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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### fortunate

*adj.* having good luck or lucky

*synonym* : fortuitous, lucky, blessed

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

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

### 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.

### retrospective

*adj.* looking back on or dealing with past events or situations, particularly those that are considered important or influential; an exhibition or showing of a particular artist's work, covering an extended period of time

*synonym* : backward-looking, reflective, nostalgic

(1) **retrospective** review, (2) **retrospective** study

The **retrospective** exhibition featured some of the artist's earliest works.

### curator

*n.* a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.

*synonym* : conservator, custodian, administrator

(1) **curator** of a library, (2) interim **curator**

The museum **curator** conserved the ancient manuscripts.

- lifetime** *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;  
*synonym* : lifespan, duration  
(1) **lifetime** benefits, (2) **lifetime** ban from the sport  
She had lived through two world wars in her **lifetime**.
- motif** *n.* a recurring element in an artistic or literary work,  
typically a particular image or idea; a theme that is  
repeated or elaborated in a piece of music  
*synonym* : theme, pattern, design  
(1) animal **motif**, (2) the **motif** of a music piece  
The repeating floral **motif** in the wallpaper added a touch of  
elegance to the room.
- trash** *n.* discarded material, refuse, or waste  
*synonym* : garbage, waste, refuse  
(1) **trash** bin, (2) **trash** disposal site  
The city is taking measures to reduce the amount of **trash** in  
the streets.
- studio** *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is  
produced; a television or radio production company  
*synonym* : workshop, atelier, room  
(1) a photo **studio**, (2) music **studio**  
She works at a recording **studio** in Los Angeles.
- creative** *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and  
unusual ideas to create something  
*synonym* : imaginative, innovative, inventive  
(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit  
All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his  
subordinates more **creative**.
- celebrate** *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with  
a social gathering or enjoyable activity  
*synonym* : praise, glorify, honor  
(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas

He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

## mastery

*n.* complete control or power of something to dominate or defeat; great skill or knowledge in a particular subject or activity

*synonym* : proficiency, aptitude, domination

(1) **mastery** of mathematics, (2) strive for **mastery**

The country finally gained **mastery** over the whole land of its neighbors.

## convert

*v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action

*synonym* : alter, remake, transform

(1) **convert** fat into energy, (2) **convert** base 10 to base 16

I want to **convert** my sadness into strength.

## varsity

*n.* a team representing a college or university in sports, typically composed of the best players

*synonym* : team, squad, first-string

(1) a **varsity** player, (2) **varsity** sport

Jane made the **varsity** team and was thrilled to compete at the highest level.

## archer

*n.* a person who shoots with a bow and arrow; a soldier equipped with a bow and arrows

*synonym* : Bowman, marksman, shooter

(1) **archer's** bow, (2) skilled **archer**

The **archer's** aim was so accurate he could hit a moving target without fail.

## tip

*n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services

*synonym* : edge, advice, gratuity

(1) the **tip** of a paintbrush, (2) give the waiter a **tip** .

I will introduce some **tips** on learning English in this class.

## athletics

*n.* the physical activities or sports that involve physical exertion and competition, such as running, jumping, throwing, or walking

*synonym* : sports, physical activity, exercise

(1) high school **athletics**, (2) professional **athletics**

She excelled in **athletics** during high school and went on to compete at the collegiate level.

## complexity

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

*synonym* : intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

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

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

## paradox

*n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;

*synonym* : incongruity, dichotomy, contradiction

(1) French **paradox**, (2) the **paradox** of the heap

There are many theories to explain this **paradox**.

## aim

*v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something

*synonym* : aspire, direct, target

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

We **aim** for an overseas expansion.

## slightly

*adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little

*synonym* : barely, narrowly, scarcely

(1) increase **slightly**, (2) **slightly** alkaline soils

He moved his body **slightly** to the left.

## skew

*v.* to turn or place at an angle; to make biased or distorted with the result that it is not accurate, fair, normal, etc.

*synonym* : slant, tilt, distort

(1) **skew** the message, (2) **skew** social values

The results of the poll are **skewed** because it only surveyed a small group of people.

## relax

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

*synonym* : soften, comfort, soothe

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

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

## cone

*n.* a geometric shape that tapers to a point at one end and has a circular base at the other end

(1) traffic **cone**, (2) ice cream **cone**

**Cone-shaped** cells in the eye's retina are responsible for color vision and visual acuity.

## arrow

*n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow

*synonym* : shaft, dart, projectile

(1) **arrow** pointing, (2) **arrow** diagram

The archer aimed his **arrow** carefully at the target.

## fletch

*v.* to attach feathers to an arrow or a dart to stabilize its flight; to decorate or embellish with feathers

*synonym* : feather, arrow, shaft

(1) **fletch** a dart, (2) **fletch** with feathers

He carefully **fletched** each arrow before heading out for his archery competition.

## turf

*n.* a layer of grass and soil covering a particular area of land, especially used as a playing surface in sports or as a lawn

*synonym* : territory, ground, land

(1) artificial **turf**, (2) **turf** battle

The soccer players fought for control of the **turf** during the game.

## degree

*n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

*synonym* : level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

## distance

*n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance

*synonym* : space, gap, span

(1) driving **distance**, (2) social **distance**

The marathon runner covered a long **distance** in a short amount of time.

## matchstick

*n.* a small, thin stick made of wood or cardboard, typically coated with a combustible substance on one end, used for lighting fires or as a component of a match

(1) burning **matchstick**, (2) **matchstick** figure

She carved the carrot into **matchstick-sized** pieces for the salad.

## pound

*n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

(1) three-fourths of a **pound**, (2) thousands of **pounds**

The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred **pounds**.

## tenacity

*n.* the quality or state of being persistent and determined in the face of difficulties; the quality or property of holding together firmly, tending to adhere or cling

*synonym* : persistence, determination, perseverance

(1) **tenacity** of purpose, (2) show **tenacity**

Her **tenacity** in pursuing her dreams has inspired many people.

## vocational

*adj.* of or relating to an occupation or employment; providing or undergoing training in special skills that prepare you for a particular job

*synonym* : occupational, technical, specialized

(1) **vocational** training, (2) **vocational** school

The in-house system provided traineeships in **vocational** rehabilitation.

## exactitude

*n.* the quality of being precise and accurate, with attention to the finest details; correctness or exactness

*synonym* : accuracy, precision, meticulousness

(1) **exactitude** of measurements, (2) **exactitude** in details

The scientist maintained **exactitude** standards in his research to achieve reliable results.

## align

*v.* to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line

*synonym* : coordinate, regulate, adjust

(1) **align** the economic interest of each other, (2) **align** with a historical trend

Both parties are now entirely ideologically **aligned**.

## pursue

*v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

*synonym* : seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms

She intends to **pursue** a political career.

## excellence

*n.* the quality of being extremely good

*synonym* : distinction, goodness, superiority

(1) **excellence** in product design, (2) highest standards of **excellence**

He has also won many marketing **excellence** awards.

## obscurity

*n.* the state of being hard to see or understand; lack of clarity or distinction

*synonym*: vagueness, ambiguity, uncertainty

(1) sink into **obscurity**, (2) **obscurity** of expression

The **obscurity** of the author's writing style made it difficult to understand the book.

## wit

*n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

*synonym*: humor, comedy, funniness

(1) the **wit** of man, (2) full of **wit**

He has the **wit** to keep talking about this topic.

## glimpse

*n.* a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly

*synonym*: glance, peek, sighting

(1) a momentary **glimpse**, (2) passing **glimpse**

Our team caught a **glimpse** of the world-class technique in this game.

## label

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

*synonym*: tag, mark, identifier

(1) a mailing **label**, (2) **label** a bag with my name

The **label** on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

## confer

*v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

*synonym*: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

## commitment

*n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

*synonym*: burden, obligation, promise

(1) a **commitment** to an alliance, (2) meet his



### **commitments**

His business **commitments** took him to the United States.

### **constant**

*adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time

*synonym*: ceaseless, stable, unchanging

(1) a **constant** wind, (2) a **constant** temperature

**Constant** dropping wears away the stone.

### **thrust**

*v.* to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing

*synonym*: push, shove, prod

(1) **thrust** a dagger home, (2) **thrust** a plate away

The engine **thrust** the rocket into space.

### **classic**

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

*synonym*: definitive, traditional, typical

(1) a **classic** experiment, (2) Chinese **classic** literature

He displayed the **classic** symptoms of depression.

### **masterpiece**

*n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement

*synonym*: classic, chef-d'oeuvre, magnum opus

(1) literary **masterpiece**, (2) a **masterpiece** of design

The Mona Lisa is widely considered to be a **masterpiece** of art.

