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Session 1: Word List

invention

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

synonym: creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**
Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

largely

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

synonym: mainly, chiefly, broadly

(1) **largely** accepted, (2) **largely** mitigate the issue
Nevada is **largely** a desert state.

surveillance

n. the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected

synonym: administration, overseeing, control

(1) he is kept under **surveillance**, (2) **surveillance** cameras
The novel contains a criticism of the **surveillance** society.

revelation

n. a fact that has been disclosed to others, especially a surprising one; the act of revealing or telling the fact or truth to others; communication of knowledge to humans by a divine or supernatural agency

synonym: disclosure, telling, annunciation

(1) a divine **revelation**, (2) the **revelation** of a secret
The shocking **revelation** embarrassed the administration.

leak

v. to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container

synonym: outflow, divulge, disclose

(1) **leak** data, (2) **leak** a classified memo

He **leaked** serious accounting irregularities that only people in the company's executive could know.

intelligence

n. the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

synonym: brains, brightness, cleverness

(1) an **intelligence** test, (2) field of artificial **intelligence**

In terms of **intelligence**, he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

prism

n. a three-dimensional object with a triangular base and parallel sides, which refracts (= to bend something) light that passes through it, resulting in the separation and display of the colors of the visible spectrum; a metaphorical term used to describe a situation that reveals or illuminates various aspects or perspectives of a particular phenomenon or topic

synonym: crystal, polyhedron

(1) **prism** spectrometer, (2) a **prism** of viewpoints

The scientist used an optical **prism** to analyze the dispersion of light in the laboratory experiment.

forecast

n. a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance

synonym: prediction, outlook, (verb) guess

(1) a weather **forecast**, (2) **forecast** an epidemic

Their team specializes in demand **forecasts** for our products.

optimist

n. a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future

synonym: positive thinker, dreamer, idealist

(1) **optimist** by nature, (2) excessive **optimist**

She is a confident **optimist** who always looks on the bright side.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

synonym: person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

infamous

adj. having a reputation for being very bad or wicked

synonym: notorious, disreputable, scandalous

(1) an **infamous** crime, (2) acquire an **infamous** reputation

The **infamous** criminal was finally brought to justice.

supercomputer

n. a computer with a high level of computing power and speed, typically used for scientific or engineering computations that require immense amounts of data processing

synonym: high-performance computer, mainframe, giant computer

(1) **supercomputer** performance, (2) **supercomputer** technology

China has developed one of the world's fastest **supercomputers** for its space program.

storage

n. the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

synonym: storehouse, depository, warehousing

(1) a **storage** battery, (2) **storage** at low temperature

We store customer data in cloud **storage**.

comparison

n. the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things

synonym: equivalence, analogy, contrast

(1) ease of **comparison**, (2) **comparison** of foods on a caloric basis

I've included the two designs for a **comparison**.

estimate

v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

synonym: calculate, gauge, evaluate

(1) **estimate** a fair value, (2) **estimate** this chicken to weigh three pounds

We **estimated** the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

synonym: wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

wholesale

n. the sale of goods in large quantities, typically for resale by retailers; of or relating to goods or services that are sold in large quantities, typically for resale by retailers or other intermediaries

synonym: bulk, quantity, mass

(1) **wholesale** business, (2) **wholesale** dealer in fish

Our company specializes in the **wholesale** of office supplies.

extended

adj. longer than usual or anticipated

synonym: extensive, prolonged, elongated

(1) **extended** vacation, (2) **extended** payment

The **extended** airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

blanket

n. a large piece of soft material used to cover or wrap a person or thing to keep them warm; (adjective) broad in scope or content

synonym : cover, coverlet, bedspread

(1) **blanket** authority, (2) **blanket** scarf

The electric **blanket** keeps me warm on cold nights.

monitor

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

synonym : proctor, check, observe

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

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

statistics

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

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

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

planet

n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

synonym : earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**

Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

telecom

n. (a shortened form of telecommunications) the communication of information over long distances through various means such as phones, television, radio, and the internet

synonym : communication, telecommunications, telephony

(1) **telecom** industry, (2) **telecom** service providers

The **telecom** company is planning to launch a new smartphone next month.

enforcement

n. the act of ensuring that rules, regulations, or laws are obeyed or implemented; the act of applying force or pressure to compel compliance with rules or laws

synonym : implementation, application, execution

(1) **enforcement** action, (2) **enforcement** officer

The **enforcement** of the new traffic laws led to a decrease in accidents.

