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Session 1: Word List

mum

n. a British term for "mom" or "mother"; (adjective) failing to speak or communicate when expected to do so

synonym: mother, silent, soundless

(1) **mum's** cooking, (2) keep **mum**

My **mum** always knew how to comfort me when I was feeling down.

discuss

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

synonym: talk about, converse, debate

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

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

darling

n. a term of endearment or affectionate term for someone you love or hold dear

synonym: sweetheart, beloved, dear

(1) have a **darling** baby, (2) medium **darling**

My **darling** child, I love you so much.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym: specialized, technical

(1) **technological** advancement, (2) **technological** policy
Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

revolution

n. a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

synonym: coup, innovation, rebellion

(1) beginning of the industrial **revolution**, (2) a political **revolution**

The **revolution** by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

premature

adj. occurring or done too early; happening before the appropriate time; born before the end of a full-term pregnancy

synonym: prematurely born, untimely, early

(1) **premature** birth, (2) **premature** death

The **premature** baby was small but healthy.

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.

lens

n. a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

synonym: glass

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

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

fibrosis

n. the formation of excess fibrous connective tissue in an organ or tissue, often associated with inflammation, scarring, or injury; a pathological condition that can affect various organs and tissues of the body, leading to

impaired function and potential organ failure

synonym: scarring, hardening, fibrotic disease

(1) **fibrosis** diagnosis, (2) pulmonary **fibrosis**

The doctor diagnosed him with cardiac **fibrosis**, which put him at risk for heart failure.

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.

curl

v. to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles

synonym: coil, curve, spiral

(1) **curl** around street corners, (2) a **curl** of smoke

The cat **curled** into a ball and went to sleep.

prim

adj. excessively proper or formal in behavior, appearance, or dress; precise or meticulous in a fastidious or overbearing manner

synonym: neat, proper, demure

(1) **prim** etiquette, (2) **prim** behavior

She always wears **prim** and proper attire to important business meetings.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

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

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's

intramural sports program.

planet

n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

synonym : earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**
Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

interaction

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

synonym : dealings, exchange, relations

(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,
(2) **interaction** among human beings

The **interaction** of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

adaptive

adj. capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions

synonym : flexible, adjustable, pliant

(1) the **adaptive** coloring, (2) **adaptive** technology

The **adaptive** learning system adjusts the difficulty level of the lessons based on the student's performance.

volunteer

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

synonym : unpaid worker, draftee, enlistee

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

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

invention

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

synonym : creation, design, innovation

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

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

Braille

n. a system of raised dots that are used by people who are blind or visually impaired to read and write consisting of

one to six dots arranged in a specific pattern that represents letters, numbers, punctuation, and other symbols

(1) **Braille** alphabet, (2) **Braille** system

The museum provided **Braille** labels for visually impaired visitors.

ingenious

adj. showing inventiveness and ability or skill

synonym: creative, innovative, inventive

(1) **ingenious** device, (2) **ingenious** idea

I always look forward to reading his stories since they're so **ingenious**.

dot

n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed

synonym: drop, dab, fleck

(1) connecting the **dots**, (2) **dot** blot method

The wallpaper had a pattern of pink **dots** on a white surface.

punch

v. to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something

synonym: hit, strike, slap

(1) **punch** out numbers, (2) **punch** a ticket

He **punched** the wall in anger.

grade

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

synonym: score, rate, degree

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

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

morrow

n. the next day, or tomorrow:

synonym: future, tomorrow, dawn

(1) on the **morrow**, (2) take thought for the **morrow**

Seize the present day, trusting the **morrow** as little as may be.

religion

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

synonym: faith, creed, belief

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

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

appreciation

n. the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time

synonym: recognition, admiration, esteem

(1) express my **appreciation**, (2) **appreciation** for diversity

The artist received a lot of **appreciation** for his latest work.

opera

n. a drama set to music, in which the words are sung rather than spoken

synonym: musical, operetta, oratorio

(1) ballad **opera**, (2) **opera** performance

She loves going to the **opera** house and hearing the beautiful music.

lift

v. to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position

synonym: raise, elevate, move up

(1) **lift** sagging skin, (2) **lift** a ban on alcohol

The drought **lifted** the prices of grain globally.

transcribe

v. to copy or reproduce something in written or printed form; to translate spoken language into written text

synonym: copy, record, transliterate

(1) **transcribe** notes, (2) **transcribe** documents

She needs to **transcribe** the interview recording to write the article for the magazine.

voluntary

adj. done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced

synonym : voluntary, self-willed, spontaneous

(1) **voluntary** action, (2) **voluntary** participation

The program is **voluntary**, so participants can choose whether or not to take part.

volume

n. the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound

synonym : capacity, amount, intensity

(1) **volume** of work, (2) high **volume**

This container has a **volume** of 10 cubic meters.

reel

n. a cylinder on which film, wire, or other flexible materials that can be wound

synonym : spool, bobbin, winder

(1) cable **reel**, (2) a six- **reel** film

He put the fishing line on the **reel** and cast his line into the water.

tap

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

synonym : knock, exploit, use

(1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger

To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.

medium

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

synonym : average, intermediate, (noun) channel

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

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

graduate

n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

synonym : alumna, alum, grad

(1) **graduate** degree program, (2) honor **graduate**

Many employers hire **graduate** trainees to train as managers.

bay *n.* a part of the coast that is partially enclosed by land; a compartment or section of a ship or building
synonym: inlet, cove, gulf
(1) **bay** area, (2) the mouth of a **bay**
She walked along the **bay** and collected shells.

jail *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
synonym: prison, slammer, penitentiary
(1) county **jail**, (2) be in **jail**
The police escorted the prisoner to the **jail**.

AI *n.* (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation
synonym: robot, machine learning, neural network
(1) **AI** expert, (2) apply **AI** technology to art
The evolution of processors has dramatically improved the performance of **AI**.

educational *adj.* relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction
synonym: instructional, informative, enlightening
(1) **educational** system, (2) elevate **educational** standards
The museum offers a variety of **educational** programs for children and adults.