### **hopeless**

*adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success

*synonym*: despairing, helpless, futile

(1) **hopeless** situation, (2) **hopeless** at everything

After months of job searching, he felt **hopeless** and unsure of his future.

### **riddle**

*n.* a type of question that describes something in a difficult and confusing way, and that has a surprising answer,

often asked as a game

*synonym*: mystery, puzzle, enigma

(1) **riddle** me a riddle, (2) solve the **riddle**

The **riddle** remains mysterious to us.

## 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.

## flaw

*n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

*synonym*: defect, fault, imperfection

(1) a minor **flaw**, (2) the **flaw** in the legislation

Even the slightest design **flaw** in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

## incomplete

*adj.* not having all the necessary or appropriate parts; not yet finished

*synonym*: undone, unfinished, insufficient

(1) **incomplete** information, (2) customer with **incomplete** credit histories

The researcher criticized the study due to **incomplete** data.

## deliberately

*adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner

*synonym*: intentionally, knowingly, willfully

(1) **deliberately** amateurish, (2) commit a crime **deliberately**

He **deliberately** misleads others.

## intention

*n.* something you want to do and are going to do

*synonym*: purpose, connotation, will

(1) **intention** behind his decision, (2) clear **intention**

Our CEO's **intentions** are always transparent and straightforward.

## 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.

## protagonist

*n.* the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories

*synonym* : hero, central figure, leading character

(1) **protagonist** of drama, (2) play a **protagonist**

The **protagonist's** triumph over adversity was the theme of this play.

## completion

*n.* the act or process of finishing something that you are doing or making; the state of being finished

*synonym* : fruition, realization, accomplishment

(1) a **completion** ceremony, (2) scheduled **completion** date

The mayor announced that the renovation of the city hall is now nearing **completion**.

## praise

*n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something

*synonym* : acclaim, honor, commendation

(1) attain critical **praise**, (2) universal **praise**

The drama series mainly received **praise**.

## manuscript

*n.* the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed

*synonym* : script

(1) **manuscript** of a book, (2) ancient **manuscript**

The widow of a deceased writer discovered an incomplete novel **manuscript** in his room.

## sketch

*n.* a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something

*synonym*: drawing, outline, blueprint

(1) a penciled **sketch**, (2) first design **sketches**

Yesterday, I created a rough **sketch** of the plan.

## refuse

*v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

*synonym*: turn down, deny, decline

(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

## castle

*n.* a large building, typically of the medieval period, fortified against attack with thick walls, battlements, towers, and often a moat

*synonym*: fortress, palace, citadel

(1) the ruins of a **castle**, (2) **castle** moat

The medieval **castle** was surrounded by a moat and had high walls for protection.

## onward

*adj.* moving or continuing forward; progressing

*synonym*: forward, continuing, progressing

(1) **onward** journey, (2) **onward** progress

When traveling to some countries, you may be required to show proof of an **onward** ticket as a condition of entry.

## lord

*n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office

*synonym*: master, noble, peer

(1) a young **lord**, (2) **lord** of castle

The feudal **lord** had ruled the land for many years.

## grant

*v.* to agree to give or allow somebody

*synonym*: allocate, authorize, give

(1) **grant** a new license, (2) **grant** a land

The chairperson **granted** him the right to speak.

## desire

*n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something  
*synonym*: ambition, appetite, greed

(1) unsatisfied **desire**, (2) fleshly **desire**

Low sexual **desire** typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

## accomplish

*v.* to finish or achieve something successfully  
*synonym*: achieve, complete, execute

(1) **accomplish** a goal, (2) **accomplish** military operations

Humankind took centuries to **accomplish** true democracy.

## implore

*v.* to beg earnestly or desperately; to plead urgently for assistance or mercy

*synonym*: beg, beseech, plead

(1) **implore** forgiveness, (2) **implore** assistance

I **implore** you to reconsider your decision before it's too late.

## testament

*n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

*synonym*: proof, testimony, testimonial

(1) give properties by **testament**, (2) **testament** to the superior quality

His wealth is a **testament** to his success.

## chapel

*n.* a place of worship, especially a non-conformist or dissenting place of worship

*synonym*: sanctuary, church, place of worship

(1) a **chapel** royal, (2) **chapel** bell

The spacious **chapel** was a peaceful sanctuary for the couple to exchange their vows.

## outstretch

*v.* to stretch out one's body, limbs, or arms to their furthest extent; to extend something so that it exceeds a certain limit or boundary

*synonym*: extend, stretch out, reach

(1) **outstretch** my patience, (2) **outstretch** a hand

The yoga instructor instructed the class to **outstretch** their arms and breathe deeply into the stretch.

## constantly

*adv.* all the time

*synonym* : continuously, always, frequently

(1) a **constantly** innovative enterprise, (2) a **constantly** varying mind

The mobile application industry is **constantly** changing.

## gap

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

*synonym* : opening, lacuna, spread

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

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

## 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.

## craft

*n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands

*synonym* : art, skill, workmanship

(1) **craft** arts of Japan, (2) **craft** manufacture

His hometown was where he first acquired the **craft** of wood carving.

## sake

*n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done

*synonym* : purpose, reason, interest

(1) for your own **sake**, (2) for the **sake** of argument

He got a new job for the **sake** of his family.

## invention

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

*synonym*: creation, design, innovation

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

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

## untold

*adj.* not yet revealed or known; not having been counted or measured

*synonym*: countless, immeasurable, innumerable

(1) **untold** riches, (2) an **untold** number of people

The **untold** stories of the disaster victims need to be heard to understand the impact fully.

## entrepreneur

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

*synonym*: founder, executive

(1) a successful **entrepreneur**, (2) billionaire **entrepreneur**

**Entrepreneurs** willingly accept business risks to achieve success.

## phenomenon

*n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

*synonym*: marvel, wonder, splendor

(1) natural **phenomenon**, (2) historical **phenomenon**

A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

## indomitable

*adj.* impossible to defeat, discourage or subdue; unconquerable; unyielding in spirit

*synonym*: unbeatable, invincible, unconquerable

(1) **indomitable** determination, (2) **indomitable** courage

Despite facing many challenges, her **indomitable** spirit helped her overcome them all.

## arctic

*adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold

*synonym*: cold, frozen, polar

(1) **arctic** ice, (2) high **arctic**

Cold temperatures and long, dark winters characterize the **arctic** climate.

## triumph

*n.* a great victory or achievement

*synonym*: victory, success, conquest

(1) **triumph** of democracy, (2) **triumph** of the spirit

The team's **triumph** in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.

## 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.

## grand

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

*synonym*: impressive, great, ambitious

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

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

## achievement

*n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability

*synonym*: accomplishment, attainment, triumph

(1) student **achievement**, (2) a remarkable **achievement**

This **achievement** has never been formally accepted.

## propulsion

*n.* the act or process of propelling or driving something forward, often using a motor, engine, or other mechanical means

*synonym*: propelling, driving, actuation

(1) **propulsion** technology, (2) nuclear **propulsion**

The spacecraft's **propulsion** system helped it travel through



space.

## thrive

*v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress  
*synonym*: bloom, flourish, prosper

(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure  
Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

## wisdom

*n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions  
*synonym*: sagacity, discernment, insight

(1) a fountain of **wisdom**, (2) **wisdom** literature  
The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's **wisdom**.

## repertoire

*n.* the range or variety of skills, abilities, performances, or works that a person or group is capable of producing or performing; the entire body of works that is available to an individual or group to choose from when performing or producing something  
*synonym*: collection, range, reservoir

(1) musical **repertoire**, (2) cooking **repertoire**  
The chef's **repertoire** of dishes includes both classic and innovative recipes.

## compose

*v.* to write music, poetry, or formal writing; to constitute or make up a whole, or a specified part of it  
*synonym*: compile, constitute, build

(1) **compose** an essay, (2) **compose** my thoughts  
The structure is **composed** of three main components.

## built-in

*adj.* included as an integral part of something  
*synonym*: integrated, inherent, equipped

(1) **built-in** feature, (2) **built-in** battery  
The new car had a **built-in** navigation system.

## proficiency

*n.* expertise or ability in a particular area or skill; skillfulness or adeptness in performing tasks or duties

*synonym* : expertise, skill, mastery

(1) **proficiency** level, (2) demonstrate **proficiency**

Her **proficiency** in Spanish allowed her to communicate easily with the locals during her vacation in Mexico.

## **motto**

*n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

*synonym* : slogan, catchphrase, phrase

(1) the **motto** for safe traffic, (2) company **motto**

The company's **motto** is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.

## **propel**

*v.* to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force

*synonym* : drive, push, move

(1) **propel** growth, (2) **propel** the ship

An increase in employment helps **propel** economic growth.

