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Session 1: Word List

poverty

n. the condition of being extremely poor
synonym: deprivation, destitution, poorness

(1) **poverty** alleviation, (2) the cycle of **poverty**

Many studies have investigated the relationship between **poverty** and academic achievement.

hurdle

n. a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
synonym: obstacle, barrier, challenge

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

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

aftermath

n. the consequences or results of a significant event, particularly a disaster or conflict; a period of time following a significant event

synonym: consequence, backwash, result

(1) financial **aftermath**, (2) the **aftermath** of a crisis

The **aftermath** of the hurricane left the city in shambles.

crisis

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

synonym: concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management

The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

aid

n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support

synonym: helper, resource, assistance

(1) financial **aid**, (2) country-by-country **aid** programs

Pakistan's **aid** budget was still being reviewed.

consecutive

adj. following in a sequence or order without interruption or break; occurring one after another

synonym: successive, sequential, uninterrupted

(1) **consecutive** holidays, (2) suffer **consecutive** defeats

The athlete won three **consecutive** championships in her sport.

overcome

v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

synonym: beat, confound, overwhelm

(1) **overcome** opponents, (2) **overcome** all difficulties

He tried to **overcome** a bad reputation and win the election.

reaction

n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others

synonym: response, reply, answer

(1) chemical **reaction**, (2) trigger a **reaction**

There was a chemical **reaction** of the lime with the groundwater.

accent

n. a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance

synonym: articulation, inflection, pronunciation

(1) a foreign **accent**, (2) put the **accent** on comfort
She has a thick southern **accent**.

rural

adj. of or relating to the countryside

synonym: agrarian, country, rustic

(1) **rural** accents, (2) people in **rural** areas

Many **rural** areas are still impoverished.

orphan

n. a child whose parents are dead or have abandoned them

synonym: waif, stray, fatherless child

(1) **orphan** care, (2) asylum for **orphan** children

The little girl was a war **orphan** and lived in a group home.

vulnerable

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

synonym: susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body

Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

assist

v. to help someone in doing anything

synonym: help, support, aid

(1) **assist** a patient, (2) **assist** his goal

Please **assist** her with the furniture relocation.

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.

deserve

v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

synonym: merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize

The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

afford

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

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

He cannot **afford** a holiday.

override

v. to use one's authority or power to cancel or disregard something, especially a decision or rule made by someone else

synonym: overrule, annul, nullify

(1) **override** the system, (2) **override** a veto

The CEO decided to **override** the decision made by the lower-level managers.

aim

v. to try or plan to get or achieve something

synonym: aspire, direct, target

(1) **aim** at a specific target, (2) **aim** to be a nurse

We **aim** for an overseas expansion.

strive

v. to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something

synonym: preserve, endure, persist

(1) **strive** hard to get, (2) **strive** for excellence

They **strived** to make their dream come true.

dignity

n. the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station

synonym: grace, elegance, nobility

(1) respect for human **dignity**, (2) retain everyone's **dignity**

The failure destroyed his trust and personal **dignity**.

aspiration

n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

synonym: ambition, inhalation, intake

(1) no **aspiration** for fame, (2) **aspiration** into the lungs
He has an **aspiration** to become a doctor.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym: administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

oversea

adj. situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries

synonym: foreign, abroad, international

(1) **oversea** shipments, (2) for **oversea** use

The company enhanced **oversea** operations to tap into new markets.

nation

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

gap

n. a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.

synonym: opening, lacuna, spread

(1) the **gap** between ideal and reality, (2) distance **gap**

Many people are working together to close the gender **gap**.

millennium

n. a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

(1) past **millennium**, (2) **millennium** bottle of wine

Our world is in the third **millennium**.

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.

ambitious

adj. having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth

synonym: enterprising, challenging, earnest

(1) achieve **ambitious** goals, (2) with an **ambitious** eye

Their company has been in business for a short time but has **ambitious** goals.

eradicate

v. to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad

synonym: destroy, eliminate, exterminate

(1) **eradicate** the deficit, (2) **eradicate** racial discrimination

We are trying to **eradicate** this disease from the world.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym: farthestmost, outermost, fierce

(1) **extreme** sports, (2) **extreme** weather events

Solar gravity creates **extreme** pressures and temperatures.

ambition

n. a strong wish to do or achieve something

synonym: purpose, aim, endeavor

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

Greed and **ambition** composed his personality.

halve

v. to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size

synonym: reduce by half, cut in half, split

(1) **halve** the price, (2) **halve** the workload

I need to **halve** the recipe to make just enough for two people.

context

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

synonym: background, setting, environment

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

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

auditorium

n. a room or building used for concerts, plays, or other public performances

synonym: hall, theater, amphitheater

(1) open-air **auditorium**, (2) **auditorium** annex

The **auditorium** seating was filled with people waiting for the concert to begin.

row

n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

synonym: line, sequence, layer

(1) criminal on death **row**, (2) a **row** of cherry trees

He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front **row**.

settle

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

synonym: inhabit, occupy, decide

(1) **settle** a dispute, (2) **settle** down in the town

I don't want to **settle** for second best.

