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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

- ford** *n.* a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across  
*synonym*: crossing, traversing, passing  
(1) **ford** a river, (2) across a **ford**  
The river was too deep to cross, so we had to find a **ford** downstream where the water was shallower.
- Senate** *n.* a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament  
*synonym*: upper house, council, assembly  
(1) **Senate** hearing, (2) **Senate** Finance Committee  
The **Senate** majority leader announced plans to bring the bill to the floor for a vote.
- desperately** *adv.* in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency  
*synonym*: urgently, perilously, seriously  
(1) **desperately** anxious, (2) **desperately** ill patient  
The baby clung **desperately** to her mother.
- nation** *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular

## culture

*synonym*: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

## editorial

*adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media

*synonym*: comment, opinion, critique

(1) gain **editorial** help, (2) an **editorial** article

The newspaper published an **editorial** on the current state of the economy.

## suit

*n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

*synonym*: clothes, lawsuit, (verb) fit

(1) **suit** and tie restaurant, (2) **suit** at law

Six **suits** are awaiting trial or verdict.

## shiny

*adj.* reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface

*synonym*: polished, glossy, lustrous

(1) **shiny** surface, (2) **shiny** object

The **shiny** new car drew everyone's attention as it drove by.

## penny

*n.* a small denomination of currency or coin, typically the smallest unit of a currency system; in the US, a coin worth one cent

*synonym*: cent, coin, copper

(1) **penny** stock, (2) save a **penny**

I found a lucky **penny** on the ground while walking to work this morning.

## receptionist

*n.* a person employed at a front desk or in a waiting area of an office, hotel, or other organization, whose job is to greet visitors, answer phones, and perform other

general administrative tasks

*synonym* : clerk, secretary

(1) friendly **receptionist**, (2) hotel **receptionist**

Our company is looking to hire a bilingual **receptionist** to serve our diverse clients better.

## corridor

*n.* a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure

*synonym* : hallway, passageway, aisle

(1) walk along a **corridor**, (2) air **corridor**

The long **corridor** was filled with people rushing to get to their rooms before the meeting began.

## stark

*adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications

*synonym* : crude, blunt, desolate

(1) **stark** landscape, (2) **stark** truth

The scenery of the battlefield was **stark** and grey.

## uniform

*adj.* always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification

*synonym* : livery, outfit

(1) at a **uniform** temperature, (2) our school **uniform**

This country has a nationally **uniform** culture.

## drain

*v.* to empty or dry something by removing the liquid from it

*synonym* : draw off, bleed

(1) **drain** water from the swamp, (2) **drain** excess liquid

Push the button and let the water **drain** away.

## ruthlessly

*adv.* without compassion or pity; mercilessly

*synonym* : mercilessly, brutally, cruelly

(1) **ruthlessly** efficient, (2) judge **ruthlessly**

He **ruthlessly** cut ties with anyone who crossed him.

- realistic** *adj.* having or showing a sensible and practical idea that is possible to achieve  
*synonym* : practical, pragmatic, down-to-earth  
(1) a **realistic** goal, (2) a **realistic** goal  
That story was so **realistic**, and it was scary.
- invite** *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place  
*synonym* : ask, request, summon  
(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism  
We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.
- norm** *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard  
*synonym* : criterion, mean, standard  
(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**  
The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.
- moth** *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light  
(1) **moth** larva, (2) **moth** attracted to the light  
The **moth** is a serious threat to the farm's output.
- extraordinary** *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual  
*synonym* : exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing  
(1) **extraordinary** ability, (2) **extraordinary** weather  
He narrated the **extraordinary** story of his adventure.
- uncomfortable** *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain  
*synonym* : comfortless, discomforting, painful  
(1) an **uncomfortable** silence, (2) with an **uncomfortable** face  
His abusive words made me **uncomfortable**.

## environment

*n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

*synonym*: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

## conversation

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

*synonym*: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

## equivalent

*n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.

*synonym*: equal, counterpart, match

(1) **equivalent** amounts, (2) **equivalent** in meaning

The European Central Bank is Europe's **equivalent** of the Federal Reserve.

## rail

*n.* a long, thin piece of metal or wood that is used to make fences or as a support for something; (verb) to complain bitterly

*synonym*: bar, beam, (verb) criticize

(1) **rail** system, (2) **rail** against his enemies

The children leaned over the bridge **rail** to watch the fish swimming below.

## shock

*n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

*synonym*: amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**

He got an electric **shock** at work.

## silent

*adj.* without any or little sound

*synonym*: quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

## 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**.

## warn

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

*synonym*: alert, caution, admonish

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

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

## topic

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

*synonym*: subject, theme, issue

(1) a serious **topic**, (2) the **topic** of the book

The **topic** of the discussion was the current state of the economy.

## militant

*n.* willing to use force or violence to achieve a political or social goal

*synonym*: combative, aggressive, bellicose

(1) **militant** nations, (2) a **militant** reformer

The **militant** group launched a series of attacks on government buildings.

## ruin

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

*synonym*: bankrupt, demolish, destroy

(1) **ruin** the plan, (2) **ruin** the reputation

He knocked over the red wine and **ruined** the tablecloth.

## 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.

## **anxious**

*adj.* worried and nervous

*synonym* : nervous, uneasy, afraid

(1) **anxious** about his health, (2) an **anxious** look  
He cast **anxious** glances behind her.

## **bold**

*adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

*synonym* : brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds  
The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

## **elect**

*v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

*synonym* : select, choose, prefer

(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death  
Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.

## **racial**

*adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

*synonym* : ethnic, tribal, ethnical

(1) **racial** prejudice, (2) **racial** and ethnic backgrounds  
A minor **racial** conflict later led to a civil war.

## **discriminate**

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

*synonym* : show prejudice, segregate, differentiate

(1) **discriminate** against women employees,  
(2) **discriminate** between different things  
You should not **discriminate** against minorities.

## eternal

*adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever

*synonym* : endless, everlasting, undying

(1) the hope of **eternal** life, (2) **eternal** quarreling

In every civilization, rulers have tried everything possible to obtain **eternal** life.

## invest

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

*synonym* : fund, sponsor, support

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

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

## quantifiable

*adj.* able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms

*synonym* : measurable, calculable

(1) non- **quantifiable** risk, (2) **quantifiable** results

The impact of the new policy will be **quantifiable** through measurable data.

## disparity

*n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things

*synonym* : difference, inequality, gap

(1) the **disparity** between theory and reality, (2) income **disparity**

There is a significant **disparity** in pay between men and women in the company.

## ignore

*v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

*synonym* : neglect, disregard, shun

(1) **ignore** her advice, (2) **ignore** a ban

Since independence, the area has been completely **ignored**.

## wealth

*n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

*synonym* : affluence, assets, fortunate



(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**  
The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

## opportune

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

*synonym*: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark  
The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

## healthcare

*n.* the organized activity or business of preserving mental and physical health by preventing or treating illness through services offered by the health profession

(1) **healthcare** agency, (2) rising **healthcare** cost

In an aging population, citizens must pay more to maintain quality **healthcare**.

## corporate

*adj.* of or relating to a large company

*synonym*: business, commercial, organizational

(1) **corporate** right, (2) **corporate** environment

The **corporate** office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

## fortune

*n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

*synonym*: wealth, affluence, assets

(1) ill **fortune**, (2) bit of good **fortune**

Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal **fortune**.

