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Session 1: Word List

profound

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

synonym: deep, unsounded, far-reaching

(1) a **profound** book, (2) the **profound** depths of the sea
My mother's illness had a **profound** impact on us all.

investor

n. someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns

synonym: financier, banker, stockholder

(1) **investor** lawsuit, (2) a real estate **investor**
Institutional **investors** refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.

sustainable

adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time

synonym: continuable, enduring, tolerable

(1) **sustainable** alternative fuel, (2) principles of **sustainable** development

The government should do more to support environmentally **sustainable** agriculture.

juicy

adj. containing much liquid, often used to describe fresh fruit or meat; interesting or exciting, often because it is scandalous or revealing

synonym : succulent, luscious, flavorful

(1) **juicy** gossip, (2) **juicy** fruit

The burger was so **juicy** that it dripped down my hand as I ate it.

environment

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

synonym : atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

corporate

adj. of or relating to a large company

synonym : business, commercial, organizational

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

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

governance

n. the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes

synonym : administration, management, direction

(1) good **governance**, (2) corporate **governance**

The United Nations assists countries in building strong **governance** frameworks and institutions.

reckless

adj. marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions

synonym : impetuous, irresponsible, thoughtless

(1) **reckless** driving, (2) in a **reckless** manner

Reckless youth makes rueful age.

ignore

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

synonym : neglect, disregard, shun

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

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

jeopardize

v. to put something at risk or in danger; to threaten or endanger something or someone

synonym: endanger, imperil, risk

(1) **jeopardize** safety, (2) **jeopardize** reputation

His reckless behavior could **jeopardize** his chances of getting hired for the job.

balance

n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

synonym: equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

(1) the **balance** of power, (2) asset on the company's **balance** sheet

Try to keep a **balance** between work and off.

influence

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

synonym: power, leverage, effect

(1) **influence** a child's future, (2) **influence** the daily life

The former emperor had a particular **influence** even after he abdicated.

institutional

adj. of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.

synonym: corporate, governmental

(1) **institutional** bank, (2) address **institutional** constraints

We have to discuss the **institutional** reforms of our country.

pension

n. a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working

synonym: allowance, annuity, grant

(1) a disability **pension**, (2) public **pension** funds

Because of the country's poor economic prospects, the number of **pension** defaulters has been increasing.

endowment

n. a fund or financial support, either from a charitable organization or from an individual or group of individuals, to support a specific purpose or organization

synonym : fund, gift, donation

(1) education **endowment** insurance, (2) **endowment** gift
The wealthy benefactor's **endowment** helped the university build a new library.

invest

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

synonym : fund, sponsor, support

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

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

complicated

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

synonym : complex, convoluted, intricate

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

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

consume

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

synonym : absorb, ingest, use up

(1) **consume** a large of alcohol, (2) **consume** electricity

A smaller car will **consume** less fuel.

replenish

v. to fill something that had previously been emptied

synonym : refill, reload, restock

(1) **replenish** a reserve fund, (2) **replenish** my spirit

Please **replenish** my glass with some more wine.

emission

n. the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.

synonym : emanation, radiation, discharge

(1) global **emissions** of greenhouse gases, (2) the

emission of light

There are five distinct **emissions** at five unique wavelengths.

responsible

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

synonym : accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

climate

n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

synonym : atmosphere, weather, environment

(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change

Climate and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

economy

n. the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

synonym : finance, trade, business

(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class

The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

relevance

n. the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand

synonym : pertinence, applicability, connection

(1) have no **relevance**, (2) **relevance** category

The **relevance** of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.

complexity

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

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

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

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

temptation

n. the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire

synonym: allure, attraction, enticement

(1) withstand **temptation**, (2) many **temptations**

Researchers often succumb to the **temptation** of accolades and commit research misconduct.

bury

v. to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb

synonym: entomb, sink, forget

(1) **bury** in the earth, (2) **bury** emotion

There is plenty of space to **bury** everyone.

sand

n. finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action

synonym: grit, dust, powder

(1) **sand** dunes, (2) **sand** castle

The **sand** on the beach was warm and golden.

resist

v. to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

synonym: fight, defy, revolt

(1) **resist** temptation, (2) **resist** being kissed

I chose to **resist** cancer by trying every possible treatment.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

for dinner.

valuation

n. an estimation of the worth or value of something
synonym: assessment, appraisal, estimation

(1) **valuation** report, (2) high **valuation**

The **valuation** of the company was estimated to be billions of dollars.

fundamental

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

synonym: basic, essential, entire

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

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

consumption

n. the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials

synonym: usage, uptake, utilization

(1) average fuel **consumption**, (2) the **consumption** of food

In our country, water **consumption** usually decreases during the winter.

avail

v. to help or benefit; to use or take advantage of

synonym: help, benefit, serve

(1) **avail** you little, (2) **avail** ourselves of this opportunity

Their financing options are reasonable and easy to **avail**.

pollution

n. the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change

synonym: corrosion, deterioration, corruption

(1) environmental **pollution**, (2) high levels of air **pollution**

The **pollution** is endangering the local plants and animals.

efficient

adj. performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials

synonym : productive, effective, competent

(1) **efficient** operation, (2) energy- **efficient** appliances

The new washing machine is much more **efficient** than the old one.

employee

n. a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

synonym : worker, staff, personnel

(1) **employee** benefits, (2) **employee** evaluation

The **employee** handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

engagement

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

synonym : betrothal, promise, commitment

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

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

innovation

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

synonym : invention, initiation, creation

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

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

chain

n. a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

synonym : series, string, link

(1) **chain** reaction, (2) supply **chain**

The **chain** on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

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.

relate

v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

synonym: connect, link, associate

(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message

He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

oversight

n. the act of supervising or watching over something; a mistake caused by not paying enough attention to something

synonym: supervision, monitoring, failure

(1) environmental **oversight**, (2) **oversight** committee

Due to careless **oversight**, the product was not inspected before it was shipped to the customers.

incorporate

v. to include something as a part of a larger entity

synonym: contain, integrate, amalgamate

(1) **incorporate** the current trends, (2) **incorporate** technology into daily life

We will attempt to **incorporate** some of your suggestions into our future strategy.

