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Session 1: Word List

reimagine

v. to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way

synonym: re-conceptualize, re-envision, re-create

(1) **reimagine** the future, (2) **reimagine** the possibilities

The company is trying to **reimagine** its business model to stay competitive.

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**.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

credential

v. to provide someone with certification or verification of their qualifications, usually in a particular field or profession; (noun) a document attesting to the truth of certain stated facts

synonym: certify, verify, (noun) certificate

- (1) **credential** themselves by showing their registration,
- (2) teaching **credential**

To get the job, I need to **credential** my experience and education.

discuss

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

synonym: talk about, converse, debate

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

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

aspect

- n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

synonym: characteristic, element, factor

- (1) nontechnical **aspects** of the job, (2) **aspects** of social, political, and economic life

His professional experience includes all **aspects** of media production.

develop

- v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

- (1) **develop** a strategy, (2) **develop** a skill

We must **develop** a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

blend

- v. to mix or combine two or more substances

synonym: combine, mix, intermingle

- (1) **blend** all the elements, (2) **blend** milk and cream

The toad altered its appearance to better **blend** in with its new environments.

reinvent

v. to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new

synonym: recreate, remake, revive

(1) **reinvent** local dishes, (2) **reinvent** our life

They have tried to **reinvent** their grocery stores.

institute

n. an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

synonym: academy, university, college

(1) **institute** a lawsuit, (2) research **institutes**

This region has many **institutes** offering higher education.

innovation

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

synonym: invention, initiation, creation

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

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

healthcare

n. the organized activity or business of preserving mental and physical health by preventing or treating illness through services offered by the health profession

(1) **healthcare** agency, (2) rising **healthcare** cost

In an aging population, citizens must pay more to maintain quality **healthcare**.

transport

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

synonym: shipment, transit, conveyance

(1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport**

Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

concert

n. a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers

synonym: gig, musical, show

(1) have a **concert** again, (2) a benefit **concert**
This artist always packs the **concert** halls.

madonna

n. a representation of the Virgin Mary, especially in art
synonym: virgin, mother

(1) wooden **Madonna**, (2) **madonna** painting
The **Madonnas** and Child painting is a famous piece of art from the Renaissance period.

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.

instruct

v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

synonym: train, coach, guide

(1) **instruct** a student, (2) **instruct** a computer
The facility manager **instructed** the security guards to be on high alert.

undergo

v. to go through something unpleasant or that involves a change

synonym: experience, suffer, endure

(1) **undergo** surgery, (2) **undergo** a decrease
The train has to **undergo** rigorous safety checks.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym: alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power
My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

calcium

n. a chemical element with the symbol Ca and atomic number 20, which is an important mineral for the human body

synonym : Ca, lime, chalk

(1) **calcium** deficiency, (2) ion of **calcium**

The patient was prescribed a **calcium** supplement to help prevent osteoporosis.

reengineer

v. to redesign or restructure something such as a machine, system, organization, etc.

synonym : redesign, remodel, revamp

(1) **reengineer** work processes, (2) **reengineer** the organizational structure

As technology evolves, we need to **reengineer** our work styles.

micromanagement

n. a style of management characterized by excessive attention to detail and control, often resulting in inefficient or demotivating work environments

synonym : control-freak management, nit-picking, excessive supervision

(1) **micromanagement** approach, (2) **micromanagement** techniques

His manager's **micromanagement** style drove him crazy, making him feel like he couldn't make any decisions on his own.

ox

n. a large domesticated mammal, commonly used for draft purposes, with two broad horns and a heavyset body

synonym : cow, bullock, steer

(1) **ox** cart, (2) water **ox**

The sacrifice of an **ox** was a common religious ritual in ancient cultures.

infrastructure

n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

synonym : foundation, framework

(1) IT **infrastructure**, (2) **infrastructure** cost

Aging societies tend to require huge costs for **infrastructure** maintenance.

blackboard

n. a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk

synonym : chalkboard, slate

(1) chalk on a **blackboard**, (2) electronic **blackboard**

The teacher asked me to rub out the **blackboard**.

interactive

adj. acting reciprocally; mutually responsive

synonym : reciprocal, responsive, mutual

(1) **interactive** experience, (2) an **interactive** device

The new video game has an **interactive** storyline that allows players to make choices that affect the game's outcome.

virtual

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

synonym : practical

(1) a **virtual** image, (2) trading of **virtual** currencies

She is the **virtual** president of the company.

laboratory

n. a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab

synonym : lab, workshop, testing room

(1) **laboratory** accident, (2) anthropology **laboratory**

Animal protection groups call for an end to animal testing in a **laboratory**.

gamification

n. the use of game design elements and techniques in non-game contexts to engage and motivate people to achieve their goals

(1) **gamification** of education, (2) use **gamification** to learning

The company implemented a **gamification** program to encourage employees to meet their sales targets.

grade

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

synonym: score, rate, degree

(1) boys in the twelfth **grade**, (2) students at all **grade** levels
Departments may set requirements for a higher **grade** point average.

peer

n. a person who has the same age, status, or ability

synonym: fellow, associate, counterpart

(1) **peer** group, (2) **peer** review

Among young people, **peer** pressure can be pretty influential.

interaction

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

synonym: dealings, exchange, relations

(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,

(2) **interaction** among human beings

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

launch

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

synonym: start, initiate, begin

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

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

circuit

n. (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area

synonym: route, course, rotation

(1) **circuit** breaker, (2) federal **circuit** courts

An intelligent battery has a voltage monitoring **circuit**.

electronics

n. the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems

synonym : technology, gadgets, circuitry

(1) **electronics** industry, (2) **electronics** store

The company specializes in manufacturing and selling cutting-edge **electronics**.

enroll

v. to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service

synonym : register, enlist, join

(1) **enroll** at a college, (2) **enroll** in a school

I need to **enroll** in a cooking class to improve my culinary skills.

alumni

n. (the plural form of "alumnus" or "alumna") former students or graduates of an educational institution or program

synonym : graduates, former students, alum

(1) **alumni** network, (2) **alumni** relations

Many **alumni** of our college have become successful in their chosen fields.