## publicly

*adv.* in a manner accessible to or observable by the public; by the government

*synonym*: candidly, openly, honestly

(1) **publicly** accessible record, (2) **publicly** financed schools

She **publicly** denounced the government's mishandling of the economic crisis.

## 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.

## corporation

*n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

*synonym* : business, company, enterprise

(1) a public **corporation**, (2) **corporation** assets

Four companies were amalgamated into a single **corporation**.

## boardroom

*n.* a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets

*synonym* : meeting room, conference room, executive room

(1) **boardroom** meeting, (2) **boardroom** decision

The corporate **boardroom** was filled with tense silence as the CEO presented the new plan.

## weird

*adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

*synonym* : bizarre, creepy, peculiar

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

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

## institutionalize

*v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

*synonym* : formalize, establish, regularize

(1) **institutionalize** a system, (2) **institutionalize** customary laws

The new policy aims to **institutionalize** the use of renewable energy sources.

## grapple

*v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons

*synonym* : brawl, scuffle, wrestle

(1) **grapple** with problem, (2) **grapple** with each other  
He needed to **grapple** with structural reforms to improve the company's revenue.

## complain

v. to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

*synonym*: gripe, claim, denounce

(1) **complain** about a job, (2) call and **complain** frequently  
Our users are often **complaining** about the slow application.

## elicit

v. to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty

*synonym*: bring out, obtain, evoke

(1) **elicit** a confession, (2) **elicit** a solution

Have you **elicited** a response from them yet?

## sympathy

n. the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions

*synonym*: compassion, empathy, understanding

(1) **sympathy** card, (2) feel **sympathy**

I expressed my **sympathy** to my friend after her cat passed away.

## cite

v. to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened

*synonym*: quote, mention, note

(1) **cite** various authorities, (2) **cite** a fact as evidence

The devil can **cite** Scripture for his purpose.

## statistics

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

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

## 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.

## threaten

*v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

*synonym*: endanger, terrorize, intimidate

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

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

## blind

*adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

*synonym*: sightless, unseeing, random

(1) **blind** to the beauties, (2) **blind** spot

She was nearly **blind** due to severe diabetes.

## pretension

*n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

*synonym*: presumption, pretense, affectation

(1) **pretension** to authority, (2) baseless **pretension**

His **pretensions** of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

## surround

*v.* to be all around something or somebody

*synonym*: encircle, encompass, envelop

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

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

## bunch

*n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

*synonym* : group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls

One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

## 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.

## 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.

## embrace

*v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;  
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

*synonym* : grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**

The woods **embrace** the house.

## awkward

*adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

*synonym* : embarrassing, discomfiting, clumsy

(1) an **awkward** expression, (2) an **awkward** date

The **awkward** design of the interface made the operation difficult.

## spirit

*n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

*synonym* : soul, attitude, enthusiasm

(1) **spirit** and the letter of the law, (2) an indomitable **spirit**

Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great **spirit**.

## debunk

*v.* to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless  
*synonym*: expose, discredit, demystify

(1) **debunk** an urban legend, (2) **debunk** theory

The myth was **debunked** by scientists, who provided evidence to the contrary.

## stereotype

*n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

(1) avoid **stereotype**, (2) negative **stereotypes**

Changing **stereotypes** about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

## drill

*n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice

*synonym*: exercise, routine, training

(1) the **drill** hit the well, (2) fire **drill**

Several military **drill** programs have become popular methods of exercise.

## breath

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

*synonym*: air, puff, whiff

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

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

## exasperated

*adj.* feeling intense irritation or frustration, especially over a persistent problem or difficulty

*synonym*: annoyed, angry, frustrated

(1) **exasperated** sigh, (2) feel **exasperated**

The politician's **exasperated** tone reflected her frustration with the lack of progress on the issue.

## annoy

*v.* to make someone angry, anxious, or irritating slightly

*synonym*: aggravate, irritate, unsettle

(1) **annoy** at the time, (2) **annoy** everyone else

Her constant chatter was starting to **annoy** the neighbors.

## discomfort

*n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain

*synonym* : affliction, despair, ache

(1) endure **discomfort** and pain, (2) **discomfort** in the abdomen

He felt no **discomfort** as the dentist drilled his deadened tooth.

## relax

*v.* to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer

*synonym* : soften, comfort, soothe

(1) **relax** a series of muscles, (2) **relax** at home

The rules were **relaxed** after the new executive arrived.

## afford

*v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

(1) **afford** to buy a new car, (2) **afford** a high travel cost

He cannot **afford** a holiday.

## brave

*adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

*synonym* : courageous, valiant, heroic

(1) **brave** soldier, (2) **brave** decision

The **brave** firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.

## entrepreneur

*n.* an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks

*synonym* : founder, executive

(1) a successful **entrepreneur**, (2) billionaire **entrepreneur**  
**Entrepreneurs** willingly accept business risks to achieve success.

## proactive

*adj.* acting in advance to deal with an expected difficulty or to take advantage of an opportunity.

*synonym*: gung-ho, anticipatory, forward-thinking

(1) **proactive** approach, (2) **proactive** about doing the task

The company implemented **proactive** measures to prevent future issues.

## 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.

## courage

*n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

*synonym*: bravery, valor, fearlessness

(1) mental **courage**, (2) inspire **courage**

It takes a lot of **courage** to stand up for what you believe is right.

## bravery

*n.* courage in the face of danger

*synonym*: courage, valor, heroism

(1) **bravery** against the enemy, (2) **bravery** under fire

His **bravery** in the face of danger saved the lives of his comrades.

## skip

*v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

*synonym*: bounce, spring, neglect

(1) **skip** across the country, (2) **skip** breakfast

We **skipped** the topic because it was too complicated.



## native

*adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

*synonym* : endemic, domestic, aboriginal

(1) **native** to Africa, (2) **native** language

The vegetation here is almost wholly **native**.

## quintessence

*n.* the perfect example of a quality or class

*synonym* : essence, core, heart

(1) the **quintessence** of virtue, (2) **quintessence** of life

The **quintessence** of the author's writing is the depth of emotion conveyed.

## 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.

## notch

*n.* a V-shaped cut or indentation made in a surface or edge; a level of achievement or success; a point or degree of measurement or comparison

*synonym* : groove, slit, incision

(1) top- **notch** service, (2) score a **notch**

The cake was decorated with a **notch** to represent the birthday boy's age.

## diverse

*adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

*synonym* : manifold, various, myriad

(1) **diverse** backgrounds, (2) a person of **diverse** talents

New York is a city with a **diverse** ethnic population.

## slate

*n.* a flat piece of rock or stone that is typically used as a roofing or flooring material; a list of candidates for an

election arranged in a specific order

*synonym*: chalkboard, blackboard, tablet

(1) **slate** tile, (2) **slate** roof

We need to add more names to the **slate** of candidates for the upcoming election.

## candidate

*n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant

*synonym*: applicant, nominee, contender

(1) **candidate** selection, (2) PhD **candidate**

The **candidate's** platform focused on healthcare reform and reducing income inequality.