## **ongoing**

*adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening

*synonym* : continuous, current, proceeding

(1) still **ongoing**, (2) **ongoing** support

The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the **ongoing** economic crisis.

## **quest**

*n.* a long or challenging search for something

*synonym* : exploration, inquisition, pursuit

(1) the **quest** for truth, (2) on a **quest** for happiness

That adventurer traveled in **quest** of buried treasure.

## **vivid**

*adj.* producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind

*synonym* : intense, powerful, dazzling

(1) **vivid** colors, (2) still **vivid** in my memory

She made a **vivid** impression.

## medal

*n.* a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor

*synonym* : award, decoration, badge

(1) gold **medal**, (2) a prize **medal**

She was proud to receive a **medal** for her hard work and dedication to the sport.

## bronze

*n.* a dark red-brown metal that is created by combining copper and tin

(1) win **bronze**, (2) **bronze** coin

The statue is made of **bronze**.

## competition

*n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

*synonym* : contest, match, fight

(1) the first round of the **competition**, (2) intraspecific **competition**

Global **competition** is rising in virtually every industry.

## frustration

*n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something

*synonym* : disappointment, discouragement, dissatisfaction

(1) **frustration** level, (2) express **frustration**

He felt a deep **frustration** as he realized the project would not be completed on time.

## typical

*adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

*synonym* : characteristic, usual, distinctive

(1) **typical** leader, (2) fairly **typical** symptoms

This artwork is **typical** of her work.

## gamble

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

*synonym* : bet, venture, wager

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

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

## industrious

*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

*synonym* : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

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

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

## scratch

*v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object

*synonym* : claw, rub, scrape

(1) **scratch** off a name, (2) **scratch** my signature

Don't **scratch** your mosquito bites.

## compel

*v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way

*synonym* : force, oblige, coerce

(1) **compel** a person to submission, (2) **compel** attention

The strict deadlines will **compel** the team to work efficiently.

## abuse

*n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner

*synonym* : misuse, misconduct, vilification

(1) the problem of drug **abuse**, (2) victim of sexual **abuse**

Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for **abuse** of authority.

## landscape

*n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

*synonym* : geography, terrain, topography

(1) a peaceful **landscape**, (2) **landscape** painting

Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political **landscape** in Europe.

## proximate

*adj.* very near or close, either in space or time; immediately preceding or following something

*synonym* : immediate, closest, nearest

(1) **proximate** region, (2) **proximate** location

The **proximate** cause of the accident was the driver texting on their phone.

## vicinity

*n.* the area or region surrounding or in the general vicinity of a particular place or location; a nearby or neighboring region

*synonym* : proximity, nearness, locality

(1) immediate **vicinity**, (2) city and its **vicinity**

The area in the **vicinity** of the mall is known for its heavy traffic congestion.

## envision

*v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future

*synonym* : anticipate, foresee, picture

(1) **envision** the future, (2) **envision** the project's success

We cannot **envision** her as President.

## granular

*adj.* consisting of or resembling small grains or particles; having a rough, irregular texture or appearance

*synonym* : gritty, grainy, sandy

(1) a **granular** medicine, (2) **granular** data

The soil had a **granular** texture, making it easy to plant the seeds.

## practical

*adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas

*synonym* : applicable, functional, realistic

(1) **practical** English, (2) gain **practical** experience

Her concept is highly **practical** and helpful.

## clarity

*n.* the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity

*synonym* : clearness, translucence, brightness

(1) lack of **clarity**, (2) sake of **clarity**

The publisher will proofread most of this manuscript for **clarity**.

## sight

*n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen

*synonym*: vision, spectacle, view

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

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

## triathlon

*n.* an athletic competition consisting of three different sports activities, usually swimming, cycling, and long-distance running, typically completed in immediate succession as a race

(1) **triathlon** race, (2) **triathlon** training

The **triathlon** course included challenging hills on the cycling segment.

## predict

*v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

*synonym*: forecast, anticipate, foresee

(1) **predict** the future, (2) **predict** when she will arrive

It's notoriously challenging to **predict** birth rates.

## athlete

*n.* a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance

*synonym*: player, contestant, jock

(1) become a professional **athlete**, (2) high school **athletes**

His dream is to become an Olympic **athlete**.

## manufacture

*v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines

*synonym*: create, fabricate, assemble

(1) **manufacture** an enzyme, (2) **manufacture** a product

The majority of synthetic vitamins are **manufactured** from oil.

## gut

*n.* the long tube in the body of a person or animal through which food passes when it leaves the stomach; the mental strength or bravery required to do something

difficult or unpleasant

*synonym* : belly, abdomen, courage

(1) the blind **gut**, (2) **gut** feelings

He told me a **gut-wrenching** truth about my parent's death.

## deliberate

*adj.* done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident

*synonym* : intentional, planned, careful

(1) the **deliberate** act of provocation, (2) **deliberate** attempt

Despite its advanced science and technology, the empire was **deliberate** about invasion.

## myth

*n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

*synonym* : fable, legend, lore

(1) the **myth** of an old religion, (2) perpetuate a **myth**

With the financial bubble bursting, the **myth** of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.

## craftsman

*n.* a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials

*synonym* : artisan, mechanic, workman

(1) **craftsman** skill, (2) a subtle **craftsman**

The adept **craftsman** carefully carved the wooden figurine with precision and skill.

## imperfectly

*adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way

*synonym* : amiss, insufficiently, clumsily

(1) **imperfectly** developed, (2) **imperfectly** known disease

He created an **imperfectly** shaped torso.

## textile

*n.* any type of cloth made by weaving or felting or knitting

*synonym* : cloth, material, fabric

(1) **textile** production, (2) tissue **textiles**

China's **textile** industry has developed rapidly with the input

of foreign capital.

## ceramics

*n.* objects made from materials such as clay that are hardened by heat, often to create functional or decorative items

*synonym*: ceramicware, pottery, earthenware

(1) **ceramics** industry, (2) **ceramics** class

She makes beautiful **ceramics** in her studio and sells them at local markets.

## 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**.

## weaver

*n.* the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth

(1) the textile **weavers**, (2) tapestry **weavers**

The **weaver** fringed the scarf.

## mast

*n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails

(1) **mast** height, (2) built-up **mast**

The main cabin is located in front of the **mast**.

## conceptual

*adj.* related to or founded on ideas, principles

*synonym*: theoretical, abstract, ideational

(1) **conceptual** art, (2) new **conceptual** framework

He has absolutely no **conceptual** comprehension of maths.

## archery

*n.* the sport or practice of using a bow and arrows to shoot at a target

*synonym*: bow and arrow, marksmanship

(1) practice **archery**, (2) **archery** equipment

The **archery** tournament attracted contestants from all over



the country.

## earshot

*n.* the distance within which a sound can be heard; the range or distance over which one can hear a sound

*synonym*: hearing range, audible distance, earreach

(1) beyond **earshot**, (2) out of **earshot**

I could hear the music from the concert within **earshot** of my home.

## colleague

*n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

*synonym*: coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

## visualize

*v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible

*synonym*: imagine, picture, envision

(1) **visualize** data, (2) **visualize** flying through space

She tried to **visualize** the layout of the new house in her mind.

## technique

*n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

*synonym*: approach, procedure, strategy

(1) a **technique** in martial arts, (2) the **technique** applied to construction

Jockey's superior **technique** brought him victory.

## drill

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

*synonym*: exercise, routine, training

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

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

## overcome

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

*synonym* : beat, confound, overwhelm

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

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

## complaint

*n.* a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something

*synonym* : grievance, objection, accusation

(1) **complaint** department, (2) **complaint** about price-gouging

She filed a **complaint** with the manager about the poor service.

## voracious

*adj.* having a very strong appetite or desire for something, especially for food or activity; extremely eager or enthusiastic for something

*synonym* : ravenous, insatiable, greedy

(1) **voracious** thirst, (2) **voracious** reader

The **voracious** appetite of the teenager was legendary.

## dynamic

*adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

*synonym* : energetic, active, vital

(1) a **dynamic** market, (2) **dynamic** person

The sprinter has a **dynamic** way of running.

## attain

*v.* to achieve or reach a goal or level of success

*synonym* : accomplish, achieve, reach

(1) **attain** success, (2) **attain** a complete victory

She is determined to **attain** her degree in computer science.