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.

postgraduate

n. a person who is studying for an advanced degree or diploma after having completed their undergraduate education; (adjective) of or relating to a level of education or academic study that comes after the completion of an undergraduate degree

synonym: graduate student, postgrad

(1) **postgraduate** studies, (2) **postgraduate** degree

After earning her bachelor's degree, she pursued a **postgraduate** education.

qualification

n. an official record of an exam showing that you have completed

synonym: credentials, capability, adequacy

(1) **qualifications** for the job, (2) possess distinctive **qualifications**

Applicants must possess a verified teaching **qualification**.

dedicate

v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

synonym: consecrate, devote, commit

(1) **dedicate** a few hours, (2) **dedicate** a chapter to the subject

He **dedicated** his life to helping others.

academic

adj. associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills

synonym: educational, scholarly, theoretical

(1) **academic** probation, (2) an **academic** discussion

An excellent historian must possess an **academic** mentality.

stud

n. a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

synonym: beam, scantling, framing

(1) horse **stud**, (2) wall **stud**

He bought a new **stud** to attach the strap to his watch.

surrogate

adj. acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose

synonym: substitute, replacement, deputy

(1) **surrogate** pregnancy, (2) **surrogate** decision

The **surrogate** mother gave birth to a healthy baby for the couple who couldn't conceive independently.

introduction

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

synonym: initiation, preamble, prologue

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

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

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.

permit

v. to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization

synonym: allow, authorize, concede

(1) **permit** application, (2) work **permit**

The teacher will not **permit** any students to leave the classroom early.

platform

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of

software is executed

synonym: stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise

The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

keynote

n. the central theme or message of a speech, presentation, or event; the first note or tone in a musical scale used as a reference point for the performance of a piece of music

synonym: theme, focus, centerpiece

(1) **keynote** presentation, (2) **keynote** topic

The **keynote** speaker at the conference inspired us with their innovative ideas.

byte

n. a unit of digital information that consists of 8 bits, typically used to represent a single character of text or a small amount of computer code

(1) **byte** code, (2) **byte** array

The computer hard drive had plenty of storage space but was running low on available **bytes**.

blacksmith

n. a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil

(1) **blacksmith** welding, (2) **blacksmith** shop

The **blacksmith** shaped a horseshoe on his anvil.

synthesizer

n. an electronic musical instrument that generates audio signals and is used to create a wide range of sounds, from imitations of traditional instruments to entirely new sounds

synonym: sampler, sequencer, module

(1) **synthesizer** bass, (2) music **synthesizer**

The electronic **synthesizer** created a range of unique sounds for the music.

labor

n. productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a

country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

synonym : toil, toil, donkeywork

(1) seasonal **labor**, (2) manual **labor**

In several countries, child **labor** is a serious social problem.

typewriter

n. a mechanical device used for writing, consisting of type keys that, when pressed, imprint ink onto paper or other writing material, mainly used before modern computers, printers, and word processors took over

(1) **typewriter** keys, (2) electronic **typewriter**

I found an old **typewriter** at a thrift store and used it to write my novel.

ray

n. a narrow line of light, heat, or another form of energy

synonym : beam, light, glimmer

(1) opaque to X- **rays**, (2) effect of cosmic **rays**

Gamma **rays** penetrate body tissues and cause cell damage.

scan

v. to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

synonym : look over, scrutinize, browse

(1) **scan** the face of the man, (2) **scan** a document into PDF

She stood on the podium and **scanned** an audience.

synthetic

adj. made by combining chemical substances as opposed to being naturally occurring

synonym : artificial, manufactured, fabricated

(1) **synthetic** fiber, (2) **synthetic** fertilizer

Synthetic diamonds play an essential role as machine tool blades.

optical

adj. of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light

synonym : visual, ocular

(1) new **optical** glasses, (2) **optical** fiber

The **optical** illusion made it appear like the building was floating in midair.

recognition

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

synonym: acknowledgement, identification, credit

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

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

font

n. a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen

synonym: typeface, typography, lettering

(1) **font** size, (2) script **font**

I changed the **font** on my resume to make it more visually appealing.

charge-coupled

adj. relating to a technology that enhances the sensitivity and resolution of electronic devices, such as imaging sensors, by transferring electric charge between capacitors

synonym: integrated, linked

(1) **charge-coupled** memory, (2) **charge-coupled** amplifier

The **charge-coupled** device in the camera enhances image quality in low-light conditions.

device

n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

synonym: gadget, instrument, tool

(1) electronic **device**, (2) tracking **device**

I always carry a backup **device** in case my phone runs out of battery.

flatbed

n. a type of truck or trailer with an open, flat platform for carrying cargo or equipment; a type of scanner or printer that uses a flat, stationary surface to capture or print images

synonym : platform, truck bed, deck

(1) **flatbed** printing, (2) **flatbed** scanner

The construction workers used a **flatbed** truck to transport the heavy materials.

launch

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

synonym : start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

commerce

n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale

synonym : trade, transaction, dealings

(1) interstate **commerce**, (2) the local chamber of **commerce**

This company has invested heavily in Internet **commerce**.

associate

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

synonym : tie in, link, consociate

(1) **associate** alcohol with gambling, (2) **associate** with people widely

The majority of consumers **associate** this brand with quality.

professorship

n. a university lecturer of the highest rank, or the position of it

synonym : chair, fellowship

(1) land a **professorship** at the university, (2) visiting **professorship**

His next goal is a full **professorship**.

announce

v. to make something known or officially inform people about something

synonym: disclose, declare, broadcast

(1) **announce** candidacy, (2) **announce** the award winners

The third season of the anime show has been **announced**.

cancel

n. a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information

synonym: suppressor, scrutineer, examiner

(1) **cancel** a book, (2) **cancel** a TV program

The newspaper editor decided to **cancel** the controversial headline to avoid backlash.

shyness

n. the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people

synonym: bashfulness, timidity, modesty

(1) lose some of my **shyness**, (2) **shyness** barrier

He finally overcame his **shyness**.

explicit

adj. stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt

synonym: clear, unambiguous, unequivocal

(1) **explicit** content, (2) **explicit** instructions

The movie had an **explicit** sex scene that some viewers might find offensive.

laptop

n. a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap

(1) bring my **laptop**, (2) thin-and-light **laptop**

I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my **laptop** all day.

