cartographer's** job requires a strong eye for detail and a deep understanding of geographic principles.

### nerd

*n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.

*synonym* : geek, techie, wonk

(1) a computer **nerd**, (2) **nerd** neck

He was, by nature, a cyber **nerd**.

## copyright

*n.* the legal right to be the only person or organization who can reproduce, publish, and sell a particular piece of work

*synonym* : patent, trademark, intellectual property

(1) artistic **copyright**, (2) **copyright** infringement

The company is taking legal action against those who have violated their **copyright** on the software.

## trap

*n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

*synonym* : catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal

The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

## mapmaking

*n.* the process of creating maps or charts, including the interpretation of symbols, features, and data and the use of various techniques and technologies to represent geographical or other information in visual form

*synonym* : cartography, map drawing

(1) digital **mapmaking**, (2) **mapmaking** technology

Many famous explorers were also skilled in the art of **mapmaking**.

## insert

*v.* to put something inside something else

*synonym* : introduce, add, embed

(1) **insert** coin, (2) **insert** a graphic

She **inserted** a new chapter into her manuscript.

## fake

*adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

*synonym* : affected, bogus, counterfeit

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

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

## scrabble

*v.* to scratch or scrape at something with one's hands or claws frantically or desperately; to arrange or rearrange

letter tiles to form words in a game of Scrabble (= a popular word game using a 15x15 square board and letter tiles) or a similar word game

*synonym*: scramble, jumble, mix

(1) **scrabble** through her purse, (2) **scrabble** words

The kids eagerly **scrabbled** to find the hidden Easter eggs in the garden.

## initial

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

*synonym*: basic, primary, beginning

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

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

## release

*v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement

*synonym*: free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

## intersection

*n.* a point where two or more roads, lines, etc., cross each other

*synonym*: crossroad, junction, hub

(1) busy **intersection**, (2) the **intersection** of coordinate axes

Take a right turn at the next **intersection**.

## dirt

*n.* soil, dust, or any substance that makes a surface not clean; the part of the earth's surface consisting of humus and disintegrated rock

*synonym*: filth, grime, muck

(1) **dirt** road, (2) **dirt** track

The garden was filled with **dirt** and needed to be tilled before planting.

## nowhere

*adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere

(1) **nowhere** else to go, (2) come out of **nowhere**  
I've been thinking all day and getting **nowhere**.

## delight

*n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness

*synonym*: pleasure, joy, satisfaction

(1) a tremor of **delight**, (2) with **delight**

The **delight** on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.

## immediately

*adv.* now or without delay

*synonym*: directly, instantly, promptly

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

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

## sue

*v.* to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress

*synonym*: accuse, plead, file

(1) **sue** a company for damages, (2) **sue** my boss for harassment

He planned to **sue** the organization for negligence.

## pants

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

*synonym*: trousers, breeches, slacks

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

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

## peak

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

*synonym*: summit, vertex, apex

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

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

## irresistible

*adj.* impossible to resist or refuse; very attractive, appealing, or compelling

*synonym* : resistless, overpowering, compelling

(1) **irresistible** charm, (2) **irresistible** force

The aroma of freshly baked cookies was **irresistible** to her.

## metaphor

*n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity

*synonym* : conceit, analogy, symbol

(1) **metaphor** for death, (2) visual **metaphor**

She expressed her thought in an artful choice of **metaphors**.

## novel

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

*synonym* : fiction, story, (adjective) innovative

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

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

## ultimate

*adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order

*synonym* : highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

## medium

*adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

*synonym* : average, intermediate, (noun) channel

(1) **medium** color, (2) an advertising **medium**

The **medium** size shirt fits him perfectly.

## phenomenon

*n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

*synonym* : marvel, wonder, splendor

(1) natural **phenomenon**, (2) historical **phenomenon**

A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

## obvious

*adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

*synonym* : apparent, conspicuous, evident

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

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

## opposition

*n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

*synonym* : resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

## enterprise

*n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort

*synonym* : business, company, industry

(1) undertake an **enterprise**, (2) his business **enterprise**

A growing **enterprise** requires a bold leader.

## cancer

*n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

*synonym* : tumor, carcinoma, malignancy

(1) **cancer** diagnosis, (2) **cancer** research

Breast **cancer** is the most common type of cancer in women.

## consistent

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

*synonym* : coherent, constant, compatible

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

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

## hurdle

*n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome

*synonym* : obstacle, barrier, challenge

(1) overcome **hurdles**, (2) **hurdle** race

The company faced several **hurdles** in the development of its new product.

## erect

v. to construct or build something; to cause to rise;  
(adjective) upright or vertical

*synonym*: build, set up, construct

(1) **erect** structure, (2) keep the flagpole **erect**

The workers were able to **erect** the tent in just a few minutes.

## achieve

v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

*synonym*: accomplish, attain, reach

(1) **achieve** success, (2) **achieve** milestones

I will work hard to **achieve** my goals and realize my dreams.

## arbitrary

adj. based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason

*synonym*: autocratic, dictatorial, whimsical

(1) **arbitrary** size and shape, (2) the **arbitrary** rule of a dictator

He collected data to avoid **arbitrary** decisions.

## threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

*synonym*: endanger, terrorize, intimidate

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

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

## permanent

adj. lasting for a long time without essential change

*synonym*: lasting, ceaseless, endless

(1) literature of **permanent** value, (2) **permanent** life insurance

She is searching for a **permanent** residence.

## strangulation

*n.* the act of choking or suffocating someone by compressing their throat; a condition in which blood flow is restricted to a particular organ or body part, leading to tissue death or injury

*synonym*: strangling, suffocation, asphyxiation

(1) **strangulation** of the victim, (2) signs of **strangulation**

He survived the **strangulation** but was left with permanent damage to his vocal cords.

## noose

*n.* a loop or knot, typically made of rope, used for hanging or executing a person or animal; a trap or snare in which the neck catches the prey

*synonym*: loop, snare, halter

(1) **noose** knot, (2) hangman's **noose**

The criminal was caught in the **noose** of the law and faced severe consequences for their actions.

## recipe

*n.* a set of instructions for preparing a dish, including the ingredients and the method of cooking

*synonym*: instructions, formula, method

(1) **recipe** book, (2) **recipe** collection

The **recipe** for the cake is passed down from generation to generation in her family.

## symbol

*n.* something visible that is used to represent something else

*synonym*: mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness

The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

## obsess

*v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

*synonym*: torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the fear



He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

## imaginary

*adj.* existing only in someone's mind

*synonym* : fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

## strangle

*v.* to choke or suffocate someone by compressing their neck; to inhibit or suppress something, such as a movement or idea

*synonym* : choke, suffocate, throttle

(1) **strangle** a cry, (2) **strangle** economic growth

The killer used his hands to **strangle** his victim.

## grade

*n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

*synonym* : score, rate, degree

(1) boys in the twelfth **grade**, (2) students at all **grade** levels

Departments may set requirements for a higher **grade** point average.

## 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.

## surround

*v.* to be all around something or somebody

*synonym* : encircle, encompass, envelop

(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace

On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.

## celebrated

*adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes

*synonym* : acclaimed, notable, prominent

(1) **celebrated** artist, (2) **celebrated** paper

Three **celebrated** tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

## intellect

*n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

*synonym*: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

## engagement

*n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

*synonym*: betrothal, promise, commitment

(1) a prior **engagement**, (2) break off an **engagement**

They selected a gorgeous diamond **engagement** ring.

## ironic

*adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect

*synonym*: sarcastic, wry, sardonic

(1) **ironic** result, (2) an **ironic** turn of events

It was **ironic** that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.

## disengage

*v.* to withdraw or separate oneself from a situation or relationship

*synonym*: withdraw, separate, detach

(1) **disengage** the clutch, (2) **disengage** socially

He **disengaged** from the conversation and walked away.

## spectacular

*adj.* striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement

*synonym*: breathtaking, impressive, grand

(1) **spectacular** view, (2) achieve **spectacular** growth

The **spectacular** fireworks display was the highlight of the festival.

## complicated

*adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

*synonym*: complex, convoluted, intricate

(1) a **complicated** process, (2) become increasingly **complicated**

He did **complicated** pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

## compelling

*adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration

*synonym*: tempting, captivating, influential

(1) tell a **compelling** story, (2) new and **compelling** evidence

His **compelling** presentation deeply moved everyone.

## infinite

*adj.* unlimited or very great; impossible to measure

*synonym*: boundless, countless, limitless

(1) **infinite** appetite, (2) **infinite** in supply

The battle had an **infinite** impact on the nation.

## iambic

*adj.* relating to or consisting of iambs; a metrical foot consisting of two syllables, with the first syllable short and the second syllable long

*synonym*: metrical, poetic, rhythmic

(1) regular **iambic** norm, (2) scene of **iambic** dialogue

The sonnet is written in **iambic** pentameter.

## pentameter

*n.* a line of verse consisting of five metrical feet

*synonym*: metrical foot, verse line, poetic meter

(1) **pentameter** in poetry, (2) **pentameter** verse

The poem is written in iambic **pentameter**.

## 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.

## 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.

## physics

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

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

He studied the **physics** of radiation.

## correlation

*n.* a statistical relationship between two variables in which one variable is affected by the other; a reciprocal relation between two or more facts, numbers, etc.

*synonym*: relationship, connection, association

(1) ecological **correlation**, (2) **correlation** coefficient

There is a strong **correlation** between education level and income.

## confuse

*v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

*synonym*: confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

## causation

*n.* the action or relationship between an event or action and its effect or consequence; the explanation for why something happens

*synonym*: cause, reason, origin

(1) **causation** analysis, (2) direct **causation**

The **causation** of the disease is still under investigation by medical researchers.

## enrich

*v.* to make better or improve in quality by adding something else

*synonym* : enhance, improve, augment

(1) **enrich** a gas with a balloon, (2) **enrich** public services

Reading not only increases knowledge but also **enriches** life.

## basis

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

*synonym* : foundation, base, ground

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

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

## process

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

*synonym* : procedure, method, system

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

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

## 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.

## invest

*v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

*synonym* : fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

## instance

*n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something

*synonym* : example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**

These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

## slant

v. to lean or slope in a particular direction; to present or interpret information or a situation in a biased or distorted way

*synonym*: slope, tilt, incline

(1) **slant** upward, (2) **slant** a hat

The news article **slanted** the story in favor of one political party.

## 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.

## heft

v. to lift or hold something heavy to determine its weight or to test its heaviness or density; to assess or evaluate the significance or importance of something

*synonym*: lift, hoist, weigh

(1) **heft** a weight, (2) **heft** the cost

She **hefted** the hammer, ready to start the home renovation project.

## cathedral

n. the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area

*synonym*: church, basilica, temple

(1) **cathedral** school, (2) **cathedral** choir

The **cathedral's** stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.

## tune

n. a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard

*synonym*: melody, harmony, (verb) adjust

(1) the **tune** of a song, (2) **tune** a piano

The band played a beautiful **tune** on their instruments.

## 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.

## crush

*v.* to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller

*synonym*: destroy, demolish, pulverize

(1) **crush** coffee beans, (2) **crush** a revolt

The car was completely **crushed** in the accident.

## poetry

*n.* poems in general as a genre of literature

*synonym*: ode, poesy, verse

(1) modern **poetry**, (2) book of **poetry**

Different cultures have different comfortable word rhythms, so the composition of **poetry** varies greatly.

## opportune

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

*synonym*: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

## couch

*n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

*synonym*: sofa, settee, divan

(1) leather **couch**, (2) a **couch** potato

I love to relax on the **couch** and watch movies on the weekends.

## spotty

*adj.* characterized by irregular or uneven distribution or coverage; of or relating to temporary blemishes or discolorations on the skin; inconsistent or unreliable in quality or performance

*synonym* : spotted, uneven, patchy

(1) **spotty** record, (2) **spotty** history

The **spotty** internet connection made it difficult to work from home without interruptions.

