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Session 1: Word List

- pat** v. to touch or tap something lightly and usually in a friendly or encouraging manner; to apply or rub lightly and repetitively
synonym: tap, stroke, caress
(1) **pat** on the back, (2) **pat** a dog
She **patted** the puppy on the head and gave it a treat.
- constituent** n. one of the parts of the whole; a person represented by an elected official
synonym: member, element, part
(1) **constituent** assembly, (2) the solid **constituent** of blood cells
Each **constituent** member of the council has the right to vote on important decisions.
- congressperson** n. a person who belongs to a congress, especially a member of the US House of Representatives; congressman (congressperson is used to avoid gender discrimination)
synonym: lawmaker, politician, representative
(1) hawkish **congressperson**, (2) former **congressperson**
The term of a **congressperson** is two years.

shuttle

n. a vehicle or boat that regularly moves between two places; bobbin that passes the weft thread between the warp threads

synonym : ferry, transport, convey

(1) space **shuttle**, (2) **shuttle** service

The **shuttle** bus will take you to the airport in 15 minutes.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym : abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

irrevocably

adv. in a way that is impossible to be changed, reversed, or recovered

synonym : decisively, permanently, definitely

(1) unconditionally and **irrevocably**, (2) change **irrevocably**

The evolution of civilization has **irrevocably** improved the quality of human life.

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.

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**.

gab

v. to talk or chat informally and at length, often in a relaxed or gossipy manner; to engage in idle or frivolous conversation; (noun) casual conversation or idle chatter

synonym : converse, chatter, yak

(1) **gab** on the cellular telephone, (2) have a great **gab** session

We often **gab** about our favorite books and movies during our road trips.

horrible

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

synonym : dreadful, terrible, awful

(1) **horrible** accident, (2) **horrible** smell

The experience was **horrible** and left a lasting impression.

chief

adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

synonym : essential, primary, leading

(1) **chief** accountant, (2) **chief** events of the year

Mining is a **chief** source of income for the country.

prognosis

n. the likely outcome or course of a disease or illness based on medical analysis and examination of the patient; a forecast or prediction of future events or developments

synonym : prospect, forecast, diagnosis

(1) **prognosis** of cancer, (2) poor **prognosis**

The doctor gave a positive **prognosis** for her recovery from the illness.

recover

v. to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

synonym : come back, convalesce, heal

(1) **recover** a loss, (2) **recover** approval ratings

She is still **recovering** from a shot to her shoulder.

gunshot

n. the sound or act of firing a gun or other firearm, usually accompanied by a loud explosion and a projectile that is propelled toward the target

synonym : shot, blast, gunfire

(1) **gunshot** wound, (2) **gunshot** residue

The loud **gunshot** startled the wildlife in the nearby forest.

traumatic

adj. relating to or caused by injury, especially emotional injury

synonym : distressing

(1) **traumatic** event, (2) **traumatic** brain injury

The experience was so **traumatic** that it left a lasting impact on the survivor's mental health.

brain

n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

synonym : intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage

X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

injury

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

synonym : wound, damage, hurt

(1) without **injury**, (2) a fatal **injury**

My accidental **injury** got better right away.

typical

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

synonym : characteristic, usual, distinctive

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

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

predictable

adj. capable of being known, seen or declared in advance

synonym : foreseeable, expectable, likely

(1) **predictable** pattern, (2) in a **predictable** manner

The economy becomes more volatile and less **predictable**.

stroke

n. a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.

synonym : blow

(1) suffer **stroke**, (2) a **stroke** of the putter

This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat **stroke** cases.

reclaim

v. to take back something previously lost, given, or paid, or ask to have it back

synonym: recoup, regain, retake

(1) **reclaim** a competitive position, (2) **reclaim** land from the sea

You may be entitled to **reclaim** some tax.

semblance

n. the outward appearance or visible form of something, especially when it is different from the reality beneath; a vague or superficial similarity

synonym: appearance, facade, imitation

(1) **semblance** of truth, (2) lose **semblance** of identity

There was no **semblance** of order at the chaotic protest.

unconscious

adj. in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness

synonym: comatose, paralyzed, senseless

(1) **unconscious** bias, (2) a person who is **unconscious**

I know his **unconscious** habit that he touches his face when he lies.

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.

extent

n. the point or degree or area to which something extends

synonym: amount, degree, intensity

(1) certain **extent**, (2) the **extent** of the damage

I was amazed at the **extent** of her generosity.

vocabulary

n. the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses

synonym : lexicon, glossary, dictionary

(1) **vocabulary** list, (2) academic **vocabulary**

Using proper **vocabulary** is essential for writing a good essay.

aphasia

n. a language disorder that affects a person's ability to use or understand words, often caused by brain damage, such as stroke, brain injury, or neurological condition, which can result in difficulty speaking, writing, reading, or comprehending language

synonym : dysphasia, speech impairment, language disorder

(1) global **aphasia**, (2) amnesic **aphasia**

After her stroke, my grandmother suffered from expressive **aphasia**, making it difficult for her to articulate her thoughts.

difficulty

n. a condition or state that causes problems

synonym : hardship, complication, problem

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

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

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.

latch

n. a device for holding a door or gate closed, typically a sliding bar or bolt

synonym : lock, catch, bolt

(1) set the **latch**, (2) **latch** mechanism

The **latch** on the gate was broken, so the cows got loose.

bullet

n. a metal projectile that is shot from a gun

synonym : projectile, slug, shot

(1) **bullet** wound, (2) **bullet** train

The stray **bullet** went through the window and hit the wall.

optimistic

adj. hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful

synonym : hopeful, auspicious, cheery

(1) he is **optimistic**, (2) **optimistic** outlook

Most executives were **optimistic** about future business conditions.

haul

v. to physically drag or pull someone or something with effort

synonym : drag, pull, tug

(1) **haul** on a rope, (2) **haul** truck

They had to **haul** the boat out of the water for repairs.

characteristic

n. a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody

synonym : feature, quality, attribute

(1) stripes **characteristic** of the zebra, (2) my friend's **characteristic** laugh

Bananas have their **characteristic** taste and odor.

incredibly

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

synonym : enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

(1) **incredibly** cheerful character, (2) get **incredibly** insecure

Several cities are experiencing **incredibly** high unemployment rates.

treadmill

n. a piece of exercise equipment consisting of a moving belt on which the user walks, jogs, or runs in place; a monotonous, repetitive task or activity that feels like it is going nowhere, much like a person walking on a treadmill

synonym : exercise machine, routine

(1) **treadmill** workout, (2) nonstop **treadmill**

I like to watch TV while running on the **treadmill** to pass the time.

span

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

synonym : interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**

He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

horn

n. a hard, pointed, often curved part that grows on the top of the heads of some animals, such as sheep and cows; a noisemaker or musical instrument that makes a loud noise when you blow through it

synonym : cornet, funnel, alarm

(1) a handle of **horn**, (2) **horn** of a vehicle

He enjoyed hearing the tootles of their **horns** with beer.

therapy

n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.

synonym : antidote, medicine, treatment

(1) **therapy** for a patient, (2) field of gene **therapy**

I underwent aversion **therapy** for my addiction to alcohol.

motor

n. a device that converts electricity, fuel, etc. into movement and makes a machine, vehicle, etc. work

synonym : actuator, engine, machine

(1) a **motor** mechanic, (2) DC **motor** control

Energy-efficient **motors** are needed to maximize the cruising distance of electric vehicles.

scoot

v. to move or glide along quickly and smoothly on a surface, especially on a scooter or similar device

synonym : glide, slide, scurry

(1) **scoot** out of my room, (2) **scoot** over

I have to **scoot** over to the next desk because there's not enough room for me to sit comfortably.

tame

v. to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training

synonym: domesticate, soften, (adjective) harmless

(1) **tame** a wild beast, (2) a **tame** animal

We have to **tame** substantial financial deficits at first.

motorcycle

n. a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals

synonym: bike, motor

(1) **motorcycle** gangster, (2) electric **motorcycle**

He had his **motorcycle** license revoked for drunken driving.

doe

n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

synonym: rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

handlebar

n. a horizontal bar or rod attached to the front fork of a bicycle, motorcycle, or other vehicles, used as a handle for steering the vehicle

synonym: handle, bar, grip

(1) **handlebar** mustache, (2) grip **handlebar**

My bike's **handlebar** is loose and needs to be tightened before I can ride it safely.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

for dinner.

dedicate

v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

synonym: consecrate, devote, commit

(1) **dedicate** a few hours, (2) **dedicate** a chapter to the subject

He **dedicated** his life to helping others.

military

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

synonym: armed, martial, warlike

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

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

eventually

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

synonym: finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

astronaut

n. a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere

synonym: spaceman, cosmonaut

(1) **astronaut** mission, (2) **astronaut** in training

The shuttle **astronaut** trained for months before embarking on the space mission.

attract

v. to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

synonym: lure, entice, draw in

(1) **attract** attention, (2) **attract** customers

The government is eager to **attract** international investment.

oddly

adv. in a way that is unexpected, strange, or peculiar

synonym : strangely, peculiarly, weirdly

(1) behave **oddly**, (2) **oddly** familiar

He walked into the party with an **oddly** dressed companion, causing everyone to stare.

background

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

synonym : ground, experience, backdrop

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

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's **background**.

boondoggle

n. a wasteful or unnecessary project or activity; work or activity of little practical value but that appears to have a purpose

synonym : foolishness, waste, nonsense

(1) **boondoggle** expenses, (2) government **boondoggle**

The government spent millions of dollars on a **boondoggle** project that never came to fruition.

senator

n. a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate

synonym : legislator, politician, representative

(1) junior **senator**, (2) **senator** term

The hawkish **senator** gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.

whirlwind

n. a very strong wind that moves rapidly in circles and causes a lot of damage

synonym : tornado, waterspout, dust devil

(1) economic **whirlwind**, (2) **whirlwind** of events

We went on a **whirlwind** visit to the sightseeing spot.

romantic

adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

synonym : idealistic, unrealistic, amatory

(1) **romantic** movies, (2) **romantic** breakup
It was his first **romantic** love.

invite

v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
synonym: ask, request, summon

(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism
We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

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**.

Senate

n. a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament
synonym: upper house, council, assembly

(1) **Senate** hearing, (2) **Senate** Finance Committee
The **Senate** majority leader announced plans to bring the bill to the floor for a vote.

district

n. a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features
synonym: territory, dominion, zone

(1) school **districts**, (2) urban **districts**
Since 2001, the **district** has provided training programs for automotive technicians.

legislation

n. a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws
synonym: act, regulation, decree

(1) anti-terrorist **legislation**, (2) introduce **legislation**
Similar **legislation** had already been rejected by the parliament four times.

punishment

n. a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing

synonym : penalty, discipline, retribution

(1) **punishment** for a crime, (2) humiliating **punishment**

The judge gave severe **punishment** to the criminal who committed the heinous crime.

contribute

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

synonym : donate, devote, commit

(1) **contribute** a large sum of money to the fund,

(2) **contribute** to society

Government workers cannot **contribute** to political campaigns.

relation

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

synonym : association, linkage, connection

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

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

independence

n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence

synonym : freedom, liberty, autonomy

(1) financial **independence**, (2) **independence** ceremony

There is nothing more valuable than **independence** and freedom.

commuter

n. a person who regularly travels long distances between their home and place of work, typically by public transportation or car

synonym : traveler, passenger

(1) **commuter** shuttle, (2) daily **commuter**

The **commuter** train was delayed due to a signal failure on

the line.

clockwise

adv. in a circular direction that follows the course of a clock's hands or in a direction that is considered to be forward or positive

synonym : rightward, deasil

(1) rotate **clockwise**, (2) move **clockwise**

We need to turn the knob **clockwise** to lock the door.

counterclockwise

adv. in a direction opposite to the rotation of a clock's hands or opposite to the usual direction of movement or flow

synonym : anticlockwise, reversely

(1) move **counterclockwise**, (2) swirl **counterclockwise**

The carousel rotates **counterclockwise** at a slow pace.

Congress

n. a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

synonym : legislature, parliament, assembly

(1) an international **Congress**, (2) peace **Congress**

Congress must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

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**.

entirely

adv. completely

synonym : completely, fully, totally

(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame

Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

colossal

adj. extremely large and impressive

synonym : gigantic, huge, enormous

(1) **colossal** statue, (2) a **colossal** success

The new building is truly **colossal**, towering over the surrounding buildings.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym: insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme

The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

thrive

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

synonym: bloom, flourish, prosper

(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure

Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

install

v. to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position

synonym: establish, inaugurate, lodge

(1) **install** a door, (2) **install** a chairperson

The new president was **installed** immediately after the national election.

panel

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

synonym: board, commission, discussion

(1) **panel** discussion, (2) cost of solar **panels**

A **panel** of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

tragic

adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

synonym: calamitous, disastrous, catastrophic

(1) **tragic** love stories, (2) **tragic** death

The **tragic** events of the war left many families torn apart.

incident

n. an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens

synonym: event, occurrence, accident

(1) traffic **incident**, (2) security **incident**

The **incident** at the airport caused a delay in my flight.

resign

v. to give up a position or job voluntarily; to accept something unpleasant or undesirable as inevitable

synonym: quit, relinquish, retire

(1) **resign** all hopes, (2) **resign** to fate

After a long battle with her health, the teacher had no choice but to **resign** from her position.

suppose

v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

synonym: guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand

What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

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.

replacement

n. the act of replacing something with something else, especially that is newer or better; a person or thing that takes or can take the place of another

synonym: alternate, substitute, backup

(1) regular **replacement** of tires, (2) **replacement** cost

We demand his **replacement**.

primary

adj. first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle

synonym : chief, main, fundamental

(1) **primary** school, (2) **primary** education

The **primary** cause of the accident was due to the icy road conditions.

caregiving

n. the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly

synonym : nurturing, caring, assisting

(1) **caregiving** process, (2) **caregiving** responsibilities

She devoted her life to **caregiving**, looking after her aging parents.

presume

v. to suppose or assume something to be true, often without sufficient evidence or proof; to take liberties, behave impolitely, or overstep one's bounds, often due to arrogance or ignorance

synonym : assume, suppose, guess

(1) **presume** innocence, (2) **presume** on his tolerance

I **presume** you've already made plans for the weekend since you didn't respond to my invitation.

flee

v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

synonym : exit, escape, run away

(1) **flee** their homes, (2) **flee** abroad

It is a basic instinct to **flee** from a dangerous situation.

rendezvous

n. a meeting or appointment that has been arranged beforehand; a gathering of people in a pre-arranged location

synonym : meeting, appointment, encounter

(1) romantic **rendezvous**, (2) business **rendezvous**

Our **rendezvous** point was the coffee shop on the corner.

bunch

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

synonym : group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls
One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

surgery

n. medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures

synonym: operation, (medical) procedure

(1) cardiac **surgery**, (2) the professor of **surgery**
He had undergone heart **surgery** years before.

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.

skull

n. a bone framework that surrounds the brain and gives the head its shape

synonym: cranium, scalp, brain

(1) **skull** fracture, (2) have a thick **skull**
Archaeologists found a Neanderthal **skull** at that historic site.

prosthetic

adj. of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant

(1) have **prosthetic** arms, (2) **prosthetic** limbs

New **prosthetic** joints are less prone to metal poisoning.

freezer

n. a device that keeps food, beverages, or other perishable items at low temperatures to maintain their freshness or preserve them for later use

synonym: refrigerator, icebox, cooler

(1) portable **freezer**, (2) **freezer** bag

I put the ice cream in the **freezer** to keep it from melting.

freak

n. an abnormality that is not typical or expected

synonym: anomaly, deviation, oddity

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

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

appetizer

n. a small dish served before a meal to stimulate the appetite

synonym: starter, hors d'oeuvre, nibble

(1) pre-dinner **appetizer**, (2) **appetizer** snack

The grilled shrimp served as a special **appetizer** for the dinner's main course.

dessert

n. a sweet food served as the last course of a meal

synonym: sweet, cake, confection

(1) **dessert** knife, (2) easy **dessert** recipe

Let's go to an all-you-can-eat **dessert** restaurant.

conversation

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

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

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

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

courage

n. the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

synonym: bravery, valor, fearlessness

(1) mental **courage**, (2) inspire **courage**

It takes a lot of **courage** to stand up for what you believe is right.

deadlock

n. a state of impasse or stalemate, where no progress or agreement can be made between conflicting parties or viewpoints; a situation where future action or decision-making is halted

synonym: stalemate, gridlock, impasse

(1) political **deadlock**, (2) **deadlock** resolution

The negotiations came to a **deadlock** when neither party could reach an agreement.

rehabilitate

v. to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment

synonym: reform, restore, renovate

(1) **rehabilitate** prisoners, (2) **rehabilitate** wildlife

The organization works to **rehabilitate** drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym: affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

cast

v. to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

synonym: throw, project, select

(1) **cast** a ballot, (2) **cast** a charming eye

This accident **cast** a dark shadow over their lives.

debt

n. something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something

synonym: liability, obligation, deficit

(1) **debt** ceiling, (2) corporate **debt**

He became in **debt** after losing his job.

ceiling

n. a room's top interior surface

synonym: canopy, awning, shelter

(1) **ceiling** board, (2) **ceiling** light

There was a crack in the **ceiling** that I found.

bold

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

synonym: brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds

The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

decision

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

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

controversial

adj. causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute

synonym: contentious, disputed, questionable

(1) **controversial** book, (2) **controversial** policy

The issue of the death penalty is highly **controversial**.

resigned

adj. having accepted something unpleasant or difficult, particularly a job or situation, without complaint or resistance; accepting one's fate or circumstances

synonym: submissive, acquiescent, passive

(1) with a **resigned** voice, (2) **resigned** to their fate

She had a **resigned** look on her face when she realized that she had lost the race.

murder

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

synonym: slaying, killing

(1) **murder** in the second degree, (2) attempted **murder**

This intriguing **murder** mystery remains unsolved.

apparently

adv. based on what you have heard or read

synonym: evidently, obviously, supposedly

(1) **apparently** simple, (2) **apparently** unrelated

The police **apparently** believed this explanation was plausible.

grateful

adj. feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
synonym: thankful, appreciative, indebted

(1) a **grateful** breeze, (2) put a **grateful** expression
She was **grateful** for the help he provided.

commander

n. a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force

synonym: leader, captain, officer

(1) **commander** in chief, (2) police **commander**

The military **commander** led their troops into battle with precision and strategic planning.

maintain

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

synonym: preserve, uphold, sustain

(1) **maintain** order, (2) **maintain** good health

I need to **maintain** my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

optimism

n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

synonym: positiveness, sanguinity, bullishness

(1) sense of **optimism**, (2) political **optimism**

There is considerable **optimism** that the economy will recover soon.

outlook

n. the likely future situation for someone or something; a habitual or characteristic mental attitude to life and the world of a particular person, group, or culture

synonym: perspective, view, overlook

(1) the **outlook** of the townsite, (2) a positive **outlook** on life
Our company's business **outlook** for next year is bright.

agenda

n. a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered

synonym : program, schedule, list

(1) **agenda** setting, (2) ambitious **agenda**

The **agenda** for the meeting includes discussions on the budget and new project proposals.

responsible

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

synonym : accountable, answerable, liable

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

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

committee

n. a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization

synonym : panel, board, council

(1) **committee** meeting, (2) **committee** member

The ad hoc **committee** met to discuss the proposal.

violent

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

synonym : aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

involve

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

synonym : implicate, include, engage

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

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

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.

kindergarten

n. a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six

synonym: preschool, nursery school, daycare

(1) **kindergarten** class, (2) **kindergarten** teacher

The **kindergarten** students were having a good time playing with toys.

afterward

adv. after the time mentioned

synonym: later, thereafter, following

(1) a few years **afterward**, (2) go there **afterward**

We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem **afterward**.

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.

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym: abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

balance

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

away

synonym : equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

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

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

criminal

n. a person who has committed a crime

synonym : offender, lawbreaker, delinquent

(1) wanted **criminal**, (2) **criminal** investigation

The police are searching for the **criminal** who stole the jewels.

polar

adj. relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites

synonym : opposing, contrary, contrasting

(1) **polar** bears, (2) **polar** regions

Polar animals are graceful and efficient swimmers.

debate

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

synonym : argument, discussion, dispute

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

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

surprisingly

adv. in a way that causes amazement or wonder

synonym : exceptionally, notably, unusually

(1) **surprisingly** advanced culture, (2) have **surprisingly** little effect

The exam was **surprisingly** tricky for everyone.

adventure

n. a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous

synonym :

experience, happening, incident

(1) gastronomic **adventures**, (2) **adventure** film

He sailed the Atlantic Ocean multiple times during his **adventures**.

gorgeous

adj. wonderful and attractive

synonym: beautiful, stunning, attractive

(1) a **gorgeous** meal, (2) **gorgeous** sunset

She wore a **gorgeous** dress to the party, which everyone admired.

naval

adj. of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy

synonym: marine, seafaring, maritime

(1) **naval** battles, (2) **naval** base

The **naval** officer was responsible for the safety and well-being of the crew on his ship.

seal

v. to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed

synonym: enclose, shut, close

(1) **seal** a hole, (2) a fur **seal**

He **sealed** the letter with hot wax.

rough

adj. not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface

synonym: inelegant, coarse, barbarian

(1) **rough** and tough, (2) **rough** estimation

The vehicle bounced along the **rough** mountain road.

inviting

adj. having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate

synonym: attractive, tempting, alluring

(1) **inviting** scent, (2) **inviting** atmosphere

The **inviting** aroma of freshly baked bread drew me into the

bakery.

yoga

n. a Hindu spiritual and ascetic discipline including breath control, simple meditation, and the adoption of specific bodily postures, which is widely practiced for health and relaxation

synonym: meditation, exercise, spiritual practice

(1) aerial **yoga**, (2) **yoga** teacher

Many people find that regular **yoga** practice can help reduce stress and anxiety.

spirit

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

synonym: soul, attitude, enthusiasm

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

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

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

courageous

adj. able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

synonym: brave, valiant, fearless

(1) make a **courageous** decision, (2) **courageous** rescue attempt

He was a **courageous** soldier who had served his country with honor.

Session 2: Spelling

1. gu_____t wound *n.* the sound or act of firing a gun or other firearm, usually accompanied by a loud explosion and a projectile that is propelled toward the target
2. my friend's cha_____tic laugh *n.* a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody
3. basic br__n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
4. junior se_____r *n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
5. have pro_____ic arms *adj.* of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant
6. kin_____ten teacher *n.* a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six
7. h__l on a rope *v.* to physically drag or pull someone or something with effort
8. the degree of dif_____ty *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
9. con_____ial policy *adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
10. make a cou_____us decision *adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

ANSWERS: 1. gunshot, 2. characteristic, 3. brain, 4. senator, 5. prosthetic, 6. kindergarten, 7. haul, 8. difficulty, 9. controversial, 10. courageous

11. cr____al investigation *n.* a person who has committed a crime
12. sense of op____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
13. a fur s__l *v.* to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed
14. a handle of h__n *n.* a hard, pointed, often curved part that grows on the top of the heads of some animals, such as sheep and cows; a noisemaker or musical instrument that makes a loud noise when you blow through it
15. certain ex____t *n.* the point or degree or area to which something extends
16. voc____ry list *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
17. reh____ate prisoners *v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
18. pr____y school *adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle

ANSWERS: 11. criminal, 12. optimism, 13. seal, 14. horn, 15. extent, 16. vocabulary, 17. rehabilitate, 18. primary

19. ch__f events of the year *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
20. th___e on pressure *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
21. ro__h estimation *adj.* not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface
22. po__r bears *adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
23. students at all gr__e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
24. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
25. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
26. re_____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
27. t__e a wild beast *v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training
28. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
29. re_____m a competitive position *v.* to take back something previously lost, given, or paid, or ask to have it back

ANSWERS: 19. chief, 20. thrive, 21. rough, 22. polar, 23. grade, 24. communal, 25. violent, 26. replace, 27. tame, 28. background, 29. reclaim

30. h__l truck *v.* to physically drag or pull someone or something with effort
31. sh____e service *n.* a vehicle or boat that regularly moves between two places; bobbin that passes the weft thread between the warp threads
32. cost of solar pa__ls *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
33. co____al statue *adj.* extremely large and impressive
34. aerial y__a *n.* a Hindu spiritual and ascetic discipline including breath control, simple meditation, and the adoption of specific bodily postures, which is widely practiced for health and relaxation
35. ce____g light *n.* a room's top interior surface
36. gu____t residue *n.* the sound or act of firing a gun or other firearm, usually accompanied by a loud explosion and a projectile that is propelled toward the target
37. unc____us bias *adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness
38. unconditionally and irr____ly *adv.* in a way that is impossible to be changed, reversed, or recovered

ANSWERS: 30. haul, 31. shuttle, 32. panel, 33. colossal, 34. yoga, 35. ceiling, 36. gunshot, 37. unconscious, 38. irrevocably

39. y__a teacher *n.* a Hindu spiritual and ascetic discipline including breath control, simple meditation, and the adoption of specific bodily postures, which is widely practiced for health and relaxation
40. reh_____ate wildlife *v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
41. ty_____l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
42. a gr_____ul breeze *adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
43. f__p a coin *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
44. ro_____ic movies *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
45. a few years af_____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
46. former con_____son *n.* a person who belongs to a congress, especially a member of the US House of Representatives; congressman (congressperson is used to avoid gender discrimination)
47. an in_____t reply *adj.* happening immediately, with no delay
48. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

ANSWERS: 39. yoga, 40. rehabilitate, 41. typical, 42. grateful, 43. flip, 44. romantic, 45. afterward, 46. congressperson, 47. instant, 48. violent

49. c__t a charming eye *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
50. wanted cr____al *n.* a person who has committed a crime
51. inc____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
52. go there af____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
53. as____ut in training *n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere
54. de____te a few hours *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
55. 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
56. a mo__r mechanic *n.* a device that converts electricity, fuel, etc. into movement and makes a machine, vehicle, etc. work
57. car____ng process *n.* the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly
58. d__t ceiling *n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something
59. move cl____se *adv.* in a circular direction that follows the course of a clock's hands or in a direction that is considered to be forward or positive

ANSWERS: 49. cast, 50. criminal, 51. incredibly, 52. afterward, 53. astronaut, 54. dedicate, 55. launch, 56. motor, 57. caregiving, 58. debt, 59. clockwise

60. re____m land from the sea *v.* to take back something previously lost, given, or paid, or ask to have it back
61. urban di____cts *n.* a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features
62. co____ee member *n.* a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization
63. economic wh____nd *n.* a very strong wind that moves rapidly in circles and causes a lot of damage
64. global ap____a *n.* a language disorder that affects a person's ability to use or understand words, often caused by brain damage, such as stroke, brain injury, or neurological condition, which can result in difficulty speaking, writing, reading, or comprehending language
65. na__l battles *adj.* of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy
66. ha____ar mustache *n.* a horizontal bar or rod attached to the front fork of a bicycle, motorcycle, or other vehicles, used as a handle for steering the vehicle
67. 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
68. die su____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

ANSWERS: 60. reclaim, 61. district, 62. committee, 63. whirlwind, 64. aphasia, 65. naval, 66. handlebar, 67. launch, 68. suddenly

69. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
70. without in____y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
71. space sh_____e *n.* a vehicle or boat that regularly moves between two places; bobbin that passes the weft thread between the warp threads
72. a mi_____ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
73. de_____te a chapter to the subject *v.* to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use
74. introduce leg_____on *n.* a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws
75. pr_____y education *adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
76. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
77. re_____r a loss *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
78. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

ANSWERS: 69. emotional, 70. injury, 71. shuttle, 72. military, 73. dedicate, 74. legislation, 75. primary, 76. involve, 77. recover, 78. debate

79. big, b__d piano sounds *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
80. re____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
81. an indomitable sp____t *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
82. with a re____ed voice *adj.* having accepted something unpleasant or difficult, particularly a job or situation, without complaint or resistance; accepting one's fate or circumstances
83. DC mo__r control *n.* a device that converts electricity, fuel, etc. into movement and makes a machine, vehicle, etc. work
84. wh_____nd of events *n.* a very strong wind that moves rapidly in circles and causes a lot of damage
85. pre_____le pattern *adj.* capable of being known, seen or declared in advance
86. regular rep_____nt of tires *n.* the act of replacing something with something else, especially that is newer or better; a person or thing that takes or can take the place of another
87. de_____ck resolution *n.* a state of impasse or stalemate, where no progress or agreement can be made between conflicting parties or viewpoints; a situation where future action or decision-making is halted

ANSWERS: 79. bold, 80. relation, 81. spirit, 82. resigned, 83. motor, 84. whirlwind, 85. predictable, 86. replacement, 87. deadlock

88. have sur_____gly little effect *adv.* in a way that causes amazement or wonder
89. boo_____le expenses *n.* a wasteful or unnecessary project or activity; work or activity of little practical value but that appears to have a purpose
90. ambitious ag____a *n.* a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
91. in____e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
92. haev a great g_b session *v.* to talk or chat informally and at length, often in a relaxed or gossipy manner; to engage in idle or frivolous conversation; (noun) casual conversation or idle chatter
93. easy de_____t recipe *n.* a sweet food served as the last course of a meal
94. a b__d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
95. pun_____nt for a crime *n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
96. bu____t wound *n.* a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
97. sp____t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

ANSWERS: 88. surprisingly, 89. boondoggle, 90. agenda, 91. invite, 92. gab, 93. dessert, 94. bold, 95. punishment, 96. bullet, 97. spirit

98. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
99. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
100. the average life s__n *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
101. behave od__y *adv.* in a way that is unexpected, strange, or peculiar
102. th___e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
103. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
104. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
105. an international co_____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
106. humiliating pun_____nt *n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing

ANSWERS: 98. involve, 99. decision, 100. span, 101. oddly, 102. thrive, 103. nation, 104. nation, 105. congress, 106. punishment

107. cou_____us rescue attempt *adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
108. ce_____g board *n.* a room's top interior surface
109. ma_____in good health *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
110. a bu__h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
111. lose se_____ce of identity *n.* the outward appearance or visible form of something, especially when it is different from the reality beneath; a vague or superficial similarity
112. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
113. ro_____ic breakup *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
114. en_____ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely
115. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
116. the runner's p__e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
117. su_____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
118. he is opt_____ic *adj.* hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful

ANSWERS: 107. courageous, 108. ceiling, 109. maintain, 110. bunch, 111. semblance, 112. communal, 113. romantic, 114. entirely, 115. mass, 116. pace, 117. suddenly, 118. optimistic

119. get in____t access *adj.* happening immediately, with no delay
120. po__r regions *adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
121. buck and d_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
122. tr____ic event *adj.* relating to or caused by injury, especially emotional injury
123. academic voc____ry *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
124. re___n all hopes *v.* to give up a position or job voluntarily; to accept something unpleasant or undesirable as inevitable
125. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
126. pr____e on his tolerance *v.* to suppose or assume something to be true, often without sufficient evidence or proof; to take liberties, behave impolitely, or overstep one's bounds, often due to arrogance or ignorance
127. in a pre____le manner *adj.* capable of being known, seen or declared in advance
128. mental co____e *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

ANSWERS: 119. instant, 120. polar, 121. doe, 122. traumatic, 123. vocabulary, 124. resign, 125. mass, 126. presume, 127. predictable, 128. courage

129. tr___c death *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
130. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
131. a t__e animal *v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training
132. a st___e of the putter *n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
133. as_____ut mission *n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere
134. 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
135. bu___t train *n.* a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
136. opt_____ic outlook *adj.* hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful
137. daily co_____er *n.* a person who regularly travels long distances between their home and place of work, typically by public transportation or car
138. financial ind_____nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
139. police co_____er *n.* a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force

ANSWERS: 129. tragic, 130. responsible, 131. tame, 132. stroke, 133. astronaut,

134. communicate, 135. bullet, 136. optimistic, 137. commuter, 138. independence,
139. commander

140. se_____ce of truth *n.* the outward appearance or visible form of something, especially when it is different from the reality beneath; a vague or superficial similarity
141. con_____te a large sum of money to the fund *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
142. ch__f accountant *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
143. fr__k weather *n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected
144. p_t a dog *v.* to touch or tap something lightly and usually in a friendly or encouraging manner; to apply or rub lightly and repetitively
145. school di_____cts *n.* a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features
146. de_____t knife *n.* a sweet food served as the last course of a meal
147. in_____l a door *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
148. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
149. ho_____le accident *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
150. security in_____nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens

ANSWERS: 140. semblance, 141. contribute, 142. chief, 143. freak, 144. pat, 145. district, 146. dessert, 147. install, 148. amazing, 149. horrible, 150. incident

151. swirl cou_____ise *adv.* in a direction opposite to the rotation of a clock's hands or opposite to the usual direction of movement or flow
152. f__e their homes *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
153. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
154. a positive ou_____k on life *n.* the likely future situation for someone or something; a habitual or characteristic mental attitude to life and the world of a particular person, group, or culture
155. na__l base *adj.* of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy
156. Se___e hearing *n.* a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament
157. ad_____re film *n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
158. nonstop tr_____ll *n.* a piece of exercise equipment consisting of a moving belt on which the user walks, jogs, or runs in place; a monotonous, repetitive task or activity that feels like it is going nowhere, much like a person walking on a treadmill
159. a rock fr__k *n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected
160. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
161. political op_____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

ANSWERS: 151. counterclockwise, 152. flee, 153. communicate, 154. outlook, 155. naval, 156. Senate, 157. adventure, 158. treadmill, 159. freak, 160. eventually, 161. optimism

162. co_____ee meeting *n.* a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization
163. se_____r term *n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
164. portable fr_____r *n.* a device that keeps food, beverages, or other perishable items at low temperatures to maintain their freshness or preserve them for later use
165. sc__t out of my room *v.* to move or glide along quickly and smoothly on a surface, especially on a scooter or similar device
166. a fatal in___y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
167. move cou_____ise *adv.* in a direction opposite to the rotation of a clock's hands or opposite to the usual direction of movement or flow
168. gastronomic ad_____res *n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
169. in___e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
170. suffer st___e *n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
171. con_____ial book *adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute

ANSWERS: 162. committee, 163. senator, 164. freezer, 165. scoot, 166. injury, 167. counterclockwise, 168. adventure, 169. invite, 170. stroke, 171. controversial

172. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
173. the ou_____k of the townsite *n.* the likely future situation for someone or something; a habitual or characteristic mental attitude to life and the world of a particular person, group, or culture
174. a criminal bac_____nd *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
175. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
176. stripes cha_____tic of the zebra *n.* a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody
177. ro__h and tough *adj.* not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface
178. the s__n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
179. car_____ng responsibilities *n.* the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly
180. at_____t attention *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
181. app_____ly unrelated *adv.* based on what you have heard or read

ANSWERS: 172. emotional, 173. outlook, 174. background, 175. incredibly, 176. characteristic, 177. rough, 178. span, 179. caregiving, 180. attract, 181. apparently

182. political de_____ck *n.* a state of impasse or stalemate, where no progress or agreement can be made between conflicting parties or viewpoints; a situation where future action or decision-making is halted
183. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
184. Se___e Finance Committee *n.* a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament
185. re_____ed to their fate *adj.* having accepted something unpleasant or difficult, particularly a job or situation, without complaint or resistance; accepting one's fate or circumstances
186. at_____t customers *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
187. pr_____is of cancer *n.* the likely outcome or course of a disease or illness based on medical analysis and examination of the patient; a forecast or prediction of future events or developments
188. pr_____e innocence *v.* to suppose or assume something to be true, often without sufficient evidence or proof; to take liberties, behave impolitely, or overstep one's bounds, often due to arrogance or ignorance
189. inspire co_____e *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

ANSWERS: 182. deadlock, 183. doe, 184. Senate, 185. resigned, 186. attract, 187. prognosis, 188. presume, 189. courage

190. a co____al success *adj.* extremely large and impressive
191. a go____us meal *adj.* wonderful and attractive
192. ho____le smell *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
193. 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
194. co____er in chief *n.* a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force
195. pro____ic limbs *adj.* of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant
196. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
197. change irr____ly *adv.* in a way that is impossible to be changed, reversed, or recovered
198. h__n of a vehicle *n.* a hard, pointed, often curved part that grows on the top of the heads of some animals, such as sheep and cows; a noisemaker or musical instrument that makes a loud noise when you blow through it
199. tr____ll workout *n.* a piece of exercise equipment consisting of a moving belt on which the user walks, jogs, or runs in place; a monotonous, repetitive task or activity that feels like it is going nowhere, much like a person walking on a treadmill

ANSWERS: 190. colossal, 191. gorgeous, 192. horrible, 193. row, 194. commander, 195. prosthetic, 196. crazy, 197. irrevocably, 198. horn, 199. treadmill

200. a mi_____ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
201. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
202. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
203. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
204. re___n to fate *v.* to give up a position or job voluntarily; to accept something unpleasant or undesirable as inevitable
205. th_____y for a patient *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
206. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
207. con_____nt assembly *n.* one of the parts of the whole; a person represented by an elected official
208. f___e abroad *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
209. business ren_____us *n.* a meeting or appointment that has been arranged beforehand; a gathering of people in a pre-arranged location
210. od___y familiar *adv.* in a way that is unexpected, strange, or peculiar
211. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

ANSWERS: 200. military, 201. suppose, 202. relation, 203. decide, 204. resign, 205. therapy, 206. eventually, 207. constituent, 208. flee, 209. rendezvous, 210. oddly, 211. conversation

212. romantic ren_____us *n.* a meeting or appointment that has been arranged beforehand; a gathering of people in a pre-arranged location
213. peace co_____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
214. at your own p__e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
215. mu___r in the second degree *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
216. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
217. in_____ng scent *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
218. hawkish con_____son *n.* a person who belongs to a congress, especially a member of the US House of Representatives; congressman (congressperson is used to avoid gender discrimination)
219. a person who is unc_____us *adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness
220. sc__t over *v.* to move or glide along quickly and smoothly on a surface, especially on a scooter or similar device

ANSWERS: 212. rendezvous, 213. congress, 214. pace, 215. murder, 216. conversation, 217. inviting, 218. congressperson, 219. unconscious, 220. scoot

221. tr___c love stories *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
222. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
223. have a thick sk__l *n.* a bone framework that surrounds the brain and gives the head its shape
224. fr_____r bag *n.* a device that keeps food, beverages, or other perishable items at low temperatures to maintain their freshness or preserve them for later use
225. corporate d__t *n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something
226. go_____us sunset *adj.* wonderful and attractive
227. electric mot_____le *n.* a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals
228. boys in the twelfth gr__e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
229. sur_____gly advanced culture *adv.* in a way that causes amazement or wonder
230. ap_____er snack *n.* a small dish served before a meal to stimulate the appetite
231. p_t on the back *v.* to touch or tap something lightly and usually in a friendly or encouraging manner; to apply or rub lightly and repetitively

ANSWERS: 221. tragic, 222. debate, 223. skull, 224. freezer, 225. debt, 226. gorgeous, 227. motorcycle, 228. grade, 229. surprisingly, 230. appetizer, 231. pat

232. he was en_____ly to blame *adv.* completely
233. government boo_____le *n.* a wasteful or unnecessary project or activity; work or activity of little practical value but that appears to have a purpose
234. s__l a hole *v.* to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed
235. mot_____le gangster *n.* a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals
236. con_____te to society *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
237. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
238. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
239. grip ha_____ar *n.* a horizontal bar or rod attached to the front fork of a bicycle, motorcycle, or other vehicles, used as a handle for steering the vehicle
240. fairly ty_____l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
241. g_b on the cellular telephone *v.* to talk or chat informally and at length, often in a relaxed or gossipy manner; to engage in idle or frivolous conversation; (noun) casual conversation or idle chatter

ANSWERS: 232. entirely, 233. boondoggle, 234. seal, 235. motorcycle, 236. contribute, 237. decide, 238. crazy, 239. handlebar, 240. typical, 241. gab

242. amnesic ap____a *n.* a language disorder that affects a person's ability to use or understand words, often caused by brain damage, such as stroke, brain injury, or neurological condition, which can result in difficulty speaking, writing, reading, or comprehending language
243. 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
244. traffic in____nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
245. set the la__h *n.* a device for holding a door or gate closed, typically a sliding bar or bolt
246. f__p over the pork chop *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
247. ma____in order *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
248. the ex__t of the damage *n.* the point or degree or area to which something extends
249. cardiac su____y *n.* medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures

ANSWERS: 242. aphasia, 243. row, 244. incident, 245. latch, 246. flip, 247. maintain, 248. extent, 249. surgery

250. pre-dinner ap_____er *n.* a small dish served before a meal to stimulate the appetite
251. rep_____nt cost *n.* the act of replacing something with something else, especially that is newer or better; a person or thing that takes or can take the place of another
252. a bu__h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
253. the solid con_____nt of blood cells *n.* one of the parts of the whole; a person represented by an elected official
254. c__t a ballot *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
255. tr_____ic brain injury *adj.* relating to or caused by injury, especially emotional injury
256. asset on the company's ba_____e sheet *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
257. app_____ly simple *adv.* based on what you have heard or read
258. the ba_____e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
259. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
260. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

ANSWERS: 250. appetizer, 251. replacement, 252. bunch, 253. constituent, 254. cast, 255. traumatic, 256. balance, 257. apparently, 258. balance, 259. brain, 260. amazing

261. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
262. attempted mu____r *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
263. poor pr_____is *n.* the likely outcome or course of a disease or illness based on medical analysis and examination of the patient; a forecast or prediction of future events or developments
264. rotate cl_____se *adv.* in a circular direction that follows the course of a clock's hands or in a direction that is considered to be forward or positive
265. ag____a setting *n.* a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
266. re_____r approval ratings *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
267. sk__l fracture *n.* a bone framework that surrounds the brain and gives the head its shape
268. anti-terrorist leg_____on *n.* a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws
269. kin_____ten class *n.* a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six
270. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

ANSWERS: 261. decision, 262. murder, 263. prognosis, 264. clockwise, 265. agenda, 266. recover, 267. skull, 268. legislation, 269. kindergarten, 270. responsible

271. in_____ng atmosphere *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
272. la__h mechanism *n.* a device for holding a door or gate closed, typically a sliding bar or bolt
273. the professor of su_____y *n.* medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures
274. ind_____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
275. dif_____ty in breathing *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
276. in_____l a chairperson *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
277. put a gr_____ul expression *adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
278. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
279. field of gene th_____y *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
280. co_____er shuttle *n.* a person who regularly travels long distances between their home and place of work, typically by public transportation or car

ANSWERS: 271. inviting, 272. latch, 273. surgery, 274. independence, 275. difficulty, 276. install, 277. grateful, 278. suppose, 279. therapy, 280. commuter

281. re____e a phone

v. to take the place of something

282. pa__l discussion

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

ANSWERS: 281. replace, 282. panel

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. She had a _____ look on her face when she realized that she had lost the race.
adj. having accepted something unpleasant or difficult, particularly a job or situation, without complaint or resistance; accepting one's fate or circumstances
2. The carousel rotates _____ at a slow pace.
adv. in a direction opposite to the rotation of a clock's hands or opposite to the usual direction of movement or flow
3. 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
4. The rain and thunder are _____ today.
adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry
5. The experience was so _____ that it left a lasting impact on the survivor's mental health.
adj. relating to or caused by injury, especially emotional injury
6. Energy-efficient _____ are needed to maximize the cruising distance of electric vehicles.
n. a device that converts electricity, fuel, etc. into movement and makes a machine, vehicle, etc. work
7. The _____ train was delayed due to a signal failure on the line.
n. a person who regularly travels long distances between their home and place of work, typically by public transportation or car

ANSWERS: 1. resigned, 2. counterclockwise, 3. row, 4. crazy, 5. traumatic, 6. motors, 7. commuter

8. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.
adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
9. New _____ joints are less prone to metal poisoning.
adj. of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant
10. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.
n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
11. The organization works to _____ drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.
v. to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
12. 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
13. The _____ bus will take you to the airport in 15 minutes.
n. a vehicle or boat that regularly moves between two places; bobbin that passes the weft thread between the warp threads
14. I like to watch TV while running on the _____ to pass the time.
n. a piece of exercise equipment consisting of a moving belt on which the user walks, jogs, or runs in place; a monotonous, repetitive task or activity that feels like it is going nowhere, much like a person walking on a treadmill

ANSWERS: 8. eventually, 9. prosthetic, 10. conversation, 11. rehabilitate, 12. nation, 13. shuttle, 14. treadmill

15. The _____ events of the war left many families torn apart.
adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
16. The new building is truly _____ towering over the surrounding buildings.
adj. extremely large and impressive
17. The _____ on the gate was broken, so the cows got loose.
n. a device for holding a door or gate closed, typically a sliding bar or bolt
18. The term of a _____ is two years.
n. a person who belongs to a congress, especially a member of the US House of Representatives; congressman (congressperson is used to avoid gender discrimination)
19. This accident _____ a dark shadow over their lives.
v. to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
20. The experience was _____ and left a lasting impression.
adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
21. Hunters use a whistle that makes the _____ sound to lure stags.
n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
22. He sailed the Atlantic Ocean multiple times during his _____.
n. a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
23. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.
v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

ANSWERS: 15. tragic, 16. colossal, 17. latch, 18. congressperson, 19. cast, 20. horrible, 21. doe, 22. adventures, 23. involves

24. Mining is a _____ source of income for the country.

adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

25. They had to _____ the boat out of the water for repairs.

v. to physically drag or pull someone or something with effort

26. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

adj. relating to people's feelings

27. 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

28. We need to turn the knob _____ to lock the door.

adv. in a circular direction that follows the course of a clock's hands or in a direction that is considered to be forward or positive

29. The police are searching for the _____ who stole the jewels.

n. a person who has committed a crime

30. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

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

31. It was his first _____ love.

adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

ANSWERS: 24. chief, 25. haul, 26. emotional, 27. launch, 28. clockwise, 29. criminal, 30. decide, 31. romantic

32. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

33. This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat _____ cases.

n. a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.

34. Our _____ point was the coffee shop on the corner.

n. a meeting or appointment that has been arranged beforehand; a gathering of people in a pre-arranged location

35. Later, his claim was found to be _____ false.

adv. completely

36. The _____ students were having a good time playing with toys.

n. a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six

37. You may be entitled to _____ some tax.

v. to take back something previously lost, given, or paid, or ask to have it back

38. My bike's _____ is loose and needs to be tightened before I can ride it safely.

n. a horizontal bar or rod attached to the front fork of a bicycle, motorcycle, or other vehicles, used as a handle for steering the vehicle

39. 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

40. His pleasant face turned cold in an _____.

adj. happening immediately, with no delay

ANSWERS: 32. incredibly, 33. stroke, 34. rendezvous, 35. entirely, 36. kindergarten, 37. reclaim, 38. handlebar, 39. flipped, 40. instant

41. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

42. She _____ the puppy on the head and gave it a treat.

v. to touch or tap something lightly and usually in a friendly or encouraging manner; to apply or rub lightly and repetitively

43. I _____ you've already made plans for the weekend since you didn't respond to my invitation.

v. to suppose or assume something to be true, often without sufficient evidence or proof; to take liberties, behave impolitely, or overstep one's bounds, often due to arrogance or ignorance

44. Similar _____ had already been rejected by the parliament four times.

n. a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws

45. A _____ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

46. There was a crack in the _____ that I found.

n. a room's top interior surface

47. The exam was _____ tricky for everyone.

adv. in a way that causes amazement or wonder

48. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

ANSWERS: 41. amazing, 42. patted, 43. presume, 44. legislation, 45. panel, 46. ceiling, 47. surprisingly, 48. Communal

49. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

50. The _____ aroma of freshly baked bread drew me into the bakery.

adj. having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate

51. Archaeologists found a Neanderthal _____ at that historic site.

n. a bone framework that surrounds the brain and gives the head its shape

52. I know his _____ habit that he touches his face when he lies.

adj. in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness

53. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

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

54. He _____ his life to helping others.

v. to give all of your energy, time, etc., entirely to a specific person, activity, or cause; to set apart for a particular purpose or use

55. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.

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

56. We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem _____.

adv. after the time mentioned

ANSWERS: 49. murder, 50. inviting, 51. skull, 52. unconscious, 53. debate, 54. dedicated, 55. grade, 56. afterward

57. 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
58. I put the ice cream in the _____ to keep it from melting.
- n.* a device that keeps food, beverages, or other perishable items at low temperatures to maintain their freshness or preserve them for later use
59. There is considerable _____ that the economy will recover soon.
- n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
60. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.
- n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
61. There was no _____ of order at the chaotic protest.
- n.* the outward appearance or visible form of something, especially when it is different from the reality beneath; a vague or superficial similarity
62. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.
- v.* to take the place of something
63. The negotiations came to a _____ when neither party could reach an agreement.
- n.* a state of impasse or stalemate, where no progress or agreement can be made between conflicting parties or viewpoints; a situation where future action or decision-making is halted
64. We often _____ about our favorite books and movies during our road trips.
- v.* to talk or chat informally and at length, often in a relaxed or gossipy manner; to engage in idle or frivolous conversation; (noun) casual conversation or idle chatter

ANSWERS: 57. communicate, 58. freezer, 59. optimism, 60. independence, 61. semblance, 62. replace, 63. deadlock, 64. gab

65. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

66. Who answers _____ knows little.

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

67. He had his _____ license revoked for drunken driving.

n. a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals

68. The loud _____ startled the wildlife in the nearby forest.

n. the sound or act of firing a gun or other firearm, usually accompanied by a loud explosion and a projectile that is propelled toward the target

69. Most executives were _____ about future business conditions.

adj. hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful

70. Our company's business _____ for next year is bright.

n. the likely future situation for someone or something; a habitual or characteristic mental attitude to life and the world of a particular person, group, or culture

71. The hawkish _____ gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.

n. a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate

72. The vehicle bounced along the _____ mountain road.

adj. not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface

73. Since 2001, the _____ has provided training programs for automotive technicians.

n. a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features

ANSWERS: 65. bunch, 66. suddenly, 67. motorcycle, 68. gunshot, 69. optimistic, 70. outlook, 71. senator, 72. rough, 73. district

74. The _____ for the meeting includes discussions on the budget and new project proposals.
- n.* a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
75. Without investment, a business cannot _____.
- v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
76. Government workers cannot _____ to political campaigns.
- v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
77. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.
- v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
78. We demand his _____.
- n.* the act of replacing something with something else, especially that is newer or better; a person or thing that takes or can take the place of another
79. The _____ accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.
- n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected
80. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
- n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
81. Let's go to an all-you-can-eat _____ restaurant.
- n.* a sweet food served as the last course of a meal
82. We have to _____ substantial financial deficits at first.
- v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training

ANSWERS: 74. agenda, 75. thrive, 76. contribute, 77. flee, 78. replacement, 79. freak, 80. decision, 81. dessert, 82. tame

83. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

84. 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

85. The economy becomes more volatile and less _____.

adj. capable of being known, seen or declared in advance

86. The _____ at the airport caused a delay in my flight.

n. an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens

87. Many people find that regular _____ practice can help reduce stress and anxiety.

n. a Hindu spiritual and ascetic discipline including breath control, simple meditation, and the adoption of specific bodily postures, which is widely practiced for health and relaxation

88. She was _____ for the help he provided.

adj. feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful

89. The military _____ led their troops into battle with precision and strategic planning.

n. a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force

ANSWERS: 83. violent, 84. pace, 85. predictable, 86. incident, 87. yoga, 88. grateful, 89. commander

90. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.
- n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
91. The judge gave severe _____ to the criminal who committed the heinous crime.
- n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
92. After her stroke, my grandmother suffered from expressive _____ making it difficult for her to articulate her thoughts.
- n.* a language disorder that affects a person's ability to use or understand words, often caused by brain damage, such as stroke, brain injury, or neurological condition, which can result in difficulty speaking, writing, reading, or comprehending language
93. He had undergone heart _____ years before.
- n.* medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures
94. The government is eager to _____ international investment.
- v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
95. Each _____ member of the council has the right to vote on important decisions.
- n.* one of the parts of the whole; a person represented by an elected official
96. Bananas have their _____ taste and odor.
- n.* a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody

ANSWERS: 90. brain, 91. punishment, 92. aphasia, 93. surgery, 94. attract, 95. constituent, 96. characteristic

97. Using proper _____ is essential for writing a good essay.
- n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
98. We went on a _____ visit to the sightseeing spot.
- n.* a very strong wind that moves rapidly in circles and causes a lot of damage
99. I have to _____ over to the next desk because there's not enough room for me to sit comfortably.
- v.* to move or glide along quickly and smoothly on a surface, especially on a scooter or similar device
100. I was amazed at the _____ of her generosity.
- n.* the point or degree or area to which something extends
101. The government spent millions of dollars on a _____ project that never came to fruition.
- n.* a wasteful or unnecessary project or activity; work or activity of little practical value but that appears to have a purpose
102. The stray _____ went through the window and hit the wall.
- n.* a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
103. She is still _____ from a shot to her shoulder.
- v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
104. This artwork is _____ of her work.
- adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

ANSWERS: 97. vocabulary, 98. whirlwind, 99. scoot, 100. extent, 101. boondoggle, 102. bullet, 103. recovering, 104. typical

105. The _____ officer was responsible for the safety and well-being of the crew on his ship.

adj. of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy

106. The _____ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

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

107. It takes a lot of _____ to stand up for what you believe is right.

n. the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

108. He slightly modified the _____ of training because it was just before a match.

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

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

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

110. The effort to alleviate climate change needs _____ action.

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

111. He was a _____ soldier who had served his country with honor.

adj. able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

112. The shuttle _____ trained for months before embarking on the space mission.

n. a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere

ANSWERS: 105. naval, 106. military, 107. courage, 108. span, 109. balance, 110. bold, 111. courageous, 112. astronaut

113. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
114. She devoted her life to _____ looking after her aging parents.
n. the act of providing care and support for someone who is ill, disabled, or elderly
115. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?
v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
116. He has _____ exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.
n. a condition or state that causes problems
117. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.
v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
118. The new president was _____ immediately after the national election.
v. to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
119. _____ animals are graceful and efficient swimmers.
adj. relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
120. The _____ majority leader announced plans to bring the bill to the floor for a vote.
n. a legislative body, especially the upper house of a parliament

ANSWERS: 113. relations, 114. caregiving, 115. suppose, 116. difficulty, 117. invite, 118. installed, 119. Polar, 120. Senate

121. He _____ the letter with hot wax.

- v.* to close or fasten an envelope, etc. securely; (noun) a large marine mammal that chiefly lives in cold regions and comes on shore to breed

122. He became in _____ after losing his job.

- n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something

123. After a long battle with her health, the teacher had no choice but to _____ from her position.

- v.* to give up a position or job voluntarily; to accept something unpleasant or undesirable as inevitable

124. The _____ cause of the accident was due to the icy road conditions.

- adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle

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

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

126. He walked into the party with an _____ dressed companion, causing everyone to stare.

- adv.* in a way that is unexpected, strange, or peculiar

127. The evolution of civilization has _____ improved the quality of human life.

- adv.* in a way that is impossible to be changed, reversed, or recovered

ANSWERS: 121. sealed, 122. debt, 123. resign, 124. primary, 125. responsible, 126. oddly, 127. irrevocably

128. She wore a _____ dress to the party, which everyone admired.

adj. wonderful and attractive

129. He enjoyed hearing the tootles of their _____ with beer.

n. a hard, pointed, often curved part that grows on the top of the heads of some animals, such as sheep and cows; a noisemaker or musical instrument that makes a loud noise when you blow through it

130. I underwent aversion _____ for my addiction to alcohol.

n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.

131. The grilled shrimp served as a special _____ for the dinner's main course.

n. a small dish served before a meal to stimulate the appetite

132. The doctor gave a positive _____ for her recovery from the illness.

n. the likely outcome or course of a disease or illness based on medical analysis and examination of the patient; a forecast or prediction of future events or developments

133. I need to _____ my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

134. _____ must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

n. a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

135. The police _____ believed this explanation was plausible.

adv. based on what you have heard or read

ANSWERS: 128. gorgeous, 129. horns, 130. therapy, 131. appetizer, 132. prognosis, 133. maintain, 134. Congress, 135. apparently

136. My accidental _____ got better right away.

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

137. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

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

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

139. The issue of the death penalty is highly _____.

adj. causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute

140. The ad hoc _____ met to discuss the proposal.

n. a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization

141. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great _____.

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

ANSWERS: 136. injury, 137. mass, 138. background, 139. controversial, 140. committee, 141. spirit