semester

n. one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term

(1) end of the **semester**, (2) during the **semester** breaks

We must complete all of these courses in the following **semester**.

perspective

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

synonym : viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle

His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

digital

adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing;

relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

synonym : numerical, computerized, cyber

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

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

grunt

v. to make a short, low noise in the throat

synonym : groan, mutter, murmur

(1) **grunt** a laugh, (2) **grunt** in discontent

She **grunted** and stopped drinking coffee.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym : quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

communicate

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

synonym : convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,

(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

epiphany

n. a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus

synonym : revelation, enlightenment, insight

(1) **epiphany** about life, (2) Feast of **Epiphany**

She had an **epiphany** while meditating and realized the answer to her problem.

instant

adj. happening immediately, with no delay

synonym : immediate, urgent, moment

(1) get **instant** access, (2) an **instant** reply

His pleasant face turned cold in an **instant**.

accident

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

synonym : calamity, casualty, chance

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

The **accident** partially destroyed my vehicle.

boom

n. a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound

synonym : roaring, prosperity, boost

(1) **boom** in sales, (2) a sonic **boom**

The high-technology industry is enjoying a **boom**.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym : completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

millennial

adj. relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y

synonym : thousand, (noun) Generation Y

(1) **millennial** record, (2) the **millennial** reign

Earth's ecosystems are greatly affected by **millennial-scale** changes in climate.

belie

v. to contradict or show to be false or untrue; to give a false impression or disguise the true nature of something

synonym : disprove, refute, contradict

(1) **belie** his expectations, (2) **belies** the impact of the speaker's words

The peaceful surroundings **belied** the danger lurking just around the corner.

embrace

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

synonym : grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**

The woods **embrace** the house.

thumb

n. the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger;
(verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists

synonym : digit, finger, phalange

(1) **thumb** wrestling, (2) **thumb** a ride

He used his right **thumb** to press the button on his phone.

bet

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

synonym : stake, wager, gamble

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

I **bet** that you know it.

evolution

n. a gradual process of transformation of living things

synonym : elaboration, expansion, transition

(1) human **evolution**, (2) **evolution** theory

They study the **evolution** of the universe.

grandchild

n. a child of someone's son or daughter

synonym : offspring, descendant, progeny

(1) **grandchild-grandparent** relationship, (2) **grandchild** development

The grandparents take care of their **grandchild** while the parents are at work.

itsy-bitsy

adj. very small or tiny

synonym : tiny, small, miniature

(1) **itsy-bitsy** spider, (2) **itsy-bitsy** detail

Scientists use powerful microscopes to study **itsy-bitsy**

particles.

predilection

n. a preference or inclination for something; a liking or fondness for something

synonym: inclination, leaning, preference

(1) **predilection** for chocolate, (2) a strong **predilection** for dogs

Her **predilection** for spicy food made her the go-to person for restaurant recommendations.

herd

n. a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock

synonym: flock, brood, horde

(1) **herd** of cattle, (2) the common **herd**

He was riding **herd** on the sheep during the day.

comfort

n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

synonym: ease, solace, coziness

(1) words of **comfort**, (2) **comfort** level

He found **comfort** in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

dorm

n. a residence hall or building that provides living quarters for students or other occupants, typically on a college or university campus

synonym: residence hall, hostel, boarding house

(1) **dorm** room, (2) university **dorm**

Living in a **dorm** can be a great way to meet new people when you're in college.

din

n. a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket

synonym: noise, racket, clamor

(1) **din** of traffic, (2) mighty **din**

The **din** of the city was overwhelming.

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**.

in-person

adv. taking place with someone physically present together in the same place rather than on the phone, e-mail, or video link:

synonym : directly, physically, personally

(1) **in-person** performance, (2) get an **in-person** appointment

The virtual world is quite different from the **in-person** world.

unbeknownst

adv. without the knowledge or awareness of someone; without someone's knowledge or participation

synonym : secretly, covertly

(1) **unbeknownst** to me, (2) **unbeknownst** to any of us

Unbeknownst to the family, the treasure had been hidden in the attic for years.

flip

v. to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion

synonym : throw, jump

(1) **flip** over the pork chop, (2) **flip** a coin

He **flipped** when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

synonym : cooperate, combine, collaborate

(1) **interact** directly with customers, (2) **interact** with one another

He should **interact** more with his colleagues.

discovery

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

synonym : finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

stumble

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
synonym: bumble, struggle, misstep

(1) **stumble** financially, (2) **stumble** through life

She **stumbled** over the tree root.

pilot

n. a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water

synonym: aviator, flyer, chief

(1) a test **pilot**, (2) **pilot** production

The **pilot** exercised great care in landing.

experimental

adj. relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have

synonym: empirical, exploratory, observed

(1) **experimental** data, (2) **experimental** design

The product is still in the **experimental** stage.

petri

n. (petri dish) a small, clear, and round dish with a lid used in laboratories, especially for growing bacteria

(1) **petri** dish test, (2) bacteria on **petri** dishes

Glass **petri** dishes are used to culture microorganisms.

experiment

n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

synonym: experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed
Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

traditionally

adv. in accordance with tradition; typically or commonly done in a particular way

synonym: conventionally, commonly, generally

(1) **traditionally** accepted concept, (2) **traditionally** sung at a banquet

Traditionally, the ceremony was held outdoors.

replace

v. to take the place of something

synonym: substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone
Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

interleave

v. to insert or alternate layers of one thing between two or more layers of another thing, particularly in a patterned or systematic way, such as in computer memory or documents

synonym: interlace, interweave, intersperse

(1) **interleave** pages, (2) **interleave** yarns

To create a sturdy fabric, the weavers must **interleave** the threads.

sequence

n. a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order

synonym: arrangement, succession, series

(1) the **sequence** of the seasons, (2) the DNA **sequence**

We do move forward with those tasks in **sequence** next week.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym: highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

promote

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

synonym : boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior
The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

retain

v. to keep or continue to possess or maintain something

synonym : possess, hold, keep on

(1) **retain** information, (2) **retain** a lawyer
Computers help people **retain** specific memories.

relate

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

synonym : connect, link, associate

(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message
He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

depth

n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

synonym : deepness, profoundness, extent

(1) **depth** camera, (2) the **depth** of the water
The pond's **depth** was around five feet.

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym : procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**
The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

stud

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

synonym : beam, scantling, framing

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

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

pace

- n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

synonym : gait, rate, speed

(1) at your own **pace**, (2) the runner's **pace**

The economy is growing at a supercharged **pace**.

scramble

- v.* to move or climb quickly and awkwardly, often using your hands to help you

synonym : jumble, disarrange

(1) **scramble** my mind, (2) **scramble** for support

Local business owners **scrambled** to find skilled workers.

engagement

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

synonym : betrothal, promise, commitment

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

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

pause

- v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing

synonym : halt, break, intermit

(1) **pause** a moment, (2) **pause** for a reaction

The man **paused** before opening the door.

rewind

- v.* to make something, such as a film or tape, go back to the beginning

synonym : wind back, back up, reverse

(1) **rewind** a film, (2) manually **rewind** the tape
Please **rewind** the thread onto the reel.

mute

adj. silent; not speaking or unable to speak; not expressed or articulated

synonym : silent, unspoken, voiceless

(1) **mute** button, (2) **mute** sound

The actor played a **mute** character and had to rely on facial expressions to portray his emotions.

submit

v. to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration

synonym : hand in, present, propose

(1) agree to **submit** the bill, (2) **submit** an application

Please **submit** the assignment to me.

undergraduate

n. a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution

synonym : college student, freshman

(1) engineering **undergraduate**, (2) **undergraduate** course

The class was composed of both **undergraduate** and graduate students.

engaging

adj. attracting, pleasant, or charming

synonym : alluring, interesting, engrossing

(1) **engaging** story, (2) an **engaging** smile

She was disbarred for her **engaging** in fraud.

cult

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

synonym : sect, faith, religion

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

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

symbol

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

synonym: mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness

The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

software

n. a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs

synonym: program, system, operating system

(1) **software** architect, (2) copyrighted **software**

The company specializes in both hardware and **software**.

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**.

physics

n. the science of matter and energy and their interactions

(1) nuclear **physics**, (2) laws of **physics**

He studied the **physics** of radiation.

depart

v. to go away or leave, especially to start a journey

synonym: go away, leave, vacate

(1) arrive and **depart** on time, (2) **depart** from the faith

We **departed** before the temperature fell below zero.

indicate

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

synonym: hint, suggest, show

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

The data **indicates** that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.

outcome

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

synonym: result, consequence, effect

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

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

engage

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

synonym: confront, employ, amuse

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

(2) **engage** a new employee

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

alien

n. a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere

synonym: foreigner, unfamiliar, unknown

(1) **alien** fungi, (2) resident **aliens**

Alien species have drastically altered the ecosystem in this area.

spaceship

n. (especially in science fiction) a spacecraft designed to carry a crew into interstellar space

synonym: starship, rocket, spacecraft

(1) a **spaceship** to survey the moon, (2) alien **spaceship**

They launched a crewless **spaceship** into space.

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.

lab

n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

synonym: workshop, laboratory, research chamber

(1) **lab** instrument, (2) medical **lab**

The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's **lab**.

compute

v. to make a mathematical calculation

synonym: calculate

(1) **compute** an average score, (2) **compute** the value
I tried to **compute** the efficiency of the investment.

distract

v. to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

synonym: divert, preoccupy, confuse

(1) **distract** attention from the real issue, (2) **distract** public opinion

Please don't **distract** me while I'm studying.

monitor

v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time

synonym: proctor, check, observe

(1) **monitor** an exam, (2) **monitor** the data carefully

They used a special receiver to **monitor** police radio channels.

fascinate

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

synonym: captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

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

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

bless

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

synonym: sanctify, consecrate, hallow

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

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

amazing

adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

nation

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

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

revolutionize

v. to bring about a complete or radical change in something, often through the introduction of new methods or ideas

synonym: transform, innovate, modernize

(1) **revolutionize** the industry, (2) **revolutionize** the technology

The invention of the smartphone **revolutionized** the way we communicate with each other.

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.

license

n. an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service

synonym: permit, authorization, certificate

(1) **license** renewal, (2) software **license**

Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's **license**.

revenue

n. the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business

synonym: earnings, payment, remuneration

(1) tax **revenue**, (2) annual **revenue**

This graph indicates the city's tourism **revenue** over five years.

generation

n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

synonym: cohort, age group, era

(1) **generation** gap, (2) the **generation** of electricity

The younger **generation** has different values and beliefs than the older one.

arsenal

n. a collection of weapons or military equipment stored in preparation for war or conflict; a collection of resources or tools available for use in a particular field or endeavor

synonym: storage, stockpile, armory

(1) **arsenal** of knowledge, (2) political **arsenal**

The police found a hidden **arsenal** of weapons in the suspect's house.

tablet

n. a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine

synonym: notepad, pill, medication

(1) a multivitamin **tablet**, (2) **tablet** keyboard

The new **tablet** device has a faster processor and better graphics than its predecessor.

raspberry

n. a sweet and tart edible fruit that grows on bushes, usually with a soft red or black color and a rough texture on the outside

synonym: blackberry, bramble, dewberry

(1) **raspberry** flavor, (2) **raspberry** tea

The **raspberry** cheesecake at that restaurant is out of this world.

pi

n. a mathematical constant that is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter, approximately equal to 3.14159

(1) the mathematical constant **pi**, (2) number **pi**

He can recite **pi** to 1000 digits.

mortar

n. a mixture of cement, sand, and water used for binding building materials together; a heavy, deep bowl used to pound or grind substances

synonym: howitzer, cement mixer, masonry tool

(1) **mortar** joints, (2) apply **mortar**

The bricklayer started on the second course of bricks, laying them in fresh **mortar**.

dormitory

n. a large room or building that provides sleeping quarters for multiple people, typically students or workers, often in separate beds or cubicles

synonym: dorm, residence hall, hostel

(1) college **dormitory**, (2) shared **dormitory**

The girls' **dormitory** had a strict curfew of 11 p.m.

grandparent

n. a parent of one's father or mother

(1) great- **grandparent**, (2) person of **grandparent** age

She was close to her paternal **grandparents** and often spent summers with them.

neat

adj. clean or tidy, with everything in its place

synonym: tidy, uncluttered, refined

(1) a **neat** piece of work, (2) **neat** idea

She has **neat** habits.

row

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

synonym: line, sequence, layer

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

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

stalk

- v. to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework

synonym: follow, creep up on, (noun) stem

(1) **stalk** of celery, (2) **stalk** from the room

The hunter quietly **stalked** the deer for hours before taking the shot

Session 2: Spelling

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|------------------------------|--|
| 1. pre_____ion for chocolate | <i>n.</i> a preference or inclination for something; a liking or fondness for something |
| 2. ca_____m deficiency | <i>n.</i> a chemical element with the symbol Ca and atomic number 20, which is an important mineral for the human body |
| 3. be__e his expectations | <i>v.</i> to contradict or show to be false or untrue; to give a false impression or disguise the true nature of something |
| 4. b__m in sales | <i>n.</i> a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound |
| 5. ox cart | <i>n.</i> a large domesticated mammal, commonly used for draft purposes, with two broad horns and a heavyset body |
| 6. Feast of Ep_____ny | <i>n.</i> a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus |
| 7. di_____ct public opinion | <i>v.</i> to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do |
| 8. apply mo_____r | <i>n.</i> a mixture of cement, sand, and water used for binding building materials together; a heavy, deep bowl used to pound or grind substances |

ANSWERS: 1. predilection, 2. calcium, 3. belie, 4. boom, 5. ox, 6. epiphany, 7. distract, 8. mortar

9. ev_____on theory *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
10. tra_____lly accepted concept *adv.* in accordance with tradition; typically or commonly done in a particular way
11. re___n a lawyer *v.* to keep or continue to possess or maintain something
12. IT inf_____ure *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
13. as___ts of social, political, and economic life *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
14. int_____ve pages *v.* to insert or alternate layers of one thing between two or more layers of another thing, particularly in a patterned or systematic way, such as in computer memory or documents
15. th__b a ride *n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
16. a te_____ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
17. al__n fungi *n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere
18. the de__h of the water *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

ANSWERS: 9. evolution, 10. traditionally, 11. retain, 12. infrastructure, 13. aspect, 14. interleave, 15. thumb, 16. technique, 17. alien, 18. depth

19. exp_____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
20. tra_____lly sung at a banquet *adv.* in accordance with tradition; typically or commonly done in a particular way
21. resident al__ns *n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere
22. anthropology lab_____ry *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
23. get in_____t access *adj.* happening immediately, with no delay
24. d__m room *n.* a residence hall or building that provides living quarters for students or other occupants, typically on a college or university campus
25. un_____o a decrease *v.* to go through something unpleasant or that involves a change
26. li_____e renewal *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
27. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
28. gain pr_____al experience *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas

ANSWERS: 19. experiment, 20. traditionally, 21. alien, 22. laboratory, 23. instant, 24. dorm, 25. undergo, 26. license, 27. creative, 28. practical

29. ma____a painting *n.* a representation of the Virgin Mary, especially in art
30. the se____ce of the seasons *n.* a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
31. re____nt local dishes *v.* to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new
32. in____ct with one another *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
33. un____o surgery *v.* to go through something unpleasant or that involves a change
34. exp____tal design *adj.* relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have
35. h__d of cattle *n.* a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
36. in____ct a computer *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
37. a test pi__t *n.* a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water
38. de____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 29. madonna, 30. sequence, 31. reinvent, 32. interact, 33. undergo, 34. experimental, 35. herd, 36. instruct, 37. pilot, 38. develop

39. cre_____al themselves by showing their registration *v.* to provide someone with certification or verification of their qualifications, usually in a particular field or profession; (noun) a document attesting to the truth of certain stated facts
40. gr__t in discontent *v.* to make a short, low noise in the throat
41. re_____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
42. students at all gr__e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
43. de__h camera *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
44. gr__t a laugh *v.* to make a short, low noise in the throat
45. human ev_____on *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
46. hea_____re agency *n.* the organized activity or business of preserving mental and physical health by preventing or treating illness through services offered by the health profession
47. number pi *n.* a mathematical constant that is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter, approximately equal to 3.14159
48. university d__m *n.* a residence hall or building that provides living quarters for students or other occupants, typically on a college or university campus

ANSWERS: 39. credential, 40. grunt, 41. replace, 42. grade, 43. depth, 44. grunt, 45. evolution, 46. healthcare, 47. pi, 48. dorm

49. sy___l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
50. the ul_____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
51. co_____e the value *v.* to make a mathematical calculation
52. a benefit co_____t *n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
53. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
54. f__p a coin *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
55. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
56. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
57. at your own p__e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
58. re___e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

ANSWERS: 49. symbol, 50. ultimate, 51. compute, 52. concert, 53. innovation, 54. flip, 55. incredible, 56. process, 57. pace, 58. relate

59. copyrighted so_____re *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
60. gra_____ld-grandparent relationship *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
61. ar_____l of knowledge *n.* a collection of weapons or military equipment stored in preparation for war or conflict; a collection of resources or tools available for use in a particular field or endeavor
62. und_____ate course *n.* a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution
63. an in_____t reply *adj.* happening immediately, with no delay
64. the ul_____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
65. end of the se_____er *n.* one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term
66. di_____l electronic signature *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
67. mic_____ent techniques *n.* a style of management characterized by excessive attention to detail and control, often resulting in inefficient or demotivating work environments
68. ta____t keyboard *n.* a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine

ANSWERS: 59. software, 60. grandchild, 61. arsenal, 62. undergraduate, 63. instant, 64. ultimate, 65. semester, 66. digital, 67. micromanagement, 68. tablet

