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Session 1: Word List

religion

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

synonym: faith, creed, belief

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

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

subtitle

n. a secondary title or alternate title that is displayed below the primary title often used to provide additional information or translation for a movie or video; a text that appears at the bottom of a movie, TV show, or video to provide a written translation or transcription of the spoken dialogue in another language

synonym: caption, heading, inscription

(1) chart **subtitle**, (2) foreign-language **subtitle**

Make sure to turn on **subtitles** so you can understand the foreign film.

rabbi

n. a Jewish religious leader or a Jewish scholar or teacher

synonym: clergyman, priest, teacher

(1) son of a **rabbi**, (2) the city's communal **rabbi**

The chief **rabbi** chanted a prayer.

refer

v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

synonym : cite, allude, mention

(1) **refer** to a book, (2) **refer** to a map

Please **refer** to the instruction manual for further assistance.

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.

negative

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

synonym : minus, adverse, pessimistic

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

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

remark

n. a comment or observation, or something said or written about a particular subject or situation; (verb) to give a spoken statement on a particular subject or situation

synonym : comment, observation, statement

(1) a flattering **remark**, (2) **remark** dripping with bitterness

His candid **remark** at the meeting sparked a lively discussion among the attendees.

persuade

v. to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion

synonym : convince, influence, sway

(1) attempt to **persuade**, (2) **persuade** enough people

She tried to **persuade** her brother to join her on the trip, but he was too busy with work.

- evil** *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
synonym : malign, corruption, immorality
(1) **evil** ways, (2) a charm against **evil**
Corruption is an **evil** act for any reason.
- decision** *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
synonym : choice, determination, judgment
(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**
She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.
- 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.
- preserve** *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
synonym : conserve, care for, maintain
(1) **preserve** my strength, (2) **preserve** a country's heritage
They worked hard to **preserve** the nature of their native lands.
- prospect** *n.* the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
synonym :

hope, possibility, expectation

(1) **prospect** for gold, (2) job **prospects**

The **prospect** of starting a new business can be both exciting and daunting.

debate

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

synonym: argument, discussion, dispute

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

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

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**.

indifferent

adj. having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral

synonym: apathetic, disinterested, unmoved

(1) an **indifferent** glance, (2) emotionally **indifferent**

Despite the good news, she remained **indifferent** to the situation.

claim

v. to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

synonym: assert, declare, maintain

(1) **claim** responsibility, (2) false **claim**

He wants to **claim** ownership of the abandoned property.

preposterous

adj. absurd, ridiculous, or contrary to reason or common sense

synonym : ridiculous, absurd, nonsensical

(1) **preposterous** claim, (2) **preposterous** price

The idea that aliens built the pyramids is **preposterous**.

existence

n. the state or fact of someone or something existing

synonym : fact, being, reality

(1) the biggest tree in **existence**, (2) the struggle for **existence**

He was an atheist and therefore did not believe in the **existence** of heaven or hell.

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.

purported

adj. claimed or alleged, usually without proof or confirmation; rumored or supposed; asserted but not verified or substantiated

synonym : alleged, claimed, supposed

(1) **purported** evidence, (2) **purported** biography

The **purported** benefits of the new product were not supported by research.

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.

satisfy

v. to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need

synonym : please, amuse, meet

(1) **satisfy** a desire, (2) **satisfy** a user's needs

Did this response **satisfy** your request?

dictionary

n. a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation

synonym: lexicon, glossary, vocabulary

(1) **dictionary** definition, (2) online **dictionary**

I need to purchase a new English **dictionary**.

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.

spiritual

adj. relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things

synonym: otherworldly, ethereal, transcendental

(1) constant **spiritual** striving, (2) **spiritual** leader

The meditation class was focused on finding inner peace and cultivating a more **spiritual** connection with the universe.

anthropology

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

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

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

modern

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

synonym: contemporary, stylish, current

(1) **modern** poetry, (2) pre- **modern** agricultural society

Their headquarters are in a **modern** skyscraper.

primitive

adj. of or relating to an early stage of society with no industry or technological development; simple, naive, or old-fashioned in style

synonym : elementary, naive, rudimentary

(1) **primitive** society, (2) artifact of a **primitive** humankind
The industry in this country is still **primitive**.

animism

n. the belief that objects, places, and creatures possess a spiritual essence or soul; a belief system that emphasizes the interconnectedness of all living things and the natural world

synonym : spirit worship, anthropomorphism, paganism

(1) traditional **animism**, (2) **animism** practices

The belief that objects have spirits is a central tenet of **animism**.

spirit

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

synonym : soul, attitude, enthusiasm

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

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

novel

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

synonym : fiction, story, (adjective) innovative

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

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

tuff

adj. (an informal variant spelling of "tough") resilient, durable, or strong; having a rough or rugged appearance; (noun, of geology) a type of rock that's made up of volcanic ash ejected from a vent during a volcanic eruption

synonym : tough, durable, rugged

(1) **tuff** fabric, (2) igneous **tuff**

The hiker climbed the **tuff** hill with great difficulty.

Jewish

adj. of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

synonym : Judaic

(1) **Jewish** history, (2) **Jewish** culture

My friend is a **Jewish** woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

counterintuitive

adj. contrary to what common sense would suggest

synonym : unreasonable, paradoxical, nonsensical

(1) **counterintuitive** results, (2) **counterintuitive** behavior

The **counterintuitive** nature of quantum physics has been a source of confusion for scientists for decades.

conclude

v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

synonym : complete, finish, decide

(1) **conclude** a meeting, (2) **conclude** that he is healthy

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

argument

n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

synonym : debate, discourse, discussion

(1) a blazing **argument**, (2) the **argument** against capital punishment

The **argument** between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

discovery

n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

synonym : finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

belong

v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

synonym: fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group

All the books in this section **belong** to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

atheist

n. a person who denies or disbelieves the existence of a deity or deities

synonym: nonbeliever, unbeliever, secularist

(1) **atheist** community, (2) **atheist** belief

She was an **atheist** without any belief in a higher power.

branch

n. a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization

synonym: limb, twig, bough

(1) **branch** office, (2) a **branch** pipe

The **branch** of the tree had fallen and blocked the road.

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym: custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

capture

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

synonym: catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts

I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

atheistic

adj. pertaining to or characterized by atheism, which is the belief or doctrine that there is no God or higher power

synonym : godless, nonreligious, irreligious

(1) **atheistic** beliefs, (2) **atheistic** approach

The author's **atheistic** views were evident in her writing, where she denounced the existence of a higher power.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym : idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

paradigm

n. a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model

synonym : example, standard, epitome

(1) major **paradigm** shift, (2) cultural **paradigm**

He postulated a completely different **paradigm** to explain all these phenomena.

purport

v. to claim or suggest that something is true or has a particular character or quality; (noun) the intended meaning of a communication

synonym : claim, allege, assert

(1) **purport** to answer the question, (2) the main **purport** of his speech

The document **purports** to have been signed by the president, but the signature is a forgery.

exclude

v. to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity

synonym : expel, ban, bar

(1) **exclude** a newcomer, (2) **exclude** all other possibilities

The cost for the trip **excludes** food and beverages.

crude

adj. being in an unrefined or natural state; (noun) the unprocessed form of oil

synonym : unrefined, native, vulgar

(1) price of **crude** oil, (2) **crude** manners
His **crude** jokes made her angry.

contentious

adj. likely to cause people to disagree and argue; liking to argue

synonym : antagonistic, combative, confrontational

(1) **contentious** subject, (2) **contentious** debate

There are many **contentious** issues in claiming a patent.

disagree

v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

synonym : discord, oppose, dissent

(1) **disagree** about a particular issue, (2) **disagree** with a plan

I **disagree** for reasons already stated above.

roughly

adv. approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

synonym : approximately, more or less, around

(1) **roughly** explain my idea, (2) **roughly** speaking

Five miles is **roughly** similar to eight kilometers.

Christ

n. the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

synonym : Savior, Jesus Christ, Jesus

(1) teaching of **Christ**, (2) before **Christ**

Christmas is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

essentially

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

synonym : fundamentally, basically, virtually

(1) **essentially** correct, (2) become **essentially** same

Essentially, a society is an organism.

construct

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

synonym : build, assemble, create

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

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

consist

v. to be composed or made up of

synonym: lie in, comprise, exist

(1) **consist** mainly of cells, (2) **consist** only in knowing facts

This examination **consists** of five problems to solve.

difficulty

n. a condition or state that causes problems

synonym: hardship, complication, problem

(1) the degree of **difficulty**, (2) **difficulty** in breathing

He has **difficulty** exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.

proceeding

n. an event or series of events that happen as part of a larger process or action; an official record of legal or administrative action or meeting

synonym: procedure, steps, action

(1) **proceeding** in bankruptcy, (2) **proceeding** in bankruptcy

The legal **proceeding** took several months to conclude.

specific

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

synonym: particular, definite, distinct

(1) **specific** instructions, (2) industry- **specific** regulations

The scientist conducted a study that provided **specific** details about the species' behavior.

specify

v. to explain or state something clearly and exactly

synonym: establish, pinpoint, identify

(1) **specify** a cause, (2) **specify** an option

You can **specify** the font color by clicking the Color tab.

creed

n. a system of beliefs or principles

synonym: doctrine, belief, principle

(1) political **creed**, (2) **creed** of faith

The **creed** of the organization emphasized hard work and dedication.

internal

adj. of or relating to the inside of something

synonym: interior, inner, domestic

(1) **internal** organs, (2) the **internal** economy

The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve **internal** disputes.

largely

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

synonym: mainly, chiefly, broadly

(1) **largely** accepted, (2) **largely** mitigate the issue

Nevada is **largely** a desert state.

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.

infidelity

n. the quality or state of being unfaithful, especially having sex with someone who is not your partner

synonym: disloyalty, adultery, affair

(1) alleged **infidelity**, (2) act of **infidelity**

She forgave him for his **infidelity**.

offensive

adj. rude in a way that causes someone to feel anger, annoyance, or resentment; for the purpose of attack rather than defense

synonym: disrespectful, abusive, attacking

(1) assume the **offensive**, (2) an **offensive** smell

His **offensive** philosophy in business led to many hostile takeovers.

advert

v. an advertisement; (verb) to make reference to something in speaking or writing

synonym: advertise, mention, attend

(1) a television **advert** for the product, (2) full page **advert**
Our company took out a big **advert** next to the highway.

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.

intellect

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

synonym: mind, brightness, cleverness

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

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

morality

n. principles of right and evil or good and bad behavior

synonym: decency, rectitude, righteousness

(1) business **morality**, (2) sense of **morality**

She found fault with the **morality** of politicians.

frame

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

synonym: body, skeleton, scaffolding

(1) a picture **frame**, (2) the **frame** of the policy

The detective looked for fingerprints on the window **frame**.

background

n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

synonym: ground, experience, backdrop

(1) a **background** color, (2) a criminal **background**

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a

person's **background**.

assume

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

synonym : guess, presume, suppose

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

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

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym : association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

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.

historic

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

synonym : memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat

The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

proceed

v. to move forward or to continue with a process or action; to advance or progress

synonym : advance, progress, move ahead

(1) **proceed** with caution, (2) **proceed** to the next step

We can now **proceed** with the next item on our agenda.

similarly

adv. in almost the same way

synonym : also, likewise, ditto

(1) **similarly** situated, (2) have **similarly** great abilities

We argue that wages for temporary workers should **similarly** rise.

geologist

n. a scientist or specialist who studies geology

(1) planetary **geologist**, (2) marine **geologist**

These issues baffled **geologists** for many years.

increasingly

adv. more and more

synonym : more and more, progressively

(1) **increasingly** become common, (2) face **increasingly** complicated challenges

Our company found it **increasingly** difficult to keep up with the competition.

consistent

adj. always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

synonym : coherent, constant, compatible

(1) do on a **consistent** basis, (2) get **consistent** results

You are not **consistent** in your behavior.

imply

v. to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it

synonym : hint, indicate, denote

(1) **imply** a strong correlation, (2) **imply** the presence of alien

The salespeople speak in technical terms to **imply** that they are more knowledgeable than the customer.

genesis

n. the origin or beginning of something; the first book of the biblical scriptures of both Judaism and Christianity, describing the creation of the Earth and humankind

synonym : beginning, creation, provenance

(1) the **genesis** of civilization, (2) in the Book of **Genesis**
The politician's remarks became the **genesis** of the clash between the two countries.

geology

n. a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks

synonym : earth science

(1) bureau of **geology**, (2) local **geology**

He was a visiting **geology** professor at the University of Tokyo.

division

n. the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector

synonym : branch, separator, section

(1) cellular **division**, (2) **division** chief

Which **division** of the company do you work in?

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, moil, donkeywork

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

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

solid

adj. hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

synonym : stable, reliable, hard

(1) **solid** ally, (2) **solid** employment measures

The **solid-state** of water is called ice.

philosophy

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

synonym : doctrine, attitude, creed

(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**
Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

constrain

v. to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something

synonym : restrict, limit, confine

(1) **constrain** his freedom, (2) **constrain** information flow
The political situation **constrained** the country's economic growth and foreign relations.

captain

n. the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft

synonym : boss, director, leader

(1) the **captain** of an opposing team, (2) **captain** of industry
The **captain** ordered the troops to fire.

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.

disk

n. a flat, circular plate, typically made of metal, glass, or plastic, used for storing data or playing music

synonym : record, platter, plate

(1) **disk** drive, (2) **disk** space
The computer's hard **disk** was full, so she had to delete some files.

ancestor

n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather

synonym : forebear, forefather, progenitor

(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**
My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.

whiskey

n. a type of distilled alcoholic beverage made from fermented grains, typically barley, corn, rye, or wheat, aged in barrels and often consumed straight or with mixers

synonym : bourbon, scotch, rye

(1) bootleg **whiskey**, (2) **whiskey** barrel

I enjoy a glass of **whiskey** on the rocks after a long day.

ceremonial

adj. of or relating to a ceremony (= a formal event performed on a special occasion) or ritual, especially a formal or elaborate one

synonym : ritual, formal, solemn

(1) wear a **ceremonial** dress, (2) **ceremonial** speech

The wedding was a grand **ceremonial** occasion with many traditional elements.

military

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

synonym : armed, martial, warlike

(1) a **military** operation, (2) a **military** leader

The **military** academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

warfare

n. the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives

synonym : combat, fighting, conflict

(1) **warfare** aircraft, (2) spiritual **warfare**

The country has been engaged in a prolonged conflict, with both sides using modern **warfare** tactics.

tomb

n. a large stone structure or underground chamber in which the dead are buried

synonym : grave, burial site, mausoleum

(1) bury in **tomb**, (2) the ancient **tomb**

The **tomb** of the unknown soldier honored the bravery and sacrifice of those who lost their lives in battle.

stool

n. a seat without a back or arms, typically used by one person; a piece of furniture with a flat top supported by one or more legs, used for working at or eating from; a piece of feces excreted from the body

synonym : seat, chair, feces

(1) **stool** seat, (2) **stool** analysis

The doctor asked me to provide a **stool** sample for testing.

royal

adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

synonym : imperial, noble, aristocratic

(1) a **royal** palace, (2) prince **royal**

She is willing to give up her position in the **royal** family to marry him.

ancestral

adj. related to or connected with members of your family from the past

synonym : hereditary, inherited, patrimonial

(1) an **ancestral** graveyard, (2) **ancestral** roots

The **ancestral** home has been in the family for generations.

temple

n. a place of worship, especially one that is associated with a particular religion or faith; the flat area on either side of the forehead

synonym : shrine, mosque, synagogue

(1) **temple** complex, (2) a tour guide at the **temple**

He visited the **temple** to pray and make offerings to the gods.

cult

n. a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

synonym : sect, faith, religion

(1) **cult** members, (2) **cult's** practices

The **cult** leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

conscious

adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

synonym : aware, cognizant, deliberate

(1) **conscious** effort, (2) **conscious** of having succeeded

He became **conscious** that he was being followed.

separate

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

synonym : disunite, isolate, ramify

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

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

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.

crop

n. a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

synonym : output, produce, product

(1) **crop** field, (2) **crop** herbicide

Sow early for an early **crop**.

appeal

n. a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest

synonym : request, charm, attraction

(1) draw out your **appeal**, (2) an **appeal** for help

He needed to resolve the problem as soon as possible, so he made an **appeal** directly.

entity

n. something that exists independently and has its own identity

synonym : body, object, existent

(1) legal **entity**, (2) government **entity**

A company is a distinct legal **entity**.

mere

adj. used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

synonym : bare, minor, sheer

(1) **mere** acquaintance, (2) **mere** incident

He lost the election by **mere** votes.

curiosity

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something

synonym : interest, inquisitiveness, novelty

(1) boundless **curiosity**, (2) satisfy my intellectual **curiosity**

We are motivated by **curiosity** rather than necessity.

privilege

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

synonym : benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership

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

throne

n. a chair or seat of state for a monarch or other high-ranking person; the position of being a king or queen

synonym : seat, throne, chair

(1) abdicate the **throne**, (2) imperial **throne**

The king sat on his **throne**, surveying his kingdom.

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.

nevertheless

adv. in spite of that; yet

synonym : nonetheless, yet, still

(1) keep working **nevertheless**, (2) **nevertheless**, she persevered

She was tired and hungry, but **nevertheless**, she persevered.

ceremony

n. a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn
synonym: ritual, rite, observance

(1) **ceremony** hall, (2) **ceremony** location

The wedding **ceremony** was a beautiful and emotional event.

pray

v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
synonym: implore, supplicate, entreat

(1) **pray** devoutly, (2) **pray** for rain

She closed her eyes and **prayed** for strength to overcome difficult times.

generic

adj. not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product
synonym: common, ordinary, typical

(1) a **generic** product, (2) **generic** version

The **generic** aspirin brand was just as effective as the name brand but much cheaper.

groom

v. to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat; (noun, also "bridegroom") a man who is about to be married or has recently been married

synonym: brush, comb, neaten

(1) **groom** duties, (2) **groom** a horse

I need to **groom** my dog before his fur gets too long.

figurative

adj. using figures of speech, especially metaphors, to create a special effect; not literal

synonym: metaphorical, symbolic, allegorical

(1) in a **figurative** sense, (2) **figurative** painting

When he said he was starving to death, it was a **figurative** way of saying he was very hungry.

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.

fellow

adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

synonym : buddy, mate, affiliate

(1) junior **fellow**, (2) nice **fellow**

He is the kind of **fellow** who only works for his success.

occupy

v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time

synonym : inhabit, settle, populate

(1) **occupy** his time, (2) **occupy** a position

The young prince will soon **occupy** the throne.

vast

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

synonym : expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

Session 2: Spelling

1. gr__m a horse
v. to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat; (noun, also "bridegroom") a man who is about to be married or has recently been married
2. st__l seat
n. a seat without a back or arms, typically used by one person; a piece of furniture with a flat top supported by one or more legs, used for working at or eating from; a piece of feces excreted from the body
3. pr_____ge of membership
n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
4. a selfish de_____on
n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
5. cou_____ive behavior
adj. contrary to what common sense would suggest
6. di_____ee about a particular issue
v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
7. marine ge_____st
n. a scientist or specialist who studies geology
8. co_____t mainly of cells
v. to be composed or made up of

ANSWERS: 1. groom, 2. stool, 3. privilege, 4. decision, 5. counterintuitive, 6. disagree, 7. geologist, 8. consist

9. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
10. pr____ve my strength *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
11. false cl__m *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
12. political cr__d *n.* a system of beliefs or principles
13. act of inf____ty *n.* the quality or state of being unfaithful, especially having sex with someone who is not your partner
14. attempt to pe____de *v.* to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion
15. job pr____cts *n.* the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
16. face inc____gly complicated challenges *adv.* more and more

ANSWERS: 9. vast, 10. preserve, 11. claim, 12. creed, 13. infidelity, 14. persuade, 15. prospect, 16. increasingly

17. te___e complex *n.* a place of worship, especially one that is associated with a particular religion or faith; the flat area on either side of the forehead
18. cr_____l information *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
19. fig_____ve painting *adj.* using figures of speech, especially metaphors, to create a special effect; not literal
20. e__l ways *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
21. pre_____ous price *adj.* absurd, ridiculous, or contrary to reason or common sense
22. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
23. d__k drive *n.* a flat, circular plate, typically made of metal, glass, or plastic, used for storing data or playing music
24. son of a ra__i *n.* a Jewish religious leader or a Jewish scholar or teacher
25. ex_____e a newcomer *v.* to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity
26. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
27. c__t's practices *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

ANSWERS: 17. temple, 18. crucial, 19. figurative, 20. evil, 21. preposterous, 22. assume, 23. disk, 24. rabbi, 25. exclude, 26. statistics, 27. cult

28. historical no__l *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
29. oc___y a position *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
30. government en___y *n.* something that exists independently and has its own identity
31. st__l analysis *n.* a seat without a back or arms, typically used by one person; a piece of furniture with a flat top supported by one or more legs, used for working at or eating from; a piece of feces excreted from the body
32. an ap___l for help *n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
33. satisfy my intellectual cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
34. is_____e a patient *v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things
35. a breach of pr_____ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
36. the fr__e of the policy *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

ANSWERS: 28. novel, 29. occupy, 30. entity, 31. stool, 32. appeal, 33. curiosity, 34. isolate, 35. privilege, 36. frame

37. past mil_____um *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
38. traditional an_____m *n.* the belief that objects, places, and creatures possess a spiritual essence or soul; a belief system that emphasizes the interconnectedness of all living things and the natural world
39. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
40. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
41. ca_____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
42. pu_____ed biography *adj.* claimed or alleged, usually without proof or confirmation; rumored or supposed; asserted but not verified or substantiated
43. sp_____ic instructions *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
44. imperial th___e *n.* a chair or seat of state for a monarch or other high-ranking person; the position of being a king or queen

ANSWERS: 37. millennium, 38. animism, 39. tradition, 40. debate, 41. capture, 42. purported, 43. specific, 44. throne

45. co____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
46. draw out your ap____l *n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
47. 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
48. ex____e all other possibilities *v.* to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity
49. re____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
50. m__e incident *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
51. a tour guide at the te____e *n.* a place of worship, especially one that is associated with a particular religion or faith; the flat area on either side of the forehead
52. phi____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
53. the biggest tree in ex____ce *n.* the state or fact of someone or something existing
54. c__p field *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

ANSWERS: 45. conclude, 46. appeal, 47. sacrifice, 48. exclude, 49. religion, 50. mere, 51. temple, 52. philosophy, 53. existence, 54. crop

55. se____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
56. no__l effect *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
57. the ca____n of an opposing team *n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft
58. a ro__l palace *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
59. an ind_____nt glance *adj.* having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral
60. st____le to get the job *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
61. p__y devoutly *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
62. di____ee with a plan *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
63. a precise def_____on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
64. enrich my in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
65. mo____n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times

ANSWERS: 55. separate, 56. novel, 57. captain, 58. royal, 59. indifferent, 60. struggle, 61. pray, 62. disagree, 63. definition, 64. intellect, 65. modern

66. a picture fr__e *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
67. sp____y an option *v.* to explain or state something clearly and exactly
68. a ge____c product *adj.* not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product
69. wa____e aircraft *n.* the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives
70. cr__d of faith *n.* a system of beliefs or principles
71. the city's communal ra__i *n.* a Jewish religious leader or a Jewish scholar or teacher
72. the in____al economy *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
73. so__d ally *adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality
74. c__t members *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
75. the ancient t__b *n.* a large stone structure or underground chamber in which the dead are buried
76. chart su____le *n.* a secondary title or alternate title that is displayed below the primary title often used to provide additional information or translation for a movie or video; a text that appears at the bottom of a movie, TV show, or video to provide a written translation or transcription of the spoken dialogue in another language

ANSWERS: 66. frame, 67. specify, 68. generic, 69. warfare, 70. creed, 71. rabbi, 72. internal, 73. solid, 74. cult, 75. tomb, 76. subtitle

77. in_____al organs *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
78. 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
79. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
80. as_____e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
81. boundless cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
82. have a ne_____ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
83. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
84. ca_____n of industry *n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft
85. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
86. 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
87. con_____us debate *adj.* likely to cause people to disagree and argue; liking to argue

ANSWERS: 77. internal, 78. develop, 79. obvious, 80. assume, 81. curiosity, 82. negative, 83. relation, 84. captain, 85. separate, 86. struggle, 87. contentious

88. earliest human an____or
n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
89. so__d employment measures
adj. hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality
90. a cr____l issue for women
adj. extremely vital or necessary
91. do on a con_____nt basis
adj. always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
92. pre-mo___n agricultural society
adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
93. co_____t only in knowing facts
v. to be composed or made up of
94. an of_____ve smell
adj. rude in a way that causes someone to feel anger, annoyance, or resentment; for the purpose of attack rather than defense
95. the def_____on of a word
n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
96. in the Book of Ge_____s
n. the origin or beginning of something; the first book of the biblical scriptures of both Judaism and Christianity, describing the creation of the Earth and humankind
97. co_____in his freedom
v. to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
98. an indomitable sp____t
n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

ANSWERS: 88. ancestor, 89. solid, 90. crucial, 91. consistent, 92. modern, 93. consist, 94. offensive, 95. definition, 96. genesis, 97. constrain, 98. spirit

99. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
100. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
101. the ge_____s of civilization *n.* the origin or beginning of something; the first book of the biblical scriptures of both Judaism and Christianity, describing the creation of the Earth and humankind
102. cultural pa_____gm *n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
103. pr_____ve society *adj.* of or relating to an early stage of society with no industry or technological development; simple, naive, or old-fashioned in style
104. bureau of ge_____y *n.* a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks
105. sense of mo_____ty *n.* principles of right and evil or good and bad behavior
106. gr__m duties *v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat; (noun, also "bridegroom") a man who is about to be married or has recently been married
107. sa_____y a user's needs *v.* to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need

ANSWERS: 99. vast, 100. statistics, 101. genesis, 102. paradigm, 103. primitive, 104. geology, 105. morality, 106. groom, 107. satisfy

108. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
109. nev_____ess, she persevered *adv.* in spite of that; yet
110. a television ad____t for the product *v.* an advertisement; (verb) to make reference to something in speaking or writing
111. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
112. la_____y mitigate the issue *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
113. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
114. is_____e a compound *v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things
115. con_____us subject *adj.* likely to cause people to disagree and argue; liking to argue
116. keep working nev_____ess *adv.* in spite of that; yet
117. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
118. si_____ly situated *adv.* in almost the same way

ANSWERS: 108. involve, 109. nevertheless, 110. advert, 111. discovery, 112. largely, 113. background, 114. isolate, 115. contentious, 116. nevertheless, 117. construct, 118. similarly

119. at_____ic approach *adj.* pertaining to or characterized by atheism, which is the belief or doctrine that there is no God or higher power
120. d__k space *n.* a flat, circular plate, typically made of metal, glass, or plastic, used for storing data or playing music
121. get con_____nt results *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
122. dif_____ty in breathing *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
123. the main pu_____t of his speech *v.* to claim or suggest that something is true or has a particular character or quality; (noun) the intended meaning of a communication
124. im__y a strong correlation *v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
125. pr_____d with caution *v.* to move forward or to continue with a process or action; to advance or progress
126. bury in t__b *n.* a large stone structure or underground chamber in which the dead are buried
127. assume the of_____ve *adj.* rude in a way that causes someone to feel anger, annoyance, or resentment; for the purpose of attack rather than defense
128. spiritual wa_____e *n.* the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives
129. cr__e manners *adj.* being in an unrefined or natural state; (noun) the unprocessed form of oil

ANSWERS: 119. atheistic, 120. disk, 121. consistent, 122. difficulty, 123. purport, 124. imply, 125. proceed, 126. tomb, 127. offensive, 128. warfare, 129. crude

130. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
131. a ne_____ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
132. the degree of dif_____ty *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
133. full page ad____t *v.* an advertisement; (verb) to make reference to something in speaking or writing
134. pu_____ed evidence *adj.* claimed or alleged, usually without proof or confirmation; rumored or supposed; asserted but not verified or substantiated
135. wear a cer_____al dress *adj.* of or relating to a ceremony (= a formal event performed on a special occasion) or ritual, especially a formal or elaborate one
136. a flattering re____k *n.* a comment or observation, or something said or written about a particular subject or situation; (verb) to give a spoken statement on a particular subject or situation
137. cl__m responsibility *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
138. sa_____y a desire *v.* to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need

ANSWERS: 130. government, 131. negative, 132. difficulty, 133. advert, 134. purported, 135. ceremonial, 136. remark, 137. claim, 138. satisfy

139. nice fe___w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
140. im___y the presence of alien *v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
141. co_____in information flow *v.* to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
142. re___k dripping with bitterness *n.* a comment or observation, or something said or written about a particular subject or situation; (verb) to give a spoken statement on a particular subject or situation
143. re___r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
144. br___h office *n.* a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization
145. ro_____y speaking *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
146. have si_____ly great abilities *adv.* in almost the same way
147. online dic_____ry *n.* a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation
148. 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

ANSWERS: 139. fellow, 140. imply, 141. constrain, 142. remark, 143. refer, 144. branch, 145. roughly, 146. similarly, 147. dictionary, 148. develop

149. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
150. at_____ic beliefs *adj.* pertaining to or characterized by atheism, which is the belief or doctrine that there is no God or higher power
151. Je____h culture *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
152. in a fig_____ve sense *adj.* using figures of speech, especially metaphors, to create a special effect; not literal
153. 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
154. learn new co_____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
155. pe_____de enough people *v.* to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion
156. an_____m practices *n.* the belief that objects, places, and creatures possess a spiritual essence or soul; a belief system that emphasizes the interconnectedness of all living things and the natural world
157. dic_____ry definition *n.* a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation

ANSWERS: 149. decision, 150. atheistic, 151. Jewish, 152. figurative, 153. labor, 154. concept, 155. persuade, 156. animism, 157. dictionary

158. planetary ge_____st *n.* a scientist or specialist who studies geology
159. a blazing ar_____nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
160. major pa_____gm shift *n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
161. at_____t community *n.* a person who denies or disbelieves the existence of a deity or deities
162. igneous t__f *adj.* (an informal variant spelling of "tough") resilient, durable, or strong; having a rough or rugged appearance; (noun, of geology) a type of rock that's made up of volcanic ash ejected from a vent during a volcanic eruption
163. di_____on chief *n.* the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector
164. human in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
165. a mi_____ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
166. 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

ANSWERS: 158. geologist, 159. argument, 160. paradigm, 161. atheist, 162. tuff, 163. division, 164. intellect, 165. military, 166. sacrifice

167. business mo____ty *n.* principles of right and evil or good and bad behavior
168. in____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
169. a mi____ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
170. industry-sp____ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
171. the ar____nt against capital punishment *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
172. cellular di____on *n.* the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector
173. a criminal bac____nd *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
174. pr____ve a country's heritage *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
175. cer____al speech *adj.* of or relating to a ceremony (= a formal event performed on a special occasion) or ritual, especially a formal or elaborate one

ANSWERS: 167. morality, 168. involve, 169. military, 170. specific, 171. argument, 172. division, 173. background, 174. preserve, 175. ceremonial

176. pr____d to the next step *v.* to move forward or to continue with a process or action; to advance or progress
177. before Ch____t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
178. the struggle for ex____ce *n.* the state or fact of someone or something existing
179. 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
180. m__e acquaintance *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
181. hi____ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
182. co____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
183. co____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
184. ro____y explain my idea *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
185. c__p herbicide *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

ANSWERS: 176. proceed, 177. Christ, 178. existence, 179. chase, 180. mere, 181. historic, 182. concept, 183. construct, 184. roughly, 185. crop

186. ch__e a dream
187. gov_____nt bureaucracy
188. an an_____al graveyard
189. achieve the hi_____ic feat
190. abdicate the th____e
191. foreign-language su_____le
192. t__f fabric
- 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
- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
- adj.* related to or connected with members of your family from the past
- adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
- n.* a chair or seat of state for a monarch or other high-ranking person; the position of being a king or queen
- n.* a secondary title or alternate title that is displayed below the primary title often used to provide additional information or translation for a movie or video; a text that appears at the bottom of a movie, TV show, or video to provide a written translation or transcription of the spoken dialogue in another language
- adj.* (an informal variant spelling of "tough") resilient, durable, or strong; having a rough or rugged appearance; (noun, of geology) a type of rock that's made up of volcanic ash ejected from a vent during a volcanic eruption

ANSWERS: 186. chase, 187. government, 188. ancestral, 189. historic, 190. throne, 191. subtitle, 192. tuff

193. 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
194. sp____t and the letter of the law
n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
195. alleged inf____ty
n. the quality or state of being unfaithful, especially having sex with someone who is not your partner
196. a charm against e__l
adj. profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
197. prince ro__l
adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
198. ant____ogy of religion
n. the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
199. oc____y his time
v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
200. an____al roots
adj. related to or connected with members of your family from the past
201. a scientific di____ry
n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 193. balance, 194. spirit, 195. infidelity, 196. evil, 197. royal, 198. anthropology, 199. occupy, 200. ancestral, 201. discovery

202. pu_____t to answer the question *v.* to claim or suggest that something is true or has a particular character or quality; (noun) the intended meaning of a communication
203. ge_____c version *adj.* not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product
204. sp_____y a cause *v.* to explain or state something clearly and exactly
205. constant sp_____al striving *adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
206. pr_____ct for gold *n.* the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
207. at_____t belief *n.* a person who denies or disbelieves the existence of a deity or deities
208. a br____h pipe *n.* a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization
209. bootleg wh_____y *n.* a type of distilled alcoholic beverage made from fermented grains, typically barley, corn, rye, or wheat, aged in barrels and often consumed straight or with mixers
210. an_____or language *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather

ANSWERS: 202. purport, 203. generic, 204. specify, 205. spiritual, 206. prospect, 207. atheist, 208. branch, 209. whiskey, 210. ancestor

211. be___g to a group *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
212. mil_____um bottle of wine *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
213. western phi_____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
214. p__y for rain *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
215. wh_____y barrel *n.* a type of distilled alcoholic beverage made from fermented grains, typically barley, corn, rye, or wheat, aged in barrels and often consumed straight or with mixers
216. legal en____y *n.* something that exists independently and has its own identity
217. teaching of Ch____t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
218. ca_____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
219. re__r to a map *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

ANSWERS: 211. belong, 212. millennium, 213. philosophy, 214. pray, 215. whiskey, 216. entity, 217. Christ, 218. capture, 219. refer

220. be___g to different species *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
221. pro_____ng in bankruptcy *n.* an event or series of events that happen as part of a larger process or action; an official record of legal or administrative action or meeting
222. co_____us of having succeeded *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
223. Je___h history *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
224. ce_____ny location *n.* a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn
225. price of cr__e oil *adj.* being in an unrefined or natural state; (noun) the unprocessed form of oil
226. 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
227. ess_____ly correct *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
228. sp_____al leader *adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
229. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
230. co_____de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
231. la_____y accepted *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree

ANSWERS: 220. belong, 221. proceeding, 222. conscious, 223. Jewish, 224. ceremony, 225. crude, 226. balance, 227. essentially, 228. spiritual, 229. religion, 230. conclude, 231. largely

232. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
233. artifact of a pr_____ve humankind *adj.* of or relating to an early stage of society with no industry or technological development; simple, naive, or old-fashioned in style
234. junior fe___w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
235. 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
236. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
237. cou_____ive results *adj.* contrary to what common sense would suggest
238. become ess_____ly same *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
239. emotionally ind_____nt *adj.* having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral
240. ce_____ny hall *n.* a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn
241. inc_____gly become common *adv.* more and more

ANSWERS: 232. tradition, 233. primitive, 234. fellow, 235. labor, 236. relation, 237. counterintuitive, 238. essentially, 239. indifferent, 240. ceremony, 241. increasingly

242. pre_____ous claim *adj.* absurd, ridiculous, or contrary to reason or common sense
243. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
244. social ant_____ogy *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
245. co_____us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
246. local ge_____y *n.* a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks
247. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

ANSWERS: 242. preposterous, 243. obvious, 244. anthropology, 245. conscious, 246. geology, 247. debate

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Make sure to turn on _____ so you can understand the foreign film.
 - n.* a secondary title or alternate title that is displayed below the primary title often used to provide additional information or translation for a movie or video; a text that appears at the bottom of a movie, TV show, or video to provide a written translation or transcription of the spoken dialogue in another language

2. Our company took out a big _____ next to the highway.
 - v.* an advertisement; (verb) to make reference to something in speaking or writing

3. His _____ philosophy in business led to many hostile takeovers.
 - adj.* rude in a way that causes someone to feel anger, annoyance, or resentment; for the purpose of attack rather than defense

4. She was an _____ without any belief in a higher power.
 - n.* a person who denies or disbelieves the existence of a deity or deities

5. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.
 - n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

6. She closed her eyes and _____ for strength to overcome difficult times.
 - v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

7. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
 - v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

ANSWERS: 1. subtitles, 2. advert, 3. offensive, 4. atheist, 5. debate, 6. prayed, 7. constructs

8. 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
9. The hiker climbed the _____ hill with great difficulty.
adj. (an informal variant spelling of "tough") resilient, durable, or strong; having a rough or rugged appearance; (noun, of geology) a type of rock that's made up of volcanic ash ejected from a vent during a volcanic eruption
10. The computer's hard _____ was full, so she had to delete some files.
n. a flat, circular plate, typically made of metal, glass, or plastic, used for storing data or playing music
11. My remote _____ immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.
n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
12. He wants to _____ ownership of the abandoned property.
v. to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
13. The politician's remarks became the _____ of the clash between the two countries.
n. the origin or beginning of something; the first book of the biblical scriptures of both Judaism and Christianity, describing the creation of the Earth and humankind
14. The wedding was a grand _____ occasion with many traditional elements.
adj. of or relating to a ceremony (= a formal event performed on a special occasion) or ritual, especially a formal or elaborate one

ANSWERS: 8. definition, 9. tuff, 10. disk, 11. ancestor, 12. claim, 13. genesis, 14. ceremonial

15. The detective looked for fingerprints on the window _____.
- n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
16. _____ is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.
- n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
17. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.
- n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
18. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great _____.
- n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
19. The _____ of the unknown soldier honored the bravery and sacrifice of those who lost their lives in battle.
- n.* a large stone structure or underground chamber in which the dead are buried
20. She is willing to give up her position in the _____ family to marry him.
- adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
21. You are not _____ in your behavior.
- adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
22. The _____ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.
- adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

ANSWERS: 15. frame, 16. Christmas, 17. intellect, 18. spirit, 19. tomb, 20. royal, 21. consistent, 22. military

23. We are motivated by _____ rather than necessity.

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something

24. The movie has received almost universally _____ criticism.

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

25. The chief _____ chanted a prayer.

n. a Jewish religious leader or a Jewish scholar or teacher

26. The political situation _____ the country's economic growth and foreign relations.

v. to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something

27. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

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

28. The doctor asked me to provide a _____ sample for testing.

n. a seat without a back or arms, typically used by one person; a piece of furniture with a flat top supported by one or more legs, used for working at or eating from; a piece of feces excreted from the body

29. The belief that objects have spirits is a central tenet of _____.

n. the belief that objects, places, and creatures possess a spiritual essence or soul; a belief system that emphasizes the interconnectedness of all living things and the natural world

30. He was a visiting _____ professor at the University of Tokyo.

n. a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks

ANSWERS: 23. curiosity, 24. negative, 25. rabbi, 26. constrained, 27. religion, 28. stool, 29. animism, 30. geology

31. 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
32. Our world is in the third _____.
- n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
33. The idea that aliens built the pyramids is _____.
- adj.* absurd, ridiculous, or contrary to reason or common sense
34. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
35. The author's _____ views were evident in her writing, where she denounced the existence of a higher power.
- adj.* pertaining to or characterized by atheism, which is the belief or doctrine that there is no God or higher power
36. He has _____ exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.
- n.* a condition or state that causes problems
37. She found fault with the _____ of politicians.
- n.* principles of right and evil or good and bad behavior
38. The country has been engaged in a prolonged conflict, with both sides using modern _____ tactics.
- n.* the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives

ANSWERS: 31. labor, 32. millennium, 33. preposterous, 34. assumes, 35. atheistic, 36. difficulty, 37. morality, 38. warfare

39. 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
40. 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
41. The _____ of starting a new business can be both exciting and daunting.
n. the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
42. He lost the election by _____ votes.
adj. used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
43. The _____ aspirin brand was just as effective as the name brand but much cheaper.
adj. not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product
44. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
45. Five miles is _____ similar to eight kilometers.
adv. approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
46. The legal _____ took several months to conclude.
n. an event or series of events that happen as part of a larger process or action; an official record of legal or administrative action or meeting

ANSWERS: 39. government, 40. sacrifice, 41. prospect, 42. mere, 43. generic, 44. relations, 45. roughly, 46. proceeding

47. All the books in this section _____ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.
- v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
48. The revitalization of technology companies is _____ to the country's growth.
- adj. extremely vital or necessary
49. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
- adj. easy to see, discover or understand
50. The _____ has largely gotten positive feedback.
- n. an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
51. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
52. The scientist conducted a study that provided _____ details about the species' behavior.
- adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
53. There are many _____ issues in claiming a patent.
- adj. likely to cause people to disagree and argue; liking to argue
54. The document _____ to have been signed by the president, but the signature is a forgery.
- v. to claim or suggest that something is true or has a particular character or quality; (noun) the intended meaning of a communication

ANSWERS: 47. belong, 48. crucial, 49. obvious, 50. novel, 51. statistics, 52. specific, 53. contentious, 54. purports

55. He postulated a completely different _____ to explain all these phenomena.
n. a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
56. I _____ for reasons already stated above.
v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
57. The young prince will soon _____ the throne.
v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
58. Did this response _____ your request?
v. to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need
59. The _____ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.
n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory;
a verbal or physical fight or dispute
60. He became _____ that he was being followed.
adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
61. The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve _____
disputes.
adj. of or relating to the inside of something
62. The _____ ordered the troops to fire.
n. the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft
63. _____ a society is an organism.
adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

ANSWERS: 55. paradigm, 56. disagree, 57. occupy, 58. satisfy, 59. argument, 60. conscious, 61. internal, 62. captain, 63. Essentially,

64. He needed to resolve the problem as soon as possible, so he made an _____ directly.
- n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
65. Corruption is an _____ act for any reason.
- adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
66. They worked hard to _____ the nature of their native lands.
- v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
67. The areas of _____ and psychology are significantly related to one another.
- n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
68. She forgave him for his _____.
- n.* the quality or state of being unfaithful, especially having sex with someone who is not your partner
69. My friend is a _____ woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.
- adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
70. The salespeople speak in technical terms to _____ that they are more knowledgeable than the customer.
- v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it

ANSWERS: 64. appeal, 65. evil, 66. preserve, 67. anthropology, 68. infidelity, 69. Jewish, 70. imply

71. She tried to _____ her brother to join her on the trip, but he was too busy with work.
- v. to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion
72. 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
73. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.
- adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
74. The industry in this country is still _____.
- adj. of or relating to an early stage of society with no industry or technological development; simple, naive, or old-fashioned in style
75. His candid _____ at the meeting sparked a lively discussion among the attendees.
- n. a comment or observation, or something said or written about a particular subject or situation; (verb) to give a spoken statement on a particular subject or situation
76. 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
77. 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

ANSWERS: 71. persuade, 72. involves, 73. modern, 74. primitive, 75. remark, 76. balance, 77. chased

78. The king sat on his _____ surveying his kingdom.

n. a chair or seat of state for a monarch or other high-ranking person; the position of being a king or queen

79. The _____ nature of quantum physics has been a source of confusion for scientists for decades.

adj. contrary to what common sense would suggest

80. The _____ benefits of the new product were not supported by research.

adj. claimed or alleged, usually without proof or confirmation; rumored or supposed; asserted but not verified or substantiated

81. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

82. He visited the _____ to pray and make offerings to the gods.

n. a place of worship, especially one that is associated with a particular religion or faith; the flat area on either side of the forehead

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

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

84. The meditation class was focused on finding inner peace and cultivating a more _____ connection with the universe.

adj. relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things

85. 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: 78. throne, 79. counterintuitive, 80. purported, 81. concept, 82. temple, 83. decision, 84. spiritual, 85. develop

86. We can now _____ with the next item on our agenda.

v. to move forward or to continue with a process or action; to advance or progress

87. These issues baffled _____ for many years.

n. a scientist or specialist who studies geology

88. Ethics is a branch of _____.

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

89. The _____ leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

n. a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

90. A company is a distinct legal _____.

n. something that exists independently and has its own identity

91. Nevada is _____ a desert state.

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

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

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

93. Our company found it _____ difficult to keep up with the competition.

adv. more and more

ANSWERS: 86. proceed, 87. geologists, 88. philosophy, 89. cult, 90. entity, 91. largely, 92. separate, 93. increasingly

94. I need to purchase a new English _____.
- n.* a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation
95. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
- n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
96. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.
- n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
97. He is the kind of _____ who only works for his success.
- adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
98. I need to _____ my dog before his fur gets too long.
- v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat; (noun, also "bridegroom") a man who is about to be married or has recently been married
99. The _____ of the organization emphasized hard work and dedication.
- n.* a system of beliefs or principles
100. We _____ a cease-fire.
- v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

ANSWERS: 94. dictionary, 95. tradition, 96. privilege, 97. fellow, 98. groom, 99. creed, 100. concluded

101. This examination _____ of five problems to solve.

v. to be composed or made up of

102. I was able to _____ the moment on film.

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

103. His _____ jokes made her angry.

adj. being in an unrefined or natural state; (noun) the unprocessed form of oil

104. Sow early for an early _____.

n. a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

105. You should not _____ them from the community.

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

106. The _____ of the tree had fallen and blocked the road.

n. a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization

107. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

108. The wedding _____ was a beautiful and emotional event.

n. a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn

109. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

ANSWERS: 101. consists, 102. capture, 103. crude, 104. crop, 105. isolate, 106. branch, 107. vast, 108. ceremony, 109. historic

110. He was an atheist and therefore did not believe in the _____ of heaven or hell.

n. the state or fact of someone or something existing

111. Which _____ of the company do you work in?

n. the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector

112. The cost for the trip _____ food and beverages.

v. to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity

113. Her research team made an important _____.

n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

114. We argue that wages for temporary workers should _____ rise.

adv. in almost the same way

115. The _____ of water is called ice.

adj. hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

116. Despite the good news, she remained _____ to the situation.

adj. having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral

117. The _____ home has been in the family for generations.

adj. related to or connected with members of your family from the past

118. 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

ANSWERS: 110. existence, 111. division, 112. excludes, 113. discovery, 114. similarly, 115. solid-state, 116. indifferent, 117. ancestral, 118. struggle

119. You can _____ the font color by clicking the Color tab.

v. to explain or state something clearly and exactly

120. Please _____ to the instruction manual for further assistance.

v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

121. I enjoy a glass of _____ on the rocks after a long day.

n. a type of distilled alcoholic beverage made from fermented grains, typically barley, corn, rye, or wheat, aged in barrels and often consumed straight or with mixers

122. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's _____.

n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

123. She was tired and hungry, but _____ she persevered.

adv. in spite of that; yet

124. When he said he was starving to death, it was a _____ way of saying he was very hungry.

adj. using figures of speech, especially metaphors, to create a special effect; not literal

ANSWERS: 119. specify, 120. refer, 121. whiskey, 122. background, 123. nevertheless, 124. figurative