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.

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.

react

v. to take action in response to something

synonym: respond, reply, oppose

(1) **react** at a high temperature, (2) **react** against his way of thinking

How did he **react** to your idea?

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.

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.

innocent

adj. not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge

synonym : blameless, honest, harmless

(1) an **innocent** child, (2) thousands of **innocent** people
My husband was found **innocent** of any crime.

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.

disappoint

v. to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad

synonym : sadden, dismay, frustrate

(1) **disappoint** the audience, (2) don't **disappoint** me
She worked very hard not to **disappoint** her boss's expectations.

scribble

v. to write or draw carelessly and in a hurry

synonym : scabble, scrawl, jot

(1) **scribble** on paper, (2) **scribble** notes
The words were **scribbled** in pencil.

classic

adj. judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type

synonym : definitive, traditional, typical

(1) a **classic** experiment, (2) Chinese **classic** literature
He displayed the **classic** symptoms of depression.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym : thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion
The news of her promotion **excited** her.

launch

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

synonym : start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack
The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

unlimited

adj. without any limits or restrictions

synonym : unrestricted, boundless, limitless

(1) **unlimited** liability, (2) **unlimited** resources

An **unlimited** data plan is a popular option for heavy internet users.

chase

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

synonym : pursue, hunt, track

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

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

exchange

v. to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

synonym : trade, swap, interchange

(1) **exchange** rate, (2) **exchange** a few friendly words

My sister and I frequently **exchange** books, as we love reading.

stick

v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

synonym : pierce, adhere, stay

(1) **stick** a key in a lock, (2) fire **stick**

You **stick** a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

relief

n. a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced

synonym: remedy, consolation, alleviation

(1) tax **relief**, (2) sigh of **relief**

He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian **relief** fund.

sanctity

n. the quality of being sacred, holy, or blessed; the state of being pure, untainted, or inviolable; the ultimate importance or reverence attributed to something

synonym: holiness, sacredness, purity

(1) **sanctity** of life, (2) violate the **sanctity**

The **sanctity** of human life is a fundamental principle of many religions.

reassure

v. to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence

synonym: comfort, soothe, bolster

(1) **reassure** anxious patients, (2) **reassure** market

The pilot tried to **reassure** the customers that the planes were safe.

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.

encourage

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

synonym: facilitate, persuade, stimulate

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

behavior

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

physically

adv. in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

(1) **physically** and mentally, (2) stay **physically** fit

Having a **physically** healthy physique is essential for a great life.

unprecedented

adj. never having been seen, done, or known before

synonym: novel, outstanding, unparalleled

(1) **unprecedented** boom, (2) **unprecedented** business opportunity

Unprecedented amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.

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.

circulation

n. the movement of blood through the body or of a fluid through a system; the number of copies of a newspaper or magazine that are sold

synonym: flow, movement, dissemination

(1) lymphatic **circulation**, (2) **circulation** of money

The **circulation** of the magazine has been steadily declining.

utterly

adv. completely or absolutely

synonym: absolutely, completely, perfectly

(1) **utterly** changed, (2) **utterly** ignorant

We are **utterly** opposed to any form of terrorism.

unthinkable

adj. too unlikely or shocking to imagine or accept

synonym: impossible, inconceivable, outlandish

(1) an **unthinkable** coincidence, (2) in **unthinkable** trouble

That accident was something **unthinkable** with my long experience.

remarkable

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

synonym: outstanding, exceptional, extraordinary

(1) **remarkable** achievement, (2) the **remarkable** breadth of knowledge

The election was a **remarkable** success for the Whigs.

inflation

n. a general and progressive increase in prices; (cosmology) a theory of the exponential expansion of space in the early universe; the act of filling something with air

synonym: increase, swelling, boom

(1) **inflation** control, (2) global **inflation**

Investment in index funds can often be a hedge against **inflation**.