## bristle

*n.* a stiff, short hair on a mammal's skin or a natural or artificial brush; a stiff, sharp point on a plant such as a thorn or a prickle; (verb) to react defensively to something; to stand up stiffly and be rigid

*synonym*: spike, prickle, hair

(1) **bristle** brush, (2) **bristle** with anger

The dog's **bristle** on its back stood up as it growled at the mailman.

## 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.

## cable

*n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

*synonym*: wire, cord, rope

(1) **cable** television, (2) coaxial **cable**

This system uses submarine **cables** to exchange information between continents.

## franchise

*n.* a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election

*synonym*: dealership, enterprise, suffrage

(1) **franchise** agreement, (2) **franchise** owner

The fast-food **franchise** kept expanding and opening new restaurants across the country.

## 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**.

## 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.

## competitive

*adj.* involving competition or competitiveness

*synonym*: aggressive, ambitious, militant

(1) a **competitive** price, (2) **competitive** position

The mobile application industry is a **competitive** one.

## advantage

*n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

*synonym*: benefit, edge, asset

(1) score an **advantage**, (2) take **advantage** of his weak points

One of the main **advantages** of the new product is its increased efficiency.

## extend

v. to broaden in scope, range, or area

*synonym*: prolong, lengthen, advance

(1) **extend** the warranty, (2) **extend** a line

Her visit will **extend** from Monday to Friday.

## 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.

## mathematics

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

*synonym*: arithmetic, calculation, calculus

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

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

## calculation

n. the act or process of using numbers to judge an amount of something

*synonym*: analysis, computation, estimate

(1) make a **calculation**, (2) **calculation** of loss and gain

The error in the **calculation** was attributable to rounding.

## intellect

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

*synonym*: mind, brightness, cleverness

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

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

## smallpox

n. a highly contagious viral disease characterized by fever, weakness, spots on the skin, and often death

*synonym* : variola

(1) **smallpox** epidemic, (2) **smallpox** vaccine

An outbreak of **smallpox** occurred in the 1920s.

## epidemic

*n.* the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time

*synonym* : outbreak, contagion, plague

(1) a worldwide **epidemic**, (2) health **epidemic**

The disease is now reaching **epidemic** proportions in our country.

## ravage

*v.* to cause damage to something badly

*synonym* : devastate, ruin, destroy

(1) **ravage** a country, (2) **ravage** the brain

A large fire **ravaged** the forest.

## stump

*v.* to cause to be perplexed or confused; (noun) the base part of a tree that remains standing after the tree has been felled

*synonym* : mix up

(1) the riddle **stumped** everybody, (2) we are **stumped** with the problem

He is **stumped** with the question.

## disease

*n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

*synonym* : illness, ailment, affliction

(1) **disease** prevention, (2) **disease** control

The doctor diagnosed him with a rare **disease** that had no known cure.

## unlikely

*adj.* not probable or likely to happen

*synonym* : doubtful, questionable, far-fetched

(1) **unlikely** event, (2) it is **unlikely** that he would win the game

The passage of the bill is **unlikely**.

## dairy

*n.* a room, building, or establishment where milk and milk products are produced and processed; milk and milk products, such as butter and cheese

*synonym*: creamery, farm

(1) low-fat **dairy**, (2) imported **dairy** product

The **dairy** industry is a significant contributor to the economy.

## maid

*n.* a girl or young woman employed to do domestic work

*synonym*: servant, housekeeper, domestic

(1) **maid** service, (2) a waiting **maid**

The live-in **maid** came in to clean the room every day.

## vaccinate

*v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease

*synonym*: immunize, inject, inoculate

(1) **vaccinate** against scarlet fever, (2) **vaccinate** every year

The nurse **vaccinated** the children in the school.

## bovine

*adj.* relating to or resembling cows or cattle; pertaining to the characteristics or behavior of bovines

*synonym*: cattle-like, bovid, cow-like

(1) **bovine** disease, (2) **bovine** respiratory disease

The farm had a herd of **bovine** animals, including cows and bulls.

## firm

*adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

*synonym*: stable, secure, steadfast

(1) **firm** grip, (2) accounting **firm**

The **firm** deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

## 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.

## 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.

## purposeful

*adj.* having a specific aim or purpose; determined

*synonym*: determined, resolved, resolute

(1) **purposeful** series of actions, (2) at a **purposeful** pace

She had a **purposeful** look and was determined to complete the task.

## intentionally

*adv.* in a planned or intended way

*synonym*: knowingly, calculatedly, deliberately

(1) she hit him **intentionally**, (2) She **intentionally** spread misleading information.

She would never **intentionally** hurt anyone.

## assume

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

*synonym*: guess, presume, suppose

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

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

## insight

*n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

*synonym*: wisdom, discernment, understanding

(1) a profound **insight**, (2) share my **insights**

We gained various **insights** by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.

## 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.

## progression

*n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

*synonym*: advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease

The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.

## unbelievable

*adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising

*synonym*: unimaginable, incredible, fantastical

(1) **unbelievable** beauty, (2) cause **unbelievable** damage

He drinks an **unbelievable** amount of beer.

## disconnect

*v.* to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment

*synonym*: unplug, detach, take apart

(1) **disconnect** a plug, (2) **disconnect** the water supply

She finally decided to **disconnect** herself from the company.



## evict

v. to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law

*synonym*: oust, expel, eject

(1) **evict** a person from his home, (2) **evict** squatter

The landlord may **evict** tenants for violations of the lease agreement.

## brutal

*adj.* harsh or cruel

*synonym*: harsh, cruel, barbarous

(1) **brutal** bully, (2) **brutal** honesty

The **brutal** attack left the victim with serious injuries.

## pragmatist

*n.* a person who practically approaches situations and problems; someone who prioritizes usefulness and functionality over abstract principles or ideals

*synonym*: realist, practical person, utilitarian

(1) **pragmatist** perspective, (2) a true **pragmatist**

As a **pragmatist**, she always focuses on finding practical solutions to problems.

## crack

v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

*synonym*: snap, burst, break

(1) **crack** an eggshell, (2) a **crack** in a board

He that would eat the kernel must **crack** the nut.

## dawn

*n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky

*synonym*: daybreak, sunrise, advent

(1) the wan light of **dawn**, (2) crack of **dawn**

Missile assaults on the capital continued around **dawn**.

## achieve

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

*synonym*: accomplish, attain, reach

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

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

## **weave**

v. to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them

*synonym*: braid, unite, contrive

(1) **weave** on a loom, (2) **weave** a story

The girl **weaves** a garland for her friend.

## **fabric**

n. cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

*synonym*: cloth, material, goods

(1) a hand-loomed **fabric**, (2) **fabric** of creation

These synthetic **fabrics** are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

## **shrink**

v. to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount

*synonym*: decrease, diminish, shy away

(1) **shrink** the tumor, (2) **shrink** with fear

This shirt will **shrink** in the wash.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. bl\_\_d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
2. ca\_\_e television *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
3. fr\_\_\_\_\_se agreement *n.* a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election
4. 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
5. dis\_\_\_\_\_rt in the abdomen *n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain
6. 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

ANSWERS: 1. blind, 2. cable, 3. franchise, 4. diversity, 5. discomfort, 6. process

7. dis\_\_\_\_\_ct the water supply      *v.* to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment
8. an\_\_y everyone else      *v.* to make someone angry, anxious, or irritating slightly
9. sh\_\_k-resistant      *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
10. ext\_\_\_\_\_ary ability      *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
11. she hit him int\_\_\_\_\_lly      *adv.* in a planned or intended way
12. de\_\_k an urban legend      *v.* to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless
13. el\_\_t the school board      *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
14. br\_\_e soldier      *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
15. ind\_\_\_\_\_us student      *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
16. chaotic env\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
17. majority of his we\_\_\_h      *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

ANSWERS: 7. disconnect, 8. annoy, 9. shock, 10. extraordinary, 11. intentionally, 12. debunk, 13. elect, 14. brave, 15. industrious, 16. environment, 17. wealth

18. sm\_\_\_\_ox epidemic *n.* a highly contagious viral disease characterized by fever, weakness, spots on the skin, and often death
19. a we\_\_d dress *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
20. a bu\_\_h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
21. ac\_\_\_\_e milestones *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
22. 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
23. bl\_\_d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
24. env\_\_\_\_nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
25. 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
26. ho\_\_\_\_y policy *n.* the quality of being truthful, sincere, and morally upright; adherence to moral and ethical principles

ANSWERS: 18. smallpox, 19. weird, 20. bunch, 21. achieve, 22. inclusive, 23. blind, 24. environment, 25. develop, 26. honesty

27. w\_\_ned me of the plan  
*v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
28. bo\_\_\_e disease  
*adj.* relating to or resembling cows or cattle; pertaining to the characteristics or behavior of bovines
29. save a pe\_\_y  
*n.* a small denomination of currency or coin, typically the smallest unit of a currency system; in the US, a coin worth one cent
30. a private ind\_\_\_\_\_al  
*n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
31. mi\_\_\_\_\_nt nations  
*n.* willing to use force or violence to achieve a political or social goal
32. pro\_\_\_\_\_on of disease  
*n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
33. the di\_\_\_\_\_ty between theory and reality  
*n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things
34. des\_\_\_\_\_ly anxious  
*adv.* in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency
35. 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
36. el\_\_t death  
*v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
37. coaxial ca\_\_e  
*n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

ANSWERS: 27. warn, 28. bovine, 29. penny, 30. individual, 31. militant, 32. progression, 33. disparity, 34. desperately, 35. decide, 36. elect, 37. cable

38. f\_\_m grip *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
39. r\_\_l system *n.* a long, thin piece of metal or wood that is used to make fences or as a support for something; (verb) to complain bitterly
40. mental co\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
41. a hand-loomed fa\_\_\_c *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
42. the state of being we\_\_d *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
43. ra\_\_\_l prejudice *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
44. in\_\_\_t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
45. give si\_\_\_t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
46. di\_\_\_\_\_e control *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

ANSWERS: 38. firm, 39. rail, 40. courage, 41. fabric, 42. weird, 43. racial, 44. invest, 45. silent, 46. disease

47. na\_\_\_e language *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
48. in\_\_\_e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
49. a warm em\_\_\_\_\_e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
50. ra\_\_\_l and ethnic backgrounds *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
51. mat\_\_\_\_\_cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
52. s\_\_p breakfast *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do
53. death from sh\_\_k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
54. at a pur\_\_\_\_\_ul pace *adj.* having a specific aim or purpose; determined
55. su\_\_\_\_\_nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody

ANSWERS: 47. native, 48. invite, 49. embrace, 50. racial, 51. mathematics, 52. skip, 53. shock, 54. purposeful, 55. surround



56. r\_\_l against his enemies *n.* a long, thin piece of metal or wood that is used to make fences or as a support for something; (verb) to complain bitterly
57. pu\_\_\_\_ly financed schools *adv.* in a manner accessible to or observable by the public; by the government
58. a true pra\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a person who practically approaches situations and problems; someone who prioritizes usefulness and functionality over abstract principles or ideals
59. ex\_\_\_\_d the warranty *v.* to broaden in scope, range, or area
60. Se\_\_\_\_e Finance Committee *n.* a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament
61. as\_\_\_\_e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
62. ho\_\_\_\_y box *n.* the quality of being truthful, sincere, and morally upright; adherence to moral and ethical principles
63. fa\_\_\_\_c of creation *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
64. br\_\_\_\_y against the enemy *n.* courage in the face of danger
65. feel sy\_\_\_\_hy *n.* the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions

ANSWERS: 56. rail, 57. publicly, 58. pragmatist, 59. extend, 60. Senate, 61. assume, 62. honesty, 63. fabric, 64. bravery, 65. sympathy

66. br\_\_\_h of wind *n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs
67. sl\_\_\_e roof *n.* a flat piece of rock or stone that is typically used as a roofing or flooring material; a list of candidates for an election arranged in a specific order
68. sh\_\_\_y surface *adj.* reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface
69. bit of good fo\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
70. br\_\_\_\_\_y under fire *n.* courage in the face of danger
71. r\_\_\_n the reputation *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
72. equ\_\_\_\_\_nt amounts *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
73. call and co\_\_\_\_\_in frequently *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
74. exp\_\_\_\_\_nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
75. enrich my in\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
76. pu\_\_\_\_\_ly accessible record *adv.* in a manner accessible to or observable by the public; by the government
77. an indomitable sp\_\_\_t *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

ANSWERS: 66. breath, 67. slate, 68. shiny, 69. fortune, 70. bravery, 71. ruin, 72. equivalent, 73. complain, 74. experiment, 75. intellect, 76. publicly, 77. spirit

78. af\_\_\_d a high travel cost      *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
79. Se\_\_\_e hearing      *n.* a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament
80. unb\_\_\_\_\_ble beauty      *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
81. gr\_\_\_e with each other      *v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
82. ins\_\_\_\_\_ize a system      *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
83. acc\_\_\_\_\_al death      *adj.* happening or existing by chance or unintentionally
84. des\_\_\_\_\_ly ill patient      *adv.* in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency
85. br\_\_\_l honesty      *adj.* harsh or cruel
86. a friendly con\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
87. 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
88. bo\_\_\_\_\_om decision      *n.* a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets

ANSWERS: 78. afford, 79. Senate, 80. unbelievable, 81. grapple, 82. institutionalize, 83. accidental, 84. desperately, 85. brutal, 86. conversation, 87. recognize, 88. boardroom

89. the hope of et\_\_\_\_l life *adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
90. low-fat da\_\_y *n.* a room, building, or establishment where milk and milk products are produced and processed; milk and milk products, such as butter and cheese
91. et\_\_\_\_l quarreling *adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
92. a profound in\_\_\_\_t *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
93. share my in\_\_\_\_ts *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
94. ig\_\_\_e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
95. c\_\_e various authorities *v.* to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened
96. ev\_\_t a person from his home *v.* to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law
97. an\_\_y at the time *v.* to make someone angry, anxious, or irritating slightly
98. fire dr\_\_l *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice

ANSWERS: 89. eternal, 90. dairy, 91. eternal, 92. insight, 93. insight, 94. ignore, 95. cite, 96. evict, 97. annoy, 98. drill

99. s\_\_t and tie restaurant *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
100. friendly rec\_\_\_\_\_ist *n.* a person employed at a front desk or in a waiting area of an office, hotel, or other organization, whose job is to greet visitors, answer phones, and perform other general administrative tasks
101. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
102. an aw\_\_\_\_\_d expression *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
103. a bu\_\_h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
104. an an\_\_\_\_\_s look *adj.* worried and nervous
105. income di\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things
106. non-qua\_\_\_\_\_ble risk *adj.* able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms
107. com\_\_\_\_\_ve position *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
108. un\_\_\_\_\_ly event *adj.* not probable or likely to happen
109. ind\_\_\_\_\_us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

ANSWERS: 99. suit, 100. receptionist, 101. opportune, 102. awkward, 103. bunch, 104. anxious, 105. disparity, 106. quantifiable, 107. competitive, 108. unlikely, 109. industrious

110. ra\_\_\_e the brain                    *v.* to cause damage to something badly
111. af\_\_\_d to buy a new car            *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
112. co\_\_\_\_\_te environment        *adj.* of or relating to a large company
113. a person of di\_\_\_\_\_e talents    *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
114. series of exp\_\_\_\_\_nts            *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
115. walk along a co\_\_\_\_\_or          *n.* a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure
116. a cr\_\_k in a board                *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
117. cultural n\_\_m                      *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
118. co\_\_\_\_\_te right                *adj.* of or relating to a large company
119. th\_\_\_\_\_en national security    *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
120. cal\_\_\_\_\_on of loss and gain    *n.* the act or process of using numbers to judge an amount of something
121. va\_\_\_\_\_te every year          *v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease
122. in\_\_\_t capital                    *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

ANSWERS: 110. ravage, 111. afford, 112. corporate, 113. diverse, 114. experiment, 115. corridor, 116. crack, 117. norm, 118. corporate, 119. threaten, 120. calculation, 121. vaccinate, 122. invest

123. make a cal\_\_\_\_\_on                    *n.* the act or process of using numbers to judge an amount of something
124. the dr\_\_l hit the well                    *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
125. de\_\_\_e a question                    *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
126. a good grounding in mat\_\_\_\_\_cs                    *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
127. collaborate with co\_\_\_\_\_ues                    *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
128. pr\_\_\_\_\_ve approach                    *adj.* acting in advance to deal with an expected difficulty or to take advantage of an opportunity.
129. a flavorful sa\_\_\_e                    *n.* a liquid or semi-solid food served on or used in preparing other foods
130. cr\_\_k an eggshell                    *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
131. top-no\_\_h service                    *n.* a V-shaped cut or indentation made in a surface or edge; a level of achievement or success; a point or degree of measurement or comparison
132. inspire co\_\_\_\_\_e                    *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

ANSWERS: 123. calculation, 124. drill, 125. decide, 126. mathematics, 127. colleague, 128. proactive, 129. sauce, 130. crack, 131. notch, 132. courage

133. accounting f\_\_m *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
134. sy\_\_\_\_hy card *n.* the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions
135. 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
136. br\_\_e decision *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
137. a mi\_\_\_\_\_nt reformer *n.* willing to use force or violence to achieve a political or social goal
138. a b\_\_d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
139. ins\_\_\_\_\_ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
140. con\_\_\_\_\_ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
141. gain ed\_\_\_\_\_al help *adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media

ANSWERS: 133. firm, 134. sympathy, 135. recognize, 136. brave, 137. militant, 138. bold, 139. institutionalize, 140. conversation, 141. editorial



142. endure dis\_\_\_\_\_rt and pain *n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain
143. re\_\_x at home *v.* to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer
144. na\_\_\_n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
145. a seafaring na\_\_\_n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
146. sta\_\_\_\_\_cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
147. re\_\_x a series of muscles *v.* to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer
148. an aw\_\_\_\_\_d date *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
149. negative ste\_\_\_\_\_pes *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
150. human in\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
151. 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: 142. discomfort, 143. relax, 144. nation, 145. nation, 146. statistics, 147. relax, 148. awkward, 149. stereotype, 150. intellect, 151. observe

152. bo\_\_\_\_\_om meeting *n.* a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets
153. baseless pre\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
154. h\_\_e a car by the hour *v.* to give somebody a job
155. billionaire ent\_\_\_\_\_eur *n.* an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
156. hea\_\_\_\_\_re agency *n.* the organized activity or business of preserving mental and physical health by preventing or treating illness through services offered by the health profession
157. sl\_\_e tile *n.* a flat piece of rock or stone that is typically used as a roofing or flooring material; a list of candidates for an election arranged in a specific order
158. imported da\_\_y product *n.* a room, building, or establishment where milk and milk products are produced and processed; milk and milk products, such as butter and cheese
159. hotel rec\_\_\_\_\_ist *n.* a person employed at a front desk or in a waiting area of an office, hotel, or other organization, whose job is to greet visitors, answer phones, and perform other general administrative tasks

ANSWERS: 152. boardroom, 153. pretension, 154. hire, 155. entrepreneur, 156. healthcare, 157. slate, 158. dairy, 159. receptionist

160. a com\_\_\_\_\_ve price *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
161. st\_\_k landscape *adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications
162. m\_\_h attracted to the light *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
163. feel exa\_\_\_\_\_ed *adj.* feeling intense irritation or frustration, especially over a persistent problem or difficulty
164. exa\_\_\_\_\_ed sigh *adj.* feeling intense irritation or frustration, especially over a persistent problem or difficulty
165. cause unb\_\_\_\_\_ble damage *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
166. the riddle st\_\_ped everybody *v.* to cause to be perplexed or confused; (noun) the base part of a tree that remains standing after the tree has been felled
167. ill fo\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
168. 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: 160. competitive, 161. stark, 162. moth, 163. exasperated, 164. exasperated, 165. unbelievable, 166. stump, 167. fortune, 168. process

169. el\_\_\_t a solution      *v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty
170. the wan light of d\_\_n      *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
171. rut\_\_\_\_\_ly efficient      *adv.* without compassion or pity; mercilessly
172. official sta\_\_\_\_\_cs      *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
173. h\_\_e a guide      *v.* to give somebody a job
174. an\_\_\_\_\_s about his health      *adj.* worried and nervous
175. pr\_\_\_\_\_ve about doing the task      *adj.* acting in advance to deal with an expected difficulty or to take advantage of an opportunity.
176. PhD ca\_\_\_\_\_te      *n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
177. a serious to\_\_c      *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
178. air co\_\_\_\_\_or      *n.* a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure
179. n\_\_m of action      *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
180. qua\_\_\_\_\_ble results      *adj.* able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms
181. ac\_\_\_\_\_e success      *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

ANSWERS: 169. elicit, 170. dawn, 171. ruthlessly, 172. statistics, 173. hire, 174. anxious, 175. proactive, 176. candidate, 177. topic, 178. corridor, 179. norm, 180. quantifiable, 181. achieve

182. a worldwide ep\_\_\_\_ic *n.* the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
183. judge rut\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* without compassion or pity; mercilessly
184. take ad\_\_\_\_\_ge of his weak points *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
185. m\_\_h larva *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
186. ig\_\_\_e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
187. sh\_\_y object *adj.* reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface
188. op\_\_\_\_\_ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
189. ca\_\_\_\_\_te selection *n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
190. with an unc\_\_\_\_\_ble face *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
191. sh\_\_\_k the tumor *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
192. a waiting m\_\_d *n.* a girl or young woman employed to do domestic work
193. the to\_\_c of the book *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about

ANSWERS: 182. epidemic, 183. ruthlessly, 184. advantage, 185. moth, 186. ignore, 187. shiny, 188. opportune, 189. candidate, 190. uncomfortable, 191. shrink, 192. maid, 193. topic

194. at a un\_\_\_\_\_m temperature      *adj.* always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification
195. br\_\_\_\_\_e brush      *n.* a stiff, short hair on a mammal's skin or a natural or artificial brush; a stiff, sharp point on a plant such as a thorn or a prickle; (verb) to react defensively to something; to stand up stiffly and be rigid
196. dr\_\_n excess liquid      *v.* to empty or dry something by removing the liquid from it
197. big, b\_\_d piano sounds      *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
198. 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
199. dis\_\_\_\_\_ate against women employees      *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
200. 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

ANSWERS: 194. uniform, 195. bristle, 196. drain, 197. bold, 198. inclusive, 199. discriminate, 200. observe

201. score an ad\_\_\_\_\_ge *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
202. gr\_\_\_\_\_e with problem *v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
203. th\_\_\_\_\_en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
204. ra\_\_\_\_e a country *v.* to cause damage to something badly
205. sh\_\_\_\_k with fear *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
206. a stone wall su\_\_\_\_\_nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
207. m\_\_d service *n.* a girl or young woman employed to do domestic work
208. rising hea\_\_\_\_\_re cost *n.* the organized activity or business of preserving mental and physical health by preventing or treating illness through services offered by the health profession
209. dis\_\_\_\_\_ct a plug *v.* to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment
210. sp\_\_\_\_t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

ANSWERS: 201. advantage, 202. grapple, 203. threaten, 204. ravage, 205. shrink, 206. surround, 207. maid, 208. healthcare, 209. disconnect, 210. spirit

211. el\_\_\_t a confession                    *v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty
212. an unc\_\_\_\_\_ble silence            *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
213. r\_\_n the plan                            *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
214. an ed\_\_\_\_\_al article                *adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
215. dis\_\_\_\_\_ate between different things    *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
216. soy sa\_\_e                                *n.* a liquid or semi-solid food served on or used in preparing other foods
217. de\_\_\_k theory                         *v.* to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless
218. our school un\_\_\_\_\_m                *adj.* always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification
219. na\_\_\_e to Africa                       *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
220. cover acc\_\_\_\_\_al damage           *adj.* happening or existing by chance or unintentionally

ANSWERS: 211. elicit, 212. uncomfortable, 213. ruin, 214. editorial, 215. discriminate, 216. sauce, 217. debunk, 218. uniform, 219. native, 220. accidental



221. in\_\_\_e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
222. we\_\_\_e a story *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
223. bo\_\_\_e respiratory disease *adj.* relating to or resembling cows or cattle; pertaining to the characteristics or behavior of bovines
224. em\_\_\_\_\_e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
225. co\_\_\_\_\_in about a job *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
226. va\_\_\_\_\_te against scarlet fever *v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease
227. di\_\_\_\_\_e prevention *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
228. pre\_\_\_\_\_on to authority *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
229. across a f\_\_d *n.* a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across

ANSWERS: 221. invite, 222. weave, 223. bovine, 224. embrace, 225. complain, 226. vaccinate, 227. disease, 228. pretension, 229. ford

230. qui\_\_\_\_\_nce of life      *n.* the perfect example of a quality or class
231. pe\_\_y stock      *n.* a small denomination of currency or coin, typically the smallest unit of a currency system; in the US, a coin worth one cent
232. fr\_\_\_\_\_se owner      *n.* a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election
233. br\_\_\_l bully      *adj.* harsh or cruel
234. br\_\_\_\_\_e with anger      *n.* a stiff, short hair on a mammal's skin or a natural or artificial brush; a stiff, sharp point on a plant such as a thorn or a prickle; (verb) to react defensively to something; to stand up stiffly and be rigid
235. di\_\_\_\_\_e backgrounds      *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
236. a public cor\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
237. si\_\_\_t reading      *adj.* without any or little sound
238. dr\_\_n water from the swamp      *v.* to empty or dry something by removing the liquid from it
239. st\_\_k truth      *adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications

ANSWERS: 230. quintessence, 231. penny, 232. franchise, 233. brutal, 234. bristle, 235. diverse, 236. corporation, 237. silent, 238. drain, 239. stark

240. sm\_\_\_\_ox vaccine *n.* a highly contagious viral disease characterized by fever, weakness, spots on the skin, and often death
241. a re\_\_\_\_ic goal *adj.* having or showing a sensible and practical idea that is possible to achieve
242. s\_\_t at law *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
243. the qui\_\_\_\_nce of virtue *n.* the perfect example of a quality or class
244. as\_\_\_e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
245. ext\_\_\_\_ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
246. c\_\_e a fact as evidence *v.* to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened
247. hold your br\_\_\_h *n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs
248. equ\_\_\_\_nt in meaning *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
249. cor\_\_\_\_on assets *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

ANSWERS: 240. smallpox, 241. realistic, 242. suit, 243. quintessence, 244. assume, 245. extraordinary, 246. cite, 247. breath, 248. equivalent, 249. corporation

250. pra\_\_\_\_\_st perspective *n.* a person who practically approaches situations and problems; someone who prioritizes usefulness and functionality over abstract principles or ideals
251. we\_\_e on a loom *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
252. pur\_\_\_\_\_ul series of actions *adj.* having a specific aim or purpose; determined
253. 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
254. health ep\_\_\_\_\_ic *n.* the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
255. crack of d\_\_n *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
256. 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
257. a successful ent\_\_\_\_\_eur *n.* an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
258. s\_\_p across the country *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

ANSWERS: 250. pragmatist, 251. weave, 252. purposeful, 253. develop, 254. epidemic, 255. dawn, 256. diversity, 257. entrepreneur, 258. skip

259. ev\_\_t squatter *v.* to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law
260. She int\_\_\_\_\_lly spread misleading information. *adv.* in a planned or intended way
261. former co\_\_\_\_\_ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
262. pro\_\_\_\_\_on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
263. ex\_\_\_d a line *v.* to broaden in scope, range, or area
264. f\_\_d a river *n.* a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across
265. w\_\_n a reckless driver *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
266. score a no\_\_h *n.* a V-shaped cut or indentation made in a surface or edge; a level of achievement or success; a point or degree of measurement or comparison
267. ind\_\_\_\_\_al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
268. material we\_\_\_h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
269. avoid ste\_\_\_\_\_pe *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

ANSWERS: 259. evict, 260. intentionally, 261. colleague, 262. progression, 263. extend, 264. ford, 265. warn, 266. notch, 267. individual, 268. wealth, 269. stereotype

270. it is un\_\_\_\_ly that he would win the game

*adj.* not probable or likely to happen

271. we are st\_\_ped with the problem

*v.* to cause to be perplexed or confused;  
*(noun)* the base part of a tree that remains standing after the tree has been felled

ANSWERS: 270. unlikely, 271. stump

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Your \_\_\_\_\_ reflects your thoughts.  
*n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
  
2. 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
  
3. One of the main \_\_\_\_\_ of the new product is its increased efficiency.  
*n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
  
4. The error in the \_\_\_\_\_ was attributable to rounding.  
*n.* the act or process of using numbers to judge an amount of something
  
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.  
*adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
  
6. Our users are often \_\_\_\_\_ about the slow application.  
*v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
  
7. He felt no \_\_\_\_\_ as the dentist drilled his deadened tooth.  
*n.* a feeling of being uncomfortable physically or mentally or being embarrassed; a slight pain

ANSWERS: 1. conversation, 2. observe, 3. advantages, 4. calculation, 5. brave, 6. complaining, 7. discomfort

8. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
9. The corporate \_\_\_\_\_ was filled with tense silence as the CEO presented the new plan.
- n.* a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets
10. This system uses submarine \_\_\_\_\_ to exchange information between continents.
- n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
11. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the discussion was the current state of the economy.
- n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
12. The pasta dish was served with a rich tomato \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a liquid or semi-solid food served on or used in preparing other foods
13. Changing \_\_\_\_\_ about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.
- n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
14. The vegetation here is almost wholly \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
15. The \_\_\_\_\_ inequality was unavoidable.
- n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

ANSWERS: 8. spirit, 9. boardroom, 10. cables, 11. topic, 12. sauce, 13. stereotypes, 14. native, 15. wealth



16. The impact of the new policy will be \_\_\_\_\_ through measurable data.  
*adj.* able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms
17. The \_\_\_\_\_ new car drew everyone's attention as it drove by.  
*adj.* reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface
18. 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
19. 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
20. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
21. This country has a nationally \_\_\_\_\_ culture.  
*adj.* always the same; showing a single form or character in all occurrences; (noun) the special set of clothes worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification
22. The \_\_\_\_\_ design of the interface made the operation difficult.  
*adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
23. The \_\_\_\_\_ attack left the victim with serious injuries.  
*adj.* harsh or cruel

ANSWERS: 16. quantifiable, 17. shiny, 18. diversity, 19. honesty, 20. environment, 21. uniform, 22. awkward, 23. brutal

24. She would never \_\_\_\_\_ hurt anyone.

*adv.* in a planned or intended way

25. 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

26. The myth was \_\_\_\_\_ by scientists, who provided evidence to the contrary.

*v.* to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless

27. The girl \_\_\_\_\_ a garland for her friend.

*v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them

28. The \_\_\_\_\_ office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

*adj.* of or relating to a large company

29. A minor \_\_\_\_\_ conflict later led to a civil war.

*adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

30. He cast \_\_\_\_\_ glances behind her.

*adj.* worried and nervous

31. The mobile application industry is a \_\_\_\_\_ one.

*adj.* involving competition or competitiveness

32. We need to add more names to the \_\_\_\_\_ of candidates for the upcoming election.

*n.* a flat piece of rock or stone that is typically used as a roofing or flooring material; a list of candidates for an election arranged in a specific order

ANSWERS: 24. intentionally, 25. inclusive, 26. debunked, 27. weaves, 28. corporate, 29. racial, 30. anxious, 31. competitive, 32. slate

33. Six \_\_\_\_\_ are awaiting trial or verdict.

- n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

34. The children leaned over the bridge \_\_\_\_\_ to watch the fish swimming below.

- n.* a long, thin piece of metal or wood that is used to make fences or as a support for something; (verb) to complain bitterly

35. Four companies were amalgamated into a single \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

36. The effort to alleviate climate change needs \_\_\_\_\_ action.

- adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

37. Our company is looking to hire a bilingual \_\_\_\_\_ to serve our diverse clients better.

- n.* a person employed at a front desk or in a waiting area of an office, hotel, or other organization, whose job is to greet visitors, answer phones, and perform other general administrative tasks

38. Several military \_\_\_\_\_ programs have become popular methods of exercise.

- n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice

39. I will work hard to \_\_\_\_\_ my goals and realize my dreams.

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

ANSWERS: 33. suits, 34. rail, 35. corporation, 36. bold, 37. receptionist, 38. drill, 39. achieve

40. He bated his \_\_\_\_\_ when talking about this affair.

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

41. He is \_\_\_\_\_ with the question.

- v.* to cause to be perplexed or confused; (noun) the base part of a tree that remains standing after the tree has been felled

42. 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

43. The company implemented \_\_\_\_\_ measures to prevent future issues.

- adj.* acting in advance to deal with an expected difficulty or to take advantage of an opportunity.

44. The fast-food \_\_\_\_\_ kept expanding and opening new restaurants across the country.

- n.* a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election

45. The devil can \_\_\_\_\_ Scripture for his purpose.

- v.* to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened

46. The politician remained \_\_\_\_\_ despite intense media scrutiny.

- adj.* without any or little sound

47. I found a lucky \_\_\_\_\_ on the ground while walking to work this morning.

- n.* a small denomination of currency or coin, typically the smallest unit of a currency system; in the US, a coin worth one cent

ANSWERS: 40. breath, 41. stumped, 42. colleague, 43. proactive, 44. franchise, 45. cite, 46. silent, 47. penny

48. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the author's writing is the depth of emotion conveyed.  
*n.* the perfect example of a quality or class
49. 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
50. The passage of the bill is \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* not probable or likely to happen
51. He drinks an \_\_\_\_\_ amount of beer.  
*adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
52. His \_\_\_\_\_ in the face of danger saved the lives of his comrades.  
*n.* courage in the face of danger
53. He knocked over the red wine and \_\_\_\_\_ the tablecloth.  
*v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
54. His abusive words made me \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
55. The farm had a herd of \_\_\_\_\_ animals, including cows and bulls.  
*adj.* relating to or resembling cows or cattle; pertaining to the characteristics or behavior of bovines

ANSWERS: 48. quintessence, 49. process, 50. unlikely, 51. unbelievable, 52. bravery, 53. ruined, 54. uncomfortable, 55. bovine

56. The following example \_\_\_\_\_ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
- v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
57. He got an electric \_\_\_\_\_ at work.
- n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
58. There is a significant \_\_\_\_\_ in pay between men and women in the company.
- n. a significant difference or inequality between two or more things
59. The river was too deep to cross, so we had to find a \_\_\_\_\_ downstream where the water was shallower.
- n. a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across
60. As a \_\_\_\_\_ she always focuses on finding practical solutions to problems.
- n. a person who practically approaches situations and problems; someone who prioritizes usefulness and functionality over abstract principles or ideals
61. His \_\_\_\_\_ showed highly positive results.
- n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
62. Since independence, the area has been completely \_\_\_\_\_.
- v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
63. Every five years, the provincial governors are \_\_\_\_\_.
- v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

ANSWERS: 56. assumes, 57. shock, 58. disparity, 59. ford, 60. pragmatist, 61. experiments, 62. ignored, 63. elected

64. We gained various \_\_\_\_\_ by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.

- n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

65. That story was so \_\_\_\_\_ and it was scary.

- adj.* having or showing a sensible and practical idea that is possible to achieve

66. The long \_\_\_\_\_ was filled with people rushing to get to their rooms before the meeting began.

- n.* a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure

67. The rules were \_\_\_\_\_ after the new executive arrived.

- v.* to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer

68. The \_\_\_\_\_ group launched a series of attacks on government buildings.

- n.* willing to use force or violence to achieve a political or social goal

69. We want to \_\_\_\_\_ you to our annual charity event.

- v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

70. He narrated the \_\_\_\_\_ story of his adventure.

- adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

71. The doctor diagnosed him with a rare \_\_\_\_\_ that had no known cure.

- n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

ANSWERS: 64. insights, 65. realistic, 66. corridor, 67. relaxed, 68. militant, 69. invite, 70. extraordinary, 71. disease

72. The dog's \_\_\_\_\_ on its back stood up as it growled at the mailman.
- n.* a stiff, short hair on a mammal's skin or a natural or artificial brush; a stiff, sharp point on a plant such as a thorn or a prickle; (verb) to react defensively to something; to stand up stiffly and be rigid
73. We should always be prepared to \_\_\_\_\_ talented recruits.
- v.* to give somebody a job
74. The scenery of the battlefield was \_\_\_\_\_ and grey.
- adj.* empty, simple, or apparent; devoid of any qualifications
75. He has a flair for \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
76. These synthetic \_\_\_\_\_ are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.
- n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
77. The new policy aims to \_\_\_\_\_ the use of renewable energy sources.
- v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
78. The disease is now reaching \_\_\_\_\_ proportions in our country.
- n.* the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
79. The \_\_\_\_\_ is a serious threat to the farm's output.
- n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light

ANSWERS: 72. bristle, 73. hire, 74. stark, 75. mathematics, 76. fabrics, 77. institutionalize, 78. epidemic, 79. moth



80. In an aging population, citizens must pay more to maintain quality \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the organized activity or business of preserving mental and physical health by preventing or treating illness through services offered by the health profession
81. The politician's \_\_\_\_\_ tone reflected her frustration with the lack of progress on the issue.
- adj.* feeling intense irritation or frustration, especially over a persistent problem or difficulty
82. His \_\_\_\_\_ of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.
- n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
83. New York is a city with a \_\_\_\_\_ ethnic population.
- adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
84. The \_\_\_\_\_ deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.
- adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
85. In every civilization, rulers have tried everything possible to obtain \_\_\_\_\_ life.
- adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
86. 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

ANSWERS: 80. healthcare, 81. exasperated, 82. pretensions, 83. diverse, 84. firm, 85. eternal, 86. decide

87. The \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
88. The live-in \_\_\_\_ came in to clean the room every day.
- n.* a girl or young woman employed to do domestic work
89. The landlord may \_\_\_\_\_ tenants for violations of the lease agreement.
- v.* to expel someone from a property, especially with the support of the law
90. The \_\_\_\_\_ platform focused on healthcare reform and reducing income inequality.
- n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
91. He was known to be very \_\_\_\_\_ and would often work late into the night.
- adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
92. Push the button and let the water \_\_\_\_\_ away.
- v.* to empty or dry something by removing the liquid from it
93. He needed to \_\_\_\_\_ with structural reforms to improve the company's revenue.
- v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
94. 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

ANSWERS: 87. statistics, 88. maid, 89. evict, 90. candidate's, 91. industrious, 92. drain, 93. grapple, 94. develop

95. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
96. An outbreak of \_\_\_\_\_ occurred in the 1920s.
- n.* a highly contagious viral disease characterized by fever, weakness, spots on the skin, and often death
97. Her constant chatter was starting to \_\_\_\_\_ the neighbors.
- v.* to make someone angry, anxious, or irritating slightly
98. He that would eat the kernel must \_\_\_\_\_ the nut.
- v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
99. A large fire \_\_\_\_\_ the forest.
- v.* to cause damage to something badly
100. She was nearly \_\_\_\_\_ due to severe diabetes.
- adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
101. The cake was decorated with a \_\_\_\_\_ to represent the birthday boy's age.
- n.* a V-shaped cut or indentation made in a surface or edge; a level of achievement or success; a point or degree of measurement or comparison
102. We \_\_\_\_\_ the topic because it was too complicated.
- v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

ANSWERS: 95. norms, 96. smallpox, 97. annoy, 98. crack, 99. ravaged, 100. blind, 101. notch, 102. skipped

103. The \_\_\_\_\_ majority leader announced plans to bring the bill to the floor for a vote.
- n.* a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament
104. You should not \_\_\_\_\_ against minorities.
- v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
105. The baby clung \_\_\_\_\_ to her mother.
- adv.* in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency
106. She finally decided to \_\_\_\_\_ herself from the company.
- v.* to unfasten or disjoin something, especially to break the connection between a supply of gas, water, or electricity and a piece of equipment
107. She had a \_\_\_\_\_ look and was determined to complete the task.
- adj.* having a specific aim or purpose; determined
108. He cannot \_\_\_\_\_ a holiday.
- v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
109. The newspaper published an \_\_\_\_\_ on the current state of the economy.
- adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
110. \_\_\_\_\_ willingly accept business risks to achieve success.
- n.* an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks

ANSWERS: 103. Senate, 104. discriminate, 105. desperately, 106. disconnect, 107. purposeful, 108. afford, 109. editorial, 110. Entrepreneurs

111. This system prevents \_\_\_\_\_ deletion of data.

*adj.* happening or existing by chance or unintentionally

112. Have you \_\_\_\_\_ a response from them yet?

*v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty

113. This shirt will \_\_\_\_\_ in the wash.

*v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount

114. The company has made great strides in its \_\_\_\_\_ toward sustainability.

*n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

115. 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

116. He \_\_\_\_\_ cut ties with anyone who crossed him.

*adv.* without compassion or pity; mercilessly

117. She \_\_\_\_\_ denounced the government's mishandling of the economic crisis.

*adv.* in a manner accessible to or observable by the public; by the government

118. The nurse \_\_\_\_\_ the children in the school.

*v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease

119. Your \_\_\_\_\_ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

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

ANSWERS: 111. accidental, 112. elicited, 113. shrink, 114. progression, 115. recognize, 116. ruthlessly, 117. publicly, 118. vaccinated, 119. intellect

120. The \_\_\_\_\_ industry is a significant contributor to the economy.
- n.* a room, building, or establishment where milk and milk products are produced and processed; milk and milk products, such as butter and cheese
121. 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
122. Her visit will \_\_\_\_\_ from Monday to Friday.
- v.* to broaden in scope, range, or area
123. I expressed my \_\_\_\_\_ to my friend after her cat passed away.
- n.* the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions
124. Various artificially induced causes are \_\_\_\_\_ our ecosystem.
- v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
125. My computer has been acting \_\_\_\_\_ recently.
- adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
126. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
127. I attempted to \_\_\_\_\_ him, but he ignored me.
- v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

ANSWERS: 120. dairy, 121. individual, 122. extend, 123. sympathy, 124. threatening, 125. weird, 126. nation, 127. warn

128. One bad apple spoils the whole \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

129. The woods \_\_\_\_\_ the house.

*v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

130. The phone rang at the most \_\_\_\_\_ time.

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

131. The government should view children as national assets and actively \_\_\_\_\_ in them.

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

132. Missile assaults on the capital continued around \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky

133. The European Central Bank is Europe's \_\_\_\_\_ of the Federal Reserve.

*n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.

134. It takes a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ to stand up for what you believe is right.

*n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

135. Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

ANSWERS: 128. bunch, 129. embrace, 130. opportune, 131. invest, 132. dawn, 133. equivalent, 134. courage, 135. fortune

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

v. to be all around something or somebody

ANSWERS: 136. surround