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.

novel

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

synonym : fiction, story, (adjective) innovative

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

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

motorcycle

n. a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals

synonym : bike, motor

(1) **motorcycle** gangster, (2) electric **motorcycle**

He had his **motorcycle** license revoked for drunken driving.

accident

n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

synonym : calamity, casualty, chance

(1) cause an **accident**, (2) injury in a car **accident**

The **accident** partially destroyed my vehicle.

sight

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

synonym : vision, spectacle, view

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

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

devastating

adj. causing a great deal of destruction or damage

synonym : destructive, annihilative, disastrous

(1) have **devastating** effects, (2) treat this **devastating** disease

This typhoon was the most **devastating** in years.

motorbike

n. a lightweight, two-wheeled vehicle with an engine designed for use on roads; also known as a motorcycle

synonym : motorcycle, bike, two-wheeler

(1) **motorbike** ride, (2) stolen **motorbike**

She identified the **motorbike** thief using the CCTV footage.

champion

n. someone who has won first place in a competition;
someone who fights for a specific group of people or a
belief

synonym: victor, winner, fighter

(1) a **champion** of peace, (2) the grand **champion**

The **champion** bicyclist outrode all his competitors.

disabled

adj. having a physical or mental condition that limits
someone's specific actions that most other people can
do

synonym: handicapped, impaired, incapacitated

(1) a **disabled** veteran, (2) a learning- **disabled** child

She was **disabled** in a car accident.

asleep

adj. in a state of sleep

synonym: sleeping, fallen, at rest

(1) **asleep** at the wheel, (2) dead **asleep**

He lay down and fell **asleep** immediately.

essay

n. a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually
written by a student as a part of a course of study

synonym: paper, commentary, report

(1) score the SAT **essays**, (2) thoughtful **essay**

The Chief editor checks all **essays** for plagiarism with
software.

fascinate

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and
irresistibly

synonym: captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

smartphone

n. a mobile phone that functions as a computer and
connects to the Internet

(1) **smartphone** app developer, (2) **smartphone** addict
Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of **smartphones**.

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.

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.

manliness

n. the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with being a man, such as strength, courage, physical prowess, honor, and assertiveness

synonym: masculinity, virility, strength

(1) **manliness** qualities, (2) traditional **manliness**
Growing a beard has long been associated with **manliness** in many cultures.

harry

v. to persistently harass, badger, or bother someone or something; to persistently attack or pursue an opposing force or target

synonym: bother, pester, annoy

(1) **harry** the ship all night, (2) **harry** a suspect
I need to **harry** my coworkers to finish the project on time.

potter

n. a person who makes pottery, objects that are made of clay and then fired in a kiln to make them hard and durable; (verb, also putter) to occupy oneself in a leisurely or casual way, often with no particular goal or aim in mind

synonym: shape, form, mold

(1) **potter's** studio, (2) **potter** around in the garden

The ancient Egyptians were skilled **potters** and left behind many beautiful artifacts.

philosophy

n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

synonym: doctrine, attitude, creed

(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

predate

v. to have existed or happened earlier than something

synonym: foredate, antedate, precede

(1) **predate** A.D. 200., (2) **predate** the modern age

The idea of virtual worlds **predates** computers.

digital

adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

synonym: numerical, computerized, cyber

(1) a **digital** watch, (2) **digital** electronic signature

Sensors convert physical phenomena into **digital** signals.

daisy

n. a wildflower that typically has a yellow disc at the center of a white or pink-and-white flowerhead

synonym: marguerite, bellis, chrysanthemum

(1) **daisy** chain, (2) lawn **daisy**

She picked a blue **daisy** from the meadow and placed it in her hair.

racy

adj. having an exciting or provocative quality; lively and entertaining, often with a sexual or scandalous connotation

synonym : spicy, rich, suggestive

(1) **racy** talker, (2) **racy** humor

The author's **racy** writing style added excitement to the novel.

barrier

n. a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

synonym : border, barricade, fence

(1) cost **barrier**, (2) information **barrier**

The police placed a **barrier** across the street to halt traffic.

disability

n. a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do

synonym : impairment, disadvantage, restriction

(1) a **disability** pension, (2) a learning **disability**

Listening to music at a high volume may lead to a hearing **disability**.

visual

adj. relating to seeing or sight

synonym : optical, graphical, visible

(1) **visual** navigation, (2) field of **visual** arts

The building makes a remarkable **visual** impact.

graph

n. a picture consisting of a line, lines, points, etc., that shows how two or more sets of certain quantities are related to each other

synonym : chart, diagram, figure

(1) **graph** theory, (2) a **graph** sample

This bar **graph** shows sales over the past five years.

label

n. a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

synonym : tag, mark, identifier

(1) a mailing **label**, (2) **label** a bag with my name
The **label** on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

consortium

n. a group or association of individuals, organizations, or businesses that come together for a common purpose or goal

synonym: partnership, association, alliance

(1) **consortium** agreement, (2) academic **consortium**
The **consortium** of companies pooled their resources to fund the project.

compatible

adj. capable of coexisting or working together without conflict or inconsistency; harmonious or well-matched

synonym: harmonious, congruent, consistent

(1) fully **compatible**, (2) **compatible** with HTML5
The new software is not **compatible** with the old operating system, causing compatibility issues and errors.

vision

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

synonym: sight, image, concept

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

copyright

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

synonym: patent, trademark, intellectual property

(1) artistic **copyright**, (2) **copyright** infringement
The company is taking legal action against those who have violated their **copyright** on the software.

span

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

synonym : interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**
He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

transport

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
synonym : shipment, transit, conveyance

(1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport**
Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

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.

separate

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
synonym : disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk
We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

union

n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

synonym : alliance, coalition, confederation

(1) bank and credit **unions**, (2) a craft **union**
The trade **union** remained adamant about its demands.

advocate

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

synonym : proponent, exponent, promoter

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

advocates

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

cross-border

adj. relating to or involving movement, interaction, or communication between different countries or regions, especially those that share a common border

synonym : international, transnational, cross-national

(1) **cross-border** relations, (2) **cross-border** cooperation

The two neighboring countries have a **cross-border** trade agreement.

treaty

n. a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities

synonym : agreement, pact, accord

(1) **treaty** negotiation, (2) global climate **treaty**

The two countries signed a **treaty** to establish peaceful relations.

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.

bless

v. to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify

synonym : sanctify, consecrate, hallow

(1) **bless** him in my heart, (2) **bless** you

The priest **blessed** the couple as they knelt before him.

dean

n. a person in charge of a college, faculty, or other academic departments, tasked with overseeing its operations, policies, and staff; a senior member of a profession or organization who is highly respected for their knowledge and experience

synonym : head, director, chancellor

(1) **dean's** list, (2) **dean** of faculty

The university's **dean** was responsible for overseeing the academic programs and policies.

committee

n. a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization

synonym : panel, board, council

(1) **committee** meeting, (2) **committee** member

The ad hoc **committee** met to discuss the proposal.

fortunate

adj. having good luck or lucky

synonym : fortuitous, lucky, blessed

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

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

advance

v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

synonym : progress, boost, come along

(1) **advance** the technology, (2) **advance** a cooperative relationship

Scientific knowledge will **advance** significantly with the power of AI.

slide

v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

synonym : glide, drift, drop

(1) **slide** a card across the table, (2) **slide** a glance

If necessary, you can **slide** the front seats forward.