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**.

equity

n. the value of the shares issued by a company

synonym: fairness

(1) private **equity** firm, (2) **equity** capital market

That company is cautious when it comes to **equity** investment.

scare

v. to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

synonym: frighten, spook, intimidate

(1) **scare** off her attacker by screaming, (2) **scare** the birds away

We hit the ground to **scare** out the rabbits.

confidence

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

synonym: self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

threat

n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

synonym: menace, danger, hazard

(1) economic **threat**, (2) environmental **threat**

The **threat** of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

secondly

adv. used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.

synonym: in the second place, next, subsequently

(1) **secondly** connected, (2) **secondly**, it is important

Firstly, we will discuss the budget; **secondly**, we will go over the schedule.

statistics

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

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

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

mango

n. tropical fruit with smooth, juicy flesh and a large, hard seed in the middle

synonym: fruit, tropical fruit

(1) ripe **mango**, (2) fresh **mango**

She cut the **mango** into small pieces and added them to the salad.

fundraise

v. to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign,

often through events, campaigns, or online platforms

synonym : appeal, raise, solicit

(1) **fundraise** a charity fund, (2) **fundraise** for a new shelter

The school is planning to **fundraise** to purchase new books for the library.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym : boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

donation

n. a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them

synonym : contribution, gift, subsidy

(1) make a **donation**, (2) political **donation**

He made a generous **donation** to the charity.

firm

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

synonym : stable, secure, steadfast

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

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

charitable

adj. giving money, food, or help free to those who are poor or in need; full of love and generosity

synonym : generous, helping, giving

(1) **charitable** organizations, (2) **charitable** deeds

He is always **charitable** to the poor.

contribution

n. the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause

synonym : donation, gift, offering

(1) make a positive **contribution**, (2) **contribution** to society

His **contribution** to the charity was a generous donation of money.

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.

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

synonym : luminous, intelligent, clever

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

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

conversation

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

synonym : chat, discussion, dialogue

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

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

absence

n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

synonym : dearth, scarcity, lack

(1) **absence** from work, (2) a leave of **absence**

Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's **absence**.

grand

adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent

synonym : impressive, great, ambitious

(1) a **grand** meal, (2) **grand** bargain

This year's **grand** gathering will be held in Canada.

scheme

n. an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something

synonym: strategy, blueprint, plan

(1) a pilot **scheme**, (2) draw out a **scheme**

They carefully executed the well-planned **scheme** they had prepared over the years.

mandate

n. an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task

synonym: command, instruction, authority

(1) **mandate** obligation, (2) an Imperial **mandate**

The **mandate** given to the new government is to improve the economy.

risky

adj. involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss

synonym: dangerous, perilous, scary

(1) change **risky** behavior, (2) a **risky** enterprise

It is extremely **risky** to sail in such a storm.

involve

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

synonym: implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk

The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

mitigate

v. to make less severe or less intense; to alleviate or lessen the adverse effects of something

synonym: alleviate, relieve, reduce

(1) **mitigate** risk, (2) **mitigate** a natural disaster

Efforts to **mitigate** the effects of climate change require a coordinated and sustained effort by governments,

businesses, and individuals.

definition

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

synonym: description, connotation, meaning

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

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

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym: apparent, conspicuous, evident

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

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

currency

n. a system of money in general use in a particular country

synonym: money, tender, cash

(1) **currency** exchange, (2) digital **currency**

The **currency** used in this country is the Euro.

depreciation

n. the decrease in value of an asset over time, often due to wear and tear, obsolescence, or other factors; a decline or reduction in the market price or worth of something

synonym: devaluation, decline, decrease

(1) accumulated **depreciation**, (2) tax **depreciation** allowance

Depreciation of the currency has led to higher import prices for the country.

unlikely

adj. not probable or likely to happen

synonym: doubtful, questionable, far-fetched

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

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

struggle

v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

synonym : toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

gamble

v. to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes

synonym : bet, venture, wager

(1) **gamble** \$100 on the race, (2) **gamble** away my fortune

Will you **gamble** on the result of the fight?

proportion

n. a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole

synonym : ratio, balance, consonance

(1) direct **proportion**, (2) a building of vast **proportions**

He is more concerned about the **proportion** of his body fat than usual because of an upcoming bodybuilding competition.

incentivize

v. to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward

synonym : encourage, motivate

(1) **incentivize** carpooling, (2) **incentivize** the right behavior

Governments **incentivize** their citizens to buy eco-friendly products through subsidies.

modest

adj. having or showing a humble estimate of one's merits, importance, etc.; free from vanity, egotism, boastfulness, or great pretensions

synonym : unassuming, humble, unpretentious

(1) **modest** income, (2) only a **modest** fee

Despite his many achievements, he remained **modest** and down-to-earth.