69. a r_w of cherry trees *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
70. in_____te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
71. int_____ve yarns *v.* to insert or alternate layers of one thing between two or more layers of another thing, particularly in a patterned or systematic way, such as in computer memory or documents
72. en_____ng story *adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
73. tax re_____e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
74. di_____ct attention from the real issue *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
75. the mil_____al reign *adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y
76. teaching cre_____al *v.* to provide someone with certification or verification of their qualifications, usually in a particular field or profession; (noun) a document attesting to the truth of certain stated facts
77. laws of ph_____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions

ANSWERS: 69. row, 70. institute, 71. interleave, 72. engaging, 73. revenue, 74. distract, 75. millennial, 76. credential, 77. physics

78. co_____e an average score *v.* to make a mathematical calculation
79. horse s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (*v.*) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
80. sc_____le my mind *v.* to move or climb quickly and awkwardly, often using your hands to help you
81. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
82. re_____ne the future *v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
83. chalk on a bla_____rd *n.* a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk
84. en___e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
85. d_n of traffic *n.* a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket
86. a multivitamin ta____t *n.* a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine
87. pr_____e a better relationship *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

ANSWERS: 78. compute, 79. stud, 80. scramble, 81. transform, 82. reimagine, 83. blackboard, 84. engage, 85. din, 86. tablet, 87. promote

88. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
89. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
90. ele_____cs industry *n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems
91. co_____t level *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
92. al___i relations *n.* (the plural form of "alumnus" or "alumna") former students or graduates of an educational institution or program
93. nuclear ph_____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
94. th__b wrestling *n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
95. college do_____ry *n.* a large room or building that provides sleeping quarters for multiple people, typically students or workers, often in separate beds or cubicles
96. sc_____le for support *v.* to move or climb quickly and awkwardly, often using your hands to help you
97. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation

ANSWERS: 88. engage, 89. discovery, 90. electronics, 91. comfort, 92. alumni, 93. physics, 94. thumb, 95. dormitory, 96. scramble, 97. innovation

98. have a co_____t again *n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
99. a strong pre_____ion for dogs *n.* a preference or inclination for something; a liking or fondness for something
100. sy____l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
101. n__t idea *adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place
102. a sp_____ip to survey the moon *n.* (especially in science fiction) a spacecraft designed to carry a crew into interstellar space
103. use gam_____ion to learning *n.* the use of game design elements and techniques in non-game contexts to engage and motivate people to achieve their goals
104. barren of cr_____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
105. re____e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
106. unb_____st to any of us *adv.* without the knowledge or awareness of someone; without someone's knowledge or participation
107. inf_____ure cost *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

ANSWERS: 98. concert, 99. predilection, 100. symbol, 101. neat, 102. spaceship, 103. gamification, 104. creative, 105. relate, 106. unbeknownst, 107. infrastructure

108. the te_____ue applied to construction
n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
109. at inc_____le speed
adj. unbelievable; enormous
110. access to public tr_____rt
n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
111. ele_____cs store
n. the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems
112. de_____p a skill
v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
113. mo_____r the data carefully
v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
114. c__t's practices
n. a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
115. l_b instrument
n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
116. a scientific di_____ry
n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 108. technique, 109. incredible, 110. transport, 111. electronics, 112. develop, 113. monitor, 114. cult, 115. lab, 116. discovery

117. rev_____ize the industry *v.* to bring about a complete or radical change in something, often through the introduction of new methods or ideas
118. electronic bla_____rd *n.* a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk
119. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
120. a warm em_____e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
121. m__e button *adj.* silent; not speaking or unable to speak; not expressed or articulated
122. ree_____er the organizational structure *v.* to redesign or restructure something such as a machine, system, organization, etc.
123. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
124. shared do_____ry *n.* a large room or building that provides sleeping quarters for multiple people, typically students or workers, often in separate beds or cubicles
125. the per_____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
126. a sonic b__m *n.* a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound

ANSWERS: 117. revolutionize, 118. blackboard, 119. nation, 120. embrace, 121. mute, 122. reengineer, 123. amazing, 124. dormitory, 125. perspective, 126. boom

127. p__r review *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
128. in_____te an error *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
129. the common h__d *n.* a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
130. break off an eng_____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
131. in_____on performance *adv.* taking place with someone physically present together in the same place rather than on the phone, e-mail, or video link:
132. political ar_____l *n.* a collection of weapons or military equipment stored in preparation for war or conflict; a collection of resources or tools available for use in a particular field or endeavor
133. get an in_____on appointment *adv.* taking place with someone physically present together in the same place rather than on the phone, e-mail, or video link:
134. re_____ne the possibilities *v.* to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
135. ra_____ry flavor *n.* a sweet and tart edible fruit that grows on bushes, usually with a soft red or black color and a rough texture on the outside

ANSWERS: 127. peer, 128. indicate, 129. herd, 130. engagement, 131. in-person, 132. arsenal, 133. in-person, 134. reimagine, 135. raspberry

136. mighty d_n *n.* a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket
137. medical l_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
138. 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
139. in____te a preference *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
140. unb____st to me *adv.* without the knowledge or awareness of someone; without someone's knowledge or participation
141. ma____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
142. 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
143. water ox *n.* a large domesticated mammal, commonly used for draft purposes, with two broad horns and a heavyset body
144. re____d a film *v.* to make something, such as a film or tape, go back to the beginning
145. a vi____l image *adj.* being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

ANSWERS: 136. din, 137. lab, 138. distance, 139. indicate, 140. unbeknownst, 141. massive, 142. distance, 143. ox, 144. rewind, 145. virtual

146. annual re_____e	<i>n.</i>	the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
147. engineering und_____ate	<i>n.</i>	a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution
148. tr_____rt facilities	<i>n.</i>	a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
149. ci_____t breaker	<i>n.</i>	(in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
150. ra_____ry tea	<i>n.</i>	a sweet and tart edible fruit that grows on bushes, usually with a soft red or black color and a rough texture on the outside
151. fa_____te the public	<i>v.</i>	to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
152. st_____e financially	<i>v.</i>	to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
153. common in_____on	<i>n.</i>	the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
154. series of exp_____nts	<i>n.</i>	the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
155. em_____e an opportunity	<i>v.</i>	to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of claspings another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

ANSWERS: 146. revenue, 147. undergraduate, 148. transport, 149. circuit, 150. raspberry, 151. fascinate, 152. stumble, 153. invention, 154. experiment, 155. embrace

156. bl__d milk and cream *v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
157. decision-making pr____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
158. mo____r an exam *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
159. its____sy detail *adj.* very small or tiny
160. mic_____ent approach *n.* a style of management characterized by excessive attention to detail and control, often resulting in inefficient or demotivating work environments
161. c__t members *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
162. p__r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
163. criminal on death r_w *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
164. research in____tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

ANSWERS: 156. blend, 157. process, 158. monitor, 159. itsy-bitsy, 160. micromanagement, 161. cult, 162. peer, 163. row, 164. institute

165. di____s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
166. rising hea_____re cost *n.* the organized activity or business of preserving mental and physical health by preventing or treating illness through services offered by the health profession
167. ree_____er work processes *v.* to redesign or restructure something such as a machine, system, organization, etc.
168. software li_____e *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
169. give si___t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
170. pr_____e bad behavior *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
171. st__k of celery *v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework

ANSWERS: 165. discuss, 166. healthcare, 167. reengineer, 168. license, 169. silent, 170. promote, 171. stalk

172. ion of ca_____m *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Ca and atomic number 20, which is an important mineral for the human body
173. a desirable ou_____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
174. cause an ac_____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
175. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
176. mo____r joints *n.* a mixture of cement, sand, and water used for binding building materials together; a heavy, deep bowl used to pound or grind substances
177. en____l in a school *v.* to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service
178. lab_____ry accident *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
179. manually re____d the tape *v.* to make something, such as a film or tape, go back to the beginning
180. arrive and de____t on time *v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
181. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
182. pa__e a moment *v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
183. injury in a car ac_____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

ANSWERS: 172. calcium, 173. outcome, 174. accident, 175. invention, 176. mortar, 177. enroll, 178. laboratory, 179. rewind, 180. depart, 181. absolutely, 182. pause, 183. accident

184. the DNA se_____ce *n.* a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
185. wooden Ma_____a *n.* a representation of the Virgin Mary, especially in art
186. gam_____ion of education *n.* the use of game design elements and techniques in non-game contexts to engage and motivate people to achieve their goals
187. bl__s you *v.* to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify
188. an int_____ve device *adj.* acting reciprocally; mutually responsive
189. gra_____ld development *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
190. mil_____al record *adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y
191. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
192. st__k from the room *v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework
193. trading of vi_____l currencies *adj.* being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

ANSWERS: 184. sequence, 185. madonna, 186. gamification, 187. bless, 188. interactive, 189. grandchild, 190. millennial, 191. interaction, 192. stalk, 193. virtual

194. pa__e for a reaction *v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
195. person of gra_____nt age *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
196. the mathematical constant pi *n.* a mathematical constant that is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter, approximately equal to 3.14159
197. la___h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
198. gen_____on gap *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
199. m__e sound *adj.* silent; not speaking or unable to speak; not expressed or articulated
200. ep_____ny about life *n.* a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus
201. f__p over the pork chop *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
202. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
203. al___i network *n.* (the plural form of "alumnus" or "alumna") former students or graduates of an educational institution or program

ANSWERS: 194. pause, 195. grandparent, 196. pi, 197. launch, 198. generation, 199. mute, 200. epiphany, 201. flip, 202. amazing, 203. alumni

204. bl__s him in my heart *v.* to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify
205. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
206. pi__t production *n.* a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water
207. the int_____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
208. in_____ct a student *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
209. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
210. improved student ou_____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
211. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
212. wall s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
213. federal ci_____t courts *n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area

ANSWERS: 204. bless, 205. absolutely, 206. pilot, 207. interaction, 208. instruct, 209. colleague, 210. outcome, 211. colleague, 212. stud, 213. circuit

214. bacteria on pe__i dishes *n.* (petri dish) a small, clear, and round dish with a lid used in laboratories, especially for growing bacteria
215. great-gra_____nt *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
216. re_____nt our life *v.* to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new
217. agree to su____t the bill *v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
218. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
219. during the se_____er breaks *n.* one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term
220. rev_____ize the technology *v.* to bring about a complete or radical change in something, often through the introduction of new methods or ideas
221. a prior eng_____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
222. alien sp_____ip *n.* (especially in science fiction) a spacecraft designed to carry a crew into interstellar space
223. pe__i dish test *n.* (petri dish) a small, clear, and round dish with a lid used in laboratories, especially for growing bacteria
224. de____t from the faith *v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey

ANSWERS: 214. petri, 215. grandparent, 216. reinvent, 217. submit, 218. nation, 219. semester, 220. revolutionize, 221. engagement, 222. spaceship, 223. petri, 224. depart

225. bl__d all the elements *v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
226. exp_____tal data *adj.* relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have
227. re_____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
228. b_t my future *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
229. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
230. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
231. the runner's p__e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
232. st_____e through life *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
233. la____h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
234. su____t an application *v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration

ANSWERS: 225. blend, 226. experimental, 227. replace, 228. bet, 229. perspective, 230. communicate, 231. pace, 232. stumble, 233. launch, 234. submit

235. be__es the impact of the speaker's words *v.* to contradict or show to be false or untrue; to give a false impression or disguise the true nature of something
236. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
237. b_t on a race *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
238. an en_____ng smile *adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
239. si___t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
240. its_____sy spider *adj.* very small or tiny
241. pr_____al English *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
242. a di_____l watch *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
243. so_____re architect *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
244. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
245. boys in the twelfth gr__e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
246. nontechnical as___ts of the job *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

ANSWERS: 235. belie, 236. transform, 237. bet, 238. engaging, 239. silent, 240. itsy-bitsy, 241. practical, 242. digital, 243. software, 244. massive, 245. grade, 246. aspect

247. words of co_____t	<i>n.</i> a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
248. the gen_____on of electricity	<i>n.</i> all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
249. a n__t piece of work	<i>adj.</i> clean or tidy, with everything in its place
250. en___l at a college	<i>v.</i> to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service
251. di_____s solutions	<i>v.</i> to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
252. fa_____te the young	<i>v.</i> to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
253. com_____te well with my advisor	<i>v.</i> to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
254. in_____ct directly with customers	<i>v.</i> to communicate or react with somebody
255. int_____ve experience	<i>adj.</i> acting reciprocally; mutually responsive
256. re___n information	<i>v.</i> to keep or continue to possess or maintain something

ANSWERS: 247. comfort, 248. generation, 249. neat, 250. enroll, 251. discuss, 252. fascinate, 253. communicate, 254. interact, 255. interactive, 256. retain

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.
adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
2. 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
3. The product is still in the _____ stage.
adj. relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have
4. Computers help people _____ specific memories.
v. to keep or continue to possess or maintain something
5. Please don't _____ me while I'm studying.
v. to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
6. They launched a crewless _____ into space.
n. (especially in science fiction) a spacecraft designed to carry a crew into interstellar space
7. The dragon is considered a _____ of bravery.
n. something visible that is used to represent something else
8. My father's death _____ my life completely.
v. to change in outward structure or looks;

ANSWERS: 1. absolutely, 2. creative, 3. experimental, 4. retain, 5. distract, 6. spaceship, 7. symbol, 8. transformed

9. The class was composed of both _____ and graduate students.
n. a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution
10. Scientists use powerful microscopes to study _____ particles.
adj. very small or tiny
11. I tried to _____ the efficiency of the investment.
v. to make a mathematical calculation
12. The company specializes in manufacturing and selling cutting-edge _____.
n. the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems
13. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
14. Her concept is highly _____ and helpful.
adj. of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
15. The pond's _____ was around five feet.
n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
16. His manager's _____ style drove him crazy, making him feel like he couldn't make any decisions on his own.
n. a style of management characterized by excessive attention to detail and control, often resulting in inefficient or demotivating work environments

ANSWERS: 9. undergraduate, 10. itchy-bitsy, 11. compute, 12. electronics, 13. relate, 14. practical, 15. depth, 16. micromanagement

17. The _____ exercised great care in landing.

n. a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water

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

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

19. The economy is growing at a supercharged _____.

n. the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

20. She _____ and stopped drinking coffee.

v. to make a short, low noise in the throat

21. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

22. _____ to the family, the treasure had been hidden in the attic for years.

adv. without the knowledge or awareness of someone; without someone's knowledge or participation

23. To get the job, I need to _____ my experience and education.

v. to provide someone with certification or verification of their qualifications, usually in a particular field or profession; (noun) a document attesting to the truth of certain stated facts

24. The police found a hidden _____ of weapons in the suspect's house.

n. a collection of weapons or military equipment stored in preparation for war or conflict; a collection of resources or tools available for use in a particular field or endeavor

ANSWERS: 17. pilot, 18. row, 19. pace, 20. grunted, 21. amazing, 22. Unbeknownst, 23. credential, 24. arsenal

25. I need to _____ in a cooking class to improve my culinary skills.
- v.* to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service
26. He used his right _____ to press the button on his phone.
- n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
27. The new video game has an _____ storyline that allows players to make choices that affect the game's outcome.
- adj.* acting reciprocally; mutually responsive
28. They used a special receiver to _____ police radio channels.
- v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
29. This graph indicates the city's tourism _____ over five years.
- n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
30. This region has many _____ offering higher education.
- n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
31. The facility manager _____ the security guards to be on high alert.
- v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
32. In an aging population, citizens must pay more to maintain quality _____.
- n.* the organized activity or business of preserving mental and physical health by preventing or treating illness through services offered by the health profession

ANSWERS: 25. enroll, 26. thumb, 27. interactive, 28. monitor, 29. revenue, 30. institutes, 31. instructed, 32. healthcare

33. We do move forward with those tasks in _____ next week.
n. a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
34. As technology evolves, we need to _____ our work styles.
v. to redesign or restructure something such as a machine, system, organization, etc.
35. Glass _____ dishes are used to culture microorganisms.
n. (petri dish) a small, clear, and round dish with a lid used in laboratories, especially for growing bacteria
36. Enhanced rail _____ is crucial for our business.
n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
37. She has _____ habits.
adj. clean or tidy, with everything in its place
38. The _____ cheesecake at that restaurant is out of this world.
n. a sweet and tart edible fruit that grows on bushes, usually with a soft red or black color and a rough texture on the outside
39. The younger _____ has different values and beliefs than the older one.
n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
40. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation

ANSWERS: 33. sequence, 34. reengineer, 35. petri, 36. transportation, 37. neat, 38. raspberry, 39. generation, 40. innovation

41. The patient was prescribed a _____ supplement to help prevent osteoporosis.
n. a chemical element with the symbol Ca and atomic number 20, which is an important mineral for the human body
42. The peaceful surroundings _____ the danger lurking just around the corner.
v. to contradict or show to be false or untrue; to give a false impression or disguise the true nature of something
43. Her research team made an important _____.
n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
44. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.
n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
45. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.
n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
46. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.
v. to take the place of something
47. She had an _____ while meditating and realized the answer to her problem.
n. a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus
48. The toad altered its appearance to better _____ in with its new environments.
v. to mix or combine two or more substances

ANSWERS: 41. calcium, 42. belied, 43. discovery, 44. infrastructure, 45. grade, 46. replace, 47. epiphany, 48. blend

49. 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
50. He was riding _____ on the sheep during the day.
- n.* a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
51. _____ species have drastically altered the ecosystem in this area.
- n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere
52. He _____ when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.
- v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
53. He bought a new _____ to attach the strap to his watch.
- n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
54. Animal protection groups call for an end to animal testing in a _____.
- n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
55. This artist always packs the _____ halls.
- n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
56. The _____ of the city was overwhelming.
- n.* a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket

ANSWERS: 49. distance, 50. herd, 51. Alien, 52. flipped, 53. stud, 54. laboratory, 55. concert, 56. din

57. To create a sturdy fabric, the weavers must _____ the threads.
- v.* to insert or alternate layers of one thing between two or more layers of another thing, particularly in a patterned or systematic way, such as in computer memory or documents
58. The _____ and Child painting is a famous piece of art from the Renaissance period.
- n.* a representation of the Virgin Mary, especially in art
59. He found _____ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.
- n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
60. Local business owners _____ to find skilled workers.
- v.* to move or climb quickly and awkwardly, often using your hands to help you
61. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.
- n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
62. We must complete all of these courses in the following _____.
- n.* one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term
63. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's ____.
- n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
64. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.
- n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

ANSWERS: 57. interleave, 58. Madonnas, 59. comfort, 60. scrambled, 61. interaction, 62. semester, 63. lab, 64. perspective

65. She is the _____ president of the company.

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

66. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

67. Please _____ the thread onto the reel.

v. to make something, such as a film or tape, go back to the beginning

68. The grandparents take care of their _____ while the parents are at work.

n. a child of someone's son or daughter

69. The girls' _____ had a strict curfew of 11 p.m.

n. a large room or building that provides sleeping quarters for multiple people, typically students or workers, often in separate beds or cubicles

70. The bricklayer started on the second course of bricks, laying them in fresh _____.

n. a mixture of cement, sand, and water used for binding building materials together; a heavy, deep bowl used to pound or grind substances

71. They study the _____ of the universe.

n. a gradual process of transformation of living things

72. The company specializes in both hardware and _____.

n. a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs

ANSWERS: 65. virtual, 66. ultimate, 67. rewind, 68. grandchild, 69. dormitory, 70. mortar, 71. evolution, 72. software

73. The company implemented a _____ program to encourage employees to meet their sales targets.
- n.* the use of game design elements and techniques in non-game contexts to engage and motivate people to achieve their goals
74. Necessity is the mother of _____.
- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
75. They selected a gorgeous diamond _____ ring.
- n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
76. She _____ over the tree root.
- v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
77. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.
- adj.* unbelievable; enormous
78. She was disbarred for her _____ in fraud.
- adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
79. He can recite ___ to 1000 digits.
- n.* a mathematical constant that is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter, approximately equal to 3.14159
80. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
- n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 73. gamification, 74. invention, 75. engagement, 76. stumbled, 77. incredible, 78. engaging, 79. pi, 80. process

81. The sacrifice of an ___ was a common religious ritual in ancient cultures.
- n.* a large domesticated mammal, commonly used for draft purposes, with two broad horns and a heavyset body
82. The woods _____ the house.
- v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
83. He should _____ more with his colleagues.
- v.* to communicate or react with somebody
84. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
85. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
86. The hunter quietly _____ the deer for hours before taking the shot
- v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework
87. His professional experience includes all _____ of media production.
- n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

ANSWERS: 81. ox, 82. embrace, 83. interact, 84. nation, 85. develop, 86. stalked, 87. aspects

88. Her _____ for spicy food made her the go-to person for restaurant recommendations.
n. a preference or inclination for something; a liking or fondness for something
89. The man _____ before opening the door.
v. to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
90. The high-technology industry is enjoying a _____.
n. a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
91. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.
v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
92. The priest _____ the couple as they knelt before him.
v. to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify
93. Jockey's superior _____ brought him victory.
n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
94. The company is trying to _____ its business model to stay competitive.
v. to imagine or conceive of something in a new or different way
95. We _____ before the temperature fell below zero.
v. to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
96. I ____ that you know it.
v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

ANSWERS: 88. predilection, 89. paused, 90. boom, 91. discuss, 92. blessed, 93. technique, 94. reimagine, 95. departed, 96. bet

97. The data _____ that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.
- v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
98. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.
- n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
99. Among young people, _____ pressure can be pretty influential.
- n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
100. The train has to _____ rigorous safety checks.
- v.* to go through something unpleasant or that involves a change
101. The _____ leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.
- n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
102. His _____ showed highly positive results.
- n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
103. The invention of the smartphone _____ the way we communicate with each other.
- v.* to bring about a complete or radical change in something, often through the introduction of new methods or ideas
104. Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's _____.
- n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service

ANSWERS: 97. indicates, 98. outcome, 99. peer, 100. undergo, 101. cult, 102. experiments, 103. revolutionized, 104. license

105. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.

- v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

106. She was close to her paternal _____ and often spent summers with them.

- n.* a parent of one's father or mother

107. The virtual world is quite different from the _____ world.

- adv.* taking place with someone physically present together in the same place rather than on the phone, e-mail, or video link:

108. 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

109. Many _____ of our college have become successful in their chosen fields.

- n.* (the plural form of "alumnus" or "alumna") former students or graduates of an educational institution or program

110. The magic tricks _____ the children.

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

111. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.

- adj.* without any or little sound

112. The _____ partially destroyed my vehicle.

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

113. They have tried to _____ their grocery stores.

- v.* to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new

ANSWERS: 105. communicate, 106. grandparents, 107. in-person, 108. colleague, 109. alumni, 110. fascinated, 111. silent, 112. accident, 113. reinvent

114. He studied the _____ of radiation.

n. the science of matter and energy and their interactions

115. Sensors convert physical phenomena into _____ signals.

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

116. The government should do more to _____ sustainable agribusiness.

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

117. The new _____ device has a faster processor and better graphics than its predecessor.

n. a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine

118. Living in a _____ can be a great way to meet new people when you're in college.

n. a residence hall or building that provides living quarters for students or other occupants, typically on a college or university campus

119. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

120. The teacher asked me to rub out the _____.

n. a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk

121. Earth's ecosystems are greatly affected by _____ changes in climate.

adj. relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y

ANSWERS: 114. physics, 115. digital, 116. promote, 117. tablet, 118. dorm, 119. massive, 120. blackboard, 121. millennial-scale

122. _____ the ceremony was held outdoors.

adv. in accordance with tradition; typically or commonly done in a particular way

123. The actor played a _____ character and had to rely on facial expressions to portray his emotions.

adj. silent; not speaking or unable to speak; not expressed or articulated

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

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

125. An intelligent battery has a voltage monitoring _____.

n. (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area

126. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.

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

127. His pleasant face turned cold in an _____.

adj. happening immediately, with no delay

128. Please _____ the assignment to me.

v. to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration

ANSWERS: 122. Traditionally, 123. mute, 124. launch, 125. circuit, 126. engaged, 127. instant, 128. submit