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.

minimize

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

synonym : diminish, mitigate, belittle

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

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

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.

deploy

v. to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way

synonym : set up, expand, launch

(1) **deploy** troops for battle, (2) **deploy** safety measures

This country **deployed** its weapons in the east region.

outcome

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

synonym : result, consequence, effect

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

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

fin

n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

synonym : flipper, appendage, stabilizer

(1) back **fin**, (2) a **fin** of a plane

The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

indicate

v. to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly

synonym : hint, suggest, show

(1) **indicate** a preference, (2) **indicate** an error

The data **indicates** that the company's profits have steadily

increased over the past quarter.

sector

n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

synonym: division, department, branch

(1) industrial **sector**, (2) private **sector**

The technology **sector** is constantly evolving and innovating.

crucial

adj. extremely vital or necessary

synonym: essential, pivotal, vital

(1) **crucial** information, (2) a **crucial** issue for women

The revitalization of technology companies is **crucial** to the country's growth.

competitive

adj. involving competition or competitiveness

synonym: aggressive, ambitious, militant

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

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

advantage

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

synonym: benefit, edge, asset

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

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

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

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

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

tremendous

adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

synonym : enormous, giant, immense

(1) **tremendous** amount, (2) **tremendous** popularity

We had a **tremendous** time yesterday.

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.

lever

n. a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily

synonym : lifter, crowbar, bar

(1) a gear change **lever**, (2) **lever** for reform

This initiative will be a **lever** for increasing company sales.

migrate

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

synonym : relocate, emigrate, roam

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

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

retire

v. to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age

synonym : relinquish, step down, withdraw

(1) **retire** voluntarily, (2) **retire** after four terms

After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to **retire** from her job.

virtual

adj. being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

synonym : practical

(1) a **virtual** image, (2) trading of **virtual** currencies
She is the **virtual** president of the company.

numerous

adj. amounting to a large indefinite number

synonym: many, considerable, countless

(1) **numerous** countries, (2) as **numerous** as the sand
These descriptions are based on a number of **numerous** assumptions.

automatic

adj. able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control

synonym: mechanical, robotic, intuitive

(1) **automatic** operation, (2) the **automatic** shrinking of the pupils

In passenger aircraft, it is common to use an **automatic** pilot during cruising.

footprint

n. a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

synonym: footmark, imprint, impression

(1) **footprints** in the snow, (2) the **footprints** of an earlier civilization

We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon **footprint**.

yield

n. the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced;
(verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information

synonym: proceeds, harvest, output

(1) corn **yield**, (2) the **yield** on the bond

The company's stock gives a high **yield**.

metric

adj. using or relating to the meter as a unit of length; a system of related measures that facilitates the quantification of some particular characteristic

synonym: metrical, measured

(1) **metric** units, (2) key performance **metrics**

In the **metric** system, measurements are made in meters and

liters.

carbon

n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

(1) **carbon** dioxide, (2) **carbon** emission

Trees absorb **carbon** dioxide and give off oxygen.

equivalent

n. having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
synonym: equal, counterpart, match

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

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

awesome

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

synonym: miraculous, marvelous, astounding

(1) **awesome** mental faculty, (2) have an **awesome** birthday

There is a lot of **awesome** nature and food in Hawaii.

industrial

adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry

synonym: manufacturing, mechanical

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

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

conglomerate

n. a large corporation or organization made up of many smaller companies or divisions; (verb) to gather or combine various things or entities together, typically to form a larger and more diverse whole

synonym: aggregate, mixture, combination

(1) multinational **conglomerate**, (2) media **conglomerate**

The **conglomerate** of companies managed to dominate the market.

proceeds

n. the money or profit earned from a particular activity or venture; the total amount collected from a sale or fundraiser

synonym : earnings, profits, income

(1) **proceeds** of a sale, (2) criminal **proceeds**

The **proceeds** from the charity auction will go towards building a school in a developing country.

bet

v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

synonym : stake, wager, gamble

(1) **bet** on a race, (2) **bet** my future

I **bet** that you know it.

apology

n. an act of saying or writing that you are sorry for something that has been done wrong or that causes a trouble

synonym : regret, excuse, plea

(1) genuine **apology**, (2) accept his **apology**

She wrote a letter of **apology** to the renter.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym : enhance, ameliorate, enrich

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

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

fan

n. a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

synonym : lover, devotee, blade

(1) a film **fan**, (2) engine cooling **fan**

I'm a big **fan** of French food.

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.

isolate

v. to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things

synonym: separate, sequester, insulate

(1) **isolate** a compound, (2) **isolate** a patient

You should not **isolate** them from the community.

index

n. a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index

synonym: list, directory, indicator

(1) a full-text **index**, (2) health **index**

The stock market **index** measures the performance of a group of stocks.

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.

subset

n. a set of things that are contained within another larger set; a portion or division of a group or category

synonym: subcategory, subdivision

(1) proper **subset**, (2) **subset** selection

A **subset** of the employees will be trained in the new software program.

trade-off

n. a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a

compromise

synonym: compromise, balance, exchange

(1) **trade-off** problem, (2) environmental **trade-off**

There was a **trade-off** between speed and accuracy in the task.

outperform

v. to be or do something compared to others of a similar type

synonym: beat, exceed, surpass

(1) **outperform** other countries, (2) **outperform** the human brain

They consistently **outperformed** other teams in the league.

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym: approach, procedure, scenario

(1) military **strategy**, (2) develop a **strategy**

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

correlation

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

synonym: relationship, connection, association

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

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

causation

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

synonym: cause, reason, origin

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

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

illustrate

v. to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation

synonym: demonstrate, explain, exemplify

(1) **illustrate** a key point, (2) **illustrate** a story

The company's financial records **illustrate** how successful it has been.

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.

norm

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

synonym: criterion, mean, standard

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

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

engage

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

synonym: confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,

(2) **engage** a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.

vanguard

n. the leading or forefront position in a movement, campaign, or trend; a person or group that is at the forefront of something new or innovative

synonym: forefront, avant-garde, cutting edge

(1) intellectual **vanguard**, (2) artistic **vanguard**

The company is at the **vanguard** of technological innovation in its industry.

retirement

n. the fact or act of stopping working and leaving one's job
synonym: resignation, withdrawal, retreat

(1) **retirement** from politics, (2) impending **retirement**

This fund is responsible for disability and **retirement** benefits.