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.

universal

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

synonym : common, broad, worldwide

(1) **universal** life, (2) principles of **universal** design

The picture earned near- **universal** acclaim from critics.

coincide

v. to take place at or near the same time

synonym : overlap, coexist, concur

(1) partly **coincide**, (2) **coincide** with reality

These results **coincide** with our hypothesis.

aspire

v. to have an ambition or a desire to achieve something, typically something high or great

synonym : aim, desire, strive

(1) **aspire** to greatness, (2) **aspire** after perfection

She **aspired** to become a successful businesswoman.

Session 2: Spelling

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10. mi_____te risk
v. to make less severe or less intense; to alleviate or lessen the adverse effects of something

ANSWERS: 1. override, 2. universal, 3. eradicate, 4. extreme, 5. scheme, 6. aspire, 7. ambitious, 8. economy, 9. physically, 10. mitigate

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| 11. unp_____ted business opportunity | <i>adj.</i> never having been seen, done, or known before |
| 12. make a do_____on | <i>n.</i> a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them |
| 13. st_____le to get the job | <i>v.</i> to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction |
| 14. cir_____on of money | <i>n.</i> the movement of blood through the body or of a fluid through a system; the number of copies of a newspaper or magazine that are sold |
| 15. foreign po_____y | <i>n.</i> 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 |
| 16. mi_____te a natural disaster | <i>v.</i> to make less severe or less intense; to alleviate or lessen the adverse effects of something |
| 17. de_____e respect | <i>v.</i> to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable |
| 18. people in ru__l areas | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to the countryside |
| 19. in_____e a lot of paperwork | <i>v.</i> to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else |

ANSWERS: 11. unprecedented, 12. donation, 13. struggle, 14. circulation, 15. policy, 16. mitigate, 17. deserve, 18. rural, 19. involve

20. partly co____de *v.* to take place at or near the same time
21. a r_w of cherry trees *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
22. an in____nt child *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
23. open-air aud____um *n.* a room or building used for concerts, plays, or other public performances
24. con____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
25. official sta____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
26. fresh ma__o *n.* tropical fruit with smooth, juicy flesh and a large, hard seed in the middle
27. re__t at a high temperature *v.* to take action in response to something
28. st____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
29. fu____se a charity fund *v.* to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms
30. 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

ANSWERS: 20. coincide, 21. row, 22. innocent, 23. auditorium, 24. conversation, 25. statistics, 26. mango, 27. react, 28. struggle, 29. fundraise, 30. charity

31. 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
32. rem_____le achievement *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
33. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
34. app_____te her feedback *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
35. br_____nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
36. 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
37. vul_____le parts of the body *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
38. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
39. criminal on death r_w *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
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

ANSWERS: 31. bond, 32. remarkable, 33. context, 34. appreciate, 35. brilliant, 36. relate, 37. vulnerable, 38. excite, 39. row, 40. develop

41. suffer con_____ve defeats *adj.* following in a sequence or order without interruption or break; occurring one after another
42. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
43. ut_____y changed *adv.* completely or absolutely
44. st__k a key in a lock *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
45. ha__e the price *v.* to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size
46. af____d to buy a new car *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
47. frozen as__ts *n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
48. ex_____ge a few friendly words *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
49. st____e hard to get *v.* to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something
50. the def_____on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

ANSWERS: 41. consecutive, 42. obvious, 43. utterly, 44. stick, 45. halve, 46. afford, 47. asset, 48. exchange, 49. strive, 50. definition

51. financial cr___s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
52. ov_____me all difficulties *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
53. ma_____e obligation *n.* an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task
54. en_____ge antisocial behavior *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
55. principles of un_____al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
56. f__m grip *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
57. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
58. draw out a sc___e *n.* an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something
59. a ri__y enterprise *adj.* involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss

ANSWERS: 51. crisis, 52. overcome, 53. mandate, 54. encourage, 55. universal, 56. firm, 57. involve, 58. scheme, 59. risky

60. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
61. a foreign ac____t *n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance
62. tax re____f *n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
63. ov_____a shipments *adj.* situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries
64. po_____y alleviation *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
65. gr__d bargain *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
66. a_m to be a nurse *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
67. liquid as__ts of the company *n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
68. tax dep_____ion allowance *n.* the decrease in value of an asset over time, often due to wear and tear, obsolescence, or other factors; a decline or reduction in the market price or worth of something
69. it is un_____ly that he would win the game *adj.* not probable or likely to happen