## utopia

*n.* an ideal and perfect society in which all social and political problems have been solved, and all members

live in harmony and prosperity

*synonym* : paradise, heaven, Arcadia

(1) perfect **utopia**, (2) a **utopia** for an engineer

The concept of **utopia** is often viewed as an impossible or unrealistic goal, as it goes beyond what is currently possible.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|---------------------------------|---|
| 1. pr____t when she will arrive | v. to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience  |
| 2. m__e acquaintance            | adj. used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is   |
| 3. sink into ob_____ty          | n. the state of being hard to see or understand; lack of clarity or distinction   |
| 4. the problem of drug ab__e    | n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner   |
| 5. ind_____us student           | adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort  |
| 6. a com_____nt to an alliance  | n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way   |
| 7. fleshly de___e               | n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something  |
| 8. intraspecific com_____on     | n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another   |
| 9. driving di_____ce            | n. the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance |
| 10. gr__t a land                | v. to agree to give or allow somebody   |
| 11. animal mo__f                | n. a recurring element in an artistic or literary work, typically a particular image or idea; a theme that is repeated or elaborated in a piece of music                                  |

ANSWERS: 1. predict, 2. mere, 3. obscurity, 4. abuse, 5. industrious, 6. commitment, 7. desire, 8. competition, 9. distance, 10. grant, 11. motif

12. pro\_\_\_\_\_on technology *n.* the act or process of propelling or driving something forward, often using a motor, engine, or other mechanical means
13. fo\_\_\_\_\_te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
14. pro\_\_\_\_\_cy level *n.* expertise or ability in a particular area or skill; skillfulness or adeptness in performing tasks or duties
15. perpetuate a m\_\_h *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
16. ov\_\_\_\_\_me opponents *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
17. de\_\_\_e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
18. built-up m\_\_t *n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails
19. a remarkable ach\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
20. ar\_\_\_r's bow *n.* a person who shoots with a bow and arrow; a soldier equipped with a bow and arrows
21. a co\_\_\_\_\_nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time

ANSWERS: 12. propulsion, 13. fortunate, 14. proficiency, 15. myth, 16. overcome, 17. degree, 18. mast, 19. achievement, 20. archer, 21. constant

22. man\_\_\_\_\_re an enzyme      *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
23. gr\_\_t a new license      *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
24. immediate vi\_\_\_\_\_ty      *n.* the area or region surrounding or in the general vicinity of a particular place or location; a nearby or neighboring region
25. br\_\_\_e coin      *n.* a dark red-brown metal that is created by combining copper and tin
26. wi\_\_\_m literature      *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
27. tr\_\_\_\_\_on race      *n.* an athletic competition consisting of three different sports activities, usually swimming, cycling, and long-distance running, typically completed in immediate succession as a race
28. im\_\_\_\_\_e assistance      *v.* to beg earnestly or desperately; to plead urgently for assistance or mercy
29. la\_\_l a bag with my name      *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
30. bachelor's de\_\_\_e      *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
31. perfect ut\_\_\_a      *n.* an ideal and perfect society in which all social and political problems have been solved, and all members live in harmony and prosperity

ANSWERS: 22. manufacture, 23. grant, 24. vicinity, 25. bronze, 26. wisdom, 27. triathlon, 28. implore, 29. label, 30. degree, 31. utopia

32. Chinese cl\_\_\_\_c literature *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
33. va\_\_\_\_y sport *n.* a team representing a college or university in sports, typically composed of the best players
34. a co\_\_\_\_nt temperature *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
35. li\_\_\_\_me benefits *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
36. cr\_\_\_\_ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
37. demonstrate pro\_\_\_\_cy *n.* expertise or ability in a particular area or skill; skillfulness or adeptness in performing tasks or duties
38. exa\_\_\_\_de in details *n.* the quality of being precise and accurate, with attention to the finest details; correctness or exactness
39. a prize me\_\_l *n.* a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor
40. the blind g\_t *n.* the long tube in the body of a person or animal through which food passes when it leaves the stomach; the mental strength or bravery required to do something difficult or unpleasant
41. li\_\_\_\_me ban from the sport *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

ANSWERS: 32. classic, 33. varsity, 34. constant, 35. lifetime, 36. creative, 37. proficiency, 38. exactitude, 39. medal, 40. gut, 41. lifetime

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| 42. re__x at home                   | <i>v.</i>   | to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer   |
| 43. ma_____y of mathematics         | <i>n.</i>   | complete control or power of something to dominate or defeat; great skill or knowledge in a particular subject or activity             |
| 44. attain critical pr___e          | <i>n.</i>   | an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something                        |
| 45. co___r degree                   | <i>v.</i>   | to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something                              |
| 46. th___t a plate away             | <i>v.</i>   | to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing   |
| 47. imp_____ly known disease        | <i>adv.</i> | in a faulty or incomplete way  |
| 48. pre-mo___n agricultural society | <i>adj.</i> | of or belonging to the present time or recent times  |
| 49. ty_____l leader                 | <i>adj.</i> | having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things   |
| 50. com_____ty theory               | <i>n.</i>   | the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand   |
| 51. out_____ch a hand               | <i>v.</i>   | to stretch out one's body, limbs, or arms to their furthest extent; to extend something so that it exceeds a certain limit or boundary |
| 52. re__x a series of muscles       | <i>v.</i>   | to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer   |

ANSWERS: 42. relax, 43. mastery, 44. praise, 45. confer, 46. thrust, 47. imperfectly, 48. modern, 49. typical, 50. complexity, 51. outstretch, 52. relax



53. the in\_\_\_\_\_on of new techniques      *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
54. en\_\_\_\_\_on the future      *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future
55. a fountain of wi\_\_\_\_m      *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
56. s\_\_w the message      *v.* to turn or place at an angle; to make biased or distorted with the result that it is not accurate, fair, normal, etc.
57. vo\_\_\_\_\_us thirst      *adj.* having a very strong appetite or desire for something, especially for food or activity; extremely eager or enthusiastic for something
58. gr\_\_d bargain      *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
59. pr\_\_\_\_\_te region      *adj.* very near or close, either in space or time; immediately preceding or following something
60. the mo\_\_o for safe traffic      *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
61. a\_m at a specific target      *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
62. high school at\_\_\_\_\_es      *n.* a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance
63. city and its vi\_\_\_\_\_ty      *n.* the area or region surrounding or in the general vicinity of a particular place or location; a nearby or neighboring region

ANSWERS: 53. invention, 54. envision, 55. wisdom, 56. skew, 57. voracious, 58. grand, 59. proximate, 60. motto, 61. aim, 62. athlete, 63. vicinity

64. universal pr\_\_\_e *n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something
65. pr\_\_\_\_\_al English *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
66. tr\_\_\_\_\_on training *n.* an athletic competition consisting of three different sports activities, usually swimming, cycling, and long-distance running, typically completed in immediate succession as a race
67. g\_t feelings *n.* the long tube in the body of a person or animal through which food passes when it leaves the stomach; the mental strength or bravery required to do something difficult or unpleasant
68. 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
69. the w\_t of man *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
70. cr\_\_t arts of Japan *n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
71. the first round of the com\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
72. en\_\_\_\_\_on the project's success *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future

ANSWERS: 64. praise, 65. practical, 66. triathlon, 67. gut, 68. novel, 69. wit, 70. craft, 71. competition, 72. envision

73. ar\_\_w pointing *n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
74. un\_\_\_d riches *adj.* not yet revealed or known; not having been counted or measured
75. tissue te\_\_\_\_\_es *n.* any type of cloth made by weaving or felting or knitting
76. the dr\_\_l hit the well *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
77. express fru\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
78. natural phe\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
79. imp\_\_\_\_\_ly developed *adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way
80. beyond ea\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* the distance within which a sound can be heard; the range or distance over which one can hear a sound
81. give the waiter a t\_p. *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
82. s\_\_w social values *v.* to turn or place at an angle; to make biased or distorted with the result that it is not accurate, fair, normal, etc.
83. the qu\_\_t for truth *n.* a long or challenging search for something

ANSWERS: 73. arrow, 74. untold, 75. textile, 76. drill, 77. frustration, 78. phenomenon, 79. imperfectly, 80. earshot, 81. tip, 82. skew, 83. quest

84. high ar\_\_\_c *adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold
85. commit a crime del\_\_\_\_\_ely *adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner
86. highest standards of exc\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the quality of being extremely good
87. a mas\_\_\_\_\_ce of design *n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
88. vi\_\_\_\_\_ze flying through space *v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
89. a peaceful la\_\_\_\_\_pe *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
90. meet his com\_\_\_\_\_nts *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
91. at\_\_\_n a complete victory *v.* to achieve or reach a goal or level of success
92. cooking rep\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* the range or variety of skills, abilities, performances, or works that a person or group is capable of producing or performing; the entire body of works that is available to an individual or group to choose from when performing or producing something
93. a gr\_\_\_d meal *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
94. th\_\_\_e on pressure *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