## inconsistent

*adj.* not remaining constant or in agreement

*synonym* : conflicting, discrepant, contrary

(1) **inconsistent** results, (2) **inconsistent** with the roadmap

This lawsuit appears to be unfair and **inconsistent**.

## calculus

*n.* a branch of mathematics that deals with rates of change and limits; the accumulation of hard mineral deposits that can form in organs or ducts in the body, such as kidney stones or gallstones

*synonym* : mathematics, math, analysis

(1) **calculus** equations, (2) **calculus** disease

I needed help understanding the advanced **calculus** course material.

## diminish

*v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.

*synonym* : decline, dwindle, lessen

(1) **diminish** a reputation, (2) **diminish** swelling

As people get old, their energies may **diminish**.

## coastline

*n.* the particular shape of the coast (= the shore of a sea or ocean) as seen from the sea

*synonym* : shoreline, seashore, beach

(1) **coastline** erosion, (2) deeply indented **coastline**

The new resort was built along the **coastline**, offering stunning ocean views from every room.



## underlie

*v.* to be the support, basis, hidden cause of something; to be located under or below

*synonym* : govern, control, determine

(1) **underlie** the theory of the big bang, (2) **underlie** the current economic deadlock

His bitter experiences **underlie** his moral principles.

## assistant

*n.* someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job

*synonym* : aide, helper, associate

(1) an unwilling **assistant**, (2) **assistant** professor

An executive **assistant** director administers each branch.

## astonishing

*adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe

*synonym* : surprising, shocking, astounding

(1) **astonishing** achievement, (2) make **astonishing** gains

The news of her sudden death was **astonishing** to everyone who knew her.

## prompt

*v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen

*synonym* : actuate, inspire, incite

(1) **prompt** a feeling of hunger, (2) **prompt** a debate

That incident **prompted** a nationwide chain reaction regarding the crackdown on illegal groups.

## quitter

*n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

*synonym* : coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

## miserable

*adj.* very unhappy, uncomfortable, or unpleasant; causing great distress or suffering

*synonym* : unhappy, wretched, cheerless

(1) **miserable** weather, (2) **miserable** experience  
She felt **miserable** after her dog passed away.

## identify

*v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

*synonym*: determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences  
I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

## atomic

*adj.* of or relating to atom (= the smallest component of an element)

*synonym*: tiny, microscopic, nuclear

(1) **atomic** nucleus, (2) **atomic** bomb  
Carbon has an **atomic** mass of 12.

## bomb

*n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

*synonym*: missile, explosive, ammunition

(1) atomic **bombs**, (2) disarm the **bomb**  
The use of cluster **bombs** is strictly prohibited by international law.

## excitement

*n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness

*synonym*: thrill, exhilaration, incitement

(1) the **excitement** in the business world, (2) aesthetic **excitement**  
The **excitement** of the upcoming concert was palpable among the crowd.

## engage

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

*synonym*: confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,  
(2) **engage** a new employee  
Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the

reconstruction of that country.

## frank

*adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

*synonym*: candid, direct, freehearted

(1) **frank** and open discussion, (2) make a **frank** apology

Full involvement means **frank** and prompt responses.

## discovery

*n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

*synonym*: finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

## desert

*n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

(1) **desert** basin, (2) oasis in the **desert**

This region is predominantly **desert**.

## waterfall

*n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock

*synonym*: cascade, falls, rapids

(1) scenic **waterfall**, (2) a **waterfall** with a fall of ten feet

Years of river erosion have formed the uniquely shaped **waterfall** basin.

## scorch

*v.* to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame

*synonym*: char, burn, singe

(1) **scorch** your clothes, (2) careful not to **scorch**

The sun **scorched** the desert, making it uninhabitable.

## rebuild

*v.* to build again or anew

*synonym*: reconstruct, renovate, restore

(1) **rebuild** a company, (2) **rebuild** communities

They are planning to **rebuild** the house after the fire.

## improve

*v.* to make or become better

*synonym*: enhance, ameliorate, enrich

(1) **improve** a process, (2) **improve** the test score

We want to **improve** ties between our two countries.

## sphinx

*n.* a mythical creature with the head of a human and the body of a lion, known for its riddle-posing and guarding ancient treasures

(1) **sphinx** statue, (2) **sphinx** riddle

The Great **Sphinx** is a famous statue with a human's head and a lion's body.

## context

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

*synonym*: background, setting, environment

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

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

## shark

*n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

*synonym*: swindler, con artist, crook

(1) a man-eating **shark**, (2) card **shark**

He borrowed money from a loan **shark**.

## reef

*n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

(1) barrier **reef**, (2) coral **reefs**

The vessel ran aground on a **reef**.

## fabricate

*v.* to make something, especially by assembling parts or constructing it from raw materials; to invent and present something false as true or real to deceive someone

*synonym* : manufacture, assemble, falsify

(1) **fabricate** a chemical, (2) **fabricate** an excuse

The detective discovered that the witness had **fabricated** her story about the crime.

## achievement

*n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability

*synonym* : accomplishment, attainment, triumph

(1) student **achievement**, (2) a remarkable **achievement**

This **achievement** has never been formally accepted.

## belong

*v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

*synonym* : fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group

All the books in this section **belong** to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

## embedded

*adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something

*synonym* : ingrained, implanted, inserted

(1) **embedded** systems, (2) LED- **embedded** glass

The **embedded** chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.

## nostalgia

*n.* a sentimental longing or wistful affection for a period in the past

*synonym* : longing, wistfulness, yearning

(1) a warm **nostalgia**, (2) **nostalgia** trip

The ice cream truck's sound brought back **nostalgia** for my childhood.

## pixel

*n.* the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image

*synonym* : dot, point, picture element

(1) **pixel** density, (2) color **pixels**

The computer screen comprises thousands of tiny **pixels** that create the overall picture.

## **brilliant**

*adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

*synonym*: luminous, intelligent, clever

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

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

## **collaborate**

*v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something

*synonym*: cooperate, unite, get together

(1) **collaborate** with the police, (2) **collaborate** on a press release

She agreed to **collaborate** with him in creating new artwork.

## **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.

## **exciting**

*adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement

*synonym*: exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

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

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

## **complain**

*v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

*synonym*: gripe, claim, denounce

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

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

## complaint

*n.* a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something

*synonym*: grievance, objection, accusation

(1) **complaint** department, (2) **complaint** about price-gouging

She filed a **complaint** with the manager about the poor service.

## argument

*n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

*synonym*: debate, discourse, discussion

(1) a blazing **argument**, (2) the **argument** against capital punishment

The **argument** between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

## solvable

*adj.* capable of being solved or resolved; able to be fixed or resolved with effort, skill, or knowledge

*synonym*: attainable, resolvable, achievable

(1) **solvable** problem, (2) mathematically **solvable** equation

The engineers found the technical glitch in the system was quite **solvable** with a software update.

## historic

*adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so

*synonym*: memorable, momentous, historical

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

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

## bias

*n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment

*synonym*: inclination, partiality, predilection

(1) **bias** against a big company, (2) have a **bias** toward socialism

She researched gender **bias** in politics.

## resemble

*v.* to look like or be similar to someone or something  
*synonym* : look like, be similar to

(1) **resemble** each other, (2) **resemble** her mother

The brothers **resemble** each other in the hobby.

## chase

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

*synonym* : pursue, hunt, track

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

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

## boson

*n.* a type of subatomic particle that follows Bose-Einstein statistics, which determine how identical particles with integer spins behave

*synonym* : photon, gluon, particle

(1) weak **boson**, (2) Higgs **boson**

The search for new **boson** particles is one of the most exciting areas of modern physics.

## fundamental

*adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

*synonym* : basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

## particle

*n.* a small piece of something; a word or piece of a term with grammatical function but little or no significance

*synonym* : atom, grain, bit

(1) charged **particle**, (2) **particle** energy

We can calculate the position of the **particles** statistically.



## experimental

*adj.* relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have

*synonym* : empirical, exploratory, observed

(1) **experimental** data, (2) **experimental** design

The product is still in the **experimental** stage.

## electron

*n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge

*synonym* : negatron

(1) flow of **electrons**, (2) beam of **electrons**

The outermost **electron** shell determines the chemical properties of an atom.

## photon

*n.* a unit or quantum of electromagnetic energy, typically regarded as a particle that is the basic constituent of all light and other forms of electromagnetic radiation

*synonym* : particle, quantum, light

(1) **photon** emission, (2) **photon** energy

Infrared cameras detect **photons** in the infrared range of the electromagnetic spectrum.

## quark

*n.* a type of elementary particle and a fundamental constituent of matter that make up the heavier elementary particles, such as protons, neutrons, etc.; fresh unripened cheese of a smooth texture made from pasteurized milk, a starter, and rennet

(1) **quark** physics, (2) the antiparticle of a **quark**

The Big Bang theory states that **quark-gluon** plasma filled the entire universe before matter as we know it was created.

## excitation

*n.* the state of being excited or stimulated; the process of producing an excited or stimulated state in something

*synonym* : stimulation, arousal, provocation

(1) the crowd's **excitation**, (2) neuronal **excitation**

The **excitation** energy of the electron determines the wavelength of light emitted during fluorescence.

## permeate

*v.* to spread throughout; to pass through or penetrate every part of something

*synonym*: penetrate, diffuse, infiltrate

(1) **permeate** the air, (2) **permeate** the fabric

The aroma of freshly baked bread **permeated** the entire bakery.

## integral

*adj.* necessary to make a whole complete; essential, or fundamental; combining with something else to form a whole; (noun, of mathematics) a fundamental concept in calculus that represents the area under a curve between two points on a graph

*synonym*: essential, fundamental, indispensable

(1) **integral** function, (2) **integral** component

Effective communication is an **integral** part of any successful team.

## nuclear

*adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

*synonym*: atomic

(1) **nuclear** fusion, (2) use of **nuclear** power

Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of **nuclear** weapons.

## confirm

*v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case

*synonym*: affirm, verify, assure

(1) **confirm** the diagnosis, (2) **confirm** a transaction

Please write to **confirm** your reservation.

## equation

*n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

(1) the **equation** of poverty with ignorance, (2) a chemical **equation**

In this class, you will learn how to solve quadratic **equations**.

## **inextricable**

*adj.* unable to be separated or escaped from  
*synonym* : inescapable, inseparable, entangled

(1) an **inextricable** part of life, (2) form an **inextricable** bond

The knot was **inextricable**, and she had to use scissors to cut it.

## **jumble**

*v.* to mix or mingle various items, objects, or ideas together in a disordered or confused way, often resulting in a messy or chaotic situation; to create a disorderly or confusing arrangement of things

*synonym* : mix, scramble, mess up

(1) **jumble** in some herbs and spices, (2) **jumble** together different colors

The children **jumbled** up the puzzle pieces and had to start over.

## **independence**

*n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence  
*synonym* : freedom, liberty, autonomy

(1) financial **independence**, (2) **independence** ceremony

There is nothing more valuable than **independence** and freedom.

## **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.

## **assassination**

*n.* the act of killing a public figure, especially a political leader, usually for political or religious motives

*synonym* : murder, killing, execution

(1) failed **assassination** attempt, (2) **assassination** plot

The **assassination** of the president sent shockwaves through the nation.

## nationalist

*adj.* relating to or supporting a political ideology that emphasizes a strong sense of national identity and devotion to one's own country

*synonym* : chauvinist, patriotic, jingoist

(1) **nationalist** sentiment, (2) **nationalist** revolt

The **nationalist** rally attracted thousands of supporters.

## emperor

*n.* the male ruler of an empire

*synonym* : ruler, king, dictator

(1) **emperor** of Rome, (2) former **emperor**

The **Emperor** once lived in the vast palace.

## mustache

*n.* an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip

*synonym* : whisker

(1) a gray **mustache**, (2) big **mustache**

The actor's **mustache** has become an icon.

## ultimatum

*n.* a final demand or proposal presented by one party to another, usually with a threat of serious consequences if the terms are not met

*synonym* : demand, requirement, condition

(1) **ultimatum** deadline, (2) an **ultimatum** for their rebellious teenager

The company issued an **ultimatum** to its employees, demanding a pay cut or face layoffs.

## declare

*v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly

*synonym* : announce, state, affirm

(1) **declare** independence, (2) **declare** my love

Foreign goods from abroad must be **declared** to customs when entering a country.

## mobilize

*v.* to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose

*synonym* : activate, rally, marshal

(1) **mobilize** cooperation, (2) **mobilize** a stiff joint

The military **mobilized** troops to the border.

## cement

*v.* make fast as if with cement; (noun) a building material that is a powder made of a mixture of calcined limestone and clay, used with water, sand, and small stones to make concrete

*synonym* : adhesive, glue

(1) **cement** a close relationship, (2) **cement** blend

They are eager to **cement** a positive reputation.

## Ottoman

*n.* a historical empire founded at the end of the 13th century in northwestern Anatolia by the Turkoman tribal leader Osman I; (used as "ottoman") a type of upholstered seat or bench without a back or arms, typically used as a stool or footstool, or in some cases as a coffee table

*synonym* : Turkish Empire, footstool

(1) **Ottoman** Empire, (2) **ottoman** furniture

The **Ottoman** Sultan was considered the supreme ruler and held great authority.

## abstract

*adj.* based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence

*synonym* : conceptual, theoretical, ideational

(1) an **abstract** noun, (2) **abstract** science

The invention of the camera triggered the development of **abstract** painting.

## mathematics

*n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

*synonym* : arithmetic, calculation, calculus

(1) a good grounding in **mathematics**, (2) **mathematics** competition

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

## topic

*n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about

*synonym* : subject, theme, issue

(1) a serious **topic**, (2) the **topic** of the book  
The **topic** of the discussion was the current state of the economy.

## odd

*adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two  
*synonym*: strange, bizarre, abnormal

(1) in an **odd** way, (2) **odd** behavior  
His grandfather was an **odd** man.

## ruin

*v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,  
*synonym*: bankrupt, demolish, destroy

(1) **ruin** the plan, (2) **ruin** the reputation  
He knocked over the red wine and **ruined** the tablecloth.

## curriculum

*n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.  
*synonym*: program, syllabus, course of study

(1) a **curriculum** vitae, (2) an academic **curriculum**  
A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the **curriculum**.

## distract

*v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do  
*synonym*: divert, preoccupy, confuse

(1) **distract** attention from the real issue, (2) **distract** public opinion  
Please don't **distract** me while I'm studying.

## doodle

*v.* to draw or scribble absentmindedly or idly; to make aimless marks or designs  
*synonym*: scribble, sketch, draw

(1) **doodle** my way through life, (2) **doodle** in a notebook  
When on the phone, he likes to **doodle** little sketches in the margins of his notepad.

## plural

*n.* the grammatical form of a noun or pronoun indicating that it refers to more than one thing or person

*synonym*: multiple, numerous, several

(1) **plural** form, (2) **plural** culture

We use **plural** nouns when there is more than one of something

## singular

*n.* being only one of its kind; unique

*synonym*: unique, sole, individual

(1) **singular** purpose, (2) **singular** goal

The **singular** beauty of the night sky never ceases to amaze him.

## serum

*n.* the thin yellowish liquid that is a component of blood from which the clotting proteins have been removed, usually used to protect people or animals from disease, poison, etc.

(1) a **serum** injection, (2) examine **serum**

**Serum** therapy often involves injecting detoxified toxins to acquire antibodies.

## concept

*n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract

*synonym*: idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

## norm

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

*synonym*: criterion, mean, standard

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

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

## puppy

*n.* a young dog, usually less than a year old

*synonym*: dog, young dog, pup

(1) **puppy** in a pet shop, (2) nurse a **puppy**

She adopted a small brown **puppy** from the shelter.

## 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.

## conservation

*n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity

*synonym* : preservation, protection, saving

(1) soil **conservation**, (2) the **conservation** law of physics

The forest was recently designated a **conservation** area.

## angular

*adj.* measured by an angle or by the rate of change of an angle; having angles or an angular shape

*synonym* : jagged, angulate

(1) **angular** mountain ridge, (2) **angular** momentum

Any rotating body has **angular** momentum about its center of mass.

## observe

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

*synonym* : watch, monitor, scrutinize

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

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

## 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.



## refer

v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

*synonym*: cite, allude, mention

(1) **refer** to a book, (2) **refer** to a map

Please **refer** to the instruction manual for further assistance.

## frame

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

*synonym*: body, skeleton, scaffolding

(1) a picture **frame**, (2) the **frame** of the policy

The detective looked for fingerprints on the window **frame**.

## viol

n. a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba

*synonym*: viola, viola da gamba, string instrument

(1) **viol** instrument, (2) **viol** music

The **viol** player was rehearsing for an upcoming concert.

## instruct

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

*synonym*: train, coach, guide

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

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

## old-fashioned

adj. of or relating to a time in the past; not modern

*synonym*: antiquated, ancient, outdated

(1) an **old-fashioned** person, (2) **old-fashioned** in appearance

My father is **old-fashioned** in his thinking.

## beneath

adv. in or to a lower place than someone or something

*synonym*: down, under, low

(1) the ground **beneath** my feet, (2) **beneath** contempt

A great stretch of the lake lay **beneath** them.

## 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.

## reputation

*n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors

*synonym*: fame, standing, esteem

(1) **reputation** risk, (2) cloud his **reputation**

She has a good **reputation** for being one of the best chefs in the city.

## engaging

*adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming

*synonym*: alluring, interesting, engrossing

(1) **engaging** story, (2) an **engaging** smile

She was disbarred for her **engaging** in fraud.

## participate

*v.* to take part in something

*synonym*: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

## genre

*n.* a particular type or style of literature, art, music, or film that involves a particular set of characteristics

*synonym*: type, category, style

(1) **genre** of music, (2) a literary **genre**

He is known for creating **genre-busting** paintings.

## detachment

*n.* a state of being disconnected or disinterested; impartiality or emotional distance; a military unit or formation that separates from a larger force and operates independently

*synonym*: separation, aloofness, indifference

(1) **detachment** from reality, (2) emotional **detachment**  
The **detachment** of the soldiers was evident as they carried out their mission with precision and focus.

## 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.

## meme

*n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online

*synonym*: buzzword, trend

(1) pronounce **meme**, (2) religious **meme**

This cute dog's photo spread around the world as an Internet **meme**.

## convention

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

*synonym*: meeting, conference, congress

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

They met at biennial **conventions**.

## bore

*v.* to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources

*synonym*: bear, tire, weary

(1) **bore** diameter, (2) **bore** him with his stories

The lecture on quantum physics **bored** me to tears.

## critic

*n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

*synonym* : pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

## industrial

*adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry

*synonym* : manufacturing, mechanical

(1) beginning of the **industrial** revolution, (2) **industrial** alcohol

**Industrial** design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.

## capitalism

*n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit

*synonym* : commercialism

(1) advance **capitalism**, (2) under the umbrella of **capitalism**

**Capitalism** also guarantees intellectual property rights and thus promotes innovation.

## liberal

*adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded

*synonym* : broad, free, large-minded

(1) a **liberal** arts college, (2) under **liberal** conditions

He is **liberal** in his thoughts.

## contrary

*n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired

*synonym* : opposing, contradictory, conflicting

(1) the clear **contrary**, (2) **contrary** evidence

The two sides argued their points, but the judge ultimately sided with the **contrary** viewpoint.

## destructive

*adj.* causing or able to cause tremendous and irreparable damage

*synonym* :

destroying, harmful, disastrous

(1) lead to **destructive** behavior, (2) a habit **destructive** to health

It was the most **destructive** storm in decades.

## nihilist

*n.* a person who rejects all religious, moral, and political beliefs and values; a person who believes life is meaningless and void of purpose

*synonym*: anarchist, cynic, skeptic

(1) violent **nihilist**, (2) militant **nihilist**

The professor accused the student of being a **nihilist** for constantly challenging the course material.

## reintroduce

*v.* to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued

*synonym*: bring back, restore, reestablish

(1) **reintroduce** species, (2) **reintroduce** capital punishment

The government is planning to **reintroduce** wolves to the national park to restore the balance of the ecosystem.

## encourage

*v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

*synonym*: facilitate, persuade, stimulate

(1) **encourage** a sense of affinity, (2) **encourage** antisocial behavior

They **encouraged** customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

## introduction

*n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

*synonym*: initiation, preamble, prologue

(1) **introduction** education, (2) self- **introduction**

The **introduction** to the new class was informative and engaging.

## hearken

*v.* to listen attentively or carefully; to give heed or pay attention to something

*synonym*: listen, heed, pay attention

(1) **hearken** back to tradition, (2) **hearken** with delight

Please **hearken** to my words of advice before making a decision.

## parisian

*adj.* of or from Paris, France; characteristic of Paris or its inhabitants

(1) **Parisian** celebrity, (2) **parisian** accent

The **Parisian** café had a charming atmosphere.

## salon

*n.* a place for social gathering, especially for exchanging ideas and discussing artistic or cultural matters; a place of beauty treatment, such as a hair salon

*synonym*: gathering place, meeting place, social venue

(1) beauty **salon**, (2) cultural **salon**

She frequented the **salon** for intellectual discussions and to keep up with the latest cultural trends.

## enlightenment

*n.* education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge

*synonym*: civilization, awareness, sophistication

(1) spiritual **enlightenment**, (2) **enlightenment** activity

He finally brought his **enlightenment** to perfection.

## tread

*v.* to step or walk on something

*synonym*: step, walk, pace

(1) **tread** water, (2) **tread** a similar path

He **treads** carefully on the slippery ice.

## 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**.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. the ul\_\_\_\_te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
2. a blazing ar\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
3. mi\_\_\_\_le weather *adj.* very unhappy, uncomfortable, or unpleasant; causing great distress or suffering
4. ast\_\_\_\_ng achievement *adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
5. de\_\_\_\_t basin *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
6. mo\_\_\_\_ze cooperation *v.* to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose
7. under li\_\_\_\_l conditions *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
8. try hard to me\_\_\_\_ze the lines *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
9. im\_\_\_\_ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
10. re\_\_\_\_d a company *v.* to build again or anew
11. ch\_\_e a dream *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes

ANSWERS: 1. ultimate, 2. argument, 3. miserable, 4. astonishing, 5. desert, 6. mobilize, 7. liberal, 8. memorize, 9. imaginary, 10. rebuild, 11. chase



12. legal co\_\_\_\_t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
13. decision-making pr\_\_\_\_s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
14. co\_\_\_\_in about a job *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
15. artistic co\_\_\_\_ht *n.* the legal right to be the only person or organization who can reproduce, publish, and sell a particular piece of work
16. su\_\_\_\_nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
17. fr\_\_k and open discussion *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
18. a cur\_\_\_\_um vitae *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
19. an advertising me\_\_\_m *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information
20. mat\_\_\_\_cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

ANSWERS: 12. context, 13. process, 14. complain, 15. copyright, 16. surround, 17. frank, 18. curriculum, 19. medium, 20. mathematics

21. pr\_\_\_t a feeling of hunger      *v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen
22. s\_e a company for damages      *v.* to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress
23. co\_\_\_\_\_e the listener      *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
24. inc\_\_\_\_\_ent results      *adj.* not remaining constant or in agreement
25. re\_\_\_\_\_le each other      *v.* to look like or be similar to someone or something
26. a stone wall su\_\_\_\_\_nds the palace      *v.* to be all around something or somebody
27. an academic cur\_\_\_\_\_um      *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
28. ac\_\_\_\_\_e milestones      *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
29. a man-eating sh\_\_k      *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
30. use of nu\_\_\_\_\_r power      *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
31. become increasingly com\_\_\_\_\_ed      *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

ANSWERS: 21. prompt, 22. sue, 23. confuse, 24. inconsistent, 25. resemble, 26. surround, 27. curriculum, 28. achieve, 29. shark, 30. nuclear, 31. complicated

32. fo\_\_\_\_\_te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
33. co\_\_\_\_\_m the diagnosis *v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
34. undertake an ent\_\_\_\_\_se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
35. no\_\_e knot *n.* a loop or knot, typically made of rope, used for hanging or executing a person or animal; a trap or snare in which the neck catches the prey
36. cel\_\_\_\_\_ed artist *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
37. do\_\_\_e my way through life *v.* to draw or scribble absentmindedly or idly; to make aimless marks or designs
38. an ir\_\_\_c turn of events *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
39. the antiparticle of a qu\_\_k *n.* a type of elementary particle and a fundamental constituent of matter that make up the heavier elementary particles, such as protons, neutrons, etc.; fresh unripened cheese of a smooth texture made from pasteurized milk, a starter, and rennet
40. an ul\_\_\_\_\_um for their rebellious teenager *n.* a final demand or proposal presented by one party to another, usually with a threat of serious consequences if the terms are not met

ANSWERS: 32. fortunate, 33. confirm, 34. enterprise, 35. noose, 36. celebrated, 37. doodle, 38. ironic, 39. quark, 40. ultimatum

41. natural phe\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
42. ca\_\_\_\_\_al school *n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
43. cor\_\_\_\_\_on coefficient *n.* a statistical relationship between two variables in which one variable is affected by the other; a reciprocal relation between two or more facts, numbers, etc.
44. ob\_\_\_\_\_e a tradition *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
45. at\_\_\_c nucleus *adj.* of or relating to atom (= the smallest component of an element)
46. co\_\_\_\_\_ry evidence *n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
47. advance cap\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
48. en\_\_\_\_\_ng story *adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
49. historical no\_\_\_l *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
50. he is ob\_\_\_sed with the fear *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

ANSWERS: 41. phenomenon, 42. cathedral, 43. correlation, 44. observe, 45. atomic, 46. contrary, 47. capitalism, 48. engaging, 49. novel, 50. obsess

51. busy int\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* a point where two or more roads, lines, etc., cross each other
52. exp\_\_\_\_\_tal data *adj.* relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have
53. emotional det\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a state of being disconnected or disinterested; impartiality or emotional distance; a military unit or formation that separates from a larger force and operates independently
54. b\_\_s against a big company *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
55. ex\_\_\_\_\_ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
56. big mu\_\_\_\_\_he *n.* an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip
57. en\_\_\_\_h public services *v.* to make better or improve in quality by adding something else
58. get con\_\_\_\_\_nt results *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
59. ce\_\_\_\_t blend *v.* make fast as if with cement; (noun) a building material that is a powder made of a mixture of calcined limestone and clay, used with water, sand, and small stones to make concrete
60. the ar\_\_\_\_\_ry rule of a dictator *adj.* based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason

ANSWERS: 51. intersection, 52. experimental, 53. detachment, 54. bias, 55. exciting, 56. mustache, 57. enrich, 58. consistent, 59. cement, 60. arbitrary

61. ind\_\_\_\_\_nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
62. a serious to\_\_c *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
63. be\_\_\_g to a group *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
64. re\_\_\_\_\_e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
65. new and com\_\_\_\_\_ng evidence *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
66. id\_\_\_\_\_fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
67. lead to des\_\_\_\_\_ve behavior *adj.* causing or able to cause tremendous and irreparable damage
68. ph\_\_\_n emission *n.* a unit or quantum of electromagnetic energy, typically regarded as a particle that is the basic constituent of all light and other forms of electromagnetic radiation
69. sc\_\_\_\_\_le words *v.* to scratch or scrape at something with one's hands or claws frantically or desperately; to arrange or rearrange letter tiles to form words in a game of Scrabble (= a popular word game using a 15x15 square board and letter tiles) or a similar word game
70. a friendly con\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

ANSWERS: 61. independence, 62. topic, 63. belong, 64. release, 65. compelling, 66. identify, 67. destructive, 68. photon, 69. scrabble, 70. conversation

71. pen\_\_\_\_\_er in poetry *n.* a line of verse consisting of five metrical feet
72. co\_\_\_\_\_nt department *n.* a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something
73. no\_\_\_\_\_ia trip *n.* a sentimental longing or wistful affection for a period in the past
74. literature of pe\_\_\_\_\_nt value *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
75. meet with opp\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
76. id\_\_\_\_\_fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
77. d\_\_t road *n.* soil, dust, or any substance that makes a surface not clean; the part of the earth's surface consisting of humus and disintegrated rock
78. pa\_\_\_\_\_an accent *adj.* of or from Paris, France; characteristic of Paris or its inhabitants
79. re\_\_\_\_\_le her mother *v.* to look like or be similar to someone or something
80. ex\_\_\_\_\_ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
81. nuclear ph\_\_\_\_\_s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
82. ca\_\_\_\_\_on analysis *n.* the action or relationship between an event or action and its effect or consequence; the explanation for why something happens

ANSWERS: 71. pentameter, 72. complaint, 73. nostalgia, 74. permanent, 75. opposition, 76. identify, 77. dirt, 78. parisian, 79. resemble, 80. exciting, 81. physics, 82. causation

83. spread of f\_\_e news *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
84. a remarkable ach\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
85. th\_\_\_\_\_en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
86. en\_\_\_e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
87. sy\_\_\_l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
88. ce\_\_\_t a close relationship *v.* make fast as if with cement; (noun) a building material that is a powder made of a mixture of calcined limestone and clay, used with water, sand, and small stones to make concrete
89. sta\_\_\_\_\_cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
90. col\_\_\_\_\_te with the police *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
91. the great di\_\_\_\_\_ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
92. achieve the hi\_\_\_\_\_ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
93. have an aw\_\_\_\_\_e birthday *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

ANSWERS: 83. fake, 84. achievement, 85. threaten, 86. engage, 87. symbol, 88. cement, 89. statistics, 90. collaborate, 91. discovery, 92. historic, 93. awesome



94. ca\_\_\_r research *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
95. st\_\_\_\_\_le economic growth *v.* to choke or suffocate someone by compressing their neck; to inhibit or suppress something, such as a movement or idea
96. no\_\_l effect *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
97. ob\_\_\_\_\_e wildlife *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
98. a tremor of de\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
99. v\_\_l music *n.* a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
100. co\_\_\_\_\_ne erosion *n.* the particular shape of the coast (= the shore of a sea or ocean) as seen from the sea
101. cel\_\_\_\_\_ed paper *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
102. at\_\_\_c bomb *adj.* of or relating to atom (= the smallest component of an element)
103. di\_\_\_\_\_sh swelling *v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.

ANSWERS: 94. cancer, 95. strangle, 96. novel, 97. observe, 98. delight, 99. viol, 100. coastline, 101. celebrated, 102. atomic, 103. diminish

104. cr\_\_h a revolt *v.* to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller
105. ob\_\_\_s over her weight *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
106. on an equal ba\_\_s *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
107. do on a con\_\_\_\_\_nt basis *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
108. co\_\_\_\_\_al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
109. an old\_\_\_\_\_ned person *adj.* of or relating to a time in the past; not modern
110. be\_\_\_g to different species *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
111. his business ent\_\_\_\_\_se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
112. a gray mu\_\_\_\_\_he *n.* an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip
113. sc\_\_\_\_\_le through her purse *v.* to scratch or scrape at something with one's hands or claws frantically or desperately; to arrange or rearrange letter tiles to form words in a game of Scrabble (= a popular word game using a 15x15 square board and letter tiles) or a similar word game

ANSWERS: 104. crush, 105. obsess, 106. basis, 107. consistent, 108. communal, 109. old-fashioned, 110. belong, 111. enterprise, 112. mustache, 113. scrabble

114. ba\_\_s for calculation *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
115. in\_\_\_\_l velocity *adj.* of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name
116. he\_\_\_\_\_n with delight *v.* to listen attentively or carefully; to give heed or pay attention to something
117. ir\_\_\_c result *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
118. a se\_\_m injection *n.* the thin yellowish liquid that is a component of blood from which the clotting proteins have been removed, usually used to protect people or animals from disease, poison, etc.
119. a co\_\_h potato *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
120. er\_\_t structure *v.* to construct or build something; to cause to rise; (adjective) upright or vertical
121. disarm the b\_\_b *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
122. irr\_\_\_\_\_ble force *adj.* impossible to resist or refuse; very attractive, appealing, or compelling

ANSWERS: 114. basis, 115. initial, 116. hearken, 117. ironic, 118. serum, 119. couch, 120. erect, 121. bomb, 122. irresistible

123. the crowd's exc\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the state of being excited or stimulated; the process of producing an excited or stimulated state in something
124. the clear co\_\_\_\_\_ry      *n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
125. oasis in the de\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
126. br\_\_\_\_\_nt idea      *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
127. ca\_\_\_\_\_r diagnosis      *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
128. im\_\_\_\_\_e the test score      *v.* to make or become better
129. have a b\_\_s toward socialism      *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
130. enrich my in\_\_\_\_\_ct      *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
131. signs of str\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* the act of choking or suffocating someone by compressing their throat; a condition in which blood flow is restricted to a particular organ or body part, leading to tissue death or injury
132. so\_\_\_\_\_le problem      *adj.* capable of being solved or resolved; able to be fixed or resolved with effort, skill, or knowledge

ANSWERS: 123. excitation, 124. contrary, 125. desert, 126. brilliant, 127. cancer, 128. improve, 129. bias, 130. intellect, 131. strangulation, 132. solvable

133. a prior eng\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
134. di\_\_\_\_\_ge socially *v.* to withdraw or separate oneself from a situation or relationship
135. scene of ia\_\_\_c dialogue *adj.* relating to or consisting of iambs; a metrical foot consisting of two syllables, with the first syllable short and the second syllable long
136. a com\_\_\_\_\_ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
137. an unwilling as\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job
138. rep\_\_\_\_\_on risk *n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
139. visual me\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
140. un\_\_\_\_\_ie the current economic deadlock *v.* to be the support, basis, hidden cause of something; to be located under or below
141. na\_\_\_n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
142. failed ass\_\_\_\_\_ion attempt *n.* the act of killing a public figure, especially a political leader, usually for political or religious motives

ANSWERS: 133. engagement, 134. disengage, 135. iambic, 136. complicated, 137. assistant, 138. reputation, 139. metaphor, 140. underlie, 141. nation, 142. assassination

143. as\_\_\_\_\_te alcohol with gambling      *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
144. sp\_\_\_\_y record      *adj.* characterized by irregular or uneven distribution or coverage; of or relating to temporary blemishes or discolorations on the skin; inconsistent or unreliable in quality or performance
145. leather co\_\_h      *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
146. 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
147. ab\_\_\_\_\_ct science      *adj.* based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
148. call and co\_\_\_\_\_in frequently      *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
149. an in\_\_\_\_\_l letter      *adj.* of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name
150. barrier r\_\_f      *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface
151. hu\_\_\_e race      *n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
152. r\_\_n the plan      *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,

ANSWERS: 143. associate, 144. spotty, 145. couch, 146. oppress, 147. abstract, 148. complain, 149. initial, 150. reef, 151. hurdle, 152. ruin

153. human in\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
154. cognitive com\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
155. flow of el\_\_\_\_\_ons *n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
156. th\_\_\_\_\_en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
157. careful not to sc\_\_\_\_h *v.* to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame
158. for in\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
159. in\_\_\_\_\_te in supply *adj.* unlimited or very great; impossible to measure
160. b\_\_e him with his stories *v.* to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources
161. cr\_\_h coffee beans *v.* to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller
162. the im\_\_\_\_\_te past *adj.* happening or done without delay or occurring shortly after something else

ANSWERS: 153. intellect, 154. complexity, 155. electron, 156. threaten, 157. scorch, 158. instance, 159. infinite, 160. bore, 161. crush, 162. immediate

163. h\_\_t the cost *v.* to lift or hold something heavy to determine its weight or to test its heaviness or density; to assess or evaluate the significance or importance of something
164. financial ind\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
165. r\_\_n the reputation *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
166. v\_\_l instrument *n.* a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
167. the int\_\_\_\_\_ion of coordinate axes *n.* a point where two or more roads, lines, etc., cross each other
168. ecological cor\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a statistical relationship between two variables in which one variable is affected by the other; a reciprocal relation between two or more facts, numbers, etc.
169. the eq\_\_\_\_\_on of poverty with ignorance *n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
170. ot\_\_\_\_\_n furniture *n.* a historical empire founded at the end of the 13th century in northwestern Anatolia by the Turkoman tribal leader Osman I; (used as "ottoman") a type of upholstered seat or bench without a back or arms, typically used as a stool or footstool, or in some cases as a coffee table

ANSWERS: 163. heft, 164. independence, 165. ruin, 166. viol, 167. intersection, 168. correlation, 169. equation, 170. Ottoman



171. d\_\_t track *n.* soil, dust, or any substance that makes a surface not clean; the part of the earth's surface consisting of humus and disintegrated rock
172. irr\_\_\_\_\_ble charm *adj.* impossible to resist or refuse; very attractive, appealing, or compelling
173. make ast\_\_\_\_\_ng gains *adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
174. a picture fr\_\_e *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
175. ob\_\_\_\_\_s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
176. an en\_\_\_\_\_ng smile *adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
177. pl\_\_\_l form *n.* the grammatical form of a noun or pronoun indicating that it refers to more than one thing or person
178. st\_\_\_\_\_le a cry *v.* to choke or suffocate someone by compressing their neck; to inhibit or suppress something, such as a movement or idea
179. co\_\_\_\_\_t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
180. sc\_\_\_h your clothes *v.* to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame
181. co\_\_\_\_\_ht infringement *n.* the legal right to be the only person or organization who can reproduce, publish, and sell a particular piece of work

ANSWERS: 171. dirt, 172. irresistible, 173. astonishing, 174. frame, 175. obvious, 176. engaging, 177. plural, 178. strangle, 179. concept, 180. scorch, 181. copyright

182. ju\_\_\_e in some herbs and spices      *v.* to mix or mingle various items, objects, or ideas together in a disordered or confused way, often resulting in a messy or chaotic situation; to create a disorderly or confusing arrangement of things
183. direct ca\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the action or relationship between an event or action and its effect or consequence; the explanation for why something happens
184. soil con\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
185. his conclusion was ob\_\_\_\_s      *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
186. nat\_\_\_\_\_st revolt      *adj.* relating to or supporting a political ideology that emphasizes a strong sense of national identity and devotion to one's own country
187. det\_\_\_\_\_nt from reality      *n.* a state of being disconnected or disinterested; impartiality or emotional distance; a military unit or formation that separates from a larger force and operates independently
188. s\_e my boss for harassment      *v.* to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress
189. the ar\_\_\_\_\_nt against capital punishment      *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

ANSWERS: 182. jumble, 183. causation, 184. conservation, 185. obvious, 186. nationalist, 187. detachment, 188. sue, 189. argument

190. di\_\_\_\_ct attention from the real issue  
*v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
191. em\_\_\_\_ed systems  
*adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
192. hi\_\_\_\_ic accomplishment  
*adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
193. political con\_\_\_\_on  
*n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
194. the to\_\_c of the book  
*n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
195. nat\_\_\_\_st sentiment  
*adj.* relating to or supporting a political ideology that emphasizes a strong sense of national identity and devotion to one's own country
196. pe\_\_\_\_te the fabric  
*v.* to spread throughout; to pass through or penetrate every part of something
197. a literary ge\_\_e  
*n.* a particular type or style of literature, art, music, or film that involves a particular set of characteristics
198. card sh\_\_k  
*n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
199. under the umbrella of cap\_\_\_\_sm  
*n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
200. an ine\_\_\_\_ble part of life  
*adj.* unable to be separated or escaped from

ANSWERS: 190. distract, 191. embedded, 192. historic, 193. convention, 194. topic, 195. nationalist, 196. permeate, 197. genre, 198. shark, 199. capitalism, 200. inextricable

201. come out of no\_\_\_\_e *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
202. im\_\_\_\_ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
203. an ab\_\_\_\_ct noun *adj.* based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
204. sl\_\_t a hat *v.* to lean or slope in a particular direction; to present or interpret information or a situation in a biased or distorted way
205. en\_\_\_\_ge antisocial behavior *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
206. si\_\_\_\_ar goal *n.* being only one of its kind; unique
207. mathematically so\_\_\_\_le equation *adj.* capable of being solved or resolved; able to be fixed or resolved with effort, skill, or knowledge
208. opp\_\_\_\_on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
209. Higgs bo\_\_n *n.* a type of subatomic particle that follows Bose-Einstein statistics, which determine how identical particles with integer spins behave
210. atomic b\_\_bs *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
211. br\_\_\_\_nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

ANSWERS: 201. nowhere, 202. imaginary, 203. abstract, 204. slant, 205. encourage, 206. singular, 207. solvable, 208. opposition, 209. boson, 210. bomb, 211. brilliant

212. historical co\_\_\_\_t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
213. overcome hu\_\_\_\_es *n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
214. cultural sa\_\_n *n.* a place for social gathering, especially for exchanging ideas and discussing artistic or cultural matters; a place of beauty treatment, such as a hair salon
215. the ground be\_\_\_\_h my feet *adv.* in or to a lower place than someone or something
216. less fo\_\_\_\_te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
217. make a fr\_\_k apology *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
218. com\_\_\_\_ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
219. cultural n\_\_m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
220. par\_\_\_\_te in the program *v.* to take part in something
221. tell a com\_\_\_\_ng story *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
222. pajama pa\_\_s *n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
223. spiritual enl\_\_\_\_ent *n.* education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge

ANSWERS: 212. context, 213. hurdle, 214. salon, 215. beneath, 216. fortunate, 217. frank, 218. complexity, 219. norm, 220. participate, 221. compelling, 222. pants, 223. enlightenment

224. ph\_\_\_n energy *n.* a unit or quantum of electromagnetic energy, typically regarded as a particle that is the basic constituent of all light and other forms of electromagnetic radiation
225. nurse a pu\_\_y *n.* a young dog, usually less than a year old
226. Ot\_\_\_\_\_n Empire *n.* a historical empire founded at the end of the 13th century in northwestern Anatolia by the Turkoman tribal leader Osman I; (used as "ottoman") a type of upholstered seat or bench without a back or arms, typically used as a stool or footstool, or in some cases as a coffee table
227. en\_\_\_h a gas with a balloon *v.* to make better or improve in quality by adding something else
228. spe\_\_\_\_\_ar view *adj.* striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement
229. t\_\_e a piano *n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
230. rei\_\_\_\_\_ce species *v.* to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued
231. fa\_\_\_\_\_te a chemical *v.* to make something, especially by assembling parts or constructing it from raw materials; to invent and present something false as true or real to deceive someone

ANSWERS: 224. photon, 225. puppy, 226. Ottoman, 227. enrich, 228. spectacular, 229. tune, 230. reintroduce, 231. fabricate

232. ac\_\_\_\_e success *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
233. sl\_\_t upward *v.* to lean or slope in a particular direction; to present or interpret information or a situation in a biased or distorted way
234. old\_\_\_\_\_ned in appearance *adj.* of or relating to a time in the past; not modern
235. the fr\_\_e of the policy *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
236. f\_\_e police officer *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
237. the con\_\_\_\_\_ion law of physics *n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
238. the exc\_\_\_\_\_nt in the business world *n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness
239. common in\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
240. regular ia\_\_\_c norm *adj.* relating to or consisting of iambs; a metrical foot consisting of two syllables, with the first syllable short and the second syllable long
241. a warm no\_\_\_\_\_ia *n.* a sentimental longing or wistful affection for a period in the past

ANSWERS: 232. achieve, 233. slant, 234. old-fashioned, 235. frame, 236. fake, 237. conservation, 238. excitement, 239. invention, 240. iambic, 241. nostalgia

242. art cr\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
243. book of po\_\_\_y *n.* poems in general as a genre of literature
244. a seafaring na\_\_\_n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
245. me\_\_\_m color *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information
246. wild goose ch\_\_\_e *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
247. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
248. a computer n\_\_d *n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
249. keep the flagpole er\_\_t *v.* to construct or build something; to cause to rise; (adjective) upright or vertical
250. mo\_\_\_\_\_ze a stiff joint *v.* to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 242. critic, 243. poetry, 244. nation, 245. medium, 246. chase, 247. opportune, 248. nerd, 249. erect, 250. mobilize



251. former em\_\_\_\_r *n.* the male ruler of an empire
252. inc\_\_\_\_\_ent with the roadmap *adj.* not remaining constant or in agreement
253. en\_\_\_\_\_ge a sense of affinity *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
254. sp\_\_\_\_y history *adj.* characterized by irregular or uneven distribution or coverage; of or relating to temporary blemishes or discolorations on the skin; inconsistent or unreliable in quality or performance
255. si\_\_\_\_ar purpose *n.* being only one of its kind; unique
256. weak bo\_\_n *n.* a type of subatomic particle that follows Bose-Einstein statistics, which determine how identical particles with integer spins behave
257. co\_\_\_\_\_al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
258. un\_\_\_\_\_ie the theory of the big bang *v.* to be the support, basis, hidden cause of something; to be located under or below
259. modern po\_\_\_\_y *n.* poems in general as a genre of literature
260. o\_d behavior *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
261. Pa\_\_\_\_\_an celebrity *adj.* of or from Paris, France; characteristic of Paris or its inhabitants

ANSWERS: 251. emperor, 252. inconsistent, 253. encourage, 254. spotty, 255. singular, 256. boson, 257. communal, 258. underlie, 259. poetry, 260. odd, 261. parisian

262. serial qu\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
263. re\_\_\_\_e book *n.* a set of instructions for preparing a dish, including the ingredients and the method of cooking
264. di\_\_\_\_ge the clutch *v.* to withdraw or separate oneself from a situation or relationship
265. form an ine\_\_\_\_ble bond *adj.* unable to be separated or escaped from
266. aw\_\_\_\_e mental faculty *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
267. in\_\_\_\_t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
268. a working dr\_\_\_\_t *n.* a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form
269. beginning of the ind\_\_\_\_al revolution *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
270. pl\_\_\_\_l culture *n.* the grammatical form of a noun or pronoun indicating that it refers to more than one thing or person
271. fun\_\_\_\_al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
272. str\_\_\_\_ion of the victim *n.* the act of choking or suffocating someone by compressing their throat; a condition in which blood flow is restricted to a particular organ or body part, leading to tissue death or injury

ANSWERS: 262. quitter, 263. recipe, 264. disengage, 265. inextricable, 266. awesome, 267. invest, 268. draft, 269. industrial, 270. plural, 271. fundamental, 272. strangulation

273. charged pa\_\_\_\_le *n.* a small piece of something; a word or piece of a term with grammatical function but little or no significance
274. militant ni\_\_\_\_st *n.* a person who rejects all religious, moral, and political beliefs and values; a person who believes life is meaningless and void of purpose
275. pr\_\_\_\_s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
276. a scientific di\_\_\_\_ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
277. h\_\_t a weight *v.* to lift or hold something heavy to determine its weight or to test its heaviness or density; to assess or evaluate the significance or importance of something
278. op\_\_\_\_ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
279. in\_\_t a graphic *v.* to put something inside something else
280. sy\_\_l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else

ANSWERS: 273. particle, 274. nihilist, 275. process, 276. discovery, 277. heft, 278. opportune, 279. insert, 280. symbol

281. aesthetic exc\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness
282. im\_\_\_\_\_e a process *v.* to make or become better
283. re\_\_r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
284. cloud his rep\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
285. re\_\_\_\_\_d communities *v.* to build again or anew
286. the in\_\_\_\_\_on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
287. LED-em\_\_\_\_\_ed glass *adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
288. ge\_\_e of music *n.* a particular type or style of literature, art, music, or film that involves a particular set of characteristics
289. pronounce m\_\_e *n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online
290. de\_\_\_\_\_e my love *v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly

ANSWERS: 281. excitement, 282. improve, 283. refer, 284. reputation, 285. rebuild, 286. invention, 287. embedded, 288. genre, 289. meme, 290. declare

291. a chemical eq\_\_\_\_\_on
- n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
292. the t\_\_e of a song
- n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
293. student ach\_\_\_\_\_nt
- n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
294. in\_\_\_\_\_al function
- adj.* necessary to make a whole complete; essential, or fundamental; combining with something else to form a whole; (noun, of mathematics) a fundamental concept in calculus that represents the area under a curve between two points on a graph
295. tr\_\_d water
- v.* to step or walk on something
296. co\_\_\_\_\_e fantasy with reality
- v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
297. qu\_\_k physics
- n.* a type of elementary particle and a fundamental constituent of matter that make up the heavier elementary particles, such as protons, neutrons, etc.; fresh unripened cheese of a smooth texture made from pasteurized milk, a starter, and rennet
298. exp\_\_\_\_\_tal design
- adj.* relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have

ANSWERS: 291. equation, 292. tune, 293. achievement, 294. integral, 295. tread, 296. confuse, 297. quark, 298. experimental

299. he\_\_\_\_\_n back to tradition *v.* to listen attentively or carefully; to give heed or pay attention to something
300. re\_\_\_\_\_e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
301. expert car\_\_\_\_\_her *v.* a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools
302. imm\_\_\_\_\_ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
303. achieve spe\_\_\_\_\_ar growth *adj.* striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement
304. boys in the twelfth gr\_\_e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
305. self-int\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
306. write him an answer imm\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* now or without delay
307. students at all gr\_\_e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
308. learn new co\_\_\_\_\_ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
309. me\_\_\_\_\_ze musical scores *v.* to learn something carefully so that you will remember it exactly
310. ca\_\_\_\_\_us equations *n.* a branch of mathematics that deals with rates of change and limits; the accumulation of hard mineral deposits that can form in organs or ducts in the body, such as kidney stones or gallstones

ANSWERS: 299. hearken, 300. release, 301. cartographer, 302. immediately, 303. spectacular, 304. grade, 305. introduction, 306. immediately, 307. grade, 308. concept, 309. memorize, 310. calculus

311. historical phe\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
312. col\_\_\_\_\_te on a press release *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
313. the longstanding co\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
314. the ul\_\_\_\_\_te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
315. as\_\_\_\_\_te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
316. religious m\_\_e *n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online
317. in\_\_\_\_\_al component *adj.* necessary to make a whole complete; essential, or fundamental; combining with something else to form a whole; (noun, of mathematics) a fundamental concept in calculus that represents the area under a curve between two points on a graph
318. in\_\_\_\_\_ct a student *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

ANSWERS: 311. phenomenon, 312. collaborate, 313. conflict, 314. ultimate, 315. associate, 316. meme, 317. integral, 318. instruct

319. notable in\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
320. n\_\_m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
321. at p\_\_k hour *n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
322. color pi\_\_ls *n.* the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image
323. the p\_\_k current in the circuit *n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
324. pu\_\_y in a pet shop *n.* a young dog, usually less than a year old
325. in\_\_\_t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
326. nu\_\_\_\_\_r fusion *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
327. a habit des\_\_\_\_\_ve to health *adj.* causing or able to cause tremendous and irreparable damage
328. con\_\_\_\_\_on center *n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example

ANSWERS: 319. instance, 320. norm, 321. peak, 322. pixel, 323. peak, 324. puppy, 325. invest, 326. nuclear, 327. destructive, 328. convention



329. do\_\_\_e in a notebook *v.* to draw or scribble absentmindedly or idly; to make aimless marks or designs
330. examine se\_\_m *n.* the thin yellowish liquid that is a component of blood from which the clotting proteins have been removed, usually used to protect people or animals from disease, poison, etc.
331. rei\_\_\_\_\_ce capital punishment *v.* to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued
332. fun\_\_\_\_\_al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
333. woolly pa\_\_s *n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
334. a li\_\_\_\_\_l arts college *adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
335. scenic wa\_\_\_\_\_ll *n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock
336. easy qu\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
337. ma\_\_\_\_\_ng technology *n.* the process of creating maps or charts, including the interpretation of symbols, features, and data and the use of various techniques and technologies to represent geographical or other information in visual form

ANSWERS: 329. doodle, 330. serum, 331. reintroduce, 332. fundamental, 333. pants, 334. liberal, 335. waterfall, 336. quitter, 337. mapmaking

338. sp\_\_\_x statue *n.* a mythical creature with the head of a human and the body of a lion, known for its riddle-posing and guarding ancient treasures
339. ar\_\_\_\_\_ry size and shape *adj.* based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason
340. laws of ph\_\_\_\_\_s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
341. an\_\_\_\_\_r momentum *adj.* measured by an angle or by the rate of change of an angle; having angles or an angular shape
342. re\_\_\_e collection *n.* a set of instructions for preparing a dish, including the ingredients and the method of cooking
343. pen\_\_\_\_\_er verse *n.* a line of verse consisting of five metrical feet
344. beauty sa\_\_n *n.* a place for social gathering, especially for exchanging ideas and discussing artistic or cultural matters; a place of beauty treatment, such as a hair salon
345. car\_\_\_\_\_her's tool *v.* a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools
346. set a t\_\_p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
347. take im\_\_\_\_\_te effect *adj.* happening or done without delay or occurring shortly after something else

ANSWERS: 338. sphinx, 339. arbitrary, 340. physics, 341. angular, 342. recipe, 343. pentameter, 344. salon, 345. cartographer, 346. trap, 347. immediate

348. pr\_\_\_t a debate *v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen
349. mi\_\_\_\_\_le experience *adj.* very unhappy, uncomfortable, or unpleasant; causing great distress or suffering
350. in\_\_\_\_\_te appetite *adj.* unlimited or very great; impossible to measure
351. as\_\_\_\_\_nt professor *n.* someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job
352. official sta\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
353. in\_\_\_\_\_ct a computer *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
354. 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
355. pi\_\_l density *n.* the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image
356. co\_\_\_\_\_m a transaction *v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
357. b\_\_e diameter *v.* to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources

ANSWERS: 348. prompt, 349. miserable, 350. infinite, 351. assistant, 352. statistics, 353. instruct, 354. oppress, 355. pixel, 356. confirm, 357. bore

358. di\_\_\_\_sh a reputation *v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.
359. digital ma\_\_\_\_\_ng *n.* the process of creating maps or charts, including the interpretation of symbols, features, and data and the use of various techniques and technologies to represent geographical or other information in visual form
360. di\_\_\_\_ct public opinion *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
361. neuronal exc\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the state of being excited or stimulated; the process of producing an excited or stimulated state in something
362. in\_\_\_\_t coin *v.* to put something inside something else
363. in an o\_d way *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
364. ca\_\_\_\_\_us disease *n.* a branch of mathematics that deals with rates of change and limits; the accumulation of hard mineral deposits that can form in organs or ducts in the body, such as kidney stones or gallstones
365. de\_\_\_\_\_e independence *v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
366. t\_\_p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

ANSWERS: 358. diminish, 359. mapmaking, 360. distract, 361. excitation, 362. insert, 363. odd, 364. calculus, 365. declare, 366. trap

367. violent ni\_\_\_\_st *n.* a person who rejects all religious, moral, and political beliefs and values; a person who believes life is meaningless and void of purpose
368. tr\_\_d a similar path *v.* to step or walk on something
369. em\_\_\_\_r of Rome *n.* the male ruler of an empire
370. sp\_\_\_\_x riddle *n.* a mythical creature with the head of a human and the body of a lion, known for its riddle-posing and guarding ancient treasures
371. ind\_\_\_\_al alcohol *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
372. int\_\_\_\_ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
373. pe\_\_\_\_te the air *v.* to spread throughout; to pass through or penetrate every part of something
374. ca\_\_\_\_al choir *n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
375. en\_\_\_e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
376. fa\_\_\_\_te an excuse *v.* to make something, especially by assembling parts or constructing it from raw materials; to invent and present something false as true or real to deceive someone

ANSWERS: 367. nihilist, 368. tread, 369. emperor, 370. sphinx, 371. industrial, 372. introduction, 373. permeate, 374. cathedral, 375. engage, 376. fabricate

377. coral r\_\_fs *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface
378. n\_\_d neck *n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
379. enl\_\_\_\_\_ent activity *n.* education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge
380. ul\_\_\_\_\_um deadline *n.* a final demand or proposal presented by one party to another, usually with a threat of serious consequences if the terms are not met
381. break off an eng\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
382. par\_\_\_\_\_te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
383. co\_\_\_\_\_nt about price-gouging *n.* a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something
384. ass\_\_\_\_\_ion plot *n.* the act of killing a public figure, especially a political leader, usually for political or religious motives
385. beam of el\_\_\_\_\_ons *n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
386. ju\_\_\_e together different colors *v.* to mix or mingle various items, objects, or ideas together in a disordered or confused way, often resulting in a messy or chaotic situation; to create a disorderly or confusing arrangement of things

ANSWERS: 377. reef, 378. nerd, 379. enlightenment, 380. ultimatum, 381. engagement, 382. participate, 383. complaint, 384. assassination, 385. electron, 386. jumble

387. re\_\_r to a map *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
388. write the first dr\_\_t *n.* a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form
389. severe cr\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
390. con\_\_\_\_\_ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
391. no\_\_\_\_\_e else to go *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
392. the co\_\_\_\_\_ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
393. pe\_\_\_\_\_nt life insurance *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
394. deeply indented co\_\_\_\_\_ne *n.* the particular shape of the coast (= the shore of a sea or ocean) as seen from the sea
395. pa\_\_\_\_\_le energy *n.* a small piece of something; a word or piece of a term with grammatical function but little or no significance
396. a wa\_\_\_\_\_ll with a fall of ten feet *n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock
397. me\_\_\_\_\_or for death *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity

ANSWERS: 387. refer, 388. draft, 389. critic, 390. conversation, 391. nowhere, 392. conflict, 393. permanent, 394. coastline, 395. particle, 396. waterfall, 397. metaphor

398. hangman's no\_\_e *n.* a loop or knot, typically made of rope, used for hanging or executing a person or animal; a trap or snare in which the neck catches the prey
399. with de\_\_\_\_t *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
400. be\_\_\_\_h contempt *adv.* in or to a lower place than someone or something
401. an\_\_\_\_r mountain ridge *adj.* measured by an angle or by the rate of change of an angle; having angles or an angular shape
402. a good grounding in mat\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

ANSWERS: 398. noose, 399. delight, 400. beneath, 401. angular, 402. mathematics



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Necessity is the mother of \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
  
2. All the books in this section \_\_\_\_\_ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.  
*v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
  
3. The sonnet is written in \_\_\_\_\_ pentameter.  
*adj.* relating to or consisting of iambs; a metrical foot consisting of two syllables, with the first syllable short and the second syllable long
  
4. Effective communication is an \_\_\_\_\_ part of any successful team.  
*adj.* necessary to make a whole complete; essential, or fundamental; combining with something else to form a whole; (noun, of mathematics) a fundamental concept in calculus that represents the area under a curve between two points on a graph
  
5. The aroma of freshly baked bread \_\_\_\_\_ the entire bakery.  
*v.* to spread throughout; to pass through or penetrate every part of something
  
6. The military \_\_\_\_\_ troops to the border.  
*v.* to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose
  
7. The phone rang at the most \_\_\_\_\_ time.  
*adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 1. invention, 2. belong, 3. iambic, 4. integral, 5. permeated, 6. mobilized, 7. opportune

8. The computer screen comprises thousands of tiny \_\_\_\_\_ that create the overall picture.
- n.* the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image
9. He \_\_\_\_\_ from the conversation and walked away.
- v.* to withdraw or separate oneself from a situation or relationship
10. Many multinational companies are \_\_\_\_\_ in the reconstruction of that country.
- v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
11. I will work hard to \_\_\_\_\_ my goals and realize my dreams.
- v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
12. The band played a beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ on their instruments.
- n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
13. The company issued an \_\_\_\_\_ to its employees, demanding a pay cut or face layoffs.
- n.* a final demand or proposal presented by one party to another, usually with a threat of serious consequences if the terms are not met
14. Reading not only increases knowledge but also \_\_\_\_\_ life.
- v.* to make better or improve in quality by adding something else
15. The \_\_\_\_\_ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.
- n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

ANSWERS: 8. pixels, 9. disengaged, 10. engaged, 11. achieve, 12. tune, 13. ultimatum, 14. enriches, 15. argument

16. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the president sent shockwaves through the nation.  
*n.* the act of killing a public figure, especially a political leader, usually for political or religious motives
17. I will introduce you to how to \_\_\_\_\_ the leading causes of the malfunction.  
*v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
18. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the discussion was the current state of the economy.  
*n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
19. The \_\_\_\_\_ for the cake is passed down from generation to generation in her family.  
*n.* a set of instructions for preparing a dish, including the ingredients and the method of cooking
20. The company faced several \_\_\_\_\_ in the development of its new product.  
*n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
21. The \_\_\_\_\_ stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.  
*n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
22. We use \_\_\_\_\_ nouns when there is more than one of something  
*n.* the grammatical form of a noun or pronoun indicating that it refers to more than one thing or person
23. She \_\_\_\_\_ the hammer, ready to start the home renovation project.  
*v.* to lift or hold something heavy to determine its weight or to test its heaviness or density; to assess or evaluate the significance or importance of something

ANSWERS: 16. assassination, 17. identify, 18. topic, 19. recipe, 20. hurdles, 21. cathedral's, 22. plural, 23. hefted

24. The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and \_\_\_\_\_ it  
*adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
25. His grandfather was an \_\_\_\_\_ man.  
*adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
26. Three \_\_\_\_\_ tenors performed during the president's inauguration.  
*adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
27. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
28. Please don't \_\_\_\_\_ me while I'm studying.  
*v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
29. A \_\_\_\_\_ job requires a strong eye for detail and a deep understanding of geographic principles.  
*v.* a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools
30. She frequented the \_\_\_\_\_ for intellectual discussions and to keep up with the latest cultural trends.  
*n.* a place for social gathering, especially for exchanging ideas and discussing artistic or cultural matters; a place of beauty treatment, such as a hair salon
31. Departments may set requirements for a higher \_\_\_\_\_ point average.  
*n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
32. As people get old, their energies may \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.

ANSWERS: 24. faked, 25. odd, 26. celebrated, 27. norms, 28. distract, 29. cartographer's, 30. salon, 31. grade, 32. diminish

33. They selected a gorgeous diamond \_\_\_\_\_ ring.  
*n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
34. These articles cite five \_\_\_\_\_ of climate change.  
*n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
35. We can calculate the position of the \_\_\_\_\_ statistically.  
*n.* a small piece of something; a word or piece of a term with grammatical function but little or no significance
36. He is \_\_\_\_\_ in his thoughts.  
*adj.* willing to respect or allow many different types of beliefs or behavior; open-minded
37. She was disbarred for her \_\_\_\_\_ in fraud.  
*adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
38. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the upcoming concert was palpable among the crowd.  
*n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness
39. The detective looked for fingerprints on the window \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
40. The killer used his hands to \_\_\_\_\_ his victim.  
*v.* to choke or suffocate someone by compressing their neck; to inhibit or suppress something, such as a movement or idea

ANSWERS: 33. engagement, 34. instances, 35. particles, 36. liberal, 37. engaging, 38. excitement, 39. frame, 40. strangle

41. The forest was recently designated a \_\_\_\_\_ area.
- n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
42. Breast \_\_\_\_\_ is the most common type of cancer in women.
- n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
43. The government should view children as national assets and actively \_\_\_\_\_ in them.
- v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
44. It is important to \_\_\_\_\_ safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.
- v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
45. Our users are often \_\_\_\_\_ about the slow application.
- v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
46. The knot was \_\_\_\_\_ and she had to use scissors to cut it.
- adj.* unable to be separated or escaped from
47. Your \_\_\_\_\_ reflects your thoughts.
- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

ANSWERS: 41. conservation, 42. cancer, 43. invest, 44. observe, 45. complaining, 46. inextricable, 47. conversation

48. The \_\_\_\_\_ beauty of the night sky never ceases to amaze him.  
*n.* being only one of its kind; unique
49. Management must take \_\_\_\_\_ responsibility for the accident.  
*adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
50. Foreign goods from abroad must be \_\_\_\_\_ to customs when entering a country.  
*v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
51. He was pretty \_\_\_\_\_ to pass the exam.  
*adj.* having good luck or lucky
52. There are \_\_\_\_\_ differences between the two wine-producing regions.  
*adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
53. 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
54. He survived the \_\_\_\_\_ but was left with permanent damage to his vocal cords.  
*n.* the act of choking or suffocating someone by compressing their throat; a condition in which blood flow is restricted to a particular organ or body part, leading to tissue death or injury
55. The news article \_\_\_\_\_ the story in favor of one political party.  
*v.* to lean or slope in a particular direction; to present or interpret information or a situation in a biased or distorted way

ANSWERS: 48. singular, 49. ultimate, 50. declared, 51. fortunate, 52. obvious, 53. conflicts, 54. strangulation, 55. slanted

56. Human behavior has \_\_\_\_\_ characteristics.

*adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

57. He was labeled as a \_\_\_\_\_ after he abandoned the project halfway.

*n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

58. She is searching for a \_\_\_\_\_ residence.

*adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change

59. The government is planning to \_\_\_\_\_ wolves to the national park to restore the balance of the ecosystem.

*v.* to bring back something that has been previously abolished or discontinued

60. I always wear \_\_\_\_\_ when I go outside, even in the summer.

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

61. Please write to \_\_\_\_\_ your reservation.

*v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case

62. The brothers \_\_\_\_\_ each other in the hobby.

*v.* to look like or be similar to someone or something

63. They took the \_\_\_\_\_ step toward reconciliation.

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

ANSWERS: 56. fundamental, 57. quitter, 58. permanent, 59. reintroduce, 60. pants, 61. confirm, 62. resemble, 63. initial



64. He \_\_\_\_\_ carefully on the slippery ice.

*v.* to step or walk on something

65. My father is \_\_\_\_\_ in his thinking.

*adj.* of or relating to a time in the past; not modern

66. She \_\_\_\_\_ a new chapter into her manuscript.

*v.* to put something inside something else

67. On three sides, mountains \_\_\_\_\_ the settlement.

*v.* to be all around something or somebody

68. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the disease is still under investigation by medical researchers.

*n.* the action or relationship between an event or action and its effect or consequence; the explanation for why something happens

69. An executive \_\_\_\_\_ director administers each branch.

*n.* someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job

70. During debates in the legislature, the \_\_\_\_\_ of the law caused a lot of controversies.

*n.* a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form

71. The enemy fell right into the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

72. The product is still in the \_\_\_\_\_ stage.

*adj.* relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have

ANSWERS: 64. treads, 65. old-fashioned, 66. inserted, 67. surround, 68. causation, 69. assistant, 70. draft, 71. trap, 72. experimental

73. The vessel ran aground on a \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

74. The kids eagerly \_\_\_\_\_ to find the hidden Easter eggs in the garden.

- v.* to scratch or scrape at something with one's hands or claws frantically or desperately; to arrange or rearrange letter tiles to form words in a game of Scrabble (= a popular word game using a 15x15 square board and letter tiles) or a similar word game

75. Many famous explorers were also skilled in the art of \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the process of creating maps or charts, including the interpretation of symbols, features, and data and the use of various techniques and technologies to represent geographical or other information in visual form

76. This evidence will form the \_\_\_\_\_ for our discussion.

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

77. He knocked over the red wine and \_\_\_\_\_ the tablecloth.

- v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,

78. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the soldiers was evident as they carried out their mission with precision and focus.

- n.* a state of being disconnected or disinterested; impartiality or emotional distance; a military unit or formation that separates from a larger force and operates independently

79. Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of \_\_\_\_\_ weapons.

- adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

ANSWERS: 73. reef, 74. scrabbled, 75. mapmaking, 76. basis, 77. ruined, 78. detachment, 79. nuclear

80. The company is taking legal action against those who have violated their \_\_\_\_\_ on the software.

*n.* the legal right to be the only person or organization who can reproduce, publish, and sell a particular piece of work

81. His \_\_\_\_\_ presentation deeply moved everyone.

*adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration

82. The majority of consumers \_\_\_\_\_ this brand with quality.

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

83. A great stretch of the lake lay \_\_\_\_\_ them.

*adv.* in or to a lower place than someone or something

84. The \_\_\_\_\_ café had a charming atmosphere.

*adj.* of or from Paris, France; characteristic of Paris or its inhabitants

85. That incident \_\_\_\_\_ a nationwide chain reaction regarding the crackdown on illegal groups.

*v.* to make someone decide to or try to do something, or to make something happen

86. The aroma of freshly baked cookies was \_\_\_\_\_ to her.

*adj.* impossible to resist or refuse; very attractive, appealing, or compelling

87. The \_\_\_\_\_ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

*n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

ANSWERS: 80. copyright, 81. compelling, 82. associate, 83. beneath, 84. Parisian, 85. prompted, 86. irresistible, 87. opposition

88. They are planning to \_\_\_\_\_ the house after the fire.

*v.* to build again or anew

89. We want to \_\_\_\_\_ ties between our two countries.

*v.* to make or become better

90. Different cultures have different comfortable word rhythms, so the composition of \_\_\_\_\_ varies greatly.

*n.* poems in general as a genre of literature

91. The children \_\_\_\_\_ up the puzzle pieces and had to start over.

*v.* to mix or mingle various items, objects, or ideas together in a disordered or confused way, often resulting in a messy or chaotic situation; to create a disorderly or confusing arrangement of things

92. The outermost \_\_\_\_\_ shell determines the chemical properties of an atom.

*n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge

93. I've been thinking all day and getting \_\_\_\_\_.

*adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere

94. \_\_\_\_\_ design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.

*adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry

95. He's utterly \_\_\_\_\_ with his promotion.

*v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

96. Her research team made an important \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 88. rebuild, 89. improve, 90. poetry, 91. jumbled, 92. electron, 93. nowhere, 94. Industrial, 95. obsessed, 96. discovery

97. She adopted a small brown \_\_\_\_\_ from the shelter.

*n.* a young dog, usually less than a year old

98. They \_\_\_\_\_ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

*v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

99. Little children tend to have \_\_\_\_\_ friends.

*adj.* existing only in someone's mind

100. Please \_\_\_\_\_ to my words of advice before making a decision.

*v.* to listen attentively or carefully; to give heed or pay attention to something

101. He studied the \_\_\_\_\_ of radiation.

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

102. The professor accused the student of being a \_\_\_\_\_ for constantly challenging the course material.

*n.* a person who rejects all religious, moral, and political beliefs and values; a person who believes life is meaningless and void of purpose

103. The \_\_\_\_\_ size shirt fits him perfectly.

*adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

104. Both forts were subject to \_\_\_\_\_ attacks.

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

ANSWERS: 97. puppy, 98. encouraged, 99. imaginary, 100. hearken, 101. physics, 102. nihilist, 103. medium, 104. immediate

105. The \_\_\_\_\_ energy of the electron determines the wavelength of light emitted during fluorescence.
- n.* the state of being excited or stimulated; the process of producing an excited or stimulated state in something
106. The \_\_\_\_\_ chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.
- adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
107. \_\_\_\_\_ elections were held in several European countries.
- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
108. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
109. She has a good \_\_\_\_\_ for being one of the best chefs in the city.
- n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
110. The \_\_\_\_\_ player was rehearsing for an upcoming concert.
- n.* a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
111. The facility manager \_\_\_\_\_ the security guards to be on high alert.
- v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
112. He finally brought his \_\_\_\_\_ to perfection.
- n.* education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge

ANSWERS: 105. excitation, 106. embedded, 107. Communal, 108. critics, 109. reputation, 110. viol, 111. instructed, 112. enlightenment

113. They are eager to \_\_\_\_\_ a positive reputation.
- v.* make fast as if with cement; (noun) a building material that is a powder made of a mixture of calcined limestone and clay, used with water, sand, and small stones to make concrete
114. He was, by nature, a cyber \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
115. His bitter experiences \_\_\_\_\_ his moral principles.
- v.* to be the support, basis, hidden cause of something; to be located under or below
116. Your \_\_\_\_\_ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.
- n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
117. She researched gender \_\_\_\_\_ in politics.
- n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
118. A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
119. The \_\_\_\_\_ internet connection made it difficult to work from home without interruptions.
- adj.* characterized by irregular or uneven distribution or coverage; of or relating to temporary blemishes or discolorations on the skin; inconsistent or unreliable in quality or performance

ANSWERS: 113. cement, 114. nerd, 115. underlie, 116. intellect, 117. bias, 118. curriculum, 119. spotty

120. The use of cluster \_\_\_\_\_ is strictly prohibited by international law.
- n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
121. The more \_\_\_\_\_ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.
- adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
122. He planned to \_\_\_\_ the organization for negligence.
- v.* to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress
123. She filed a \_\_\_\_\_ with the manager about the poor service.
- n.* a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something
124. Take a right turn at the next \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a point where two or more roads, lines, etc., cross each other
125. This cute dog's photo spread around the world as an Internet \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online
126. This \_\_\_\_\_ has never been formally accepted.
- n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
127. The poem is written in iambic \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a line of verse consisting of five metrical feet

ANSWERS: 120. bombs, 121. brilliant, 122. sue, 123. complaint, 124. intersection, 125. meme, 126. achievement, 127. pentameter



128. She felt \_\_\_\_\_ after her dog passed away.  
*adj.* very unhappy, uncomfortable, or unpleasant; causing great distress or suffering
129. The \_\_\_\_\_ to the new class was informative and engaging.  
*n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
130. The workers were able to \_\_\_\_\_ the tent in just a few minutes.  
*v.* to construct or build something; to cause to rise; (adjective) upright or vertical
131. The actor's \_\_\_\_\_ has become an icon.  
*n.* an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip
132. Please \_\_\_\_\_ to the instruction manual for further assistance.  
*v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
133. This lawsuit appears to be unfair and \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* not remaining constant or in agreement
134. The criminal was caught in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the law and faced severe consequences for their actions.  
*n.* a loop or knot, typically made of rope, used for hanging or executing a person or animal; a trap or snare in which the neck catches the prey
135. The \_\_\_\_\_ rally attracted thousands of supporters.  
*adj.* relating to or supporting a political ideology that emphasizes a strong sense of national identity and devotion to one's own country

ANSWERS: 128. miserable, 129. introduction, 130. erect, 131. mustache, 132. refer, 133. inconsistent, 134. noose, 135. nationalist

136. Years of river erosion have formed the uniquely shaped \_\_\_\_\_ basin.
- n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock
137. A rainbow is a natural \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
138. The Big Bang theory states that \_\_\_\_\_ plasma filled the entire universe before matter as we know it was created.
- n.* a type of elementary particle and a fundamental constituent of matter that make up the heavier elementary particles, such as protons, neutrons, etc.; fresh unripened cheese of a smooth texture made from pasteurized milk, a starter, and rennet
139. The sun \_\_\_\_\_ the desert, making it uninhabitable.
- v.* to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame
140. The battle had an \_\_\_\_\_ impact on the nation.
- adj.* unlimited or very great; impossible to measure
141. There is nothing more valuable than \_\_\_\_\_ and freedom.
- n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
142. You are not \_\_\_\_\_ in your behavior.
- adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
143. The new resort was built along the \_\_\_\_\_ offering stunning ocean views from every room.
- n.* the particular shape of the coast (= the shore of a sea or ocean) as seen from the sea

ANSWERS: 136. waterfall, 137. phenomenon, 138. quark-gluon, 139. scorched, 140. infinite, 141. independence, 142. consistent, 143. coastline,

144. There is a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ nature and food in Hawaii.

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

145. The \_\_\_\_\_ has largely gotten positive feedback.

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

146. Lawyers need to \_\_\_\_\_ even the most minor provisions of the law.

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

147. He is known for creating \_\_\_\_\_ paintings.

*n.* a particular type or style of literature, art, music, or film that involves a particular set of characteristics

148. When on the phone, he likes to \_\_\_\_\_ little sketches in the margins of his notepad.

*v.* to draw or scribble absentmindedly or idly; to make aimless marks or designs

149. This measurement aims to reduce traffic at \_\_\_\_\_ periods.

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

150. The majority of students actively \_\_\_\_\_ in the college's intramural sports program.

*v.* to take part in something

151. In this class, you will learn how to solve quadratic \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

ANSWERS: 144. awesome, 145. novel, 146. memorize, 147. genre-busting, 148. doodle, 149. peak, 150. participated, 151. equations

152. The search for new \_\_\_\_\_ particles is one of the most exciting areas of modern physics.
- n.* a type of subatomic particle that follows Bose-Einstein statistics, which determine how identical particles with integer spins behave
153. It's important to understand the \_\_\_\_\_ of a situation before making a decision.
- n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
154. Various artificially induced causes are \_\_\_\_\_ our ecosystem.
- v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
155. The car was completely \_\_\_\_\_ in the accident.
- v.* to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller
156. The two sides argued their points, but the judge ultimately sided with the \_\_\_\_\_ viewpoint.
- n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
157. One such rapidly growing \_\_\_\_\_ is quantum cryptography.
- n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
158. The animal rights group worked to \_\_\_\_\_ the dolphins back into the wild.
- v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
159. 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: 152. boson, 153. context, 154. threatening, 155. crushed, 156. contrary, 157. concept, 158. release, 159. oppressed

160. The findings of the experiment were both \_\_\_\_\_ and unexpected.

*adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement

161. Infrared cameras detect \_\_\_\_\_ in the infrared range of the electromagnetic spectrum.

*n.* a unit or quantum of electromagnetic energy, typically regarded as a particle that is the basic constituent of all light and other forms of electromagnetic radiation

162. Any rotating body has \_\_\_\_\_ momentum about its center of mass.

*adj.* measured by an angle or by the rate of change of an angle; having angles or an angular shape

163. The \_\_\_\_\_ once lived in the vast palace.

*n.* the male ruler of an empire

164. The \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

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

165. They met at biennial \_\_\_\_\_.

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

166. I love to relax on the \_\_\_\_\_ and watch movies on the weekends.

*n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

167. The dragon is considered a \_\_\_\_\_ of bravery.

*n.* something visible that is used to represent something else

ANSWERS: 160. exciting, 161. photons, 162. angular, 163. Emperor, 164. statistics, 165. conventions, 166. couch, 167. symbol

168. The \_\_\_\_\_ Sultan was considered the supreme ruler and held great authority.
- n.* a historical empire founded at the end of the 13th century in northwestern Anatolia by the Turkoman tribal leader Osman I; (used as "ottoman") a type of upholstered seat or bench without a back or arms, typically used as a stool or footstool, or in some cases as a coffee table
169. The \_\_\_\_\_ fireworks display was the highlight of the festival.
- adj.* striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement
170. 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
171. She expressed her thought in an artful choice of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
172. The detective discovered that the witness had \_\_\_\_\_ her story about the crime.
- v.* to make something, especially by assembling parts or constructing it from raw materials; to invent and present something false as true or real to deceive someone
173. The police officer \_\_\_\_\_ the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.
- v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
174. \_\_\_\_\_ also guarantees intellectual property rights and thus promotes innovation.
- n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit

ANSWERS: 168. Ottoman, 169. spectacular, 170. complexity, 171. metaphors, 172. fabricated, 173. chased, 174. Capitalism

175. The ice cream truck's sound brought back \_\_\_\_\_ for my childhood.

*n.* a sentimental longing or wistful affection for a period in the past

176. The news of her sudden death was \_\_\_\_\_ to everyone who knew her.

*adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe

177. He has a flair for \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

178. Carbon has an \_\_\_\_\_ mass of 12.

*adj.* of or relating to atom (= the smallest component of an element)

179. The garden was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ and needed to be tilled before planting.

*n.* soil, dust, or any substance that makes a surface not clean; the part of the earth's surface consisting of humus and disintegrated rock

180. The \_\_\_\_\_ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

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

181. A suspension order from the court is effective \_\_\_\_\_.

*adv.* now or without delay

182. He collected data to avoid \_\_\_\_\_ decisions.

*adj.* based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason

ANSWERS: 175. nostalgia, 176. astonishing, 177. mathematics, 178. atomic, 179. dirt, 180. process, 181. immediately, 182. arbitrary

183. She agreed to \_\_\_\_\_ with him in creating new artwork.

*v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something

184. The engineers found the technical glitch in the system was quite \_\_\_\_\_ with a software update.

*adj.* capable of being solved or resolved; able to be fixed or resolved with effort, skill, or knowledge

185. I needed help understanding the advanced \_\_\_\_\_ course material.

*n.* a branch of mathematics that deals with rates of change and limits; the accumulation of hard mineral deposits that can form in organs or ducts in the body, such as kidney stones or gallstones

186. The invention of the camera triggered the development of \_\_\_\_\_ painting.

*adj.* based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence

187. It was the most \_\_\_\_\_ storm in decades.

*adj.* causing or able to cause tremendous and irreparable damage

188. He borrowed money from a loan \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

189. He did \_\_\_\_\_ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

*adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

190. A growing \_\_\_\_\_ requires a bold leader.

*n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort

ANSWERS: 183. collaborate, 184. solvable, 185. calculus, 186. abstract, 187. destructive, 188. shark, 189. complicated, 190. enterprise



191. The lecture on quantum physics \_\_\_\_\_ me to tears.

- v.* to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources

192. This region is predominantly \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

193. The Chinese people have accomplished several \_\_\_\_\_ feats.

- adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so

194. There is a strong \_\_\_\_\_ between education level and income.

- n.* a statistical relationship between two variables in which one variable is affected by the other; a reciprocal relation between two or more facts, numbers, etc.

195. It was \_\_\_\_\_ that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.

- adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect

196. The Great \_\_\_\_\_ is a famous statue with a human's head and a lion's body.

- n.* a mythical creature with the head of a human and the body of a lion, known for its riddle-posing and guarding ancient treasures

197. Full involvement means \_\_\_\_\_ and prompt responses.

- adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

198. \_\_\_\_\_ therapy often involves injecting detoxified toxins to acquire antibodies.

- n.* the thin yellowish liquid that is a component of blood from which the clotting proteins have been removed, usually used to protect people or animals from disease, poison, etc.

ANSWERS: 191. bored, 192. desert, 193. historic, 194. correlation, 195. ironic, 196. Sphinx, 197. frank, 198. Serum

199. 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

200. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.

- n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness

201. Her remarks \_\_\_\_\_ the debate.

- v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

ANSWERS: 199. nation, 200. delight, 201. confused