ANSWERS: 60. government, 61. accent, 62. relief, 63. oversea, 64. poverty, 65. grand, 66. aim, 67. asset, 68. depreciation, 69. unlikely

70. se___e a dispute *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
71. cr___s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
72. the g_p between ideal and reality *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
73. ha___e the workload *v.* to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size
74. make a positive con_____ion *n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
75. political do_____on *n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them
76. sa_____ty of life *n.* the quality of being sacred, holy, or blessed; the state of being pure, untainted, or inviolable; the ultimate importance or reverence attributed to something
77. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
78. ov_____me opponents *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

ANSWERS: 70. settle, 71. crisis, 72. gap, 73. halve, 74. contribution, 75. donation, 76. sanctity, 77. context, 78. overcome

79. 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
80. ru__l accents *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
81. digital cu____cy *n.* a system of money in general use in a particular country
82. 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
83. un____ed liability *adj.* without any limits or restrictions
84. a precise def____on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
85. tr____on cubic feet *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
86. mil____um bottle of wine *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
87. only a mo____t fee *adj.* having or showing a humble estimate of one's merits, importance, etc.; free from vanity, egotism, boastfulness, or great pretensions
88. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
89. a vul____le bridge *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

ANSWERS: 79. develop, 80. rural, 81. currency, 82. charity, 83. unlimited, 84. definition, 85. trillion, 86. millennium, 87. modest, 88. nation, 89. vulnerable

90. chemical re____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
91. lymphatic cir_____on *n.* the movement of blood through the body or of a fluid through a system; the number of copies of a newspaper or magazine that are sold
92. thousands of in_____nt people *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
93. se_____ly connected *adv.* used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.
94. in_____on control *n.* a general and progressive increase in prices; (cosmology) a theory of the exponential expansion of space in the early universe; the act of filling something with air
95. economic th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
96. 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

ANSWERS: 90. reaction, 91. circulation, 92. innocent, 93. secondly, 94. inflation, 95. threat, 96. economy

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. Chinese cl_____c literature *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
99. re_____re anxious patients *v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
100. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
101. achieve am_____us goals *adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
102. 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
103. country-by-country a_d programs *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
104. ab_____e from work *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
105. inc_____ze carpooling *v.* to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward
106. de_____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
107. eq___y capital market *n.* the value of the shares issued by a company

ANSWERS: 97. employee, 98. classic, 99. reassure, 100. obvious, 101. ambitious, 102. relate, 103. aid, 104. absence, 105. incentivize, 106. deserve, 107. equity

108. un____ly event *adj.* not probable or likely to happen
109. 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
110. ga___e away my fortune *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
111. respect for human di____y *n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
112. asylum for or___n children *n.* a child whose parents are dead or have abandoned them
113. ch__e a dream *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
114. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
115. no asp_____on for fame *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
116. un_____ed resources *adj.* without any limits or restrictions
117. fu_____se for a new shelter *v.* to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms

ANSWERS: 108. unlikely, 109. bond, 110. gamble, 111. dignity, 112. orphan, 113. chase, 114. conversation, 115. aspiration, 116. unlimited, 117. fundraiser

118. retain everyone's di____y	<i>n.</i> the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
119. change ri__y behavior	<i>adj.</i> involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss
120. ut____y ignorant	<i>adv.</i> completely or absolutely
121. ex____e sports	<i>adj.</i> very great in amount or degree
122. gov_____nt funding	<i>n.</i> the group of people with authority to control a country or state
123. se____ly, it is important	<i>adv.</i> used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.
124. the cycle of po____y	<i>n.</i> the condition of being extremely poor
125. app_____te the value	<i>v.</i> to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
126. environmental th____t	<i>n.</i> a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
127. con_____ve holidays	<i>adj.</i> following in a sequence or order without interruption or break; occurring one after another
128. aud_____um annex	<i>n.</i> a room or building used for concerts, plays, or other public performances
129. a building of vast pro_____ons	<i>n.</i> a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole

ANSWERS: 118. dignity, 119. risky, 120. utterly, 121. extreme, 122. government, 123. secondly, 124. poverty, 125. appreciate, 126. threat, 127. consecutive, 128. auditorium, 129. proportion

130. sc____le notes *v.* to write or draw carelessly and in a hurry
131. ov____de the system *v.* to use one's authority or power to cancel or disregard something, especially a decision or rule made by someone else
132. br____nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
133. a gr__d meal *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
134. a_m at a specific target *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
135. a leave of ab____e *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
136. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
137. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
138. sc____le on paper *v.* to write or draw carelessly and in a hurry
139. don't dis____nt me *v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
140. wild goose ch__e *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes

ANSWERS: 130. scribble, 131. override, 132. brilliant, 133. grand, 134. aim, 135. absence, 136. nation, 137. excite, 138. scribble, 139. disappoint, 140. chase

141. many tr____ons of dollars *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
142. em____ee evaluation *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
143. 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
144. the af____th of a crisis *n.* the consequences or results of a significant event, particularly a disaster or conflict; a period of time following a significant event
145. cha____le deeds *adj.* giving money, food, or help free to those who are poor or in need; full of love and generosity
146. distance g_p *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
147. cu____cy exchange *n.* a system of money in general use in a particular country
148. re____re market *v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
149. ga____e \$100 on the race *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes

ANSWERS: 141. trillion, 142. employee, 143. policy, 144. aftermath, 145. charitable, 146. gap, 147. currency, 148. reassure, 149. gamble

150. accumulated dep_____ion *n.* the decrease in value of an asset over time, often due to wear and tear, obsolescence, or other factors; a decline or reduction in the market price or worth of something
151. as___t his goal *v.* to help someone in doing anything
152. for ov_____a use *adj.* situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries
153. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
154. mo___t income *adj.* having or showing a humble estimate of one's merits, importance, etc.; free from vanity, egotism, boastfulness, or great pretensions
155. violate the sa_____ty *n.* the quality of being sacred, holy, or blessed; the state of being pure, untainted, or inviolable; the ultimate importance or reverence attributed to something
156. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
157. boundless am_____on *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
158. an am_____on for political power *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
159. con_____ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

ANSWERS: 150. depreciation, 151. assist, 152. oversea, 153. statistics, 154. modest, 155. sanctity, 156. opportune, 157. ambition, 158. ambition, 159. confidence

160. as___e to greatness *v.* to have an ambition or a desire to achieve something, typically something high or great
161. inc_____ze the right behavior *v.* to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward
162. financial af_____th *n.* the consequences or results of a significant event, particularly a disaster or conflict; a period of time following a significant event
163. or___n care *n.* a child whose parents are dead or have abandoned them
164. as___t a patient *v.* to help someone in doing anything
165. sc___e the birds away *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
166. en_____ge a sense of affinity *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
167. trigger a re_____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
168. con_____ion to society *n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
169. af___d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

ANSWERS: 160. aspire, 161. incentivize, 162. aftermath, 163. orphan, 164. assist, 165. scare, 166. encourage, 167. reaction, 168. contribution, 169. afford

170. boost my con_____ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
171. re__t against his way of thinking *v.* to take action in response to something
172. in unt_____le trouble *adj.* too unlikely or shocking to imagine or accept
173. overcome hu___es *n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
174. asp_____on into the lungs *n.* a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath
175. the rem_____le breadth of knowledge *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
176. la___h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
177. cha_____le organizations *adj.* giving money, food, or help free to those who are poor or in need; full of love and generosity
178. se___e down in the town *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
179. stay phy_____ly fit *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
180. er_____te racial discrimination *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
181. fire st__k *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

ANSWERS: 170. confidence, 171. react, 172. unthinkable, 173. hurdle, 174. aspiration, 175. remarkable, 176. launch, 177. charitable, 178. settle, 179. physically, 180. eradicate, 181. stick

182. la___h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
183. an unt_____le coincidence *adj.* too unlikely or shocking to imagine or accept
184. co_____de with reality *v.* to take place at or near the same time
185. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
186. financial a_d *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
187. past mil_____um *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
188. a cl_____c experiment *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
189. an Imperial ma_____e *n.* an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task
190. sc__e off her attacker by screaming *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
191. global in_____on *n.* a general and progressive increase in prices; (cosmology) a theory of the exponential expansion of space in the early universe; the act of filling something with air

ANSWERS: 182. launch, 183. unthinkable, 184. coincide, 185. opportune, 186. aid, 187. millennium, 188. classic, 189. mandate, 190. scare, 191. inflation

192. sigh of re___f *n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
193. accounting f__m *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
194. ex_____ge rate *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
195. direct pro_____on *n.* a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole
196. dis_____nt the audience *v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
197. st___e for excellence *v.* to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something
198. hu___e race *n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
199. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

ANSWERS: 192. relief, 193. firm, 194. exchange, 195. proportion, 196. disappoint, 197. strive, 198. hurdle, 199. inspire