ANSWERS: 84. arctic, 85. deliberately, 86. excellence, 87. masterpiece, 88. visualize, 89. landscape, 90. commitment, 91. attain, 92. repertoire, 93. grand, 94. thrive

95. pu\_\_\_e freedoms *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
96. gr\_\_\_\_ar data *adj.* consisting of or resembling small grains or particles; having a rough, irregular texture or appearance
97. cr\_\_\_\_\_an skill *n.* a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials
98. a gr\_\_\_\_ar medicine *adj.* consisting of or resembling small grains or particles; having a rough, irregular texture or appearance
99. traffic c\_\_e *n.* a geometric shape that tapers to a point at one end and has a circular base at the other end
100. exa\_\_\_\_\_de of measurements *n.* the quality of being precise and accurate, with attention to the finest details; correctness or exactness
101. literary mas\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
102. pr\_\_\_\_\_te location *adj.* very near or close, either in space or time; immediately preceding or following something
103. gold me\_\_l *n.* a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor
104. the pa\_\_\_\_x of the heap *n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;

ANSWERS: 95. pursue, 96. granular, 97. craftsman, 98. granular, 99. cone, 100. exactitude, 101. masterpiece, 102. proximate, 103. medal, 104. paradox

105. ri___e me a riddle	<i>n.</i> a type of question that describes something in a difficult and confusing way, and that has a surprising answer, often asked as a game
106. tapestry we___rs	<i>n.</i> the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth
107. victim of sexual ab___e	<i>n.</i> the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
108. clear in_____on	<i>n.</i> something you want to do and are going to do
109. a con_____ly innovative enterprise	<i>adv.</i> all the time
110. tr___h of the spirit	<i>n.</i> a great victory or achievement
111. strive for ma_____y	<i>n.</i> complete control or power of something to dominate or defeat; great skill or knowledge in a particular subject or activity
112. ancient man_____pt	<i>n.</i> the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed
113. acc_____sh military operations	<i>v.</i> to finish or achieve something successfully
114. co___l attention	<i>v.</i> to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way
115. ob_____ty of expression	<i>n.</i> the state of being hard to see or understand; lack of clarity or distinction
116. sl_____ly alkaline soils	<i>adv.</i> in a small degree or extent; a little

ANSWERS: 105. riddle, 106. weaver, 107. abuse, 108. intention, 109. constantly, 110. triumph, 111. mastery, 112. manuscript, 113. accomplish, 114. compel, 115. obscurity, 116. slightly

117. inc\_\_\_\_\_te information *adj.* not having all the necessary or appropriate parts; not yet finished
118. ar\_\_\_\_\_y equipment *n.* the sport or practice of using a bow and arrows to shoot at a target
119. mat\_\_\_\_\_ck figure *n.* a small, thin stick made of wood or cardboard, typically coated with a combustible substance on one end, used for lighting fires or as a component of a match
120. ga\_\_\_e \$100 on the race *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
121. dull si\_\_t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
122. play a pro \_\_\_\_\_st *n.* the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories
123. common in \_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
124. burning mat \_\_\_\_\_ck *n.* a small, thin stick made of wood or cardboard, typically coated with a combustible substance on one end, used for lighting fires or as a component of a match
125. thousands of po\_\_ds *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
126. im\_\_\_\_\_e forgiveness *v.* to beg earnestly or desperately; to plead urgently for assistance or mercy
127. the del \_\_\_\_\_te act of provocation *adj.* done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident

ANSWERS: 117. incomplete, 118. archery, 119. matchstick, 120. gamble, 121. sight, 122. protagonist, 123. invention, 124. matchstick, 125. pound, 126. implore, 127. deliberate

128. unsatisfied de\_\_\_e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
129. ar\_\_\_c ice *adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold
130. solve the ri\_\_\_e *n.* a type of question that describes something in a difficult and confusing way, and that has a surprising answer, often asked as a game
131. voc\_\_\_\_\_al training *adj.* of or relating to an occupation or employment; providing or undergoing training in special skills that prepare you for a particular job
132. cognitive com\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
133. three-fourths of a po\_\_d *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
134. a photo st\_\_\_o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
135. m\_\_t height *n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails
136. co\_\_\_\_\_e an essay *v.* to write music, poetry, or formal writing; to constitute or make up a whole, or a specified part of it
137. 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: 128. desire, 129. arctic, 130. riddle, 131. vocational, 132. complexity, 133. pound, 134. studio, 135. mast, 136. compose, 137. spirit



138. ice cream c\_\_e *n.* a geometric shape that tapers to a point at one end and has a circular base at the other end
139. dif\_\_\_\_\_ty in breathing *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
140. re\_\_\_e a request *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
141. ho\_\_\_\_\_ss at everything *adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success
142. 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
143. vi\_\_d colors *adj.* producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind
144. pr\_\_\_l growth *v.* to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force
145. ind\_\_\_\_\_us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
146. on\_\_\_\_\_g support *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
147. th\_\_\_e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
148. a ut\_\_\_a for an engineer *n.* an ideal and perfect society in which all social and political problems have been solved, and all members live in harmony and prosperity

ANSWERS: 138. cone, 139. difficulty, 140. refuse, 141. hopeless, 142. spirit, 143. vivid, 144. propel, 145. industrious, 146. ongoing, 147. thrive, 148. utopia

149. new con_____al framework	<i>adj.</i> related to or founded on ideas, principles
150. the te_____ue applied to construction	<i>n.</i> a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
151. historical phe_____on	<i>n.</i> something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
152. professional at_____cs	<i>n.</i> the physical activities or sports that involve physical exertion and competition, such as running, jumping, throwing, or walking
153. al__n with a historical trend	<i>v.</i> to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line
154. re___e the company	<i>v.</i> to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
155. exc_____ce in product design	<i>n.</i> the quality of being extremely good
156. al__n the economic interest of each other	<i>v.</i> to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line
157. a penciled sk___h	<i>n.</i> a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something
158. win br___e	<i>n.</i> a dark red-brown metal that is created by combining copper and tin
159. tr__h disposal site	<i>n.</i> discarded material, refuse, or waste
160. a successful ent_____eur	<i>n.</i> an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks

ANSWERS: 149. conceptual, 150. technique, 151. phenomenon, 152. athletics, 153. align, 154. refuse, 155. excellence, 156. align, 157. sketch, 158. bronze, 159. trash, 160. entrepreneur

161. 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
162. dy\_\_\_\_\_c person     *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
163. a va\_\_\_\_\_y player     *n.* a team representing a college or university in sports, typically composed of the best players
164. musical rep\_\_\_\_\_re     *n.* the range or variety of skills, abilities, performances, or works that a person or group is capable of producing or performing; the entire body of works that is available to an individual or group to choose from when performing or producing something
165. increase sl\_\_\_\_\_ly     *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
166. full of w\_t     *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
167. ar\_\_w diagram     *n.* a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
168. former co\_\_\_\_\_ue     *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

ANSWERS: 161. sacrifice, 162. dynamic, 163. varsity, 164. repertoire, 165. slightly, 166. wit, 167. arrow, 168. colleague

169. ce\_\_\_\_\_te his election      *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
170. the t\_p of a paintbrush      *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
171. pr\_\_\_\_\_t the future      *v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
172. ret\_\_\_\_\_ive review      *adj.* looking back on or dealing with past events or situations, particularly those that are considered important or influential; an exhibition or showing of a particular artist's work, covering an extended period of time
173. del\_\_\_\_\_te attempt      *adj.* done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident
174. a com\_\_\_\_\_on ceremony      *n.* the act or process of finishing something that you are doing or making; the state of being finished
175. the g\_p between ideal and reality      *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
176. ind\_\_\_\_\_le courage      *adj.* impossible to defeat, discourage or subdue; unconquerable; unyielding in spirit
177. l\_\_d of castle      *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office

ANSWERS: 169. celebrate, 170. tip, 171. predict, 172. retrospective, 173. deliberate, 174. completion, 175. gap, 176. indomitable, 177. lord

178. a momentary gl\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly
179. fire dr\_\_l      *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
180. cr\_\_t manufacture      *n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
181. co\_\_\_\_\_t fat into energy      *v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
182. cu\_\_\_\_\_r of a library      *n.* a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.
183. out of ea\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* the distance within which a sound can be heard; the range or distance over which one can hear a sound
184. barren of cr\_\_\_\_\_ve spirit      *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
185. ce\_\_\_\_\_te Christmas      *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
186. high school at\_\_\_\_\_cs      *n.* the physical activities or sports that involve physical exertion and competition, such as running, jumping, throwing, or walking
187. become a professional at\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance

ANSWERS: 178. glimpse, 179. drill, 180. craft, 181. convert, 182. curator, 183. earshot, 184. creative, 185. celebrate, 186. athletics, 187. athlete

188. distance g\_p *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
189. del\_\_\_\_\_ely amateurish *adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner
190. at\_\_\_n success *v.* to achieve or reach a goal or level of success
191. student ach\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
192. on a qu\_\_t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something
193. man\_\_\_\_\_re a product *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
194. for the s\_\_e of argument *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
195. con\_\_\_\_\_al art *adj.* related to or founded on ideas, principles
196. a minor f\_\_w *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
197. co\_\_\_\_\_nt about price-gouging *n.* a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something
198. bu\_\_\_\_\_in battery *adj.* included as an integral part of something
199. lack of cl\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity

ANSWERS: 188. gap, 189. deliberately, 190. attain, 191. achievement, 192. quest, 193. manufacture, 194. sake, 195. conceptual, 196. flaw, 197. complaint, 198. built-in, 199. clarity

200. ind\_\_\_\_\_le determination *adj.* impossible to defeat, discourage or subdue; unconquerable; unyielding in spirit
201. French pa\_\_\_\_\_x *n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
202. still on\_\_\_\_\_g *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
203. voc\_\_\_\_\_al school *adj.* of or relating to an occupation or employment; providing or undergoing training in special skills that prepare you for a particular job
204. the mo\_\_f of a music piece *n.* a recurring element in an artistic or literary work, typically a particular image or idea; a theme that is repeated or elaborated in a piece of music
205. 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
206. co\_\_\_\_\_e my thoughts *v.* to write music, poetry, or formal writing; to constitute or make up a whole, or a specified part of it
207. the ruins of a ca\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a large building, typically of the medieval period, fortified against attack with thick walls, battlements, towers, and often a moat

ANSWERS: 200. indomitable, 201. paradox, 202. ongoing, 203. vocational, 204. motif, 205. sacrifice, 206. compose, 207. castle

208. billionaire ent\_\_\_\_\_eur *n.* an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
209. sc\_\_\_\_\_h my signature *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
210. a te\_\_\_\_\_ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
211. music st\_\_\_\_o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
212. ch\_\_\_\_l bell *n.* a place of worship, especially a non-conformist or dissenting place of worship
213. social di\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
214. sake of cl\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity
215. the textile we\_\_\_\_rs *n.* the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth
216. pro\_\_\_\_\_st of drama *n.* the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories
217. nuclear pro\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act or process of propelling or driving something forward, often using a motor, engine, or other mechanical means

ANSWERS: 208. entrepreneur, 209. scratch, 210. technique, 211. studio, 212. chapel, 213. distance, 214. clarity, 215. weaver, 216. protagonist, 217. propulsion



218. show te\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the quality or state of being persistent and determined in the face of difficulties; the quality or property of holding together firmly, tending to adhere or cling
219. give properties by te\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else
220. first design sk\_\_\_hes *n.* a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something
221. a con\_\_\_\_\_ly varying mind *adv.* all the time
222. interim cu\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.
223. fru\_\_\_\_\_on level *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
224. company mo\_\_o *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
225. collaborate with co\_\_\_\_\_ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
226. tr\_\_h bin *n.* discarded material, refuse, or waste
227. te\_\_\_\_\_nt to the superior quality *n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else
228. artificial t\_\_f *n.* a layer of grass and soil covering a particular area of land, especially used as a playing surface in sports or as a lawn

ANSWERS: 218. tenacity, 219. testament, 220. sketch, 221. constantly, 222. curator, 223. frustration, 224. motto, 225. colleague, 226. trash, 227. testament, 228. turf

229. a young l\_\_d *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
230. on\_\_\_d progress *adj.* moving or continuing forward; progressing
231. a subtle cr\_\_\_\_\_an *n.* a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials
232. tr\_\_\_\_\_h of democracy *n.* a great victory or achievement
233. ret\_\_\_\_\_ive study *adj.* looking back on or dealing with past events or situations, particularly those that are considered important or influential; an exhibition or showing of a particular artist's work, covering an extended period of time
234. the m\_\_h of an old religion *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
235. less fo\_\_\_\_\_te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
236. man\_\_\_\_\_pt of a book *n.* the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed
237. ce\_\_\_\_\_cs industry *n.* objects made from materials such as clay that are hardened by heat, often to create functional or decorative items
238. a mailing la\_\_l *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

ANSWERS: 229. lord, 230. onward, 231. craftsman, 232. triumph, 233. retrospective, 234. myth, 235. fortunate, 236. manuscript, 237. ceramics, 238. label

239. th___t a dagger home	<i>v.</i> to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing
240. fairly ty____l symptoms	<i>adj.</i> having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
241. ho____ss situation	<i>adj.</i> having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success
242. still vi__d in my memory	<i>adj.</i> producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind
243. co____t base 10 to base 16	<i>v.</i> to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
244. t__f battle	<i>n.</i> a layer of grass and soil covering a particular area of land, especially used as a playing surface in sports or as a lawn
245. pr___l the ship	<i>v.</i> to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force
246. la____pe painting	<i>n.</i> an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
247. a ch___l royal	<i>n.</i> a place of worship, especially a non-conformist or dissenting place of worship
248. te____e production	<i>n.</i> any type of cloth made by weaving or felting or knitting
249. an unexpected si__t	<i>n.</i> the ability to see; anything that is seen
250. te____ty of purpose	<i>n.</i> the quality or state of being persistent and determined in the face of difficulties; the quality or property of holding together firmly, tending to adhere or cling

ANSWERS: 239. thrust, 240. typical, 241. hopeless, 242. vivid, 243. convert, 244. turf, 245. propel, 246. landscape, 247. chapel, 248. textile, 249. sight, 250. tenacity

251. passing gl\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly
252. co\_\_\_\_\_nt department *n.* a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something
253. on\_\_\_\_d journey *adj.* moving or continuing forward; progressing
254. the degree of dif\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
255. sc\_\_\_\_\_h off a name *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
256. fl\_\_\_\_h a dart *v.* to attach feathers to an arrow or a dart to stabilize its flight; to decorate or embellish with feathers
257. ov\_\_\_\_\_me all difficulties *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
258. co\_\_\_\_l a person to submission *v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way
259. ca\_\_\_\_e moat *n.* a large building, typically of the medieval period, fortified against attack with thick walls, battlements, towers, and often a moat
260. ga\_\_\_\_e away my fortune *v.* to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes

ANSWERS: 251. glimpse, 252. complaint, 253. onward, 254. difficulty, 255. scratch, 256. fletch, 257. overcome, 258. compel, 259. castle, 260. gamble

261. vo\_\_\_\_\_us reader *adj.* having a very strong appetite or desire for something, especially for food or activity; extremely eager or enthusiastic for something
262. mo\_\_\_\_n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
263. gain pr\_\_\_\_\_al experience *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
264. m\_\_e incident *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
265. scheduled com\_\_\_\_\_on date *n.* the act or process of finishing something that you are doing or making; the state of being finished
266. vi\_\_\_\_\_ze data *v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
267. bu\_\_\_\_\_in feature *adj.* included as an integral part of something
268. a cl\_\_\_\_\_c experiment *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
269. skilled ar\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who shoots with a bow and arrow; a soldier equipped with a bow and arrows
270. ce\_\_\_\_\_cs class *n.* objects made from materials such as clay that are hardened by heat, often to create functional or decorative items
271. an un\_\_\_\_d number of people *adj.* not yet revealed or known; not having been counted or measured

ANSWERS: 261. voracious, 262. modern, 263. practical, 264. mere, 265. completion, 266. visualize, 267. built-in, 268. classic, 269. archer, 270. ceramics, 271. untold

272. customer with inc\_\_\_\_\_te credit histories *adj.* not having all the necessary or appropriate parts; not yet finished
273. acc\_\_\_\_\_sh a goal *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
274. co\_\_\_\_r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
275. for your own s\_\_e *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
276. a\_m to be a nurse *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
277. the f\_\_w in the legislation *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
278. in\_\_\_\_\_on behind his decision *n.* something you want to do and are going to do
279. practice ar\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the sport or practice of using a bow and arrows to shoot at a target
280. 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
281. a dy\_\_\_\_\_c market *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
282. fl\_\_\_\_h with feathers *v.* to attach feathers to an arrow or a dart to stabilize its flight; to decorate or embellish with feathers

ANSWERS: 272. incomplete, 273. accomplish, 274. confer, 275. sake, 276. aim, 277. flaw, 278. intention, 279. archery, 280. novel, 281. dynamic, 282. fletch

283. pu\_\_\_e a goal

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

284. out\_\_\_\_\_ch my patience

v. to stretch out one's body, limbs, or arms to their furthest extent; to extend something so that it exceeds a certain limit or boundary

ANSWERS: 283. pursue, 284. outstretch

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Will you \_\_\_\_\_ on the result of the fight?
  - v. to take risky action in the hope of being successful; to play or game for money or other stakes
  
2. China's \_\_\_\_\_ industry has developed rapidly with the input of foreign capital.
  - n. any type of cloth made by weaving or felting or knitting
  
3. The archer aimed his \_\_\_\_\_ carefully at the target.
  - n. a thin, pointed projectile designed to be shot from a bow; a symbol or pointer that is shaped like an arrow
  
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.
  - n. a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
  
5. The leaders of the two countries met to \_\_\_\_\_ on the issue.
  - v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
  
6. Our team caught a \_\_\_\_\_ of the world-class technique in this game.
  - n. a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly
  
7. He has the \_\_\_\_\_ to keep talking about this topic.
  - n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
  
8. 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

ANSWERS: 1. gamble, 2. textile, 3. arrow, 4. label, 5. confer, 6. glimpse, 7. wit, 8. sacrifice



9. It's notoriously challenging to \_\_\_\_\_ birth rates.
- v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the author's writing style made it difficult to understand the book.
- n.* the state of being hard to see or understand; lack of clarity or distinction
11. Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political \_\_\_\_\_ in Europe.
- n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
12. She excelled in \_\_\_\_\_ during high school and went on to compete at the collegiate level.
- n.* the physical activities or sports that involve physical exertion and competition, such as running, jumping, throwing, or walking
13. She had lived through two world wars in her \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
14. The concept of \_\_\_\_\_ is often viewed as an impossible or unrealistic goal, as it goes beyond what is currently possible.
- n.* an ideal and perfect society in which all social and political problems have been solved, and all members live in harmony and prosperity
15. Despite facing many challenges, her \_\_\_\_\_ spirit helped her overcome them all.
- adj.* impossible to defeat, discourage or subdue; unconquerable; unyielding in spirit
16. He told me a \_\_\_\_\_ truth about my parent's death.
- n.* the long tube in the body of a person or animal through which food passes when it leaves the stomach; the mental strength or bravery required to do something difficult or unpleasant

ANSWERS: 9. predict, 10. obscurity, 11. landscape, 12. athletics, 13. lifetime, 14. utopia, 15. indomitable, 16. gut-wrenching

17. This \_\_\_\_\_ has never been formally accepted.

*n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability

18. Her \_\_\_\_\_ in pursuing her dreams has inspired many people.

*n.* the quality or state of being persistent and determined in the face of difficulties; the quality or property of holding together firmly, tending to adhere or cling

19. The scientist maintained \_\_\_\_\_ standards in his research to achieve reliable results.

*n.* the quality of being precise and accurate, with attention to the finest details; correctness or exactness

20. Even the slightest design \_\_\_\_\_ in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

*n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

21. The drama series mainly received \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something

22. The medieval \_\_\_\_\_ was surrounded by a moat and had high walls for protection.

*n.* a large building, typically of the medieval period, fortified against attack with thick walls, battlements, towers, and often a moat

23. Many famous \_\_\_\_\_ are within walking distance.

*n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen

24. The \_\_\_\_\_ remains mysterious to us.

*n.* a type of question that describes something in a difficult and confusing way, and that has a surprising answer, often asked as a game

ANSWERS: 17. achievement, 18. tenacity, 19. exactitude, 20. flaw, 21. praise, 22. castle, 23. sights, 24. riddle

25. He carefully \_\_\_\_\_ each arrow before heading out for his archery competition.
- v.* to attach feathers to an arrow or a dart to stabilize its flight; to decorate or embellish with feathers
26. He got a new job for the \_\_\_\_\_ of his family.
- n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
27. The new car had a \_\_\_\_\_ navigation system.
- adj.* included as an integral part of something
28. 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
29. Necessity is the mother of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
30. The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
31. The repeating floral \_\_\_\_\_ in the wallpaper added a touch of elegance to the room.
- n.* a recurring element in an artistic or literary work, typically a particular image or idea; a theme that is repeated or elaborated in a piece of music
32. The main cabin is located in front of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails

ANSWERS: 25. fletched, 26. sake, 27. built-in, 28. novel, 29. invention, 30. wisdom, 31. motif, 32. mast

33. My initial reaction was to \_\_\_\_\_.

*v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

34. He \_\_\_\_\_ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

*v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

35. She carved the carrot into \_\_\_\_\_ pieces for the salad.

*n.* a small, thin stick made of wood or cardboard, typically coated with a combustible substance on one end, used for lighting fires or as a component of a match

36. He has absolutely no \_\_\_\_\_ comprehension of maths.

*adj.* related to or founded on ideas, principles

37. Our CEO's \_\_\_\_\_ are always transparent and straightforward.

*n.* something you want to do and are going to do

38. She is determined to \_\_\_\_\_ her degree in computer science.

*v.* to achieve or reach a goal or level of success

39. The museum \_\_\_\_\_ conserved the ancient manuscripts.

*n.* a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.

40. The publisher will proofread most of this manuscript for \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity

ANSWERS: 33. refuse, 34. celebrated, 35. matchstick-sized, 36. conceptual, 37. intentions, 38. attain, 39. curator, 40. clarity

41. The \_\_\_\_\_ exhibition featured some of the artist's earliest works.

*adj.* looking back on or dealing with past events or situations, particularly those that are considered important or influential; an exhibition or showing of a particular artist's work, covering an extended period of time

42. She received her \_\_\_\_\_ in psychology from the university.

*n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

43. Humankind took centuries to \_\_\_\_\_ true democracy.

*v.* to finish or achieve something successfully

44. The \_\_\_\_\_ fringed the scarf.

*n.* the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth

45. The company's \_\_\_\_\_ is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.

*n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

46. He tried to \_\_\_\_\_ a bad reputation and win the election.

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

47. The mobile application industry is \_\_\_\_\_ changing.

*adv.* all the time

48. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

ANSWERS: 41. retrospective, 42. degree, 43. accomplish, 44. weaver, 45. motto, 46. overcome, 47. constantly, 48. colleague

49. I \_\_\_\_\_ you to reconsider your decision before it's too late.  
*v.* to beg earnestly or desperately; to plead urgently for assistance or mercy
50. The \_\_\_\_\_ course included challenging hills on the cycling segment.  
*n.* an athletic competition consisting of three different sports activities, usually swimming, cycling, and long-distance running, typically completed in immediate succession as a race
51. The \_\_\_\_\_ aim was so accurate he could hit a moving target without fail.  
*n.* a person who shoots with a bow and arrow; a soldier equipped with a bow and arrows
52. The spacecraft's \_\_\_\_\_ system helped it travel through space.  
*n.* the act or process of propelling or driving something forward, often using a motor, engine, or other mechanical means
53. The spacious \_\_\_\_\_ was a peaceful sanctuary for the couple to exchange their vows.  
*n.* a place of worship, especially a non-conformist or dissenting place of worship
54. He was known to be very \_\_\_\_\_ and would often work late into the night.  
*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
55. \_\_\_\_\_ willingly accept business risks to achieve success.  
*n.* an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
56. The engine \_\_\_\_\_ the rocket into space.  
*v.* to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing

ANSWERS: 49. implore, 50. triathlon, 51. archer's, 52. propulsion, 53. chapel, 54. industrious, 55. Entrepreneurs, 56. thrust

57. The marathon runner covered a long \_\_\_\_\_ in a short amount of time.

*n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance

58. After months of job searching, he felt \_\_\_\_\_ and unsure of his future.

*adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success

59. Her concept is highly \_\_\_\_\_ and helpful.

*adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas

60. The country finally gained \_\_\_\_\_ over the whole land of its neighbors.

*n.* complete control or power of something to dominate or defeat; great skill or knowledge in a particular subject or activity

61. Yesterday, I created a rough \_\_\_\_\_ of the plan.

*n.* a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something

62. Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for \_\_\_\_\_ of authority.

*n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner

63. The team's \_\_\_\_\_ in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.

*n.* a great victory or achievement

64. Despite its advanced science and technology, the empire was \_\_\_\_\_ about invasion.

*adj.* done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident

ANSWERS: 57. distance, 58. hopeless, 59. practical, 60. mastery, 61. sketch, 62. abuse, 63. triumph, 64. deliberate

65. He felt a deep \_\_\_\_\_ as he realized the project would not be completed on time.
- n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
66. I could hear the music from the concert within \_\_\_\_\_ of my home.
- n.* the distance within which a sound can be heard; the range or distance over which one can hear a sound
67. He moved his body \_\_\_\_\_ to the left.
- adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
68. Her \_\_\_\_\_ in Spanish allowed her to communicate easily with the locals during her vacation in Mexico.
- n.* expertise or ability in a particular area or skill; skillfulness or adeptness in performing tasks or duties
69. The adept \_\_\_\_\_ carefully carved the wooden figurine with precision and skill.
- n.* a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials
70. The strict deadlines will \_\_\_\_\_ the team to work efficiently.
- v.* to force or require someone to do something; to exert a strong, irresistible force or pressure that makes someone act in a certain way
71. His hometown was where he first acquired the \_\_\_\_\_ of wood carving.
- n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
72. The sprinter has a \_\_\_\_\_ way of running.
- adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

ANSWERS: 65. frustration, 66. earshot, 67. slightly, 68. proficiency, 69. craftsman, 70. compel, 71. craft, 72. dynamic



73. 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
74. The structure is \_\_\_\_\_ of three main components.
- v.* to write music, poetry, or formal writing; to constitute or make up a whole, or a specified part of it
75. He \_\_\_\_\_ misleads others.
- adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner
76. Cold temperatures and long, dark winters characterize the \_\_\_\_\_ climate.
- adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold
77. The \_\_\_\_\_ stories of the disaster victims need to be heard to understand the impact fully.
- adj.* not yet revealed or known; not having been counted or measured
78. There are many theories to explain this \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
79. The project's \_\_\_\_\_ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
- n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
80. The in-house system provided traineeships in \_\_\_\_\_ rehabilitation.
- adj.* of or relating to an occupation or employment; providing or undergoing training in special skills that prepare you for a particular job

ANSWERS: 73. spirit, 74. composed, 75. deliberately, 76. arctic, 77. untold, 78. paradox, 79. complexity, 80. vocational

81. She works at a recording \_\_\_\_\_ in Los Angeles.

*n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

82. The Mona Lisa is widely considered to be a \_\_\_\_\_ of art.

*n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement

83. Global \_\_\_\_\_ is rising in virtually every industry.

*n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

84. He has \_\_\_\_\_ exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.

*n.* a condition or state that causes problems

85. The city is taking measures to reduce the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ in the streets.

*n.* discarded material, refuse, or waste

86. \_\_\_\_\_ dropping wears away the stone.

*adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time

87. The feudal \_\_\_\_\_ had ruled the land for many years.

*n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office

88. When traveling to some countries, you may be required to show proof of an \_\_\_\_\_ ticket as a condition of entry.

*adj.* moving or continuing forward; progressing

89. The soccer players fought for control of the \_\_\_\_\_ during the game.

*n.* a layer of grass and soil covering a particular area of land, especially used as a playing surface in sports or as a lawn

ANSWERS: 81. studio, 82. masterpiece, 83. competition, 84. difficulty, 85. trash, 86. Constant, 87. lord, 88. onward, 89. turf

90. Jockey's superior \_\_\_\_\_ brought him victory.

*n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

91. The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the \_\_\_\_\_ economic crisis.

*adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening

92. This artwork is \_\_\_\_\_ of her work.

*adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

93. The results of the poll are \_\_\_\_\_ because it only surveyed a small group of people.

*v.* to turn or place at an angle; to make biased or distorted with the result that it is not accurate, fair, normal, etc.

94. His business \_\_\_\_\_ took him to the United States.

*n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

95. She was proud to receive a \_\_\_\_\_ for her hard work and dedication to the sport.

*n.* a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor

96. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

97. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ your mosquito bites.

*v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object

ANSWERS: 90. technique, 91. ongoing, 92. typical, 93. skewed, 94. commitments, 95. medal, 96. creative, 97. scratch

98. The area in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the mall is known for its heavy traffic congestion.
- n.* the area or region surrounding or in the general vicinity of a particular place or location; a nearby or neighboring region
99. I want to \_\_\_\_\_ my sadness into strength.
- v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
100. The chef's \_\_\_\_\_ of dishes includes both classic and innovative recipes.
- n.* the range or variety of skills, abilities, performances, or works that a person or group is capable of producing or performing; the entire body of works that is available to an individual or group to choose from when performing or producing something
101. The statue is made of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a dark red-brown metal that is created by combining copper and tin
102. An increase in employment helps \_\_\_\_\_ economic growth.
- v.* to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force
103. He lost the election by \_\_\_\_\_ votes.
- adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
104. She intends to \_\_\_\_\_ a political career.
- v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
105. Many people are working together to close the gender \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.

ANSWERS: 98. vicinity, 99. convert, 100. repertoire, 101. bronze, 102. propel, 103. mere, 104. pursue, 105. gap

106. His wealth is a \_\_\_\_\_ to his success.

*n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

107. The mayor announced that the renovation of the city hall is now nearing \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the act or process of finishing something that you are doing or making; the state of being finished

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

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

109. Low sexual \_\_\_\_\_ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

*n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

110. That adventurer traveled in \_\_\_\_\_ of buried treasure.

*n.* a long or challenging search for something

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

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

112. The widow of a deceased writer discovered an incomplete novel \_\_\_\_\_ in his room.

*n.* the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed

113. He was pretty \_\_\_\_\_ to pass the exam.

*adj.* having good luck or lucky

114. The majority of synthetic vitamins are \_\_\_\_\_ from oil.

*v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines

ANSWERS: 106. testament, 107. completion, 108. relaxed, 109. desire, 110. quest, 111. drill, 112. manuscript, 113. fortunate, 114. manufactured

115. This year's \_\_\_\_\_ gathering will be held in Canada.

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

116. She made a \_\_\_\_\_ impression.

*adj.* producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind

117. The chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ him the right to speak.

*v.* to agree to give or allow somebody

118. Without investment, a business cannot \_\_\_\_\_.

*v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

119. The yoga instructor instructed the class to \_\_\_\_\_ their arms and breathe deeply into the stretch.

*v.* to stretch out one's body, limbs, or arms to their furthest extent; to extend something so that it exceeds a certain limit or boundary

120. Both parties are now entirely ideologically \_\_\_\_\_.

*v.* to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line

121. Jane made the \_\_\_\_\_ team and was thrilled to compete at the highest level.

*n.* a team representing a college or university in sports, typically composed of the best players

122. The researcher criticized the study due to \_\_\_\_\_ data.

*adj.* not having all the necessary or appropriate parts; not yet finished

123. The \_\_\_\_\_ triumph over adversity was the theme of this play.

*n.* the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories

ANSWERS: 115. grand, 116. vivid, 117. granted, 118. thrive, 119. outstretch, 120. aligned, 121. varsity, 122. incomplete, 123. protagonist's

124. His dream is to become an Olympic \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance

125. We cannot \_\_\_\_\_ her as President.

- v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future

126. With the financial bubble bursting, the \_\_\_\_\_ of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.

- n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

127. She makes beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ in her studio and sells them at local markets.

- n.* objects made from materials such as clay that are hardened by heat, often to create functional or decorative items

128. The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

129. She tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the layout of the new house in her mind.

- v.* to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible

130. He created an \_\_\_\_\_ shaped torso.

- adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way

131. She filed a \_\_\_\_\_ with the manager about the poor service.

- n.* a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something

ANSWERS: 124. athlete, 125. envision, 126. myth, 127. ceramics, 128. pounds, 129. visualize, 130. imperfectly, 131. complaint

132. The \_\_\_\_\_ tournament attracted contestants from all over the country.

*n.* the sport or practice of using a bow and arrows to shoot at a target

133. A rainbow is a natural \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

134. The \_\_\_\_\_ cause of the accident was the driver texting on their phone.

*adj.* very near or close, either in space or time; immediately preceding or following something

135. Their headquarters are in a \_\_\_\_\_ skyscraper.

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

136. \_\_\_\_\_ cells in the eye's retina are responsible for color vision and visual acuity.

*n.* a geometric shape that tapers to a point at one end and has a circular base at the other end

137. The soil had a \_\_\_\_\_ texture, making it easy to plant the seeds.

*adj.* consisting of or resembling small grains or particles; having a rough, irregular texture or appearance

138. He displayed the \_\_\_\_\_ symptoms of depression.

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

139. He has also won many marketing \_\_\_\_\_ awards.

*n.* the quality of being extremely good

ANSWERS: 132. archery, 133. phenomenon, 134. proximate, 135. modern, 136. Cone-shaped, 137. granular, 138. classic, 139. excellence



140. We \_\_\_\_ for an overseas expansion.

*v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something

141. The \_\_\_\_\_ appetite of the teenager was legendary.

*adj.* having a very strong appetite or desire for something, especially for food or activity; extremely eager or enthusiastic for something

142. I will introduce some \_\_\_\_ on learning English in this class.

*n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services

ANSWERS: 140. aim, 141. voracious, 142. tips