Session 2: Spelling

1. la___h a big attack
v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
2. ce___r a book
n. a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information
3. mot_____le gangster
n. a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals
4. typ_____er keys
n. a mechanical device used for writing, consisting of type keys that, when pressed, imprint ink onto paper or other writing material, mainly used before modern computers, printers, and word processors took over
5. fl_____d printing
n. a type of truck or trailer with an open, flat platform for carrying cargo or equipment; a type of scanner or printer that uses a flat, stationary surface to capture or print images
6. the average life s__n
n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

ANSWERS: 1. launch, 2. censor, 3. motorcycle, 4. typewriter, 5. flatbed, 6. span

7. as_____te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
8. bank and credit un__ns *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
9. ex_____it instructions *adj.* stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt
10. an unexpected si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
11. de_____te a chapter to the subject *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
12. pu__h out numbers *v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
13. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
14. the local chamber of co_____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
15. medium da_____g *n.* a term of endearment or affectionate term for someone you love or hold dear
16. a prodigious vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
17. cost ba_____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

ANSWERS: 7. associate, 8. union, 9. explicit, 10. sight, 11. dedicate, 12. punch, 13. interaction, 14. commerce, 15. darling, 16. vision, 17. barrier

18. seek vo_____ers *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
19. vo___e of work *n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
20. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
21. c__l around street corners *v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
22. di_____l electronic signature *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
23. 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
24. be in j__l *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
25. pos_____ate studies *n.* a person who is studying for an advanced degree or diploma after having completed their undergraduate education; (adjective) of or relating to a level of education or academic study that comes after the completion of an undergraduate degree

ANSWERS: 18. volunteer, 19. volume, 20. religion, 21. curl, 22. digital, 23. develop, 24. jail, 25. postgraduate

26. an advertising me___m *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information
27. land a pro_____hip at the university *n.* a university lecturer of the highest rank, or the position of it
28. sh___k the tumor *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
29. a l___s with a wide angle *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
30. gr___h theory *n.* a picture consisting of a line, lines, points, etc., that shows how two or more sets of certain quantities are related to each other
31. an arrival pl_____rm *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
32. 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: 26. medium, 27. professorship, 28. shrink, 29. lens, 30. graph, 31. platform, 32. process

33. bl__s you *v.* to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify
34. t_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
35. pu____ly accessible record *adv.* in a manner accessible to or observable by the public; by the government
36. bl__s him in my heart *v.* to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify
37. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
38. a dis_____ty pension *n.* a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do
39. no__l effect *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
40. ac____ic probation *adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
41. a learning-di_____ed child *adj.* having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do
42. academic con_____um *n.* a group or association of individuals, organizations, or businesses that come together for a common purpose or goal
43. cause an ac_____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

ANSWERS: 33. bless, 34. tap, 35. publicly, 36. bless, 37. invention, 38. disability, 39. novel, 40. academic, 41. disabled, 42. consortium, 43. accident

44. d__n's list *n.* a person in charge of a college, faculty, or other academic departments, tasked with overseeing its operations, policies, and staff; a senior member of a profession or organization who is highly respected for their knowledge and experience
45. pr____e A.D. 200. *v.* to have existed or happened earlier than something
46. p__m behavior *adj.* excessively proper or formal in behavior, appearance, or dress; precise or meticulous in a fastidious or overbearing manner
47. edu_____al system *adj.* relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction
48. 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
49. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
50. script f__t *n.* a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen

ANSWERS: 44. dean, 45. predate, 46. prim, 47. educational, 48. process, 49. introduction, 50. font

51. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
52. manual la__r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
53. tracking de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
54. a gr__h sample *n.* a picture consisting of a line, lines, points, etc., that shows how two or more sets of certain quantities are related to each other
55. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
56. tr___y negotiation *n.* a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities
57. the mouth of a b_y *n.* a part of the coast that is partially enclosed by land; a compartment or section of a ship or building
58. seasonal la__r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

ANSWERS: 51. participate, 52. labor, 53. device, 54. graph, 55. opportune, 56. treaty, 57. bay, 58. labor

59. mo_____ke ride *n.* a lightweight, two-wheeled vehicle with an engine designed for use on roads; also known as a motorcycle
60. tec_____cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
61. fi_____is diagnosis *n.* the formation of excess fibrous connective tissue in an organ or tissue, often associated with inflammation, scarring, or injury; a pathological condition that can affect various organs and tissues of the body, leading to impaired function and potential organ failure
62. ke_____e topic *n.* the central theme or message of a speech, presentation, or event; the first note or tone in a musical scale used as a reference point for the performance of a piece of music
63. western phi_____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
64. the ad_____ve coloring *adj.* capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions
65. l__t a ban on alcohol *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
66. r__y talker *adj.* having an exciting or provocative quality; lively and entertaining, often with a sexual or scandalous connotation

ANSWERS: 59. motorbike, 60. technological, 61. fibrosis, 62. keynote, 63. philosophy, 64. adaptive, 65. lift, 66. racy

67. access to public tr_____rt *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
68. d__n of faculty *n.* a person in charge of a college, faculty, or other academic departments, tasked with overseeing its operations, policies, and staff; a senior member of a profession or organization who is highly respected for their knowledge and experience
69. visiting pro_____hip *n.* a university lecturer of the highest rank, or the position of it
70. p__m etiquette *adj.* excessively proper or formal in behavior, appearance, or dress; precise or meticulous in a fastidious or overbearing manner
71. pr_____e the modern age *v.* to have existed or happened earlier than something
72. electronic typ_____er *n.* a mechanical device used for writing, consisting of type keys that, when pressed, imprint ink onto paper or other writing material, mainly used before modern computers, printers, and word processors took over
73. a mailing la__l *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
74. effect of cosmic r_ys *n.* a narrow line of light, heat, or another form of energy

ANSWERS: 67. transport, 68. dean, 69. professorship, 70. prim, 71. predate, 72. typewriter, 73. label, 74. ray