200. put the ac___t on comfort *n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance
201. ripe ma__o *n.* tropical fruit with smooth, juicy flesh and a large, hard seed in the middle
202. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
203. in_____or lawsuit *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
204. a real estate in_____or *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
205. unpre_____ted boom *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
206. private eq___y firm *n.* the value of the shares issued by a company

ANSWERS: 200. accent, 201. mango, 202. inspire, 203. investor, 204. investor, 205. unprecedented, 206. equity

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. They carefully executed the well-planned _____ they had prepared over the years.
n. an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something
2. The passage of the bill is _____.
adj. not probable or likely to happen
3. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
4. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
5. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.
v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
6. 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
7. 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

ANSWERS: 1. scheme, 2. unlikely, 3. statistics, 4. context, 5. deserved, 6. develop, 7. employee

8. _____ of the currency has led to higher import prices for the country.
n. the decrease in value of an asset over time, often due to wear and tear, obsolescence, or other factors; a decline or reduction in the market price or worth of something
9. Their company has been in business for a short time but has _____ goals.
adj. having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
10. Skill and _____ are an unconquered army.
n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
11. It is extremely _____ to sail in such a storm.
adj. involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss
12. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
13. The police officer _____ the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.
v. to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
14. He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian _____ fund.
n. a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced

ANSWERS: 8. Depreciation, 9. ambitious, 10. confidence, 11. risky, 12. crisis, 13. chased, 14. relief

15. We are _____ opposed to any form of terrorism.

adv. completely or absolutely

16. Infants and pregnant women are particularly _____.

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

17. We would _____ an early reply.

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

18. Having a _____ healthy physique is essential for a great life.

adv. in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

19. Despite his many achievements, he remained _____ and down-to-earth.

adj. having or showing a humble estimate of one's merits, importance, etc.; free from vanity, egotism, boastfulness, or great pretensions

20. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

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

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

22. 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: 15. utterly, 16. vulnerable, 17. appreciate, 18. physically, 19. modest, 20. conversation, 21. firm, 22. policy

23. The company enhanced _____ operations to tap into new markets.
adj. situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries
24. Efforts to _____ the effects of climate change require a coordinated and sustained effort by governments, businesses, and individuals.
v. to make less severe or less intense; to alleviate or lessen the adverse effects of something
25. These results _____ with our hypothesis.
v. to take place at or near the same time
26. The athlete won three _____ championships in her sport.
adj. following in a sequence or order without interruption or break; occurring one after another
27. The _____ given to the new government is to improve the economy.
n. an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task
28. The _____ of the magazine has been steadily declining.
n. the movement of blood through the body or of a fluid through a system; the number of copies of a newspaper or magazine that are sold
29. They _____ to make their dream come true.
v. to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something
30. There was a chemical _____ of the lime with the groundwater.
n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others

ANSWERS: 23. oversea, 24. mitigate, 25. coincide, 26. consecutive, 27. mandate, 28. circulation, 29. strived, 30. reaction

31. We hit the ground to _____ out the rabbits.

v. to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

32. Many studies have investigated the relationship between _____ and academic achievement.

n. the condition of being extremely poor

33. How did he _____ to your idea?

v. to take action in response to something

34. Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's _____.

n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

35. Greed and _____ composed his personality.

n. a strong wish to do or achieve something

36. Investment in index funds can often be a hedge against _____.

n. a general and progressive increase in prices; (cosmology) a theory of the exponential expansion of space in the early universe; the act of filling something with air

37. My husband was found _____ of any crime.

adj. not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge

38. He has an _____ to become a doctor.

n. a strong desire to achieve something; the action or process of drawing breath

39. Please _____ her with the furniture relocation.

v. to help someone in doing anything

ANSWERS: 31. scare, 32. poverty, 33. react, 34. absence, 35. ambition, 36. inflation, 37. innocent, 38. aspiration, 39. assist

40. Institutional _____ refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.
n. someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
41. He is always _____ to the poor.
adj. giving money, food, or help free to those who are poor or in need; full of love and generosity
42. The election was a _____ success for the Whigs.
adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special
43. 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
44. She _____ to become a successful businesswoman.
v. to have an ambition or a desire to achieve something, typically something high or great
45. _____ amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.
adj. never having been seen, done, or known before
46. The _____ used in this country is the Euro.
n. a system of money in general use in a particular country
47. I don't want to _____ for second best.
v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

ANSWERS: 40. investors, 41. charitable, 42. remarkable, 43. charity, 44. aspired, 45. Unprecedented, 46. currency, 47. settle

48. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
adj. easy to see, discover or understand
49. Pakistan's ____ budget was still being reviewed.
n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
50. He tried to _____ a bad reputation and win the election.
v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
51. The company faced several _____ in the development of its new product.
n. a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
52. Governments _____ their citizens to buy eco-friendly products through subsidies.
v. to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward
53. That company is cautious when it comes to _____ investment.
n. the value of the shares issued by a company
54. The _____ of the hurricane left the city in shambles.
n. the consequences or results of a significant event, particularly a disaster or conflict; a period of time following a significant event
55. Firstly, we will discuss the budget; _____ we will go over the schedule.
adv. used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.
56. Our world is in the third _____.
n. a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

ANSWERS: 48. obvious, 49. aid, 50. overcome, 51. hurdles, 52. incentivize, 53. equity, 54. aftermath, 55. secondly, 56. millennium

57. An _____ data plan is a popular option for heavy internet users.
adj. without any limits or restrictions
58. He is more concerned about the _____ of his body fat than usual because of an upcoming bodybuilding competition.
n. a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole
59. You _____ a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.
v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
60. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
61. I need to _____ the recipe to make just enough for two people.
v. to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size
62. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
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. unlimited, 58. proportion, 59. stick, 60. opportune, 61. halve, 62. government, 63. economy

64. The picture earned near-_____ acclaim from critics.

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

65. The words were _____ in pencil.

v. to write or draw carelessly and in a hurry

66. This year's _____ gathering will be held in Canada.

adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent

67. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

68. The little girl was a war _____ and lived in a group home.

n. a child whose parents are dead or have abandoned them

69. He displayed the _____ symptoms of depression.

adj. judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type

70. My sister and I frequently _____ books, as we love reading.

v. to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

71. He made a generous _____ to the charity.

n. a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them

ANSWERS: 64. universal, 65. scribbled, 66. grand, 67. involves, 68. orphan, 69. classic, 70. exchange, 71. donation

72. Will you _____ on the result of the fight?

- v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes

73. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

- n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

74. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

- adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

75. He cannot _____ a holiday.

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

76. She cut the _____ into small pieces and added them to the salad.

- n.* tropical fruit with smooth, juicy flesh and a large, hard seed in the middle

77. We are trying to _____ this disease from the world.

- v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad

78. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

79. The failure destroyed his trust and personal _____.

- n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station

ANSWERS: 72. gamble, 73. threat, 74. brilliant, 75. afford, 76. mango, 77. eradicate, 78. nation, 79. dignity

80. The pilot tried to _____ the customers that the planes were safe.
- v. to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
81. His _____ to the charity was a generous donation of money.
- n. the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
82. 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
83. 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
84. The school is planning to _____ to purchase new books for the library.
- v. to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms
85. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.
- n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
86. A sense of humor is an invaluable _____ in this job.
- n. something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
87. The _____ of human life is a fundamental principle of many religions.
- n. the quality of being sacred, holy, or blessed; the state of being pure, untainted, or inviolable; the ultimate importance or reverence attributed to something

ANSWERS: 80. reassure, 81. contribution, 82. relate, 83. bond, 84. fundraise, 85. definition, 86. asset, 87. sanctity

88. We ____ for an overseas expansion.

v. to try or plan to get or achieve something

89. Many _____ areas are still impoverished.

adj. of or relating to the countryside

90. The _____ seating was filled with people waiting for the concert to begin.

n. a room or building used for concerts, plays, or other public performances

91. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.

adj. very great in amount or degree

92. They _____ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

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

93. She worked very hard not to _____ her boss's expectations.

v. to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad

94. The news of her promotion _____ her.

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

95. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

96. One light year is nearly 6 _____ miles.

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

ANSWERS: 88. aim, 89. rural, 90. auditorium, 91. extreme, 92. encouraged, 93. disappoint, 94. excited, 95. inspired, 96. trillion

97. She has a thick southern _____.

- n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance

98. That accident was something _____ with my long experience.

- adj.* too unlikely or shocking to imagine or accept

99. Many people are working together to close the gender _____.

- n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.

100. The CEO decided to _____ the decision made by the lower-level managers.

- v.* to use one's authority or power to cancel or disregard something, especially a decision or rule made by someone else

101. He could not _____ against temptation.

- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

102. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.

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

103. He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front _____.

- n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

ANSWERS: 97. accent, 98. unthinkable, 99. gap, 100. override, 101. struggle, 102. launch, 103. row

ANSWERS: