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Session 1: Word List

confession

n. a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal

synonym: admission, avowal, acknowledgment

(1) a **confession** of guilt, (2) a **confession** of faith

The prisoner made a full **confession** and admitted to his crime.

ambition

n. a strong wish to do or achieve something

synonym: purpose, aim, endeavor

(1) an **ambition** for political power, (2) boundless **ambition**

Greed and **ambition** composed his personality.

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**.

innovation

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

synonym: invention, initiation, creation

(1) **innovation** leader, (2) cutting-edge **innovation**

The vegetarian burger was an **innovation** that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

ethnography

n. the study of social groups and cultures, often conducted through observation, interviews, and analysis of primary sources; a written account of such a study

synonym: anthropology, cultural analysis

(1) **ethnography** research, (2) **ethnography** methods

The book is a rich and detailed **ethnography** of the cultural practices of a group of people.

anthropology

n. the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species

(1) social **anthropology**, (2) **anthropology** of religion

The areas of **anthropology** and psychology are significantly related to one another.

conspirator

n. a person who is involved in a conspiracy (= a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something), especially to commit a crime or an illegal act

synonym: accomplice, confederate, partner in crime

(1) unmask a **conspirator**, (2) co- **conspirator**

The police arrested several **conspirators** involved in the plot to overthrow the government.

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.

locate

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

synonym : discover, find, place

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

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

globe

n. the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness

synonym : Earth, world, sphere

(1) terrestrial **globe**, (2) around the **globe**

His final goal is to sail around the **globe**.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

analyze

v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

synonym : explore, examine, investigate

(1) **analyze** a chemical compound, (2) **analyze** your real motives

The teacher attempted to **analyze** the root cause of our mistake.

innovate

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

synonym : bring in, introduce, found

(1) **innovate** a new method, (2) **innovate** the quality of his life

Companies developing self-driving cars consistently **innovate** the emerging technologies.

conventional

adj. based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.

synonym : ancestral, customary, established

(1) a **conventional** style, (2) get a **conventional** loan
She is very **conventional** in her thoughts.

vision

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

synonym: sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**
Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

inspiring

adj. stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
synonym: exhilarating, encouraging, heartening

(1) **inspiring** stories, (2) awe- **inspiring** sight
An **inspiring** teacher might spark students' motivation to succeed.

execute

v. to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.

synonym: direct, conduct, enforce

(1) **execute** a bold strategy, (2) **execute** a double play
The mafioso who collaborated with the police was **executed**.

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.

increment

n. a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important

synonym: increase, expansion, addendum

(1) steady **incremental** growth, (2) small **increments**

The bid **increment** for this auction is \$100.

breakthrough

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

synonym : advance, progress, innovation

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

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

inclusive

adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

synonym : cover-all, all-embracing, comprehensive

(1) a fully **inclusive** price, (2) **inclusive** education

The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its **inclusive** policy.

definition

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

synonym : description, connotation, meaning

(1) a precise **definition**, (2) the **definition** of a word

Parallel lines are, by **definition**, lines on the same plane that never cross.

recognize

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

synonym : acknowledge, identify, admit

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

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

privilege

n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

synonym : benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership
In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the **privilege** of royalty and nobility.

provocative

adj. arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately

synonym: instigating, provoking, inciting

(1) **provocative** questions, (2) a **provocative** smile
His **provocative** style frequently sparked controversies.

chef

n. a cook, especially the chief cook in a restaurant or hotel

synonym: cook, culinary artist, gastronomer

(1) **chef** knife, (2) master **chef**

The **chef** at the restaurant was known for his creative and delicious dishes.

generate

v. to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

synonym: create, yield, produce

(1) **generate** more electricity, (2) **generate** \$100 a month
The economic stimulation program would **generate** a lot of new jobs.

mainstream

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

synonym: prevailing, average, common

(1) join the **mainstream**, (2) **mainstream** political beliefs
His thinking is **mainstream** in the country's culture.

colleague

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**
I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

myth

n. an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

synonym: fable, legend, lore

(1) the **myth** of an old religion, (2) perpetuate a **myth**

With the financial bubble bursting, the **myth** of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.

solo

adv. without anybody else or anything else; alone

synonym: alone

(1) a **solo** vocal recital, (2) a **solo** flight

I would love to **solo** camping someday.

genius

n. someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality

synonym: brilliance, brainiac, acumen

(1) a person of **genius**, (2) a **genius** for music

Mozart was a musical **genius**.

flash

n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness

synonym: sparkle, gleam, glimmer

(1) a **flash** of lightning, (2) brilliant **flash**

These heavy rains caused **flash** floods on several islands.

inspiration

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

synonym: motivation, drive, encouragement

(1) source of **inspiration**, (2) get **inspiration** from nature

He found **inspiration** in the works of his favorite authors.

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.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
synonym : person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

studio

n. a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
synonym : workshop, atelier, room

(1) a photo **studio**, (2) music **studio**

She works at a recording **studio** in Los Angeles.

reluctantly

adv. in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation

synonym : unwillingly, hesitantly, grudgingly

(1) **reluctantly** approve the idea, (2) **reluctantly** leave

He **reluctantly** agreed to go to the party.

neat

adj. clean or tidy, with everything in its place

synonym : tidy, uncluttered, refined

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

She has **neat** habits.

discrete

adj. separate and distinct; not continuous; individually distinguishable

synonym : separate, distinct, individual

(1) **discrete** metric space, (2) **discrete** variable

The company divided the tasks into **discrete** segments to increase efficiency.

arrow

n. a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow

synonym : shaft, dart, projectile

(1) **arrow** pointing, (2) **arrow** diagram

The archer aimed his **arrow** carefully at the target.

interrelated

adj. closely connected or related to each other

synonym : connected, related, interdependent

(1) the **interrelated** nature of the problems, (2) **interrelated** factors

The different parts of the system are **interrelated** and rely on each other to function correctly.

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.

messy

adj. disorganized and untidy

synonym : cluttered, disorganized, untidy

(1) **messy** data, (2) **messy** handling

His **messy** bedroom is always a source of frustration for his mother.

evolve

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

synonym : develop, mature, grow

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

Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

vex

v. to irritate or annoy with petty frustrations; to cause distress or agitation

synonym : annoy, irritate, bother

(1) **vex** my mind, (2) **vex** me all night

The loud noise from the construction site was starting to **vex** the nearby residents.

animate

v. to make something full of interest and energy

synonym : invigorate, energize, enliven

(1) **animate** the body, (2) **animate** his soul

The positive attitude of the supervisor **animated** the discussion.

wrap

v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

synonym : surround, cover, bandage

(1) **wrap** a fish in foil, (2) **wrap** up a meeting

Wrap the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

arch

n. a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building

synonym : turn, bow, arc

(1) the **arch** of a person's foot, (2) an **arch-shaped** stone structure

The **arch** bears the weight of the overhead bridge.

eyebrow

n. the hair arc over each eye in humans

synonym : brow, supercilium

(1) raise her **eyebrows**, (2) **eyebrow** cosmetics

She raised an inquiring **eyebrow** towards me.

mischievous

adj. causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way

synonym : naughty, prankish, impish

(1) **mischievous** grin, (2) **mischievous** sense of humor

The **mischievous** child played pranks on his siblings all day long.

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.

slice

n. a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting

synonym : piece, portion, slit

(1) a **slice** of the company's revenue, (2) **slice** a tomato thin
The children complained because one **slice** of cake was slightly larger than the other.

conceive

v. to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant

synonym : imagine, envision, concoct

(1) **conceive** of an idea, (2) **conceive** a child
I can't **conceive** he'd want to harm us.

subtle

adj. not readily apparent or visible

synonym : slight, nuanced, exquisite

(1) **subtle** changes, (2) a **subtle** poison
A famous artist painted the room in a **subtle** pink hue.

improvisation

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

synonym : spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**
He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

paradox

n. a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;

synonym : incongruity, dichotomy, contradiction

(1) French **paradox**, (2) the **paradox** of the heap
There are many theories to explain this **paradox**.

unleash

v. to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled

synonym : discharge, free, release

(1) **unleash** a hound, (2) **unleash** her anger
The general was still reluctant to **unleash** his troops in pursuit of an enemy.

talent

n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

synonym: endowment, aptitude, capability

(1) a person of diverse **talents**, (2) raw **talent**

Numerous great professional sports **talents** have come from this city.

harness

v. to control and exploit the power of something, especially natural resources that produce energy; (noun) a set of narrow pieces of leather and metal that are used to control or hold in place a person, animal, or object

synonym: rein in, control, (noun) belt

(1) **harness** a horse to a carriage, (2) put a **harness** on my pet

People have been exploring ways to **harness** natural forces and resources since ancient times.

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.

full-blown

adj. fully developed or manifesting in its complete form, often used to describe a difficult situation or condition

synonym: complete, total, absolute

(1) **full-blown** crisis, (2) **full-blown** epidemic

The hurricane hit the coast at **full-blown** force, causing widespread destruction.

misstep

n. a mistake or error in judgment or action, often resulting in an awkward or embarrassing situation; a misjudged or poorly executed step or movement

synonym: mistake, blunder, fumble

(1) recover from a **misstep**, (2) navigating **missteps**

She took a **misstep** on the stairs and tumbled down to the

bottom.

innovative

adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.

synonym: creative, ingenious, inventive

(1) use of **innovative** technology, (2) stylistically **innovative** works

The Prime Minister stressed the need to create **innovative** industries.

exhilarating

adj. making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill

synonym: thrilling, exciting, stimulating

(1) an **exhilarating** drink, (2) **exhilarating** view

Bungee jumping was an **exhilarating** experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.

downright

adj. (especially of something bad) complete and absolute; utter; (adverb) completely and absolutely

synonym: absolute, utter, complete

(1) **downright** nonsense, (2) **downright** impossible

It was a **downright** lie that he would attend the event.

scary

adj. causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating

synonym: terrifying, frightening, alarming

(1) **scary** dream, (2) **scary** story

The horror movie was so **scary** that I couldn't watch it alone.

attribute

v. to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;

synonym: ascribe, blame, (noun) feature

(1) **attribute** the change to their marriage, (2) **attribute** directly to sales

He **attributes** the disappointing results to the economic downturn.

luxury

n. a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things

synonym: extravagance, indulgence, opulence

(1) get into the **luxury** car market, (2) **luxury** hotel

His anti- **luxury** practices were quite strict.

brand

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

synonym: trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car

There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

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.

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.

creative

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

synonym: imaginative, innovative, inventive

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

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

abrasion

n. the process of scraping or wearing away of a surface or substance through friction or erosion

synonym : scrape, scratch, graze

(1) skin **abrasions**, (2) protect against **abrasions**

The surface of the wooden table had several **abrasions** from years of use.

agility

n. the ability to move quickly and easily, often in a way that is graceful and controlled

synonym : nimbleness, quickness, dexterity

(1) ninja-like **agility**, (2) **agility** training

The coach had the team run through the **agility** ladder to improve their coordination.

resolution

n. a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display

synonym : determination, decision, settlement

(1) **resolution** of a conflict, (2) display **resolution**

He made a New Year's **resolution** to exercise more and eat healthier.

marketplace

n. a physical or virtual venue where goods or services are bought and sold; an economic system that facilitates exchange between buyers and sellers

synonym : bazaar, mart, emporium

(1) **marketplace** competition, (2) global **marketplace**

The online **marketplace** offers a wide variety of products for shoppers.

debate

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

synonym : argument, discussion, dispute

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

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

in politics.

discourse

n. any form of communication in speech or writing

synonym: discussion, dialogue, communication

(1) hold **discourse** with him, (2) a **discourse** about art

Sweet **discourse** makes short days and nights.

amplify

v. to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness

synonym: intensify, boost, argument

(1) **amplify** a signal, (2) **amplify** the effect

You might need to **amplify** this point.

minimize

v. to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious

synonym: diminish, mitigate, belittle

(1) **minimize** a loss, (2) way to **minimize** conflict

I bought a gadget before my trip to help **minimize** stress during the flight.

brainstorming

n. a group activity or business method in which a group of people meet and think about something at the same time to solve a problem or to create good ideas

(1) **brainstorming** session, (2) do a **brainstorming** about a new product

Many companies employ **brainstorming** as a good way of generating innovative ideas.

suspend

v. to stop something from continuing or being in force or effect, either temporarily or permanently; to hang something freely

synonym: stop, postpone, adjourn

(1) **suspend** a decision, (2) **suspend** fruits from the ceiling

The University **suspended** the most recalcitrant demonstrators.

judgment

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

synonym : conclusion, decision, determination

(1) an emotional **judgment** , (2) deliver a **judgment**
Her **judgments** are consistently rational and sensible.

construct

v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

synonym : build, assemble, create

(1) **construct** a 3D image, (2) **construct** a dam

He **constructs** hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

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.

portfolio

n. a collection of work, documents, or other materials that demonstrate a person's skills, qualifications, or achievements; a collection of investments held by a person or organization

synonym : collection, file, folder

(1) investment **portfolio**, (2) **portfolio** manager

The artist's **portfolio** showcased various works, from paintings to sculptures.

alternative

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

synonym : choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**
Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

inquire

v. to ask for information about something or from someone; to investigate or look into a matter to gain

clarification or understanding

synonym : ask, question, query

(1) **inquire** at reception, (2) **inquire** into the matter

I need to **inquire** about the details of the job interview.

advocate

n. a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something

synonym : proponent, exponent, promoter

(1) an **advocate** of disarmament, (2) public education

advocates

Advocates of abolishing the death penalty often argue that the alternative heaviest sentence should be life in prison.

diversity

n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

synonym : variety, multiplicity, variousness

(1) the **diversity** policy of the university, (2) lingual **diversity**

He was impressed by the range and **diversity** of the collection.

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.

refine

v. to make something more pure, polished, cultured, or effective; to improve, perfect, or enhance through a process of purification or development

synonym : purify, process, improve

(1) **refine** oil, (2) **refine** a language

The company is working to **refine** its production process to be more efficient.

pursue

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

synonym : seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms

She intends to **pursue** a political career.

adjustment

n. a small change or movement made to something to improve it and achieve the desired result

synonym : alteration, adaptation, modification

(1) **adjustment** by hand, (2) a fine **adjustment**

He assumed the role of the arbitral **adjustment** of the controversy.

opposed

adj. being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something

synonym : anti, averse, hostile

(1) two **opposed** characters, (2) absolutely **opposed** to abortion

I'm strongly **opposed** to that plan.

combination

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

synonym : blend, hybrid, compounding

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

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

artistic

adj. of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities

synonym : beautiful, aesthetic, creative

(1) an **artistic** photograph, (2) cultural and **artistic** activity

Promising entrepreneurs often have a high **artistic** sensibility.

experiment

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

synonym : experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**
His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

pilot

n. a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water

synonym: aviator, flyer, chief

(1) a test **pilot**, (2) **pilot** production

The **pilot** exercised great care in landing.

negative

adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

synonym: minus, adverse, pessimistic

(1) have a **negative** effect, (2) a **negative** number

The movie has received almost universally **negative** criticism.

outcome

n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

synonym: result, consequence, effect

(1) improved student **outcomes**, (2) a desirable **outcome**

They awaited news of the **outcome** of the election.

blame

v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

synonym: condemn, rebuke, find fault with

(1) **blame** circumstances for the failure, (2) **blame** the lack of knowledge

We **blamed** our impeded progress on lack of money.

decision

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

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

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

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

combine

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

synonym: coalesce, cohere, blend

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

(2) **combine** augmented reality

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

opposing

adj. competing, fighting, or working against each other

synonym: disagreeing, dissenting, conflicting

(1) **opposing** counsel, (2) in an **opposing** direction

We have no intention of **opposing** his idea.

reconfigure

v. to change the configuration or arrangement of something, often to improve its performance or functionality

synonym: reshape, restructure, realign

(1) **reconfigure** the network, (2) **reconfigure** the operating system

We need to **reconfigure** the office layout to use the space better.

compromise

v. to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

synonym: agree, settle, negotiate

(1) **compromise** the matter, (2) cannot **compromise** anymore

They never **compromised** on development despite the lack of funds.

dominate

v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

synonym: govern, rule, prevail

(1) **dominate** possession, (2) **dominate** over the weak

The perspective of his right brain **dominates** his consciousness.

develop

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

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

patient

- n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

synonym: client, recipient, subject

- (1) **patient** in the hospital, (2) **patient** with weight loss

The doctor carefully examined the **patient's** medical history.

infrastructure

- n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

synonym: foundation, framework

- (1) IT **infrastructure**, (2) **infrastructure** cost

Aging societies tend to require huge costs for **infrastructure** maintenance.

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.

storage

- n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

synonym: storehouse, depository, warehousing

(1) a **storage** battery, (2) **storage** at low temperature

We store customer data in cloud **storage**.

adequate

adj. enough, acceptable, satisfactory for a particular purpose or need

synonym: enough, acceptable, able

(1) **adequate** parking facilities, (2) provide **adequate** funding

This argument is still not **adequate**.

engineer

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

synonym: architect, creator, builder

(1) a civil **engineer**, (2) **engineer** shortage

The **engineer** will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

brain

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

synonym: intellect, mind, encephalon

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

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

tackle

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

synonym: deal with, dive into, work on

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

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

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

emerge

v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

synonym: arise, occur, appear

(1) **emerge** as a butterfly, (2) **emerge** from poverty

During colonial eras, new migratory patterns **emerged**.

spontaneously

adv. in a way that is natural, not planned or forced, and often sudden

synonym: impromptu, automatically, immediately

(1) recover **spontaneously** after five days, (2) this shift occurs **spontaneously**

The electrical cord **spontaneously** combusted.

coalesce

v. to come together or merge into a single group, mass, or whole; to blend or combine elements or ideas into a unified whole

synonym: merge, combine, unite

(1) **coalesce** ideas, (2) **coalesce** with the other

The various departments of the company will **coalesce** into one cohesive unit.

scratch

v. to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object

synonym: claw, rub, scrape

(1) **scratch** off a name, (2) **scratch** my signature

Don't **scratch** your mosquito bites.

propose

v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

synonym: suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes

I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

separate

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

synonym: disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from

milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

inject

v. to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)

synonym: shoot, infiltrate, insinuate

(1) **inject** under the skin, (2) **inject** a personal opinion into a debate

Let's try to **inject** a bit of enthusiasm into your performance.

honesty

n. the quality of being truthful, sincere, and morally upright; adherence to moral and ethical principles

synonym: sincerity, integrity, truthfulness

(1) **honesty** policy, (2) **honesty** box

A culture of **honesty** in the workplace leads to better communication and productivity.

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.

prototype

n. a first or preliminary example of something such as a device or vehicle from which other forms are developed

synonym: mock-up, precursor, model

(1) complete a **prototype** product, (2) early **prototype**

The flying car is presently in the **prototype** stage.

bump

v. to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident

synonym : collide, hit, jolt

(1) **bump** against a wall, (2) **bump** up prices

She accidentally **bumped** into him in the crowded room.

strength

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

synonym : resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**

Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

beep

v. to make a short, high-pitched sound, typically as a signal or warning

synonym : bleep, honk, buzz

(1) **beep** out a warning, (2) **beep** the horn

The timer **beeped**, reminding me that the cake was ready to come out of the oven.

urgent

adj. requiring immediate attention or action; pressing

synonym : pressing, critical, immediate

(1) an **urgent** telegram, (2) **urgent** situation

It is **urgent** that we leave for the airport now to catch our flight.

emerging

adj. starting to exist, mature, or become well-known

synonym : arising, occurring, state-of-the-art

(1) **emerging** country, (2) **emerging** technologies

Emerging technologies have dramatically improved productivity in various industries.

generation

n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

synonym : cohort, age group, era

(1) **generation** gap, (2) the **generation** of electricity

The younger **generation** has different values and beliefs than the older one.

breakneck

adj. extremely fast and reckless; dangerous and high-speed
synonym : risky, perilous, hazardous

(1) **breakneck** acceleration, (2) **breakneck** pace

She drove at a **breakneck** speed, despite the dangerous conditions on the road.

inefficient

adj. lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.

synonym : ineffective, counterproductive, inadequate

(1) **inefficient** use, (2) **inefficient** management

The system is still so **inefficient** that it is useless.

parallel

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

synonym : aligned, side-by-side, similar

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

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

unfold

v. to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown

synonym : open, spread out, expose

(1) **unfold** the story, (2) **unfold** the stroller

The mystery **unfolded** as the detectives gathered more clues.

wisdom

n. the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions

synonym : sagacity, discernment, insight

(1) a fountain of **wisdom**, (2) **wisdom** literature

The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's **wisdom**.

talented

adj. having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area

synonym : gifted, able, skilled

(1) a very **talented** actor, (2) **talented** athlete
She is a **talented** musician, able to play several instruments.

integrate

v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

synonym: mix, merge, combine

(1) **integrate** into the existing system, (2) **integrate** both businesses

He found that it is difficult to **integrate** socially.

silicon

n. a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

(1) **silicon** wafer, (2) crystalline **silicon**

Silicon is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.

valley

n. a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

synonym: canyon, gorge, dale

(1) **valley** bottom, (2) basin-shaped **valley**

The **valley** had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

leadership

n. the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization

synonym: captaincy, direction, initiative

(1) under his **leadership**, (2) **leadership** by politicians

The country's **leadership** has decided to take large-scale measures against global warming.

sauce

n. a liquid or semi-solid food served on or used in preparing other foods

synonym: condiment, gravy, dressing

(1) a flavorful **sauce**, (2) soy **sauce**

The pasta dish was served with a rich tomato **sauce**.

chapter

n. a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled

synonym : section, phase, episode

(1) an introductory **chapter**, (2) **chapter** of a political party

The final **chapter** provides a summary of the discussion.

suppose

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

synonym : guess, assume, presume

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

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

visionary

adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

synonym : prophetic, far-sighted, imaginative

(1) **visionary** business, (2) **visionary** ideas

The **visionary** leader had a clear plan for the company's future.

recast

v. to change the form of something, such as a metal object, by melting it down and reshaping it; to change the actors or the role of a particular actor in a play or film

synonym : modify, remake, remodel

(1) **recast** the Republican party, (2) **recast** the story

He had to **recast** his image to convince the electorate in his home state.

define

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

synonym : characterize, depict, express

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

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

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.

frontier

n. a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line

synonym: border, boundary, borderland

(1) **frontier** disputes, (2) the Italian **frontier** with Switzerland
He worked at the **frontier** of behavioral economics.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

synonym: cooperate, combine, collaborate

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

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

policy

n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

synonym: strategy, plan, guideline

(1) health **policy**, (2) foreign **policy**

The company's new **policy** on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

disrupt

v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

synonym: interrupt, disturb, break into

(1) **disrupt** a well-ordered condition, (2) **disrupt** sleep
I'm so sorry to **disrupt** you when you're pretty busy.

bestow

v. to give something to somebody, especially as an honor or present

synonym: give, grant, present

(1) **bestow** the name, (2) **bestow** a warm praise

He did not **bestow** one thought on his dead friend.

creditor

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

volunteer

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

synonym: unpaid worker, draftee, enlistee

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

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

nurture

v. to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

synonym: boost, cultivate, enable

(1) **nurture** love, (2) **nurture** his talents

Schools should **nurture** children's mutual interest spirit.

degenerate

v. (of a person, animal, or plant) to become worse in health or physical condition

synonym: deteriorate, decline, decay

(1) **degenerate** into a disagreement, (2) **degenerate** into recession

The once-thriving city has **degenerated** into a crime-ridden slum.

chaos

n. a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control

synonym: disorder, turmoil, confusion

(1) **chaos** theory, (2) midst of **chaos**

The conference room was in **chaos** as everyone tried to speak at once.

glue

n. a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials

synonym:

adhesive, paste, gum

(1) **glue** stick, (2) epoxy **glue**

The carpenter applied **glue** to the cabinet joints before nailing them together.

aggregate

n. a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items

synonym: total, sum, whole

(1) data **aggregate**, (2) an **aggregate** of people

The **aggregate** amount of money raised for the charity was over a million dollars.

viewpoint

n. a way of thinking about a specific subject; a place from which something can be viewed, especially in an area of natural beauty

synonym: outlook, stance, perspective

(1) a scientific **viewpoint**, (2) aesthetic **viewpoint**

We looked at this issue from a different **viewpoint**.

dictator

n. a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force

synonym: autocrat, tyrant, despot

(1) military **dictator**, (2) a **dictator** with enormous powers

A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the **dictator**.

hire

v. to give somebody a job

synonym: employ, engage, lease

(1) **hire** a guide, (2) **hire** a car by the hour

We should always be prepared to **hire** talented recruits.

argue

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

synonym: debate, dispute, quarrel

(1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

deliberately

adv. done in an intentional or slow and careful manner

synonym : intentionally, knowingly, willfully

(1) **deliberately** amateurish, (2) commit a crime

deliberately

He **deliberately** misleads others.

fuzzy

adj. having a soft and indistinct outline or covered with fine, soft, and hairlike fibers

synonym : hazy, blurry, indistinct

(1) **fuzzy** logic, (2) **fuzzy** memory

The picture was **fuzzy** because it was taken with an old camera.

vague

adj. not clearly expressed or understood

synonym : ambiguous, imprecise, dim

(1) **vague** idea, (2) make a **vague** answer

The **vague** rumor turned out to be false.

architect

n. a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

synonym : creator, designer, planner

(1) landscape **architect**, (2) **architect** of the peace accord

The building **architect** tried to build the house above the tree.

counsel

n. advice or guidance given by a person with specialized knowledge or experience, particularly in a professional or legal context; the act of providing advice or guidance

synonym : advice, guidance, direction

(1) take **counsel**, (2) career **counsel**

She sought the **counsel** of her trusted advisor before making a decision.

pharmaceutical

adj. relating to the production and selling of the medical drugs

synonym : drug, medication, prescription

(1) major **pharmaceutical** companies, (2) commercial **pharmaceutical** products

She gave money to help set up a **pharmaceutical** laboratory.

competitor

n. a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business

synonym : opponent, contender, contestant

(1) beat **competitor** offer, (2) domestic **competitor**

The gap between the company and its **competitors** has widened.

germ

n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

synonym : bacterium, microbe, pathogen

(1) antibiotic-resistant **germ**, (2) a **germ-free** environment

The **germ** of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

automaker

n. a company or manufacturer that produces automobiles, cars, and other motor vehicles

synonym : carmaker, vehicle maker, automobilist

(1) Japanese **automaker**, (2) luxury **automaker**

The **automaker's** sales have increased by 10% this quarter, thanks to strong consumer demand.

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.

outsource

v. to contract out or transfer a job, task, or service to an external organization or party, often as a cost-saving measure

synonym : delegate, contract out, farm out

(1) **outsource** a non-core function, (2) **outsource** to India
The company decided to **outsource** its IT services to a third-party provider.

irrelevant

adj. not connected with or related to something and therefore not important

synonym : unrelated, immaterial, extrinsic

(1) an **irrelevant** thought, (2) do something **irrelevant**
They removed **irrelevant** content from the slides.

dynamo

n. a machine that converts mechanical energy into electrical energy, typically consisting of a rotating coil or magnet within a magnetic field

synonym : generator, powerhouse

(1) a **dynamo** of productivity, (2) marketing **dynamo**
The electrical **dynamo** produced enough power to light up the entire city.

deviate

v. to depart from an established course or plan; to change direction or take a different route or approach

synonym : stray, diverge, veer

(1) **deviate** from the norm, (2) **deviate** from the plan
It's important not to **deviate** from the established safety procedures.

rethink

v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

synonym : reexplore, review, reconsider

(1) **rethink** a marketing plan, (2) **rethink** the role of the manager

We have to **rethink** our company's product lineup for further growth.

pyramid

n. a polyhedron having a polygonal base and triangular sides with a common vertex; a massive monument with a square base and four triangular sides, begun by Cheops around 2700 BC as royal tombs in ancient Egypt

synonym : monument, edifice, tomb

(1) **pyramid** architecture, (2) a truncated **pyramid**

The Egyptian **pyramids** consist of a vast number of blocks.

spark

v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

synonym : start, inspire, provoke

(1) **spark** his interest, (2) **spark** a chain reaction

The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate **sparked** turmoil in the stock market.

transfer

v. to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another

synonym : move, relocate, shift

(1) **transfer** a file, (2) **transfer** power

She **transferred** the money from her savings account to her checking account.

invert

v. to turn something upside down, inside out; to reverse the position, order, or relationship of something

synonym : turn upside down, reverse, flip

(1) **invert** a glass, (2) **invert** position

He decided to **invert** his investment portfolio, shifting from stocks to bonds.

loosen

v. to make something less tight, firm, or fixed; to free from restraint or constraint; to relax

synonym : relax, slacken, untie

(1) **loosen** grip, (2) **loosen** knot

Please **loosen** the screws on the back panel so we can access the inside of the machine.

stranglehold

n. a grip that strangles or suffocates; an excessive grip or control

synonym: grip, tight control, hold

(1) escape their **stranglehold**, (2) information **stranglehold**

The monopoly has a **stranglehold** on the market, making it difficult for new businesses to compete.

accidental

adj. happening or existing by chance or unintentionally

synonym: inadvertent, fortuitous, coincidental

(1) **accidental** death, (2) cover **accidental** damage

This system prevents **accidental** deletion of data.

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**.

suspect

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

synonym: assume, distrust, surmise

(1) **suspect** a plot, (2) **suspect** that he is sick

The cops **suspected** him of being the killer.

reimagine

v. to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way

synonym: re-conceptualize, re-envision, re-create

(1) **reimagine** the future, (2) **reimagine** the possibilities

The company is trying to **reimagine** its business model to stay competitive.

Session 2: Spelling

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|---------------------------------|---|
| 1. his business ent_____se | <i>n.</i> a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort |
| 2. the def_____on of a word | <i>n.</i> a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol |
| 3. ful_____wn epidemic | <i>adj.</i> fully developed or manifesting in its complete form, often used to describe a difficult situation or condition |
| 4. there is no other alt_____ve | <i>n.</i> one of two or more available possibilities or choice |
| 5. make a va__e answer | <i>adj.</i> not clearly expressed or understood |
| 6. em_____ng technologies | <i>adj.</i> starting to exist, mature, or become well-known |
| 7. a photo st___o | <i>n.</i> a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company |
| 8. small in_____nts | <i>n.</i> a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important |
| 9. b__p against a wall | <i>v.</i> to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident |
| 10. h__e a guide | <i>v.</i> to give somebody a job |
| 11. int_____ion education | <i>n.</i> 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 |

ANSWERS: 1. enterprise, 2. definition, 3. full-blown, 4. alternative, 5. vague, 6. emerging, 7. studio, 8. increment, 9. bump, 10. hire, 11. introduction

12. soy sa__e *n.* a liquid or semi-solid food served on or used in preparing other foods
13. am____y a signal *v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness
14. exh_____ing view *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
15. information str_____old *n.* a grip that strangles or suffocates; an excessive grip or control
16. a con_____on of guilt *n.* a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal
17. gen_____on gap *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
18. un___d the story *v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
19. rec_____re the operating system *v.* to change the configuration or arrangement of something, often to improve its performance or functionality
20. sc_____h my signature *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
21. a s__o vocal recital *adv.* without anybody else or anything else; alone
22. co_____ce ideas *v.* to come together or merge into a single group, mass, or whole; to blend or combine elements or ideas into a unified whole

ANSWERS: 12. sauce, 13. amplify, 14. exhilarating, 15. stranglehold, 16. confession, 17. generation, 18. unfold, 19. reconfigure, 20. scratch, 21. solo, 22. coalesce

23. deg_____te into recession *v.* (of a person, animal, or plant) to become worse in health or physical condition
24. ex_____e a double play *v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.
25. in_____te into the existing system *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
26. ar__w diagram *n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
27. ar_____ct of the peace accord *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
28. the di_____ty policy of the university *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
29. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
30. the br__d of the new car *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
31. undertake an ent_____se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort

ANSWERS: 23. degenerate, 24. execute, 25. integrate, 26. arrow, 27. architect, 28. diversity, 29. decision, 30. brand, 31. enterprise

32. ho____y policy *n.* the quality of being truthful, sincere, and morally upright; adherence to moral and ethical principles
33. 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
34. do____te over the weak *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
35. com_____on number *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
36. bra_____ing session *n.* a group activity or business method in which a group of people meet and think about something at the same time to solve a problem or to create good ideas
37. basic br__n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
38. pi__t production *n.* a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water
39. bl__e circumstances for the failure *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
40. the a__h of a person's foot *n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building

ANSWERS: 32. honesty, 33. process, 34. dominate, 35. combination, 36. brainstorming, 37. brain, 38. pilot, 39. blame, 40. arch

41. bankrupt cr____or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
42. in____t a glass *v.* to turn something upside down, inside out; to reverse the position, order, or relationship of something
43. in____ct directly with customers *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
44. ta____ed athlete *adj.* having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area
45. commercial pha____cal products *adj.* relating to the production and selling of the medical drugs
46. luxury au____er *n.* a company or manufacturer that produces automobiles, cars, and other motor vehicles
47. co____ve a child *v.* to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant
48. under his lea____ip *n.* the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
49. global mar____ce *n.* a physical or virtual venue where goods or services are bought and sold; an economic system that facilitates exchange between buyers and sellers
50. improved student ou____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
51. an ad____te of disarmament *n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
52. de____e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

ANSWERS: 41. creditor, 42. invert, 43. interact, 44. talented, 45. pharmaceutical, 46. automaker, 47. conceive, 48. leadership, 49. marketplace, 50. outcome, 51. advocate, 52. debate

53. br_____ck pace *adj.* extremely fast and reckless; dangerous and high-speed
54. co_____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
55. ha_____s a horse to a carriage *v.* to control and exploit the power of something, especially natural resources that produce energy; (noun) a set of narrow pieces of leather and metal that are used to control or hold in place a person, animal, or object
56. get ins_____on from nature *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
57. 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
58. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
59. help ta_____e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
60. re_____t the story *v.* to change the form of something, such as a metal object, by melting it down and reshaping it; to change the actors or the role of a particular actor in a play or film
61. ant_____ogy of religion *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species

ANSWERS: 53. breakneck, 54. combine, 55. harness, 56. inspiration, 57. discovery, 58. improvisation, 59. tackle, 60. recast, 61. anthropology

62. pu___e a goal *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
63. a desirable ou_____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
64. public education ad_____tes *n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
65. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
66. sp__k a chain reaction *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
67. military di_____or *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
68. sc_____h off a name *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
69. pa_____t in the hospital *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
70. adj_____nt by hand *n.* a small change or movement made to something to improve it and achieve the desired result

ANSWERS: 62. pursue, 63. outcome, 64. advocate, 65. develop, 66. spark, 67. dictator, 68. scratch, 69. patient, 70. adjustment

71. sl__e a tomato thin *n.* a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting
72. a very ta____ed actor *adj.* having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area
73. re___t the Republican party *v.* to change the form of something, such as a metal object, by melting it down and reshaping it; to change the actors or the role of a particular actor in a play or film
74. su____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
75. ninja-like ag____y *n.* the ability to move quickly and easily, often in a way that is graceful and controlled
76. ch____r of a political party *n.* a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled
77. make a fr__k apology *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
78. co____ve of an idea *v.* to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant
79. rec____re the network *v.* to change the configuration or arrangement of something, often to improve its performance or functionality
80. muscular st____th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
81. nu____e love *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

ANSWERS: 71. slice, 72. talented, 73. recast, 74. suppose, 75. agility, 76. chapter, 77. frank, 78. conceive, 79. reconfigure, 80. strength, 81. nurture

82. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
83. se____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
84. g__e stick *n.* a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials
85. do a bra_____ing about a new product *n.* a group activity or business method in which a group of people meet and think about something at the same time to solve a problem or to create good ideas
86. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
87. do____te possession *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
88. an ag_____te of people *n.* a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items
89. rel_____ly approve the idea *adv.* in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation
90. mi____ze a loss *v.* to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious
91. have a ne____ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
92. way to mi____ze conflict *v.* to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious
93. landscape ar_____ct *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

ANSWERS: 82. communal, 83. separate, 84. glue, 85. brainstorming, 86. fundamental, 87. dominate, 88. aggregate, 89. reluctantly, 90. minimize, 91. negative, 92. minimize, 93. architect

94. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
95. 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
96. health po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
97. major pha_____cal companies *adj.* relating to the production and selling of the medical drugs
98. sc__y dream *adj.* causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating
99. va___y bottom *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
100. an ar____ic photograph *adj.* of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
101. the m__h of an old religion *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
102. do_____ht nonsense *adj.* (especially of something bad) complete and absolute; utter; (adverb) completely and absolutely
103. vi_____ry business *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

ANSWERS: 94. define, 95. encourage, 96. policy, 97. pharmaceutical, 98. scary, 99. valley, 100. artistic, 101. myth, 102. downright, 103. visionary

104. in_____e into the matter *v.* to ask for information about something or from someone; to investigate or look into a matter to gain clarification or understanding
105. in_____ve education *adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
106. an am_____on for political power *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
107. IT inf_____ure *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
108. a fl__h of lightning *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
109. ho_____y box *n.* the quality of being truthful, sincere, and morally upright; adherence to moral and ethical principles
110. pr_____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
111. in an op_____ng direction *adj.* competing, fighting, or working against each other
112. investment po_____io *n.* a collection of work, documents, or other materials that demonstrate a person's skills, qualifications, or achievements; a collection of investments held by a person or organization

ANSWERS: 104. inquire, 105. inclusive, 106. ambition, 107. infrastructure, 108. flash, 109. honesty, 110. propose, 111. opposing, 112. portfolio

113. be___w the name *v.* to give something to somebody, especially as an honor or present
114. provide ad_____te funding *adj.* enough, acceptable, satisfactory for a particular purpose or need
115. a test pi__t *n.* a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water
116. h__e a car by the hour *v.* to give somebody a job
117. fu__y logic *adj.* having a soft and indistinct outline or covered with fine, soft, and hairlike fibers
118. lu____y hotel *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
119. po_____io manager *n.* a collection of work, documents, or other materials that demonstrate a person's skills, qualifications, or achievements; a collection of investments held by a person or organization
120. su_____d fruits from the ceiling *v.* to stop something from continuing or being in force or effect, either temporarily or permanently; to hang something freely
121. at_____te directly to sales *v.* to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;
122. ge_____te more electricity *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

ANSWERS: 113. bestow, 114. adequate, 115. pilot, 116. hire, 117. fuzzy, 118. luxury, 119. portfolio, 120. suspend, 121. attribute, 122. generate

123. at_____te the change to their marriage
v. to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;
124. me__y handling
adj. disorganized and untidy
125. em___e from poverty
v. to move out of or away from something and become visible
126. di_____te variable
adj. separate and distinct; not continuous; individually distinguishable
127. lo___n grip
v. to make something less tight, firm, or fixed; to free from restraint or constraint; to relax
128. a pro_____ve smile
adj. arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately
129. lo___n knot
v. to make something less tight, firm, or fixed; to free from restraint or constraint; to relax
130. skin ab_____ons
n. the process of scraping or wearing away of a surface or substance through friction or erosion
131. 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
132. mar_____ce competition
n. a physical or virtual venue where goods or services are bought and sold; an economic system that facilitates exchange between buyers and sellers
133. unmask a con_____or
n. a person who is involved in a conspiracy (= a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something), especially to commit a crime or an illegal act

ANSWERS: 123. attribute, 124. messy, 125. emerge, 126. discrete, 127. loosen, 128. provocative, 129. loosen, 130. abrasion, 131. argument, 132. marketplace, 133. conspirator

134. de____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
135. de____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
136. em____e as a butterfly *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
137. br____ck acceleration *adj.* extremely fast and reckless; dangerous and high-speed
138. de____e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
139. de____e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
140. se____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
141. mis____us grin *adj.* causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way
142. w__p up a meeting *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
143. fun____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

ANSWERS: 134. develop, 135. decision, 136. emerge, 137. breakneck, 138. decide, 139. decide, 140. separate, 141. mischievous, 142. wrap, 143. fundamental

144. in_____ng stories *adj.* stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
145. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
146. ta___e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
147. the pa_____x of the heap *n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
148. a st_____e battery *n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information
149. fu__y memory *adj.* having a soft and indistinct outline or covered with fine, soft, and hairlike fibers
150. sc__y story *adj.* causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating
151. py_____d architecture *n.* a polyhedron having a polygonal base and triangular sides with a common vertex; a massive monument with a square base and four triangular sides, begun by Cheops around 2700 BC as royal tombs in ancient Egypt
152. 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

ANSWERS: 144. inspiring, 145. individual, 146. tackle, 147. paradox, 148. storage, 149. fuzzy, 150. scary, 151. pyramid, 152. observe

153. around the gl__e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
154. fr__k and open discussion *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
155. a civil en____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
156. a dy___o of productivity *n.* a machine that converts mechanical energy into electrical energy, typically consisting of a rotating coil or magnet within a magnetic field
157. 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
158. in____te both businesses *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
159. in___t under the skin *v.* to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)
160. an____e your real motives *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
161. lo___e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
162. raise her ey____ws *n.* the hair arc over each eye in humans

ANSWERS: 153. globe, 154. frank, 155. engineer, 156. dynamo, 157. encourage, 158. integrate, 159. inject, 160. analyze, 161. locate, 162. eyebrow

163. complete a pr_____pe product *n.* a first or preliminary example of something such as a device or vehicle from which other forms are developed
164. pa_____t with weight loss *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
165. su___e changes *adj.* not readily apparent or visible
166. ar___e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
167. mis_____us sense of humor *adj.* causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way
168. foreign po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
169. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
170. acc_____al death *adj.* happening or existing by chance or unintentionally
171. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

ANSWERS: 163. prototype, 164. patient, 165. subtle, 166. argue, 167. mischievous, 168. policy, 169. industrious, 170. accidental, 171. locate

172. brilliant fl__h *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
173. absolutely op_____d to abortion *adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
174. a person of diverse ta____ts *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
175. an a__h-shaped stone structure *n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building
176. antibiotic-resistant g__m *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
177. use of inn_____ve technology *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
178. re_____ne the possibilities *v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
179. pa_____el processing *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
180. cannot com_____se anymore *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
181. ou_____ce to India *v.* to contract out or transfer a job, task, or service to an external organization or party, often as a cost-saving measure

ANSWERS: 172. flash, 173. opposed, 174. talent, 175. arch, 176. germ, 177. innovative, 178. reimagine, 179. parallel, 180. compromise, 181. outsource

182. data ag_____te *n.* a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items
183. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
184. in_____e at reception *v.* to ask for information about something or from someone; to investigate or look into a matter to gain clarification or understanding
185. terrestrial gl__e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
186. b__p out a warning *v.* to make a short, high-pitched sound, typically as a signal or warning
187. exp_____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
188. rel_____ly leave *adv.* in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation
189. a su___e poison *adj.* not readily apparent or visible
190. marketing dy___o *n.* a machine that converts mechanical energy into electrical energy, typically consisting of a rotating coil or magnet within a magnetic field
191. op_____ng counsel *adj.* competing, fighting, or working against each other
192. un_____h her anger *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
193. b__p the horn *v.* to make a short, high-pitched sound, typically as a signal or warning

ANSWERS: 182. aggregate, 183. creative, 184. inquire, 185. globe, 186. beep, 187. experiment, 188. reluctantly, 189. subtle, 190. dynamo, 191. opposing, 192. unleash, 193. beep

194. the clear co____ry *n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
195. ex____e a bold strategy *v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.
196. cultural and ar____ic activity *adj.* of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
197. a breach of pr____ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
198. 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
199. navigating mi____ps *n.* a mistake or error in judgment or action, often resulting in an awkward or embarrassing situation; a misjudged or poorly executed step or movement
200. imp____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
201. an irr____nt thought *adj.* not connected with or related to something and therefore not important
202. get a con____nal loan *adj.* based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.
203. su____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
204. telescopic vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

ANSWERS: 194. contrary, 195. execute, 196. artistic, 197. privilege, 198. belong, 199. misstep, 200. improvisation, 201. irrelevant, 202. conventional, 203. suppose, 204. vision

205. barren of cr____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
206. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
207. take co_____l *n.* advice or guidance given by a person with specialized knowledge or experience, particularly in a professional or legal context; the act of providing advice or guidance
208. su_____d a decision *v.* to stop something from continuing or being in force or effect, either temporarily or permanently; to hang something freely
209. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
210. deliver a ju_____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
211. protect against ab_____ons *n.* the process of scraping or wearing away of a surface or substance through friction or erosion
212. deg_____te into a disagreement *v.* (of a person, animal, or plant) to become worse in health or physical condition
213. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

ANSWERS: 205. creative, 206. recognize, 207. counsel, 208. suspend, 209. communal, 210. judgment, 211. abrasion, 212. degenerate, 213. argue

214. de___e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
215. in____te the quality of his life *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
216. in____te a new method *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
217. un___d the stroller *v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
218. a fully in____ve price *adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
219. nu____e his talents *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
220. pr____ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
221. the gen____on of electricity *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
222. an alt____ve plan *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
223. basin-shaped va___y *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
224. pro____ve questions *adj.* arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately

ANSWERS: 214. define, 215. innovate, 216. innovate, 217. unfold, 218. inclusive, 219. nurture, 220. privilege, 221. generation, 222. alternative, 223. valley, 224. provocative

225. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
226. int_____ted factors *adj.* closely connected or related to each other
227. vi_____ry ideas *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
228. su_____t that he is sick *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
229. create a br__d logo *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
230. an emotional ju_____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
231. ar__w pointing *n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
232. an introductory ch_____r *n.* a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled
233. the int_____ted nature of the problems *adj.* closely connected or related to each other
234. an_____e a chemical compound *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
235. aesthetic vi_____nt *n.* a way of thinking about a specific subject; a place from which something can be viewed, especially in an area of natural beauty

ANSWERS: 225. colleague, 226. interrelated, 227. visionary, 228. suspect, 229. brand, 230. judgment, 231. arrow, 232. chapter, 233. interrelated, 234. analyze, 235. viewpoint

236. do something irr_____nt *adj.* not connected with or related to something and therefore not important
237. a g__m-free environment *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
238. de_____e from the plan *v.* to depart from an established course or plan; to change direction or take a different route or approach
239. 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
240. ou_____ce a non-core function *v.* to contract out or transfer a job, task, or service to an external organization or party, often as a cost-saving measure
241. mai_____am political beliefs *n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
242. a di_____se about art *n.* any form of communication in speech or writing
243. a pa_____el case *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
244. a ge___s for music *n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
245. an exh_____ing drink *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill

ANSWERS: 236. irrelevant, 237. germ, 238. deviate, 239. discovery, 240. outsource, 241. mainstream, 242. discourse, 243. parallel, 244. genius, 245. exhilarating

246. 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
247. music st___o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
248. a fountain of wi___m *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
249. an_____e the body *v.* to make something full of interest and energy
250. genic com_____ons *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
251. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
252. co_____ce with the other *v.* to come together or merge into a single group, mass, or whole; to blend or combine elements or ideas into a unified whole
253. va__e idea *adj.* not clearly expressed or understood
254. tr_____er a file *v.* to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another
255. res_____on of a conflict *n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display

ANSWERS: 246. refer, 247. studio, 248. wisdom, 249. animate, 250. combination, 251. construct, 252. coalesce, 253. vague, 254. transfer, 255. resolution

256. re____k a marketing plan *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
257. com_____se the matter *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
258. a scientific vi_____nt *n.* a way of thinking about a specific subject; a place from which something can be viewed, especially in an area of natural beauty
259. a con_____on of faith *n.* a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal
260. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
261. inf_____ure cost *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
262. ful_____wn crisis *adj.* fully developed or manifesting in its complete form, often used to describe a difficult situation or condition
263. be___w a warm praise *v.* to give something to somebody, especially as an honor or present
264. 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

ANSWERS: 256. rethink, 257. compromise, 258. viewpoint, 259. confession, 260. engineer, 261. infrastructure, 262. full-blown, 263. bestow, 264. process

265. social ant_____ogy *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
266. the co_____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
267. di_____t a well-ordered condition *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
268. source of ins_____on *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
269. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
270. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
271. commit a crime del_____ely *adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner
272. 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
273. ine_____nt use *adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.

ANSWERS: 265. anthropology, 266. conflict, 267. disrupt, 268. inspiration, 269. individual, 270. brain, 271. deliberately, 272. argument, 273. inefficient

274. in___t position *v.* to turn something upside down, inside out; to reverse the position, order, or relationship of something
275. raw ta___t *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
276. the longstanding co____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
277. su____t a plot *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
278. 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
279. early pr____pe *n.* a first or preliminary example of something such as a device or vehicle from which other forms are developed
280. un____h a hound *v.* to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
281. fr____er disputes *n.* a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line
282. lea____ip by politicians *n.* the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
283. the cr____or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
284. in____ct with one another *v.* to communicate or react with somebody

ANSWERS: 274. invert, 275. talent, 276. conflict, 277. suspect, 278. observe, 279. prototype, 280. unleash, 281. frontier, 282. leadership, 283. creditor, 284. interact

285. co_____ry evidence	<i>n.</i>	acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
286. series of exp_____nts	<i>n.</i>	the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
287. col_____te on a press release	<i>v.</i>	to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
288. a flavorful sa__e	<i>n.</i>	a liquid or semi-solid food served on or used in preparing other foods
289. c__f knife	<i>n.</i>	a cook, especially the chief cook in a restaurant or hotel
290. a n__t piece of work	<i>adj.</i>	clean or tidy, with everything in its place
291. an ur__t telegram	<i>adj.</i>	requiring immediate attention or action; pressing
292. self-int_____ion	<i>n.</i>	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
293. seek vo_____ers	<i>n.</i>	a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
294. st_____e at low temperature	<i>n.</i>	the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information
295. re_____k the role of the manager	<i>v.</i>	to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

ANSWERS: 285. contrary, 286. experiment, 287. collaborate, 288. sauce, 289. chef, 290. neat, 291. urgent, 292. introduction, 293. volunteer, 294. storage, 295. rethink

296. re___e a language *v.* to make something more pure, polished, cultured, or effective; to improve, perfect, or enhance through a process of purification or development
297. di____te metric space *adj.* separate and distinct; not continuous; individually distinguishable
298. do_____ht impossible *adj.* (especially of something bad) complete and absolute; utter; (adverb) completely and absolutely
299. col_____te with the police *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
300. a truncated py____d *n.* a polyhedron having a polygonal base and triangular sides with a common vertex; a massive monument with a square base and four triangular sides, begun by Cheops around 2700 BC as royal tombs in ancient Egypt
301. a prodigious vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
302. a di____or with enormous powers *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
303. ag____y training *n.* the ability to move quickly and easily, often in a way that is graceful and controlled
304. lingual di_____ty *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

ANSWERS: 296. refine, 297. discrete, 298. downright, 299. collaborate, 300. pyramid, 301. vision, 302. dictator, 303. agility, 304. diversity

305. the Italian fr_____er with Switzerland *n.* a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line
306. join the mai_____am *n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
307. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
308. a person of ge___s *n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
309. domestic com_____or *n.* a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business
310. 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
311. di_____t sleep *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
312. ine_____nt management *adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
313. co-con_____or *n.* a person who is involved in a conspiracy (= a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something), especially to commit a crime or an illegal act

ANSWERS: 305. frontier, 306. mainstream, 307. debate, 308. genius, 309. competitor, 310. belong, 311. disrupt, 312. inefficient, 313. conspirator

314. awe-in_____ng sight *adj.* stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
315. ge_____te \$100 a month *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
316. em_____ng country *adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
317. re_____e oil *v.* to make something more pure, polished, cultured, or effective; to improve, perfect, or enhance through a process of purification or development
318. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
319. sp__k his interest *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
320. a sl__e of the company's revenue *n.* a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting
321. beat com_____or offer *n.* a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business
322. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
323. recover spo_____sly after five days *adv.* in a way that is natural, not planned or forced, and often sudden
324. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

ANSWERS: 314. inspiring, 315. generate, 316. emerging, 317. refine, 318. innovation, 319. spark, 320. slice, 321. competitor, 322. innovation, 323. spontaneously, 324. colleague

325. b__p up prices *v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident
326. Japanese au_____er *n.* a company or manufacturer that produces automobiles, cars, and other motor vehicles
327. a precise def_____on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
328. get into the lu___y car market *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
329. recover from a mi_____p *n.* a mistake or error in judgment or action, often resulting in an awkward or embarrassing situation; a misjudged or poorly executed step or movement
330. a fine adj_____nt *n.* a small change or movement made to something to improve it and achieve the desired result
331. 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
332. w__p a fish in foil *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
333. midst of ch__s *n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
334. escape their str_____old *n.* a grip that strangles or suffocates; an excessive grip or control

ANSWERS: 325. bump, 326. automaker, 327. definition, 328. luxury, 329. misstep, 330. adjustment, 331. refer, 332. wrap, 333. chaos, 334. stranglehold

335. am____y the effect *v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness
336. display res_____on *n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display
337. v_x me all night *v.* to irritate or annoy with petty frustrations; to cause distress or agitation
338. a ne_____ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
339. two op_____d characters *adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
340. v_x my mind *v.* to irritate or annoy with petty frustrations; to cause distress or agitation
341. a s__o flight *adv.* without anybody else or anything else; alone
342. bre_____ugh in the negotiations *n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem
343. master c__f *n.* a cook, especially the chief cook in a restaurant or hotel
344. crystalline si_____n *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

ANSWERS: 335. amplify, 336. resolution, 337. vex, 338. negative, 339. opposed, 340. vex, 341. solo, 342. breakthrough, 343. chef, 344. silicon

345. my vo_____er work *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
346. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
347. hold di_____se with him *n.* any form of communication in speech or writing
348. wi____m literature *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
349. n__t idea *adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place
350. ey_____w cosmetics *n.* the hair arc over each eye in humans
351. me__y data *adj.* disorganized and untidy
352. ch__s theory *n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
353. bre _____ugh discovery *n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem
354. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
355. si_____n wafer *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

ANSWERS: 345. volunteer, 346. construct, 347. discourse, 348. wisdom, 349. neat, 350. eyebrow, 351. messy, 352. chaos, 353. breakthrough, 354. invention, 355. silicon

356. career co_____l *n.* advice or guidance given by a person with specialized knowledge or experience, particularly in a professional or legal context; the act of providing advice or guidance
357. French pa_____x *n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
358. co_____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
359. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
360. ad_____te parking facilities *adj.* enough, acceptable, satisfactory for a particular purpose or need
361. de_____e from the norm *v.* to depart from an established course or plan; to change direction or take a different route or approach
362. pu____e freedoms *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
363. bl__e the lack of knowledge *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
364. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
365. put a ha_____s on my pet *v.* to control and exploit the power of something, especially natural resources that produce energy; (noun) a set of narrow pieces of leather and metal that are used to control or hold in place a person, animal, or object

ANSWERS: 356. counsel, 357. paradox, 358. combine, 359. invention, 360. adequate, 361. deviate, 362. pursue, 363. blame, 364. industrious, 365. harness

366. stylistically inn_____ve works	<i>adj.</i> introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
367. ev___e over the past decade	<i>v.</i> to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
368. pr_____e the amendment	<i>v.</i> to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
369. in___t a personal opinion into a debate	<i>v.</i> to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)
370. an_____e his soul	<i>v.</i> to make something full of interest and energy
371. tr_____er power	<i>v.</i> to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another
372. re_____ne the future	<i>v.</i> to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
373. epoxy g___e	<i>n.</i> a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials
374. cover acc_____al damage	<i>adj.</i> happening or existing by chance or unintentionally
375. a con_____nal style	<i>adj.</i> based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.
376. eth_____hy research	<i>n.</i> the study of social groups and cultures, often conducted through observation, interviews, and analysis of primary sources; a written account of such a study

ANSWERS: 366. innovative, 367. evolve, 368. propose, 369. inject, 370. animate, 371. transfer, 372. reimagine, 373. glue, 374. accidental, 375. conventional, 376. ethnography

377. st____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
378. this shift occurs spo_____sly *adv.* in a way that is natural, not planned or forced, and often sudden
379. boundless am____on *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
380. steady in_____ntal growth *n.* a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important
381. del_____ely amateurish *adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner
382. perpetuate a m__h *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
383. eth_____hy methods *n.* the study of social groups and cultures, often conducted through observation, interviews, and analysis of primary sources; a written account of such a study
384. ev___e *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
385. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
386. ur___t situation *adj.* requiring immediate attention or action; pressing

ANSWERS: 377. strength, 378. spontaneously, 379. ambition, 380. increment, 381. deliberately, 382. myth, 383. ethnography, 384. evolve, 385. recognize, 386. urgent

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The Egyptian _____ consist of a vast number of blocks.
n. a polyhedron having a polygonal base and triangular sides with a common vertex; a massive monument with a square base and four triangular sides, begun by Cheops around 2700 BC as royal tombs in ancient Egypt
2. A famous artist painted the room in a _____ pink hue.
adj. not readily apparent or visible
3. The flying car is presently in the _____ stage.
n. a first or preliminary example of something such as a device or vehicle from which other forms are developed
4. Companies developing self-driving cars consistently _____ the emerging technologies.
v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
5. The _____ child played pranks on his siblings all day long.
adj. causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way
6. The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's _____.
n. the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
7. We have to _____ our company's product lineup for further growth.
v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

ANSWERS: 1. pyramids, 2. subtle, 3. prototype, 4. innovate, 5. mischievous, 6. wisdom, 7. rethink

8. She is a _____ musician, able to play several instruments.

adj. having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area

9. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

10. The areas of _____ and psychology are significantly related to one another.

n. the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species

11. She intends to _____ a political career.

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

12. The hurricane hit the coast at _____ force, causing widespread destruction.

adj. fully developed or manifesting in its complete form, often used to describe a difficult situation or condition

13. _____ is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.

n. a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

14. _____ technologies have dramatically improved productivity in various industries.

adj. starting to exist, mature, or become well-known

ANSWERS: 8. talented, 9. individual, 10. anthropology, 11. pursue, 12. full-blown, 13. Silicon, 14. Emerging

15. The _____ amount of money raised for the charity was over a million dollars.
- n.* a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items
16. A growing _____ requires a bold leader.
- n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
17. Mozart was a musical _____.
- n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
18. The carpenter applied _____ to the cabinet joints before nailing them together.
- n.* a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials
19. The police arrested several _____ involved in the plot to overthrow the government.
- n.* a person who is involved in a conspiracy (= a secret agreement between two or more people to perform something), especially to commit a crime or an illegal act
20. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.
- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
21. The doctor carefully examined the _____ medical history.
- n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

ANSWERS: 15. aggregate, 16. enterprise, 17. genius, 18. glue, 19. conspirators, 20. innovation, 21. patient's

22. The prisoner made a full _____ and admitted to his crime.
n. a formal statement in which one admits that they have done something wrong or illegal
23. The different parts of the system are _____ and rely on each other to function correctly.
adj. closely connected or related to each other
24. She _____ the money from her savings account to her checking account.
v. to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another
25. We _____ our impeded progress on lack of money.
v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
26. I can't _____ he'd want to harm us.
v. to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant
27. He _____ the disappointing results to the economic downturn.
v. to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;
28. Necessity is the mother of _____.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
29. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

ANSWERS: 22. confession, 23. interrelated, 24. transferred, 25. blamed, 26. conceive, 27. attributes, 28. invention, 29. constructs

30. The _____ exercised great care in landing.

n. a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water

31. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.

n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

32. The system is still so _____ that it is useless.

adj. lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.

33. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.

n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

34. The _____ had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

n. a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

35. He made a New Year's _____ to exercise more and eat healthier.

n. a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display

36. There's a new _____ of hero in the movies now.

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

ANSWERS: 30. pilot, 31. privilege, 32. inefficient, 33. infrastructure, 34. valley, 35. resolution, 36. brand

37. An _____ teacher might spark students' motivation to succeed.
adj. stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
38. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.
v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
39. 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
40. 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
41. We should always be prepared to _____ talented recruits.
v. to give somebody a job
42. Full involvement means _____ and prompt responses.
adj. honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
43. I'm strongly _____ to that plan.
adj. being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
44. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.
n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

ANSWERS: 37. inspiring, 38. define, 39. process, 40. discovery, 41. hire, 42. frank, 43. opposed, 44. vision

45. I bought a gadget before my trip to help _____ stress during the flight.
v. to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious
46. Promising entrepreneurs often have a high _____ sensibility.
adj. of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
47. The teacher attempted to _____ the root cause of our mistake.
v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
48. She accidentally _____ into him in the crowded room.
v. to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident
49. The company divided the tasks into _____ segments to increase efficiency.
adj. separate and distinct; not continuous; individually distinguishable
50. 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
51. His _____ style frequently sparked controversies.
adj. arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately
52. He was impressed by the range and _____ of the collection.
n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
53. The book is a rich and detailed _____ of the cultural practices of a group of people.
n. the study of social groups and cultures, often conducted through observation, interviews, and analysis of primary sources; a written account of such a study

ANSWERS: 45. minimize, 46. artistic, 47. analyze, 48. bumped, 49. discrete, 50. argument, 51. provocative, 52. diversity, 53. ethnography

54. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.
- v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
55. We looked at this issue from a different _____.
- n. a way of thinking about a specific subject; a place from which something can be viewed, especially in an area of natural beauty
56. His anti-_____ practices were quite strict.
- n. a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
57. 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
58. He did not _____ one thought on his dead friend.
- v. to give something to somebody, especially as an honor or present
59. With the financial bubble bursting, the _____ of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.
- n. an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
60. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
- v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
61. Many companies employ _____ as a good way of generating innovative ideas.
- n. a group activity or business method in which a group of people meet and think about something at the same time to solve a problem or to create good ideas

ANSWERS: 54. propose, 55. viewpoint, 56. luxury, 57. belong, 58. bestow, 59. myth, 60. decide, 61. brainstorming

62. We need to _____ the office layout to use the space better.
v. to change the configuration or arrangement of something, often to improve its performance or functionality
63. She gave money to help set up a _____ laboratory.
adj. relating to the production and selling of the medical drugs
64. This system prevents _____ deletion of data.
adj. happening or existing by chance or unintentionally
65. The company's new _____ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.
n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
66. 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
67. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.
adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
68. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
69. The _____ sales have increased by 10% this quarter, thanks to strong consumer demand.
n. a company or manufacturer that produces automobiles, cars, and other motor vehicles

ANSWERS: 62. reconfigure, 63. pharmaceutical, 64. accidental, 65. policy, 66. conflicts, 67. fundamental, 68. locate, 69. automaker's

70. You might need to _____ this point.

- v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness

71. The artist's _____ showcased various works, from paintings to sculptures.

- n.* a collection of work, documents, or other materials that demonstrate a person's skills, qualifications, or achievements; a collection of investments held by a person or organization

72. He worked at the _____ of behavioral economics.

- n.* a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line

73. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

- n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

74. There are many theories to explain this _____.

- n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;

75. 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

76. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.

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

77. 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

ANSWERS: 70. amplify, 71. portfolio, 72. frontier, 73. engineer, 74. paradox, 75. introduction, 76. tackle, 77. observe

78. Greed and _____ composed his personality.

n. a strong wish to do or achieve something

79. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.

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

80. She agreed to _____ with him in creating new artwork.

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

81. This argument is still not _____.

adj. enough, acceptable, satisfactory for a particular purpose or need

82. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.

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

83. His thinking is _____ in the country's culture.

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

84. It was a _____ lie that he would attend the event.

adj. (especially of something bad) complete and absolute; utter; (adverb) completely and absolutely

85. The University _____ the most recalcitrant demonstrators.

v. to stop something from continuing or being in force or effect, either temporarily or permanently; to hang something freely

ANSWERS: 78. ambition, 79. creative, 80. collaborate, 81. adequate, 82. decision, 83. mainstream, 84. downright, 85. suspended

86. Numerous great professional sports _____ have come from this city.
n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
87. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.
n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
88. His _____ bedroom is always a source of frustration for his mother.
adj. disorganized and untidy
89. The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its _____ policy.
adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
90. _____ the bandage tightly around the injured arm.
v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
91. The loud noise from the construction site was starting to _____ the nearby residents.
v. to irritate or annoy with petty frustrations; to cause distress or agitation
92. The conference room was in _____ as everyone tried to speak at once.
n. a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
93. The _____ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.
n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

ANSWERS: 86. talents, 87. strength, 88. messy, 89. inclusive, 90. Wrap, 91. vex, 92. chaos, 93. germ

94. The general was still reluctant to _____ his troops in pursuit of an enemy.
v. to suddenly release a strong force, emotion, etc. that cannot be controlled
95. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.
v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
96. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.
v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group
97. The mystery _____ as the detectives gathered more clues.
v. to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
98. The _____ at the restaurant was known for his creative and delicious dishes.
n. a cook, especially the chief cook in a restaurant or hotel
99. The teachers make full use of _____ assistance.
n. a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
100. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.
n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
101. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
102. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns _____.
v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

ANSWERS: 94. unleash, 95. recognize, 96. combine, 97. unfolded, 98. chef, 99. volunteer, 100. definition, 101. industrious, 102. emerged

103. The timer _____ reminding me that the cake was ready to come out of the oven.
v. to make a short, high-pitched sound, typically as a signal or warning
104. The Prime Minister stressed the need to create _____ industries.
adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
105. The company is trying to _____ its business model to stay competitive.
v. to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
106. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
107. The gap between the company and its _____ has widened.
n. a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business
108. The coach had the team run through the _____ ladder to improve their coordination.
n. the ability to move quickly and easily, often in a way that is graceful and controlled
109. It is _____ that we leave for the airport now to catch our flight.
adj. requiring immediate attention or action; pressing
110. Don't _____ your mosquito bites.
v. to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object

ANSWERS: 103. beeped, 104. innovative, 105. reimagine, 106. develop, 107. competitors, 108. agility, 109. urgent, 110. scratch

111. A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the _____.
- n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
112. The electrical _____ produced enough power to light up the entire city.
- n.* a machine that converts mechanical energy into electrical energy, typically consisting of a rotating coil or magnet within a magnetic field
113. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.
- v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
114. They removed _____ content from the slides.
- adj.* not connected with or related to something and therefore not important
115. The two sides argued their points, but the judge ultimately sided with the _____ viewpoint.
- n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
116. The perspective of his right brain _____ his consciousness.
- v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
117. Please _____ the screws on the back panel so we can access the inside of the machine.
- v.* to make something less tight, firm, or fixed; to free from restraint or constraint; to relax
118. Bungee jumping was an _____ experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.
- adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill

ANSWERS: 111. dictator, 112. dynamo, 113. argue, 114. irrelevant, 115. contrary, 116. dominates, 117. loosen, 118. exhilarating

119. The economic stimulation program would _____ a lot of new jobs.
v. to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
120. These heavy rains caused _____ floods on several islands.
n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
121. A culture of _____ in the workplace leads to better communication and productivity.
n. the quality of being truthful, sincere, and morally upright; adherence to moral and ethical principles
122. He had to _____ his image to convince the electorate in his home state.
v. to change the form of something, such as a metal object, by melting it down and reshaping it; to change the actors or the role of a particular actor in a play or film
123. I asked the lawyer to initiate _____ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.
n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
124. The various departments of the company will _____ into one cohesive unit.
v. to come together or merge into a single group, mass, or whole; to blend or combine elements or ideas into a unified whole
125. He _____ agreed to go to the party.
adv. in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation
126. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.
n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

ANSWERS: 119. generate, 120. flash, 121. honesty, 122. recast, 123. creditor, 124. coalesce, 125. reluctantly, 126. improvisation

127. The _____ leader had a clear plan for the company's future.

adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

128. She raised an inquiring _____ towards me.

n. the hair arc over each eye in humans

129. He found _____ in the works of his favorite authors.

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

130. 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

131. She is very _____ in her thoughts.

adj. based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.

132. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using _____ medicines.

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

133. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.

n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

134. He found that it is difficult to _____ socially.

v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

ANSWERS: 127. visionary, 128. eyebrow, 129. inspiration, 130. encouraged, 131. conventional, 132. alternative, 133. outcome, 134. integrate

135. The positive attitude of the supervisor _____ the discussion.
v. to make something full of interest and energy
136. The younger _____ has different values and beliefs than the older one.
n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
137. The company is working to _____ its production process to be more efficient.
v. to make something more pure, polished, cultured, or effective; to improve, perfect, or enhance through a process of purification or development
138. He _____ misleads others.
adv. done in an intentional or slow and careful manner
139. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.
v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
140. His _____ showed highly positive results.
n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
141. The archer aimed his _____ carefully at the target.
n. a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
142. The electrical cord _____ combusted.
adv. in a way that is natural, not planned or forced, and often sudden
143. The company decided to _____ its IT services to a third-party provider.
v. to contract out or transfer a job, task, or service to an external organization or party, often as a cost-saving measure

ANSWERS: 135. animated, 136. generation, 137. refine, 138. deliberately, 139. evolved, 140. experiments, 141. arrow, 142. spontaneously, 143. outsource

144. The building _____ tried to build the house above the tree.
n. a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
145. Sweet _____ makes short days and nights.
n. any form of communication in speech or writing
146. The cops _____ him of being the killer.
v. to consider anything to be actual or probable
147. The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate _____ turmoil in the stock market.
v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
148. The online _____ offers a wide variety of products for shoppers.
n. a physical or virtual venue where goods or services are bought and sold; an economic system that facilitates exchange between buyers and sellers
149. It's important not to _____ from the established safety procedures.
v. to depart from an established course or plan; to change direction or take a different route or approach
150. He decided to _____ his investment portfolio, shifting from stocks to bonds.
v. to turn something upside down, inside out; to reverse the position, order, or relationship of something
151. We store customer data in cloud _____.
n. the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

ANSWERS: 144. architect, 145. discourse, 146. suspected, 147. sparked, 148. marketplace, 149. deviate, 150. invert, 151. storage

152. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

153. People have been exploring ways to _____ natural forces and resources since ancient times.

v. to control and exploit the power of something, especially natural resources that produce energy; (noun) a set of narrow pieces of leather and metal that are used to control or hold in place a person, animal, or object

154. She drove at a _____ speed, despite the dangerous conditions on the road.

adj. extremely fast and reckless; dangerous and high-speed

155. I would love to _____ camping someday.

adv. without anybody else or anything else; alone

156. The _____ rumor turned out to be false.

adj. not clearly expressed or understood

157. We have no intention of _____ his idea.

adj. competing, fighting, or working against each other

158. The children complained because one _____ of cake was slightly larger than the other.

n. a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting

159. The picture was _____ because it was taken with an old camera.

adj. having a soft and indistinct outline or covered with fine, soft, and hairlike fibers

ANSWERS: 152. Communal, 153. harness, 154. breakneck, 155. solo, 156. vague, 157. opposing, 158. slice, 159. fuzzy

160. He should _____ more with his colleagues.

v. to communicate or react with somebody

161. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

162. She works at a recording _____ in Los Angeles.

n. a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

163. Schools should _____ children's mutual interest spirit.

v. to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

164. A technique called deep learning has led to _____ in AI.

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

165. I'm so sorry to _____ you when you're pretty busy.

v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

166. Her _____ are consistently rational and sensible.

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

167. The bid _____ for this auction is \$100.

n. a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important

ANSWERS: 160. interact, 161. colleague, 162. studio, 163. nurture, 164. breakthroughs, 165. disrupt, 166. judgments, 167. increment

168. The _____ bears the weight of the overhead bridge.

- n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building

169. He walked a road _____ to the railroad.

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

170. The final _____ provides a summary of the discussion.

- n.* a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled

171. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

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

172. She has _____ habits.

- adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place

173. The surface of the wooden table had several _____ from years of use.

- n.* the process of scraping or wearing away of a surface or substance through friction or erosion

174. Let's try to _____ a bit of enthusiasm into your performance.

- v.* to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)

175. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

- v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

ANSWERS: 168. arch, 169. parallel, 170. chapter, 171. debate, 172. neat, 173. abrasions, 174. inject, 175. separate

176. She took a _____ on the stairs and tumbled down to the bottom.

- n.* a mistake or error in judgment or action, often resulting in an awkward or embarrassing situation; a misjudged or poorly executed step or movement

177. He assumed the role of the arbitral _____ of the controversy.

- n.* a small change or movement made to something to improve it and achieve the desired result

178. The movie has received almost universally _____ criticism.

- adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

179. The mafioso who collaborated with the police was _____.

- v.* to kill someone, especially as a legal punishment; to carry out or perform an action, duty, etc.

180. I need to _____ about the details of the job interview.

- v.* to ask for information about something or from someone; to investigate or look into a matter to gain clarification or understanding

181. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?

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

182. The _____ to the safe was a secret.

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

183. The pasta dish was served with a rich tomato _____.

- n.* a liquid or semi-solid food served on or used in preparing other foods

ANSWERS: 176. misstep, 177. adjustment, 178. negative, 179. executed, 180. inquire, 181. suppose, 182. combination, 183. sauce

184. The monopoly has a _____ on the market, making it difficult for new businesses to compete.
n. a grip that strangles or suffocates; an excessive grip or control
185. His final goal is to sail around the _____.
n. the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
186. The once-thriving city has _____ into a crime-ridden slum.
v. (of a person, animal, or plant) to become worse in health or physical condition
187. The horror movie was so _____ that I couldn't watch it alone.
adj. causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating
188. _____ of abolishing the death penalty often argue that the alternative heaviest sentence should be life in prison.
n. a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
189. 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
190. She sought the _____ of her trusted advisor before making a decision.
n. advice or guidance given by a person with specialized knowledge or experience, particularly in a professional or legal context; the act of providing advice or guidance
191. The country's _____ has decided to take large-scale measures against global warming.
n. the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization

ANSWERS: 184. stranglehold, 185. globe, 186. degenerated, 187. scary, 188. Advocates, 189. refer, 190. counsel, 191. leadership

192. They never _____ on development despite the lack of funds.

v. to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

193. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.

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

ANSWERS: 192. compromised, 193. brain