75. gr____te degree program *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
76. sma_____ne app developer *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
77. the s__n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
78. ha__y a suspect *v.* to persistently harass, badger, or bother someone or something; to persistently attack or pursue an opposing force or target
79. sma_____ne addict *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
80. Br_____e system *n.* a system of raised dots that are used by people who are blind or visually impaired to read and write consisting of one to six dots arranged in a specific pattern that represents letters, numbers, punctuation, and other symbols
81. thoughtful es__y *n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study
82. app_____ion for diversity *n.* the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time
83. op__a performance *n.* a drama set to music, in which the words are sung rather than spoken

ANSWERS: 75. graduate, 76. smartphone, 77. span, 78. harry, 79. smartphone, 80. Braille, 81. essay, 82. appreciation, 83. opera

84. AI expert *n.* (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation
85. ke_____e presentation *n.* the central theme or message of a speech, presentation, or event; the first note or tone in a musical scale used as a reference point for the performance of a piece of music
86. rec_____on award *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
87. tec_____cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
88. a learning dis_____ty *n.* a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do
89. apply AI technology to art *n.* (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation

ANSWERS: 84. AI, 85. keynote, 86. recognition, 87. technological, 88. disability, 89. AI

90. as_____te alcohol with gambling *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
91. cro_____der relations *adj.* relating to or involving movement, interaction, or communication between different countries or regions, especially those that share a common border
92. su_____te pregnancy *adj.* acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose
93. tra_____be notes *v.* to copy or reproduce something in written or printed form; to translate spoken language into written text
94. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
95. honor gr_____te *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
96. vo_____ry action *adj.* done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced
97. com_____le with HTML5 *adj.* capable of coexisting or working together without conflict or inconsistency; harmonious or well-matched
98. 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
99. bl__d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

ANSWERS: 90. associate, 91. cross-border, 92. surrogate, 93. transcribe, 94. extraordinary, 95. graduate, 96. voluntary, 97. compatible, 98. breath, 99. blind

100. me___m color *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information
101. the grand ch____on *n.* someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
102. la___h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
103. electronic de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
104. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
105. lawn da__y *n.* a wildflower that typically has a yellow disc at the center of a white or pink-and-white flowerhead
106. con_____um agreement *n.* a group or association of individuals, organizations, or businesses that come together for a common purpose or goal
107. common in _____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
108. op_____l fiber *adj.* of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light

ANSWERS: 100. medium, 101. champion, 102. launch, 103. device, 104. extraordinary, 105. daisy, 106. consortium, 107. invention, 108. optical

109. fo_____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
110. po___r around in the garden *n.* a person who makes pottery, objects that are made of clay and then fired in a kiln to make them hard and durable; (verb, also putter) to occupy oneself in a leisurely or casual way, often with no particular goal or aim in mind
111. tr_____rt facilities *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
112. connecting the d_ts *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
113. di_____s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
114. take thought for the mo___w *n.* the next day, or tomorrow:
115. pl___t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
116. di_____s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
117. s___n a document into PDF *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
118. public education ad_____tes *n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something

ANSWERS: 109. fortunate, 110. potter, 111. transport, 112. dot, 113. discuss, 114. morrow, 115. planet, 116. discuss, 117. scan, 118. advocate

119. in_____us device *adj.* showing inventiveness and ability or skill
120. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
121. m_m's cooking *n.* a British term for "mom" or "mother"; (adjective) failing to speak or communicate when expected to do so
122. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
123. save the pl____t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
124. lose some of my sh_____s *n.* the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people
125. interstate co_____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
126. l__t sagging skin *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
127. beginning of the industrial rev_____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
128. po____r's studio *n.* a person who makes pottery, objects that are made of clay and then fired in a kiln to make them hard and durable; (verb, also putter) to occupy oneself in a leisurely or casual way, often with no particular goal or aim in mind

ANSWERS: 119. ingenious, 120. slide, 121. mum, 122. separate, 123. planet, 124. shyness, 125. commerce, 126. lift, 127. revolution, 128. potter

129. in_____us idea *adj.* showing inventiveness and ability or skill
130. new op_____l glasses *adj.* of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light
131. ex_____it content *adj.* stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt
132. da__y chain *n.* a wildflower that typically has a yellow disc at the center of a white or pink-and-white flowerhead
133. s__n the face of the man *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
134. elevate edu_____al standards *adj.* relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction
135. fa_____te the public *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
136. an ac_____ic discussion *adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
137. sy_____ic fertilizer *adj.* made by combining chemical substances as opposed to being naturally occurring
138. fa_____te the young *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
139. express my app_____ion *n.* the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time

ANSWERS: 129. ingenious, 130. optical, 131. explicit, 132. daisy, 133. scan, 134. educational, 135. fascinate, 136. academic, 137. synthetic, 138. fascinate, 139. appreciation

140. a di____l watch *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
141. high vo____e *n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
142. par____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
143. thin-and-light la____p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
144. a c__l of smoke *v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
145. have a da____g baby *n.* a term of endearment or affectionate term for someone you love or hold dear
146. 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
147. dead as____p *adj.* in a state of sleep
148. op____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
149. music syn____er *n.* an electronic musical instrument that generates audio signals and is used to create a wide range of sounds, from imitations of traditional instruments to entirely new sounds

ANSWERS: 140. digital, 141. volume, 142. participate, 143. laptop, 144. curl, 145. darling, 146. develop, 147. asleep, 148. opportune, 149. synthesizer

150. b__e code *n.* a unit of digital information that consists of 8 bits, typically used to represent a single character of text or a small amount of computer code
151. have dev_____ng effects *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
152. county j__l *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
153. artistic co_____ht *n.* the legal right to be the only person or organization who can reproduce, publish, and sell a particular piece of work
154. joint rec_____on *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
155. pu_____ly financed schools *adv.* in a manner accessible to or observable by the public; by the government
156. ad_____e a cooperative relationship *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
157. an_____ce the award winners *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
158. sy_____ic fiber *adj.* made by combining chemical substances as opposed to being naturally occurring
159. ad_____e the technology *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
160. bl__d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

ANSWERS: 150. byte, 151. devastating, 152. jail, 153. copyright, 154. recognition, 155. publicly, 156. advance, 157. announce, 158. synthetic, 159. advance, 160. blind

161. ma_____ss qualities *n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with being a man, such as strength, courage, physical prowess, honor, and assertiveness
162. phi_____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
163. co_____ee meeting *n.* a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization
164. cable r___l *n.* a cylinder on which film, wire, or other flexible materials that can be wound
165. global climate tr___y *n.* a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities
166. vo_____ry participation *adj.* done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced
167. a political rev_____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
168. a di_____ed veteran *adj.* having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do
169. re_____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
170. score the SAT es__ys *n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study

ANSWERS: 161. manliness, 162. philosophy, 163. committee, 164. reel, 165. treaty, 166. voluntary, 167. revolution, 168. disabled, 169. religion, 170. essay

171. bla_____th shop *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil
172. sh_____s barrier *n.* the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people
173. Br_____e alphabet *n.* a system of raised dots that are used by people who are blind or visually impaired to read and write consisting of one to six dots arranged in a specific pattern that represents letters, numbers, punctuation, and other symbols
174. a six-r___l film *n.* a cylinder on which film, wire, or other flexible materials that can be wound
175. information ba_____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
176. b__e array *n.* a unit of digital information that consists of 8 bits, typically used to represent a single character of text or a small amount of computer code
177. ballad op__a *n.* a drama set to music, in which the words are sung rather than spoken
178. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
179. bla_____th welding *n.* a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil

ANSWERS: 171. blacksmith, 172. shyness, 173. Braille, 174. reel, 175. barrier, 176. byte, 177. opera, 178. platform, 179. blacksmith

180. wall s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
181. pu__h a ticket *v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
182. traditional ma_____ss *n.* the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with being a man, such as strength, courage, physical prowess, honor, and assertiveness
183. work pe___t *v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
184. treat this dev_____ng disease *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
185. an ad_____te of disarmament *n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
186. an_____ce candidacy *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
187. injury in a car ac_____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
188. the int_____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

ANSWERS: 180. stud, 181. punch, 182. manliness, 183. permit, 184. devastating, 185. advocate, 186. announce, 187. accident, 188. interaction

189. co_____ee member *n.* a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization
190. boys in the twelfth gr__e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
191. electric mot_____le *n.* a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals
192. cha_____led memory *adj.* relating to a technology that enhances the sensitivity and resolution of electronic devices, such as imaging sensors, by transferring electric charge between capacitors
193. students at all gr__e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
194. field of vi___l arts *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
195. opaque to X-r_ys *n.* a narrow line of light, heat, or another form of energy
196. ad_____ve technology *adj.* capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions
197. a craft un__n *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
198. tra_____be documents *v.* to copy or reproduce something in written or printed form; to translate spoken language into written text
199. cro_____der cooperation *adj.* relating to or involving movement, interaction, or communication between different countries or regions, especially those that share a common border

ANSWERS: 189. committee, 190. grade, 191. motorcycle, 192. charge-coupled, 193. grade, 194. visual, 195. ray, 196. adaptive, 197. union, 198. transcribe, 199. cross-border

200. possess distinctive qua_____ions *n.* an official record of an exam showing that you have completed
201. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
202. a convex l____s *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
203. la__l a bag with my name *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
204. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
205. telescopic vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
206. co_____ht infringement *n.* the legal right to be the only person or organization who can reproduce, publish, and sell a particular piece of work
207. d_t blot method *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed

ANSWERS: 200. qualification, 201. statistics, 202. lens, 203. label, 204. introduction, 205. vision, 206. copyright, 207. dot

208. horse s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
209. pr_____re death *adj.* occurring or done too early; happening before the appropriate time; born before the end of a full-term pregnancy
210. stolen mo_____ke *n.* a lightweight, two-wheeled vehicle with an engine designed for use on roads; also known as a motorcycle
211. on the mo___w *n.* the next day, or tomorrow:
212. pos_____ate degree *n.* a person who is studying for an advanced degree or diploma after having completed their undergraduate education; (adjective) of or relating to a level of education or academic study that comes after the completion of an undergraduate degree
213. historical no___l *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
214. pe___t application *v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
215. as___p at the wheel *adj.* in a state of sleep

ANSWERS: 208. stud, 209. premature, 210. motorbike, 211. morrow, 212. postgraduate, 213. novel, 214. permit, 215. asleep

216. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
217. vi___l navigation *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
218. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
219. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
220. keep m_m *n.* a British term for "mom" or "mother"; (adjective) failing to speak or communicate when expected to do so
221. cha_____led amplifier *adj.* relating to a technology that enhances the sensitivity and resolution of electronic devices, such as imaging sensors, by transferring electric charge between capacitors
222. f__t size *n.* a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen
223. pulmonary fi_____is *n.* the formation of excess fibrous connective tissue in an organ or tissue, often associated with inflammation, scarring, or injury; a pathological condition that can affect various organs and tissues of the body, leading to impaired function and potential organ failure
224. fully com_____le *adj.* capable of coexisting or working together without conflict or inconsistency; harmonious or well-matched

ANSWERS: 216. slide, 217. visual, 218. statistics, 219. separate, 220. mum, 221. charge-coupled, 222. font, 223. fibrosis, 224. compatible

225. t_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
226. syn_____er bass *n.* an electronic musical instrument that generates audio signals and is used to create a wide range of sounds, from imitations of traditional instruments to entirely new sounds
227. dull si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
228. my vo_____er work *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
229. pr_____re birth *adj.* occurring or done too early; happening before the appropriate time; born before the end of a full-term pregnancy
230. bring my la___p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
231. less fo_____te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
232. ce___r a TV program *n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information
233. sh___k with fear *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
234. qua_____ions for the job *n.* an official record of an exam showing that you have completed

ANSWERS: 225. tap, 226. synthesizer, 227. sight, 228. volunteer, 229. premature, 230. laptop, 231. fortunate, 232. censor, 233. shrink, 234. qualification

235. ha__y the ship all night *v.* to persistently harass, badger, or bother someone or something; to persistently attack or pursue an opposing force or target
236. b_y area *n.* a part of the coast that is partially enclosed by land; a compartment or section of a ship or building
237. r__y humor *adj.* having an exciting or provocative quality; lively and entertaining, often with a sexual or scandalous connotation
238. 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
239. su_____te decision *adj.* acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose
240. a ch_____on of peace *n.* someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
241. de_____te a few hours *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
242. fl_____d scanner *n.* a type of truck or trailer with an open, flat platform for carrying cargo or equipment; a type of scanner or printer that uses a flat, stationary surface to capture or print images

ANSWERS: 235. harry, 236. bay, 237. racy, 238. breath, 239. surrogate, 240. champion, 241. dedicate, 242. flatbed

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ mother gave birth to a healthy baby for the couple who couldn't conceive independently.
adj. acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose
2. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.
n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
3. He had his _____ license revoked for drunken driving.
n. a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals
4. The priest _____ the couple as they knelt before him.
v. to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify
5. The evolution of processors has dramatically improved the performance of _____.
n. (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation
6. The wallpaper had a pattern of pink _____ on a white surface.
n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
7. The _____ illusion made it appear like the building was floating in midair.
adj. of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light

ANSWERS: 1. surrogate, 2. vision, 3. motorcycle, 4. blessed, 5. AI, 6. dots, 7. optical

8. 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
9. This shirt will _____ in the wash.
v. to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
10. She stood on the podium and _____ an audience.
v. to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
11. Many famous _____ are within walking distance.
n. the ability to see; anything that is seen
12. This container has a _____ of 10 cubic meters.
n. the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
13. Growing a beard has long been associated with _____ in many cultures.
n. the qualities or attributes traditionally associated with being a man, such as strength, courage, physical prowess, honor, and assertiveness
14. She walked along the ____ and collected shells.
n. a part of the coast that is partially enclosed by land; a compartment or section of a ship or building
15. She was _____ in a car accident.
adj. having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do

ANSWERS: 8. breath, 9. shrink, 10. scanned, 11. sights, 12. volume, 13. manliness, 14. bay, 15. disabled

16. In several countries, child _____ is a serious social problem.
- n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
17. Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of _____.
- n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
18. The idea of virtual worlds _____ computers.
- v.* to have existed or happened earlier than something
19. The _____ speaker at the conference inspired us with their innovative ideas.
- n.* the central theme or message of a speech, presentation, or event; the first note or tone in a musical scale used as a reference point for the performance of a piece of music
20. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.
- adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
21. Gamma _____ penetrate body tissues and cause cell damage.
- n.* a narrow line of light, heat, or another form of energy
22. He bought a new _____ to attach the strap to his watch.
- n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
23. The magic tricks _____ the children.
- v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

ANSWERS: 16. labor, 17. smartphones, 18. predates, 19. keynote, 20. extraordinary, 21. rays, 22. stud, 23. fascinated

24. This typhoon was the most _____ in years.
adj. causing a great deal of destruction or damage
25. Applicants must possess a verified teaching _____.
n. an official record of an exam showing that you have completed
26. The museum offers a variety of _____ programs for children and adults.
adj. relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction
27. Many employers hire _____ trainees to train as managers.
n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
28. Seize the present day, trusting the _____ as little as may be.
n. the next day, or tomorrow:
29. The _____ bicyclist outrode all his competitors.
n. someone who has won first place in a competition; someone who fights for a specific group of people or a belief
30. My ____ always knew how to comfort me when I was feeling down.
n. a British term for "mom" or "mother"; (adjective) failing to speak or communicate when expected to do so
31. I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my _____ all day.
n. a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
32. The _____ size shirt fits him perfectly.
adj. of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

ANSWERS: 24. devastating, 25. qualification, 26. educational, 27. graduate, 28. tomorrow, 29. champion, 30. mum, 31. laptop, 32. medium

33. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

34. She needs to _____ the interview recording to write the article for the magazine.

v. to copy or reproduce something in written or printed form; to translate spoken language into written text

35. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

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

36. The _____ baby was small but healthy.

adj. occurring or done too early; happening before the appropriate time; born before the end of a full-term pregnancy

37. He slightly modified the _____ of training because it was just before a match.

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

38. The teacher will not _____ any students to leave the classroom early.

v. to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization

39. He finally overcame his _____.

n. the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people

40. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

ANSWERS: 33. opportune, 34. transcribe, 35. discuss, 36. premature, 37. span, 38. permit, 39. shyness, 40. interaction

41. This bar _____ shows sales over the past five years.
- n.* a picture consisting of a line, lines, points, etc., that shows how two or more sets of certain quantities are related to each other
42. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.
- n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
43. Sensors convert physical phenomena into _____ signals.
- adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
44. The photographer took this photo using a telephoto _____.
- n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
45. The newspaper editor decided to _____ the controversial headline to avoid backlash.
- n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information
46. The Chief editor checks all _____ for plagiarism with software.
- n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study

ANSWERS: 41. graph, 42. introduction, 43. digital, 44. lens, 45. censor, 46. essays

47. The company is taking legal action against those who have violated their _____ on the software.
- n.* the legal right to be the only person or organization who can reproduce, publish, and sell a particular piece of work
48. Scientific knowledge will _____ significantly with the power of AI.
- v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
49. This company has invested heavily in Internet _____.
- n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
50. I need to _____ my coworkers to finish the project on time.
- v.* to persistently harass, badger, or bother someone or something; to persistently attack or pursue an opposing force or target
51. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.
- adj.* having good luck or lucky
52. The _____ has largely gotten positive feedback.
- n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
53. The two neighboring countries have a _____ trade agreement.
- adj.* relating to or involving movement, interaction, or communication between different countries or regions, especially those that share a common border
54. The ancient Egyptians were skilled _____ and left behind many beautiful artifacts.
- n.* a person who makes pottery, objects that are made of clay and then fired in a kiln to make them hard and durable; (verb, also putter) to occupy oneself in a leisurely or casual way, often with no particular goal or aim in mind

ANSWERS: 47. copyright, 48. advance, 49. commerce, 50. harr, 51. fortunate, 52. novel, 53. cross-border, 54. potters

55. An excellent historian must possess an _____ mentality.

adj. associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills

56. The movie had an _____ sex scene that some viewers might find offensive.

adj. stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt

57. She always wears _____ and proper attire to important business meetings.

adj. excessively proper or formal in behavior, appearance, or dress; precise or meticulous in a fastidious or overbearing manner

58. The third season of the anime show has been _____.

v. to make something known or officially inform people about something

59. I always look forward to reading his stories since they're so _____.

adj. showing inventiveness and ability or skill

60. The _____ on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

n. a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

61. Enhanced rail _____ is crucial for our business.

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

62. He put the fishing line on the _____ and cast his line into the water.

n. a cylinder on which film, wire, or other flexible materials that can be wound

63. 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: 55. academic, 56. explicit, 57. prim, 58. announced, 59. ingenious, 60. label, 61. transportation, 62. reel, 63. develop

64. The teachers make full use of _____ assistance.
- n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
65. The two countries signed a _____ to establish peaceful relations.
- n.* a formal agreement or pact between two or more countries or other international entities
66. The cat _____ into a ball and went to sleep.
- v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
67. After earning her bachelor's degree, she pursued a _____ education.
- n.* a person who is studying for an advanced degree or diploma after having completed their undergraduate education; (adjective) of or relating to a level of education or academic study that comes after the completion of an undergraduate degree
68. The police placed a _____ across the street to halt traffic.
- n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
69. The artist received a lot of _____ for his latest work.
- n.* the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time
70. The program is _____ so participants can choose whether or not to take part.
- adj.* done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced

ANSWERS: 64. volunteer, 65. treaty, 66. curled, 67. postgraduate, 68. barrier, 69. appreciation, 70. voluntary,

71. The _____ of companies pooled their resources to fund the project.
n. a group or association of individuals, organizations, or businesses that come together for a common purpose or goal
72. The new software is not _____ with the old operating system, causing compatibility issues and errors.
adj. capable of coexisting or working together without conflict or inconsistency; harmonious or well-matched
73. The _____ device in the camera enhances image quality in low-light conditions.
adj. relating to a technology that enhances the sensitivity and resolution of electronic devices, such as imaging sensors, by transferring electric charge between capacitors
74. He lay down and fell _____ immediately.
adj. in a state of sleep
75. She _____ denounced the government's mishandling of the economic crisis.
adv. in a manner accessible to or observable by the public; by the government
76. He _____ his life to helping others.
v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
77. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.
v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
78. 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

ANSWERS: 71. consortium, 72. compatible, 73. charge-coupled, 74. asleep, 75.

publicly, 76. dedicated, 77. separate, 78. process

79. She picked a blue _____ from the meadow and placed it in her hair.
- n.* a wildflower that typically has a yellow disc at the center of a white or pink-and-white flowerhead
80. I found an old _____ at a thrift store and used it to write my novel.
- n.* a mechanical device used for writing, consisting of type keys that, when pressed, imprint ink onto paper or other writing material, mainly used before modern computers, printers, and word processors took over
81. _____ of abolishing the death penalty often argue that the alternative heaviest sentence should be life in prison.
- n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
82. I changed the _____ on my resume to make it more visually appealing.
- n.* a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen
83. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
- n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
84. The construction workers used a _____ truck to transport the heavy materials.
- n.* a type of truck or trailer with an open, flat platform for carrying cargo or equipment; a type of scanner or printer that uses a flat, stationary surface to capture or print images
85. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.
- n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

ANSWERS: 79. daisy, 80. typewriter, 81. Advocates, 82. font, 83. religion, 84. flatbed, 85. planet

86. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.
- v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
87. He was given _____ for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.
- n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
88. The police escorted the prisoner to the _____.
- n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
89. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
90. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.
- v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
91. The _____ learning system adjusts the difficulty level of the lessons based on the student's performance.
- adj.* capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions
92. He _____ the wall in anger.
- v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
93. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.
- n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

ANSWERS: 86. slide, 87. recognition, 88. jail, 89. statistics, 90. launch, 91. adaptive, 92. punched, 93. grade

94. My _____ child, I love you so much.
n. a term of endearment or affectionate term for someone you love or hold dear
95. His next goal is a full _____.
n. a university lecturer of the highest rank, or the position of it
96. She was nearly _____ due to severe diabetes.
adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
97. I always carry a backup _____ in case my phone runs out of battery.
n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
98. The university's _____ was responsible for overseeing the academic programs and policies.
n. a person in charge of a college, faculty, or other academic departments, tasked with overseeing its operations, policies, and staff; a senior member of a profession or organization who is highly respected for their knowledge and experience
99. The _____ by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.
n. a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
100. The ad hoc _____ met to discuss the proposal.
n. a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization
101. She identified the _____ thief using the CCTV footage.
n. a lightweight, two-wheeled vehicle with an engine designed for use on roads; also known as a motorbike

ANSWERS: 94. darling, 95. professorship, 96. blind, 97. device, 98. dean, 99. revolution, 100. committee, 101. motorbike

102. _____ diamonds play an essential role as machine tool blades.
adj. made by combining chemical substances as opposed to being naturally occurring
103. The drought _____ the prices of grain globally.
v. to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
104. Listening to music at a high volume may lead to a hearing _____.
n. a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do
105. The doctor diagnosed him with cardiac _____ which put him at risk for heart failure.
n. the formation of excess fibrous connective tissue in an organ or tissue, often associated with inflammation, scarring, or injury; a pathological condition that can affect various organs and tissues of the body, leading to impaired function and potential organ failure
106. The _____ partially destroyed my vehicle.
n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
107. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.
adj. based on scientific and industrial progress
108. To expand the company, we must ____ new human resources.
v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
109. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something

ANSWERS: 102. Synthetic, 103. lifted, 104. disability, 105. fibrosis, 106. accident, 107. Technological, 108. tap, 109. participated

110. The author's _____ writing style added excitement to the novel.

adj. having an exciting or provocative quality; lively and entertaining, often with a sexual or scandalous connotation

111. The building makes a remarkable _____ impact.

adj. relating to seeing or sight

112. The _____ shaped a horseshoe on his anvil.

n. a smith who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil

113. She loves going to the _____ house and hearing the beautiful music.

n. a drama set to music, in which the words are sung rather than spoken

114. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

115. Necessity is the mother of _____.

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

116. The trade _____ remained adamant about its demands.

n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

117. The majority of consumers _____ this brand with quality.

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

ANSWERS: 110. racy, 111. visual, 112. blacksmith, 113. opera, 114. platform, 115. invention, 116. union, 117. associate

118. Ethics is a branch of _____.

- n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

119. The computer hard drive had plenty of storage space but was running low on available _____.

- n.* a unit of digital information that consists of 8 bits, typically used to represent a single character of text or a small amount of computer code

120. The museum provided _____ labels for visually impaired visitors.

- n.* a system of raised dots that are used by people who are blind or visually impaired to read and write consisting of one to six dots arranged in a specific pattern that represents letters, numbers, punctuation, and other symbols

121. The electronic _____ created a range of unique sounds for the music.

- n.* an electronic musical instrument that generates audio signals and is used to create a wide range of sounds, from imitations of traditional instruments to entirely new sounds

ANSWERS: 118. philosophy, 119. bytes, 120. Braille, 121. synthesizer