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination
of funds

Communal elections were held in several European
countries.

asset

n. something or someone that is useful or valuable quality,
skill, etc.; valuable property

synonym: aid, resource, equity

(1) frozen **assets**, (2) liquid **assets** of the company

A sense of humor is an invaluable **asset** in this job.

integrate

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

synonym: mix, merge, combine

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

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

critic

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

synonym: pundit, analyst, attacker

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

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

superior

adj. better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others

synonym: better, greater, exceptional

(1) **superior** performance, (2) provide **superior** customer service

The new smartphone model is **superior** to the previous version in terms of speed and features.

maximum

adj. the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained

synonym : peak, top, highest

(1) **maximum** limit, (2) the **maximum** speed

The **maximum** temperature recorded this summer was higher than average.

portfolio

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

synonym : collection, file, folder

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

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

policy

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

synonym : strategy, plan, guideline

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

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

profit

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

synonym : earnings, gain, proceeds

(1) gross **profit**, (2) make a **profit**

This business yields little **profit**.

charity

n. an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people

synonym : philanthropy, benevolence, generosity

(1) **charity** work, (2) ask **charity**

She volunteers at a local **charity** every weekend to help those in need.

roll

v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

synonym : spin, swirl, wheel

(1) **roll** a ball, (2) **roll** down his cheeks

He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.

clarify

v. to make something, such as a statement or situation, less confusing and more understandable

synonym : explain, ascribe, purify

(1) **clarify** a goal, (2) **clarify** his feelings

The police tried to **clarify** the facts concerning her death.

singular

n. being only one of its kind; unique

synonym : unique, sole, individual

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

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

indefinite

adj. without any fixed or defined limit; vague or unclear; lasting for an unknown or unspecified period of time

synonym : unclear, uncertain, ambiguous

(1) **indefinite** period, (2) **indefinite** number

The company's financial troubles have resulted in an **indefinite** hiring freeze.

obligation

n. the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something

synonym : burden, commitment, debt

(1) a deep **obligation**, (2) pay an **obligation**
You are under no **obligation** to finish the job.

prudent

adj. acting with or showing care and thought for the future; exercising good judgment and common sense; sensible or wise in making decisions

synonym: cautious, wise, sensible

(1) **prudent** decision, (2) **prudent** investment

The company decided to take a more **prudent** approach to its expansion plans this year.

finance

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

synonym: banking, investment, fund

(1) **finance** act, (2) manage my **finances**

Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in **finance**.

subordinate

adj. of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

synonym: inferior, secondary, subservient

(1) **subordinate** position, (2) **subordinate** role

The CEO's **subordinate** employees were expected to follow his instructions without question.

trillion

n. the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million

(1) **trillion** cubic feet, (2) many **trillions** of dollars

One light year is nearly 6 **trillion** miles.

bond

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

synonym: bind, adhesion, attachment

(1) **bond** as a family, (2) global **bond** market
They had formed a friendship **bond**.

combine

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group
synonym: coalesce, cohere, blend

(1) **combine** chemically with another substance,
(2) **combine** augmented reality

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

freak

n. an abnormality that is not typical or expected
synonym: anomaly, deviation, oddity

(1) a rock **freak**, (2) **freak** weather

The **freak** accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.

firepower

n. the ability or capacity of a military unit or weapon to deliver a high volume of fire; the destructive capacity of military weapons or equipment

synonym: firearm, munitions, artillery

(1) the **firepower** of the military, (2) lethal **firepower**

The army relied on its superior **firepower** to win the battle.

reconsider

v. to think about a decision or opinion again to
synonym: rethink, review, revisit

(1) **reconsider** the determination, (2) **reconsider** my transfer

He humbly **reconsidered** his conduct.

allocate

v. to give or distribute something, such as resources or duties, to someone or something for a particular purpose

synonym: apportion, assign, distribute

(1) **allocate** resource, (2) **allocate** budgets

The company **allocated** a portion of its profits to developing new products.

exacerbate

v. to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse

synonym: worsen, aggravate, escalate

(1) **exacerbate** the situation, (2) **exacerbate** symptoms

The heat wave **exacerbated** the drought conditions.

exaggerate

v. to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is

synonym: overstate, overestimate, amplify

(1) **exaggerate** in degree, (2) **exaggerate** story

She **exaggerated** the extent of her injuries to get more money from the settlement.

overstate

v. to exaggerate or make something seem more important or serious than it is

synonym: exaggerate, embellish, magnify

(1) **overstate** the issue, (2) **overstate** the importance

He tends to **overstate** his accomplishments to impress others.

urgent

adj. requiring immediate attention or action; pressing

synonym: pressing, critical, immediate

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

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

virtue

n. high moral standards in behavior or attitudes

synonym: integrity, probity, goodness

(1) **virtue** of frugality, (2) acquire a **virtue**

She had many good **virtues** and few faults.

president

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym: leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

spot

n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

synonym : dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

long-range

adj. relating to or extending over a long distance, period of time, or range of possibilities

synonym : far-reaching, extended, distant

(1) **long-range** radar, (2) **long-range** weather forecast

The military uses **long-range** missiles to hit targets from far away.

inaction

n. the lack of action or activity; the state of not doing anything; the failure to take action when action is needed

synonym : idleness, passivity, inertia

(1) excuse for **inaction**, (2) consequences of **inaction**

Inaction in response to climate change poses a dire threat to our future.

appreciate

v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

synonym : acknowledge, admire, enjoy

(1) **appreciate** her feedback, (2) **appreciate** the value

We would **appreciate** an early reply.

estimate

v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

synonym : calculate, gauge, evaluate

(1) **estimate** a fair value, (2) **estimate** this chicken to weigh three pounds

We **estimated** the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

widespread

adj. existing or happening in various places or among many people

synonym : across-the-board, overall, general

(1) **widespread** use, (2) **widespread** fear of nuclear war
In medieval times, death punishment was **widespread** and socially accepted.

consensus

n. general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole

synonym: agreement, accord, harmony

(1) a public **consensus**, (2) **consensus** among scientists

The two parties have reached a **consensus**.

odds

n. the degree or probability that a particular thing will or will not happen

synonym: chances, likelihoods, probabilities

(1) **odds** in favor, (2) **odds** of business

What are the **odds** that he will survive?

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.

insure

v. to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage

synonym: protect, guard, safeguard

(1) **insure** my house against fire, (2) **insure** domestic tranquility

I will **insure** my car before I go on a road trip.

sacrifice

n. the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

synonym: forfeit, immolation, gift

(1) small **sacrifice** for a great cause, (2) **sacrifice** anything to get ahead

You cannot accomplish great things without a **sacrifice** of

your time or money.

comic

adj. funny and making you laugh

synonym : amusing, funny, humorous

(1) **comic** books, (2) a **comic** hat

The novel is **comic** and tragic.

hoax

n. a deliberately fabricated deception, often intended to trick or mislead people into believing something that is not true; a practical joke or prank

synonym : deception, fraud, trick

(1) suspect a **hoax**, (2) **hoax** email

The newspaper article was revealed to be a **hoax**.

poke

v. to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger

synonym : prod, jab, push

(1) **poke** around the desk, (2) **poke** a fire

They **poked** fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.

Session 2: Spelling

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|--|---|
| 1. a f_n of a plane | <i>n.</i> a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance |
| 2. em_____ee evaluation | <i>n.</i> a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker |
| 3. fully com_____le | <i>adj.</i> capable of coexisting or working together without conflict or inconsistency; harmonious or well-matched |
| 4. nu_____us countries | <i>adj.</i> amounting to a large indefinite number |
| 5. n__m of action | <i>n.</i> something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard |
| 6. a real estate in_____or | <i>n.</i> someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns |
| 7. cor_____on coefficient | <i>n.</i> a statistical relationship between two variables in which one variable is affected by the other; a reciprocal relation between two or more facts, numbers, etc. |
| 8. many tr_____ons of dollars | <i>n.</i> the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million |
| 9. the au_____ic shrinking of the pupils | <i>adj.</i> able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control |
| 10. ur___t situation | <i>adj.</i> requiring immediate attention or action; pressing |

ANSWERS: 1. fin, 2. employee, 3. compatible, 4. numerous, 5. norm, 6. investor, 7. correlation, 8. trillion, 9. automatic, 10. urgent

11. app_____te the value *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
12. global b__d market *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
13. proper su___t *n.* a set of things that are contained within another larger set; a portion or division of a group or category
14. back f_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
15. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
16. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
17. a pr_____nd book *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
18. 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
19. make a pr___t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

ANSWERS: 11. appreciate, 12. bond, 13. subset, 14. fin, 15. responsible, 16. industrious, 17. profound, 18. labor, 19. profit

20. a rock fr__k *n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected
21. industrial se___r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
22. beauty s__t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
23. investment po_____io *n.* a collection of work, documents, or other materials that demonstrate a person's skills, qualifications, or achievements; a collection of investments held by a person or organization
24. pr_____t decision *adj.* acting with or showing care and thought for the future; exercising good judgment and common sense; sensible or wise in making decisions
25. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
26. pr_____t investment *adj.* acting with or showing care and thought for the future; exercising good judgment and common sense; sensible or wise in making decisions
27. in___e my house against fire *v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
28. h__x email *n.* a deliberately fabricated deception, often intended to trick or mislead people into believing something that is not true; a practical joke or prank

ANSWERS: 20. freak, 21. sector, 22. spot, 23. portfolio, 24. prudent, 25. norm, 26. prudent, 27. insure, 28. hoax

29. criminal pr____ds *n.* the money or profit earned from a particular activity or venture; the total amount collected from a sale or fundraiser
30. the yi__d on the bond *n.* the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information
31. in___e domestic tranquility *v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
32. the pr____nd depths of the sea *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
33. out____rm other countries *v.* to be or do something compared to others of a similar type
34. a s__t on his honor *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
35. the fo____nts of an earlier civilization *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
36. sus____le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
37. com____ve position *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
38. b__d as a family *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
39. in____or lawsuit *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns

ANSWERS: 29. proceeds, 30. yield, 31. insure, 32. profound, 33. outperform, 34. spot, 35. footprint, 36. sustainable, 37. competitive, 38. bond, 39. investor

40. 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
41. me____c units *adj.* using or relating to the meter as a unit of length; a system of related measures that facilitates the quantification of some particular characteristic
42. a cold cl____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
43. cognitive com____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
44. pay an obl____on *n.* the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something
45. de____y safety measures *v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
46. co____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
47. ec____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
48. ma____m limit *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained

ANSWERS: 40. develop, 41. metric, 42. climate, 43. complexity, 44. obligation, 45. deploy, 46. combine, 47. economy, 48. maximum

49. media con_____ate *n.* a large corporation or organization made up of many smaller companies or divisions; (verb) to gather or combine various things or entities together, typically to form a larger and more diverse whole
50. in_____ce a child's future *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
51. cause an ac_____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
52. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
53. tre_____us popularity *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
54. al_____te budgets *v.* to give or distribute something, such as resources or duties, to someone or something for a particular purpose
55. the fi_____er of the military *n.* the ability or capacity of a military unit or weapon to deliver a high volume of fire; the destructive capacity of military weapons or equipment
56. su_____or performance *adj.* better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others
57. many tem_____ons *n.* the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire

ANSWERS: 49. conglomerate, 50. influence, 51. accident, 52. responsible, 53. tremendous, 54. allocate, 55. firepower, 56. superior, 57. temptation

58. re_____ss driving *adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
59. exa_____te in degree *v.* to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is
60. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
61. re___e after four terms *v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
62. have no re_____ce *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
63. public pe_____n funds *n.* a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working
64. co_____te right *adj.* of or relating to a large company
65. b__y emotion *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
66. ill_____te a key point *v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
67. corn yi__d *n.* the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information
68. as nu_____us as the sand *adj.* amounting to a large indefinite number
69. environmental ov_____ht *n.* the act of supervising or watching over something; a mistake caused by not paying enough attention to something

ANSWERS: 58. reckless, 59. exaggerate, 60. innovation, 61. retire, 62. relevance, 63. pension, 64. corporate, 65. bury, 66. illustrate, 67. yield, 68. numerous, 69. oversight

70. po_____io manager *n.* a collection of work, documents, or other materials that demonstrate a person's skills, qualifications, or achievements; a collection of investments held by a person or organization
71. cl_____y his feelings *v.* to make something, such as a statement or situation, less confusing and more understandable
72. a com_____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
73. artistic va_____rd *n.* the leading or forefront position in a movement, campaign, or trend; a person or group that is at the forefront of something new or innovative
74. good gov_____ce *n.* the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes
75. energy-ef_____nt appliances *adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials
76. accept his ap_____y *n.* an act of saying or writing that you are sorry for something that has been done wrong or that causes a trouble
77. co_____te environment *adj.* of or relating to a large company

ANSWERS: 70. portfolio, 71. clarify, 72. complicated, 73. vanguard, 74. governance, 75. efficient, 76. apology, 77. corporate

78. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
79. s__d dunes *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
80. out_____rm the human brain *v.* to be or do something compared to others of a similar type
81. impending ret_____nt *n.* the fact or act of stopping working and leaving one's job
82. break off an eng_____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
83. in___t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
84. in a re_____ss manner *adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
85. pr_____ds of a sale *n.* the money or profit earned from a particular activity or venture; the total amount collected from a sale or fundraiser
86. intellectual va_____rd *n.* the leading or forefront position in a movement, campaign, or trend; a person or group that is at the forefront of something new or innovative

ANSWERS: 78. fundamental, 79. sand, 80. outperform, 81. retirement, 82. engagement, 83. invest, 84. reckless, 85. proceeds, 86. vanguard

87. in_____ce the daily life *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
88. take ad_____ge of his weak points *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
89. ig___e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
90. a deep obl_____on *n.* the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something
91. the em_____on of light *n.* the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
92. co_____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
93. corporate gov_____ce *n.* the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes
94. provide su_____or customer service *adj.* better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others
95. education en_____nt insurance *n.* a fund or financial support, either from a charitable organization or from an individual or group of individuals, to support a specific purpose or organization
96. ins_____nal bank *adj.* of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.

ANSWERS: 87. influence, 88. advantage, 89. ignore, 90. obligation, 91. emission, 92. combine, 93. governance, 94. superior, 95. endowment, 96. institutional

97. em_____ee benefits *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
98. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
99. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
100. rec_____er the determination *v.* to think about a decision or opinion again to
101. ca_____n emission *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
102. environmental tr_____ff *n.* a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise
103. trading of vi_____l currencies *adj.* being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact
104. lon_____ge radar *adj.* relating to or extending over a long distance, period of time, or range of possibilities
105. aw_____e mental faculty *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
106. va_____on report *n.* an estimation of the worth or value of something
107. tr_____on cubic feet *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million

ANSWERS: 97. employee, 98. opportune, 99. climate, 100. reconsider, 101. carbon, 102. trade-off, 103. virtual, 104. long-range, 105. awesome, 106. valuation, 107. trillion

108. small sa_____ce for a great cause *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
109. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
110. a co__c hat *adj.* funny and making you laugh
111. ov_____te the issue *v.* to exaggerate or make something seem more important or serious than it is
112. engine cooling f_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
113. have an aw_____e birthday *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
114. es_____te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
115. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
116. global em_____ons of greenhouse gases *n.* the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
117. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
118. gross pr___t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

ANSWERS: 108. sacrifice, 109. complicated, 110. comic, 111. overstate, 112. fan, 113. awesome, 114. estimate, 115. complexity, 116. emission, 117. decide, 118. profit

119. frozen as__ts *n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
120. fr__k weather *n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected
121. jeo_____ze reputation *v.* to put something at risk or in danger; to threaten or endanger something or someone
122. supply ch__n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
123. su___t selection *n.* a set of things that are contained within another larger set; a portion or division of a group or category
124. ind_____te number *adj.* without any fixed or defined limit; vague or unclear; lasting for an unknown or unspecified period of time
125. re_____sh a reserve fund *v.* to fill something that had previously been emptied
126. ind_____al alcohol *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
127. com_____le with HTML5 *adj.* capable of coexisting or working together without conflict or inconsistency; harmonious or well-matched
128. a full-text in__x *n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index

ANSWERS: 119. asset, 120. freak, 121. jeopardize, 122. chain, 123. subset, 124. indefinite, 125. replenish, 126. industrial, 127. compatible, 128. index

138. equ_____nt in meaning *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
139. in_____te a preference *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
140. a film f_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
141. ef_____nt operation *adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials
142. p__e a fire *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
143. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
144. multinational con_____ate *n.* a large corporation or organization made up of many smaller companies or divisions; (verb) to gather or combine various things or entities together, typically to form a larger and more diverse whole
145. health po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 138. equivalent, 139. indicate, 140. fan, 141. efficient, 142. poke, 143. engage, 144. conglomerate, 145. policy

146. si____ar goal *n.* being only one of its kind; unique
147. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
148. key performance me____cs *adj.* using or relating to the meter as a unit of length; a system of related measures that facilitates the quantification of some particular characteristic
149. a vi____l image *adj.* being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact
150. ask ch____y *n.* an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people
151. liquid as__ts of the company *n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
152. a public co____us *n.* general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole
153. r__l down his cheeks *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
154. ju__y fruit *adj.* containing much liquid, often used to describe fresh fruit or meat; interesting or exciting, often because it is scandalous or revealing
155. re____ce category *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand

ANSWERS: 146. singular, 147. communal, 148. metric, 149. virtual, 150. charity, 151. asset, 152. consensus, 153. roll, 154. juicy, 155. relevance

156. military st____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
157. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
158. a disability pe_____n *n.* a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working
159. re_____sh my spirit *v.* to fill something that had previously been emptied
160. b__y in the earth *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
161. asset on the company's ba_____e sheet *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
162. private se____r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
163. an ur____t telegram *adj.* requiring immediate attention or action; pressing
164. wid_____ad use *adj.* existing or happening in various places or among many people
165. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
166. lon_____ge weather forecast *adj.* relating to or extending over a long distance, period of time, or range of possibilities

ANSWERS: 156. strategy, 157. innovation, 158. pension, 159. replenish, 160. bury, 161. balance, 162. sector, 163. urgent, 164. widespread, 165. fundamental, 166. long-range

167. av__l ourselves of this opportunity *v.* to help or benefit; to use or take advantage of
168. in___t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
169. sub_____te role *adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else
170. co_____e a large of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
171. vi___e of frugality *n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
172. au_____ic operation *adj.* able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
173. ca_____on analysis *n.* the action or relationship between an event or action and its effect or consequence; the explanation for why something happens
174. fo_____nts in the snow *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
175. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
176. the ma_____m speed *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained

ANSWERS: 167. avail, 168. invest, 169. subordinate, 170. consume, 171. virtue, 172. automatic, 173. causation, 174. footprint, 175. relate, 176. maximum

177. de___y troops for battle *v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
178. in_____te into the existing system *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
179. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
180. genuine ap_____y *n.* an act of saying or writing that you are sorry for something that has been done wrong or that causes a trouble
181. o__s in favor *n.* the degree or probability that a particular thing will or will not happen
182. p__e around the desk *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
183. s__d castle *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
184. in_____te both businesses *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
185. ig___e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

ANSWERS: 177. deploy, 178. integrate, 179. decide, 180. apology, 181. odds, 182. poke, 183. sand, 184. integrate, 185. ignore

186. co_____us among scientists *n.* general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole
187. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
188. ov_____te the importance *v.* to exaggerate or make something seem more important or serious than it is
189. exa_____te symptoms *v.* to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse
190. withstand tem_____on *n.* the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire
191. consequences of in_____on *n.* the lack of action or activity; the state of not doing anything; the failure to take action when action is needed
192. im_____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
193. b_t my future *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
194. high va_____on *n.* an estimation of the worth or value of something
195. average fuel con_____on *n.* the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials
196. mi_____ze a loss *v.* to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious

ANSWERS: 186. consensus, 187. communal, 188. overstate, 189. exacerbate, 190. temptation, 191. inaction, 192. improve, 193. bet, 194. valuation, 195. consumption, 196. minimize

197. cl_____y a goal *v.* to make something, such as a statement or situation, less confusing and more understandable
198. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
199. 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
200. 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
201. high levels of air po_____on *n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
202. tr_____ff problem *n.* a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise
203. b_t on a race *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
204. develop a st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

ANSWERS: 197. clarify, 198. environment, 199. develop, 200. labor, 201. pollution, 202. trade-off, 203. bet, 204. strategy

205. o__s of business *n.* the degree or probability that a particular thing will or will not happen
206. the ba_____e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
207. wid_____ad fear of nuclear war *adj.* existing or happening in various places or among many people
208. equ_____nt amounts *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
209. environmental po_____on *n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
210. mi_____e a service *v.* to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally
211. principles of sus_____le development *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
212. r__l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
213. score an ad_____ge *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
214. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

ANSWERS: 205. odds, 206. balance, 207. widespread, 208. equivalent, 209. pollution, 210. migrate, 211. sustainable, 212. roll, 213. advantage, 214. president

215. manage my fi_____es *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
216. art cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
217. 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
218. re____e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
219. en_____nt gift *n.* a fund or financial support, either from a charitable organization or from an individual or group of individuals, to support a specific purpose or organization
220. address ins_____nal constraints *adj.* of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.
221. is____e a patient *v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things
222. in____te an error *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly

ANSWERS: 215. finance, 216. critic, 217. planet, 218. relate, 219. endowment, 220. institutional, 221. isolate, 222. indicate

223. health in__x *n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index
224. co__c books *adj.* funny and making you laugh
225. way to mi____ze conflict *v.* to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious
226. es____te a fair value *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
227. acquire a vi____e *n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
228. rec____er my transfer *v.* to think about a decision or opinion again to
229. en____e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
230. al____te resource *v.* to give or distribute something, such as resources or duties, to someone or something for a particular purpose
231. jeo____ze safety *v.* to put something at risk or in danger; to threaten or endanger something or someone
232. im____e a process *v.* to make or become better
233. injury in a car ac____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

ANSWERS: 223. index, 224. comic, 225. minimize, 226. estimate, 227. virtue, 228. reconsider, 229. engage, 230. allocate, 231. jeopardize, 232. improve, 233. accident

234. le__r for reform *n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
235. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
236. ill_____te a story *v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
237. a com_____ve price *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
238. the con_____on of food *n.* the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials
239. ov_____ht committee *n.* the act of supervising or watching over something; a mistake caused by not paying enough attention to something
240. ju__y gossip *adj.* containing much liquid, often used to describe fresh fruit or meat; interesting or exciting, often because it is scandalous or revealing
241. exa_____te the situation *v.* to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse
242. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
243. an unexpected si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
244. foreign po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 234. lever, 235. industrious, 236. illustrate, 237. competitive, 238. consumption, 239. oversight, 240. juicy, 241. exacerbate, 242. environment, 243.

sight, 244. policy

245. inc_____te the current trends *v.* to include something as a part of a larger entity
246. beginning of the ind_____al revolution *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
247. ch_____y work *n.* an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people
248. excuse for in_____on *n.* the lack of action or activity; the state of not doing anything; the failure to take action when action is needed
249. 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
250. re____t temptation *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
251. sa_____ce anything to get ahead *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
252. ch____n reaction *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

ANSWERS: 245. incorporate, 246. industrial, 247. charity, 248. inaction, 249. process, 250. resist, 251. sacrifice, 252. chain

253. suspect a h__x *n.* a deliberately fabricated deception, often intended to trick or mislead people into believing something that is not true; a practical joke or prank
254. a desirable ou_____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
255. severe cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
256. improved student ou_____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
257. a gear change le__r *n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
258. ecological cor_____on *n.* a statistical relationship between two variables in which one variable is affected by the other; a reciprocal relation between two or more facts, numbers, etc.
259. dull si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
260. 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
261. inc_____te technology into daily life *v.* to include something as a part of a larger entity
262. cr_____l information *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
263. ec_____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 253. hoax, 254. outcome, 255. critic, 256. outcome, 257. lever, 258. correlation, 259. sight, 260. planet, 261. incorporate, 262. crucial, 263. economy

264. a cr_____l issue for women *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
265. co_____e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
266. is_____e a compound *v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things
267. ret_____nt from politics *n.* the fact or act of stopping working and leaving one's job
268. 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
269. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
270. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
271. si_____ar purpose *n.* being only one of its kind; unique
272. app_____te her feedback *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
273. av__l you little *v.* to help or benefit; to use or take advantage of

ANSWERS: 264. crucial, 265. consume, 266. isolate, 267. retirement, 268. process, 269. opportune, 270. president, 271. singular, 272. appreciate, 273. avail

274. re___e voluntarily

v. to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age

275. exa_____te story

v. to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is

276. ind_____te period

adj. without any fixed or defined limit; vague or unclear; lasting for an unknown or unspecified period of time

ANSWERS: 274. retire, 275. exaggerate, 276. indefinite

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We had a _____ time yesterday.
adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
2. They consistently _____ other teams in the league.
v. to be or do something compared to others of a similar type
3. In the _____ system, measurements are made in meters and liters.
adj. using or relating to the meter as a unit of length; a system of related measures that facilitates the quantification of some particular characteristic
4. One light year is nearly 6 _____ miles.
n. the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
5. This fund is responsible for disability and _____ benefits.
n. the fact or act of stopping working and leaving one's job
6. The _____ of the disease is still under investigation by medical researchers.
n. the action or relationship between an event or action and its effect or consequence; the explanation for why something happens
7. The new washing machine is much more _____ than the old one.
adj. performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials
8. The _____ office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.
adj. of or relating to a large company

ANSWERS: 1. tremendous, 2. outperformed, 3. metric, 4. trillion, 5. retirement, 6. causation, 7. efficient, 8. corporate

9. He tends to _____ his accomplishments to impress others.
v. to exaggerate or make something seem more important or serious than it is
10. I bought a gadget before my trip to help _____ stress during the flight.
v. to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious
11. You are under no _____ to finish the job.
n. the state of being morally or legally bound to do or pay something
12. _____ in response to climate change poses a dire threat to our future.
n. the lack of action or activity; the state of not doing anything; the failure to take action when action is needed
13. The technology _____ is constantly evolving and innovating.
n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
14. The _____ partially destroyed my vehicle.
n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
15. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
16. 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: 9. overstate, 10. minimize, 11. obligation, 12. Inaction, 13. sector, 14. accident, 15. innovation, 16. develop

17. The _____ on the beach was warm and golden.
- n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
18. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
- v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
19. I will _____ my car before I go on a road trip.
- v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
20. Institutional _____ refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.
- n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
21. A _____ of the employees will be trained in the new software program.
- n.* a set of things that are contained within another larger set; a portion or division of a group or category
22. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
- adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
23. She had many good _____ and few faults.
- n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
24. The burger was so _____ that it dripped down my hand as I ate it.
- adj.* containing much liquid, often used to describe fresh fruit or meat; interesting or exciting, often because it is scandalous or revealing

ANSWERS: 17. sand, 18. decide, 19. insure, 20. investors, 21. subset, 22. responsible, 23. virtues, 24. juicy

25. He was exhausted and _____ into bed as soon as he got home.
v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
26. A sense of humor is an invaluable _____ in this job.
n. something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
27. The _____ is endangering the local plants and animals.
n. the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
28. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
29. The revitalization of technology companies is _____ to the country's growth.
adj. extremely vital or necessary
30. The company's stock gives a high _____.
n. the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information
31. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
32. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.
n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

ANSWERS: 25. rolled, 26. asset, 27. pollution, 28. complexity, 29. crucial, 30. yield, 31. industrious, 32. finance

33. The company is at the _____ of technological innovation in its industry.
n. the leading or forefront position in a movement, campaign, or trend; a person or group that is at the forefront of something new or innovative
34. What are the _____ that he will survive?
n. the degree or probability that a particular thing will or will not happen
35. Researchers often succumb to the _____ of accolades and commit research misconduct.
n. the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire
36. There is a strong _____ between education level and income.
n. a statistical relationship between two variables in which one variable is affected by the other; a reciprocal relation between two or more facts, numbers, etc.
37. The club _____ does not have absolute power.
n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
38. The former emperor had a particular _____ even after he abdicated.
n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
39. You cannot accomplish great things without a _____ of your time or money.
n. the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
40. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.
adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

ANSWERS: 33. vanguard, 34. odds, 35. temptation, 36. correlation, 37. president, 38. influence, 39. sacrifice, 40. complicated

41. Due to careless _____ the product was not inspected before it was shipped to the customers.

n. the act of supervising or watching over something; a mistake caused by not paying enough attention to something

42. The _____ temperature recorded this summer was higher than average.

adj. the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained

43. The mobile application industry is a _____ one.

adj. involving competition or competitiveness

44. 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

45. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.

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

46. This country _____ its weapons in the east region.

v. to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way

47. She is the _____ president of the company.

adj. being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

48. It is _____ that we leave for the airport now to catch our flight.

adj. requiring immediate attention or action; pressing

ANSWERS: 41. oversight, 42. maximum, 43. competitive, 44. process, 45. combine, 46. deployed, 47. virtual, 48. urgent

49. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
- v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
50. I chose to _____ cancer by trying every possible treatment.
- v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
51. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.
- adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
52. This initiative will be a _____ for increasing company sales.
- n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
53. _____ youth makes rueful age.
- adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
54. The company's financial troubles have resulted in an _____ hiring freeze.
- adj.* without any fixed or defined limit; vague or unclear; lasting for an unknown or unspecified period of time
55. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
- adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
56. 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

ANSWERS: 49. relate, 50. resist, 51. fundamental, 52. lever, 53. Reckless, 54. indefinite, 55. opportune, 56. labor

57. There is plenty of space to _____ everyone.

v. to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb

58. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.

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

59. The military uses _____ missiles to hit targets from far away.

adj. relating to or extending over a long distance, period of time, or range of possibilities

60. You should not _____ them from the community.

v. to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things

61. The _____ handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

n. a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

62. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.

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

63. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

n. the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 57. bury, 58. invest, 59. long-range, 60. isolate, 61. employee, 62. critics, 63. economy

64. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

65. I'm a big ____ of French food.

n. a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

66. In our country, water _____ usually decreases during the winter.

n. the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials

67. Many famous _____ are within walking distance.

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

68. My mother's illness had a _____ impact on us all.

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

69. The European Central Bank is Europe's _____ of the Federal Reserve.

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

70. The two parties have reached a _____.

n. general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole

71. Please _____ my glass with some more wine.

v. to fill something that had previously been emptied

72. Their financing options are reasonable and easy to _____.

v. to help or benefit; to use or take advantage of

ANSWERS: 64. consume, 65. fan, 66. consumption, 67. sights, 68. profound, 69. equivalent, 70. consensus, 71. replenish, 72. avail

73. The company's financial records _____ how successful it has been.
- v. to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
74. They had formed a friendship _____.
- n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
75. I ____ that you know it.
- v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
76. Many Germans _____ to South America in the mid-19th century.
- v. to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally
77. There was a _____ between speed and accuracy in the task.
- n. a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise
78. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.
- v. to make or become better
79. There is a lot of _____ nature and food in Hawaii.
- adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
80. He found that it is difficult to _____ socially.
- v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

ANSWERS: 73. illustrate, 74. bond, 75. bet, 76. migrated, 77. trade-off, 78. improve, 79. awesome, 80. integrate

81. 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
82. The _____ from the charity auction will go towards building a school in a developing country.
n. the money or profit earned from a particular activity or venture; the total amount collected from a sale or fundraiser
83. The United Nations assists countries in building strong _____ frameworks and institutions.
n. the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes
84. One of the main _____ of the new product is its increased efficiency.
n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
85. We _____ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.
v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
86. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.
n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
87. This business yields little _____.
n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
88. The government should do more to support environmentally _____ agriculture.
adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time

ANSWERS: 81. compatible, 82. proceeds, 83. governance, 84. advantages, 85. estimated, 86. outcome, 87. profit, 88. sustainable

89. We will attempt to _____ some of your suggestions into our future strategy.

v. to include something as a part of a larger entity

90. The novel is _____ and tragic.

adj. funny and making you laugh

91. The newspaper article was revealed to be a _____.

n. a deliberately fabricated deception, often intended to trick or mislead people into believing something that is not true; a practical joke or prank

92. The CEO's _____ employees were expected to follow his instructions without question.

adj. of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

93. The company _____ a portion of its profits to developing new products.

v. to give or distribute something, such as resources or duties, to someone or something for a particular purpose

94. 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

95. Since independence, the area has been completely _____.

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

96. Try to keep a _____ between work and off.

n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

ANSWERS: 89. incorporate, 90. comic, 91. hoax, 92. subordinate, 93. allocated, 94. planet, 95. ignored, 96. balance

97. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
98. The _____ accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.
n. an abnormality that is not typical or expected
99. Trees absorb _____ dioxide and give off oxygen.
n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
100. The shark's powerful _____ allowed it to swim at high speeds.
n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
101. He humbly _____ his conduct.
v. to think about a decision or opinion again to
102. The new smartphone model is _____ to the previous version in terms of speed and features.
adj. better, higher in quality, or more advanced than others
103. The _____ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.
n. a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
104. This remote _____ is rarely visited.
n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

ANSWERS: 97. engaged, 98. freak, 99. carbon, 100. fins, 101. reconsidered, 102. superior, 103. chain, 104. spot

105. His reckless behavior could _____ his chances of getting hired for the job.
v. to put something at risk or in danger; to threaten or endanger something or someone
106. They selected a gorgeous diamond _____ ring.
n. a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
107. We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon _____.
n. a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
108. _____ design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.
adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry
109. The wealthy benefactor's _____ helped the university build a new library.
n. a fund or financial support, either from a charitable organization or from an individual or group of individuals, to support a specific purpose or organization
110. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
111. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
112. The police tried to _____ the facts concerning her death.
v. to make something, such as a statement or situation, less confusing and more understandable

ANSWERS: 105. jeopardize, 106. engagement, 107. footprint, 108. Industrial, 109. endowment, 110. Communal, 111. environment, 112. clarify

113. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
- n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
114. The _____ of companies managed to dominate the market.
- n.* a large corporation or organization made up of many smaller companies or divisions; (verb) to gather or combine various things or entities together, typically to form a larger and more diverse whole
115. She volunteers at a local _____ every weekend to help those in need.
- n.* an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people
116. Because of the country's poor economic prospects, the number of _____ defaulters has been increasing.
- n.* a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working
117. The heat wave _____ the drought conditions.
- v.* to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse
118. The _____ beauty of the night sky never ceases to amaze him.
- n.* being only one of its kind; unique
119. The _____ of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.
- n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
120. She _____ the extent of her injuries to get more money from the settlement.
- v.* to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is

ANSWERS: 113. norms, 114. conglomerate, 115. charity, 116. pension, 117. exacerbated, 118. singular, 119. relevance, 120. exaggerated

121. They _____ fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.

v. to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger

122. We would _____ an early reply.

v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

123. The _____ of the company was estimated to be billions of dollars.

n. an estimation of the worth or value of something

124. The army relied on its superior _____ to win the battle.

n. the ability or capacity of a military unit or weapon to deliver a high volume of fire; the destructive capacity of military weapons or equipment

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

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

126. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

127. She wrote a letter of _____ to the renter.

n. an act of saying or writing that you are sorry for something that has been done wrong or that causes a trouble

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

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

ANSWERS: 121. poked, 122. appreciate, 123. valuation, 124. firepower, 125. portfolio, 126. Climate, 127. apology, 128. policy

129. These descriptions are based on a number of _____ assumptions.
adj. amounting to a large indefinite number
130. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.
n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
131. The data _____ that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.
v. to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
132. We have to discuss the _____ reforms of our country.
adj. of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.
133. In passenger aircraft, it is common to use an _____ pilot during cruising.
adj. able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
134. There are five distinct _____ at five unique wavelengths.
n. the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
135. The company decided to take a more _____ approach to its expansion plans this year.
adj. acting with or showing care and thought for the future; exercising good judgment and common sense; sensible or wise in making decisions
136. The stock market _____ measures the performance of a group of stocks.
n. a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index

ANSWERS: 129. numerous, 130. strategy, 131. indicates, 132. institutional, 133. automatic, 134. emissions, 135. prudent, 136. index

137. After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to _____ from her job.

v. to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age

138. In medieval times, death punishment was _____ and socially accepted.

adj. existing or happening in various places or among many people

ANSWERS: 137. retire, 138. widespread