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.

lord

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

synonym: master, noble, peer

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

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

suspect

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

synonym: assume, distrust, surmise

(1) **suspect** a plot, (2) **suspect** that he is sick

The cops **suspected** him of being the killer.

tap

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

synonym: knock, exploit, use

(1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger

To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.

intercept

v. to stop and catch someone or something to prevent them from continuing to a destination

synonym: ambush, block, prevent

(1) **intercept** an enemy force, (2) **intercept** X rays

It is illegal to **intercept** police radio.

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.

argue

- v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

synonym : debate, dispute, quarrel

- (1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

wrongdoing

- n.* an improper or illegal behavior or action

synonym : misconduct, crime, offense

- (1) an accusation of **wrongdoing**, (2) willful **wrongdoing**

The CEO of the company denied any **wrongdoing** while admitting to mismanagement.

innocent

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

synonym : blameless, honest, harmless

- (1) an **innocent** child, (2) thousands of **innocent** people

My husband was found **innocent** of any crime.

argument

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

synonym : debate, discourse, discussion

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

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

discuss

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

synonym : talk about, converse, debate

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

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

naysaying

n. the act or practice of habitually objecting or criticizing; a tendency to be negative, pessimistic, or unsupportive
synonym: doubt, skepticism, criticism

(1) **naysaying** attitude, (2) constant **naysaying**

I ignore the **naysaying** of others and pursue my dreams anyway.

minimize

v. to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious

synonym: diminish, mitigate, belittle

(1) **minimize** a loss, (2) way to **minimize** conflict

I bought a gadget before my trip to help **minimize** stress during the flight.

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

synonym: significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**

I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym: farthestmost, outermost, fierce

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

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

infiltrate

v. to enter or penetrate a group, organization, or place covertly or secretly, usually with a specific purpose or goal in mind; to spread or diffuse through something gradually or subtly

synonym: penetrate, sneak in, invade

(1) **infiltrate** the bloodstream, (2) **infiltrate** a community

The spy was able to **infiltrate** the enemy's headquarters

undetected.

sabotage

n. the deliberate and malicious damage, destruction, or disruption of equipment, machinery, or other property, often by someone with a particular agenda or motive; the subversion of an organization or institution by secret agents or spies

synonym : sabotage, subversion, destruction

(1) act of **sabotage**, (2) **sabotage** mission

The **sabotage** of the factory's equipment caused significant damage.

encrypt

v. to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons

synonym : encode, cipher, scramble

(1) **encrypt** data, (2) **encrypt** message

To protect their sensitive information, many businesses **encrypt** their files.

algorithm

n. a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

synonym : logic, method, rule

(1) the RSA **algorithm**, (2) **algorithm** for image processing

We can evaluate the performance of an **algorithm** in terms of computation time.

decrypt

v. to convert encoded or scrambled information or messages into a form that is intelligible or understandable; to reveal information that is hidden or obscured, such as data that has been encrypted for security purposes

synonym : decode, decipher, break

(1) **decrypt** a file with a private key, (2) **decrypt** data

I need to **decrypt** this important message before it falls into the wrong hands.

crack

v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

synonym : snap, burst, break

(1) **crack** an eggshell, (2) a **crack** in a board

He that would eat the kernel must **crack** the nut.

equivalent

n. having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.

synonym : equal, counterpart, match

(1) **equivalent** amounts, (2) **equivalent** in meaning

The European Central Bank is Europe's **equivalent** of the Federal Reserve.

alarm

n. a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

synonym : notice, warning, panic

(1) give the **alarm**, (2) an **alarm** clock

The **alarm** announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.

boggle

v. to be overwhelmed or surprised by something; to hesitate or be uncertain about something; to cause someone to feel overwhelmed or surprised

synonym : hesitate, stagger, bewilder

(1) **boggle** the imagination, (2) **boggle** at the price

The complexity of the situation can **boggle** the mind.

traffic

n. the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

synonym : congestion, jam, flow

(1) **traffic** jam, (2) heavy **traffic**

We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction **traffic** on the main road.

loose

adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

synonym : relaxed, unconsolidated, open

(1) a **loose** tongue, (2) remove **loose** hair

The inspector discovered **loose** bolts under the fuel rods.

slide

v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

synonym : glide, drift, drop

(1) **slide** a card across the table, (2) **slide** a glance

If necessary, you can **slide** the front seats forward.

provider

n. a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted

synonym : supplier

(1) an information **provider**, (2) the **provider** of the family

People select Internet **providers** not only in terms of price but also in terms of transmission speed.

specific

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

synonym : particular, definite, distinct

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

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

deny

v. to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

synonym : refute, reject, repudiate

(1) adamantly **deny** killing, (2) **deny** the allegations

He is still **denying** stealing the money from the cash register.

backdoor

adj. a term used to describe an unauthorized or concealed means of accessing a computer system or network, typically through a loophole or vulnerability in the system

synonym : hidden, secret, covert

(1) **backdoor** access, (2) **backdoor** software

The public was outraged to discover that the company had made a **backdoor** deal with the government to avoid taxes.

alternative

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

synonym : choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**

Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

coop

v. a farm building or enclosure for housing poultry

synonym : birdcage, enclosure, cage

(1) fly the **coop**, (2) chicken **coop**

The farmer put a **coop** over the hens.

hack

v. to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks

synonym : cut, chop, crack

(1) **hack** through the jungle, (2) **hack** into the program

This blog offers a variety of tips for **hacking** everyday life.

government

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

synonym : administration, regime, state

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

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

outlandish

adj. bizarre, strange, or unconventional in appearance, behavior, or thought, often in a way that is seen as foreign or exotic; unusual or strikingly different from what is expected or normal

synonym : eccentric, bizarre, strange

(1) **outlandish** proposal, (2) **outlandish** behavior

The **outlandish** outfit drew the attention of everyone in the room.

flame

n. a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger

synonym : blaze, inferno, fire

(1) **flame** of passion, (2) simmering **flame**

The **flame** of the candle flickered in the darkness of the room.

malware

n. a type of software designed to damage, disrupt, or gain unauthorized access to a computer system or network

synonym : virus, malicious software, spyware

(1) **malware** attack, (2) prevent **malware**

My computer was infected with **malware**, and it caused many problems.

subvert

v. to undermine, overthrow, or weaken the established order, system, or authority; to bring about fundamental change or revolution from within

synonym : overthrow, undermine, sabotage

(1) **subvert** power, (2) **subvert** expectations

The rebels could **subvert** the government's plans by leaking classified information.

elite

adj. belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society

synonym : privileged, favored, elect

(1) earn **elite** status, (2) **elite** athlete

Very few educational **elites** go to Oxford or Cambridge.

analyze

v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

synonym : explore, examine, investigate

(1) **analyze** a chemical compound, (2) **analyze** your real motives

The teacher attempted to **analyze** the root cause of our mistake.

kingdom

n. the country ruled by a king or queen

synonym : empire, realm, land

(1) establish his **kingdom**, (2) a subordinate **kingdom**

By remaining neutral, this **kingdom** continued to exist.

breach

n. a break or opening, often in a wall or barrier, which enables passage or entry; a violation or infraction of a law, agreement, or duty, often resulting in legal action or punishment

synonym : violation, infraction, trespass

(1) security **breach**, (2) **breach** of privacy

The company's data **breach** compromised thousands of customers' personal information.

fellow

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

synonym : buddy, mate, affiliate

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

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

casual

adj. relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness

synonym : informal, relaxed, offhand

(1) **casual** dress, (2) take a **casual** glance

They had a **casual** conversation over coffee at the local cafe.

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.

clip

n. a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic

media, either an audio clip or video clip

synonym : buckle, hook, pin

(1) tie **clip**, (2) short video **clip**

He fastens some sheets of paper with a **clip**.

hell

n. the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

synonym : inferno, agony, misery

(1) run like **hell**, (2) **hell** broke loose

The battlefield became **hell** on earth.

spy

n. a person who is employed or trained to observe or gather information in secret, often for military or political purposes; a person who secretly or illegally gathers information about a private individual or organization

synonym : agent, undercover operative

(1) **spy** cameras, (2) digital **spy** tools

The government recruited a **spy** to gather information on a suspected terrorist cell

decision-maker

n. a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization

(1) policy **decision-maker**, (2) act as a **decision-maker**

A wealth of information does not always have a positive impact on **decision-makers**.

politician

n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

synonym : congressperson, lawmaker, legislator

(1) a **politician** in the ruling party, (2) a corrupt **politician**

The **politician** lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

balanced

adj. taking all sides or opinions into account equally; being in a state of proper equilibrium

synonym : equitable, congruous, flat

(1) a **balanced** diet, (2) a well- **balanced** mind

We conducted a **balanced** assessment of intellectual and cultural history.

occasional

adj. happening or appearing at irregular intervals; not constant or regular

synonym : infrequent, sporadic, irregular

(1) **occasional** visitor, (2) **occasional** assistance

She only visited her grandparents on **occasional** weekends.

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.

end-to-end

adj. extending the full length of something, from one end to the other; covering the entire process or procedure without interruption or disconnect

synonym : continuous, uninterrupted, seamless

(1) **end-to-end** testing, (2) **end-to-end** supply chain

Our company offers **end-to-end** solutions for businesses looking to streamline their operations.

outcome

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

synonym : result, consequence, effect

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

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

maim

v. to injure or wound someone seriously, particularly by permanently disabling or disfiguring a body part

synonym : injure, incapacitate, wound

(1) **maim** a victim, (2) **maim** his hand

The reckless driver **maimed** several pedestrians after losing control of the vehicle.

technique

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

synonym: approach, procedure, strategy

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

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

resident

n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place

synonym: dweller, inhabitant, inhabitant

(1) a **resident** of the city, (2) **resident** tax

Visa renewal for **resident** foreigners in this country is once every five years.

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.

headquarter

n. the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed

synonym: base, center, command

(1) administrative **headquarter**, (2) an emergency

headquarter

The company decided to move its **headquarters** to New York City.

parliament

n. a legislative body, especially the one that represents the people of a country or state

synonym: congress, assembly, legislature

(1) disband **parliament**, (2) event of a hung **parliament**

He was a member of **parliament**.

threat

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

synonym : menace, danger, hazard

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

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

trash

n. discarded material, refuse, or waste

synonym : garbage, waste, refuse

(1) **trash** bin, (2) **trash** disposal site

The city is taking measures to reduce the amount of **trash** in the streets.

amendment

n. the act or the process of changing something, especially a document or proposed new law

synonym : modification, revision, emendation

(1) constitutional **amendment**, (2) make an **amendment** to a contract

The opposition politicians jointly proposed an **amendment** to that law.

universal

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

synonym : common, broad, worldwide

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

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

declaration

n. a formal or explicit statement or announcement

synonym : statement, announcement, proclamation

(1) **declaration** of independence, (2) unilateral **declaration**

The President made the **declaration** of war.

convention

n. a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example

synonym : meeting, conference, congress

(1) **convention** center, (2) political **convention**
They met at biennial **conventions**.

fundamental

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

synonym : basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights
Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

scared

adj. afraid or frightened

synonym : frightened, fearful, dreading

(1) **scared** all the time, (2) **scared** dog
I'm **scared** of insects.

survey

n. an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

synonym : study, examination, poll

(1) a comprehensive **survey**, (2) recent **survey**
That **survey** shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.

privacy

n. someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people

synonym : seclusion, aloneness, solitariness

(1) **privacy** abuse, (2) trespass on a person's **privacy**
This conduct would be an invasion of **privacy**.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**
There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

brutal

adj. harsh or cruel

synonym : harsh, cruel, barbarous

(1) **brutal** bully, (2) **brutal** honesty
The **brutal** attack left the victim with serious injuries.

illegal

adj. not allowed by law
synonym : banned, prohibited, illicit

(1) **illegal** drugs, (2) child of **illegal** immigrants
The customs agents seized the **illegal** shipment.

domestic

adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
synonym : endemic, private, household

(1) **domestic** airline, (2) a **domestic** animal
GDP stands for gross **domestic** product.

tweet

n. a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
synonym : peep, chirp, post (on Twitter)

(1) a chick's **tweet**, (2) his latest **tweets**
We could hear the **tweet** of baby birds.

engine

n. a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
synonym : motor, locomotive, driver

(1) a steam **engine**, (2) an air-cooled **engine**
The policies he announces can be the **engine** of economic growth in the country.

negotiable

adj. capable of being discussed and agreed upon; able to be changed or altered through negotiation
synonym : flexible, adjustable, adaptable

(1) a **negotiable** bill, (2) **negotiable** salary
The price of these items is **negotiable**, so feel free to make an offer.

incriminate

v. to make someone seem guilty of a crime or wrongdoing
synonym :

accuse, indict, prosecute

(1) **incriminate** the person, (2) **incriminate** many well-known politicians

He exercised his right not to **incriminate** himself

embarrass

v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
synonym: disconcert, unsettle, agitate

(1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project

He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in public.

corruptible

adj. capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral

synonym: bribable, dishonest, venal

(1) **corruptible** officials, (2) **corruptible** judges

Bureaucracies are more **corruptible** than other systems or organizations.

president

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym: leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

democracy

n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

synonym: self-government, republic, commonwealth

(1) **democracy** advocate, (2) principles of **democracy**

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

colony

n. a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away

synonym: settlement, territory, plantation

(1) plant a **colony**, (2) a **colony** of bacteria

The **colony** declared its independence and became a republic.

colonize

v. to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers

synonym: settle, occupy, inhabit

(1) **colonize** planets, (2) **colonize** for cultivation

European powers **colonized** much of the Americas in the 16th and 17th centuries.

blame

v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

synonym: condemn, rebuke, find fault with

(1) **blame** circumstances for the failure, (2) **blame** the lack of knowledge

We **blamed** our impeded progress on lack of money.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

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

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

software

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

synonym: program, system, operating system

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

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

gore

v. to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death;
(noun) coagulated blood from a wound

synonym: pierce, stab, puncture

(1) **gore** him with a weapon, (2) **gore** scene

The hunter **gored** the deer with an arrow.

steer

v. to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone

synonym : guide, direct, control

(1) **steer** a steady course, (2) **steer** a conversation

The captain told him to **steer** the ship north.

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.

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**.

tide

n. the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull

synonym : ripple, surge, swell

(1) **tide** cycle, (2) ride the **tide** of change

Red **tide** is often harmful to the local ecosystem.

lift

v. to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position

synonym : raise, elevate, move up

(1) **lift** sagging skin, (2) **lift** a ban on alcohol

The drought **lifted** the prices of grain globally.

Session 2: Spelling

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|-----------------------------------|----|---|
| 1. di____s options | v. | to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic |
| 2. a corrupt pol_____an | n. | a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc. |
| 3. a weather fo____st | n. | a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance |
| 4. administrative hea_____er | n. | the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed |
| 5. enf_____nt officer | n. | the act of ensuring that rules, regulations, or laws are obeyed or implemented; the act of applying force or pressure to compel compliance with rules or laws |
| 6. trespass on a person's pr____y | n. | someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people |
| 7. t_p a new market | v. | to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc. |

ANSWERS: 1. discuss, 2. politician, 3. forecast, 4. headquarter, 5. enforcement, 6. privacy, 7. tap

8. heavy tr____c *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
9. political con_____on *n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
10. a steam en____e *n.* a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
11. fo_____st an epidemic *n.* a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance
12. fl__e of passion *n.* a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger
13. br____l bully *adj.* harsh or cruel
14. re_____nt tax *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
15. re_____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
16. bl_____t scarf *n.* a large piece of soft material used to cover or wrap a person or thing to keep them warm; (adjective) broad in scope or content

ANSWERS: 8. traffic, 9. convention, 10. engine, 11. forecast, 12. flame, 13. brutal, 14. resident, 15. replace, 16. blanket

17. a re_____nt of the city *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
18. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
19. establish his ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
20. earn el___e status *adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society
21. 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
22. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
23. short video c__p *n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
24. sp_____ic instructions *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
25. m__m his hand *v.* to injure or wound someone seriously, particularly by permanently disabling or disfiguring a body part
26. l__t a ban on alcohol *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
27. di_____s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

ANSWERS: 17. resident, 18. industrious, 19. kingdom, 20. elite, 21. replacement, 22. government, 23. clip, 24. specific, 25. maim, 26. lift, 27. discuss

28. s_y cameras *n.* a person who is employed or trained to observe or gather information in secret, often for military or political purposes; a person who secretly or illegally gathers information about a private individual or organization
29. wh_____le business *n.* the sale of goods in large quantities, typically for resale by retailers; of or relating to goods or services that are sold in large quantities, typically for resale by retailers or other intermediaries
30. st__r a conversation *v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone
31. tr__h bin *n.* discarded material, refuse, or waste
32. give the al__m *n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger
33. high imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
34. act as a dec_____ker *n.* a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization
35. a do_____ic animal *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
36. a pol_____an in the ruling party *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

ANSWERS: 28. spy, 29. wholesale, 30. steer, 31. trash, 32. alarm, 33. importance, 34. decision-maker, 35. domestic, 36. politician

37. do____ic airline *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
38. com_____on of foods on a caloric basis *n.* the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things
39. child of il_____l immigrants *adj.* not allowed by law
40. em_____ss political enemy *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
41. his latest tw__ts *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
42. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
43. nice fe___w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
44. take a ca___l glance *adj.* relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness
45. wh_____le dealer in fish *n.* the sale of goods in large quantities, typically for resale by retailers; of or relating to goods or services that are sold in large quantities, typically for resale by retailers or other intermediaries
46. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
47. em_____ss my project *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

ANSWERS: 37. domestic, 38. comparison, 39. illegal, 40. embarrass, 41. tweet, 42. government, 43. fellow, 44. casual, 45. wholesale, 46. obvious, 47. embarrass

48. a comprehensive su___y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
49. out_____sh proposal *adj.* bizarre, strange, or unconventional in appearance, behavior, or thought, often in a way that is seen as foreign or exotic; unusual or strikingly different from what is expected or normal
50. the te_____ue applied to construction *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
51. an information pr_____er *n.* a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted
52. run like h__l *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
53. in_____pt an enemy force *v.* to stop and catch someone or something to prevent them from continuing to a destination
54. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
55. co_____ze for cultivation *v.* to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers

ANSWERS: 48. survey, 49. outlandish, 50. technique, 51. provider, 52. hell, 53. intercept, 54. argue, 55. colonize

56. es_____te a fair value *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
57. in_____pt X rays *v.* to stop and catch someone or something to prevent them from continuing to a destination
58. junior fe____w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
59. op_____st by nature *n.* a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future
60. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
61. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
62. event of a hung par_____nt *n.* a legislative body, especially the one that represents the people of a country or state
63. un_____al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
64. cor_____le officials *adj.* capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral
65. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
66. 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
67. pr__m spectrometer *n.* a three-dimensional object with a triangular base and parallel sides, which refracts (= to bend something) light that passes through it, resulting in the separation and display of the colors of the visible spectrum; a metaphorical term used to describe a situation that reveals or illuminates various aspects or perspectives of a particular phenomenon or topic

ANSWERS: 56. estimate, 57. intercept, 58. fellow, 59. optimist, 60. obvious, 61. fundamental, 62. parliament, 63. universal, 64. corruptible, 65. extreme, 66. communicate, 67. prism

68. su____t power *v.* to undermine, overthrow, or weaken the established order, system, or authority; to bring about fundamental change or revolution from within
69. es____te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
70. so____re architect *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
71. sta____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
72. ca____l dress *adj.* relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness
73. remove lo__e hair *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
74. la____y mitigate the issue *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
75. com____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
76. la____y accepted *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
77. el____fy the audience *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
78. mo____r the data carefully *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time

ANSWERS: 68. subvert, 69. estimate, 70. software, 71. statistics, 72. casual, 73. loose, 74. largely, 75. communicate, 76. largely, 77. electrify, 78. monitor

79. the rev_____on of a secret *n.* a fact that has been disclosed to others, especially a surprising one; the act of revealing or telling the fact or truth to others; communication of knowledge to humans by a divine or supernatural agency
80. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
81. co_____ze planets *v.* to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers
82. sup_____ter technology *n.* a computer with a high level of computing power and speed, typically used for scientific or engineering computations that require immense amounts of data processing
83. constant na_____ng *n.* the act or practice of habitually objecting or criticizing; a tendency to be negative, pessimistic, or unsupportive
84. ba_____or access *adj.* a term used to describe an unauthorized or concealed means of accessing a computer system or network, typically through a loophole or vulnerability in the system
85. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
86. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

ANSWERS: 79. revelation, 80. individual, 81. colonize, 82. supercomputer, 83. naysaying, 84. backdoor, 85. slide, 86. president

87. the pr____er of the family *n.* a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted
88. tr__h disposal site *n.* discarded material, refuse, or waste
89. cr__k an eggshell *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
90. bl__e circumstances for the failure *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
91. inc____te many well-known politicians *v.* to make someone seem guilty of a crime or wrongdoing
92. l__d of castle *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
93. a chick's tw__t *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
94. il____l drugs *adj.* not allowed by law
95. official sta____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
96. excessive op____st *n.* a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future
97. sur____nce cameras *n.* the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected

ANSWERS: 87. provider, 88. trash, 89. crack, 90. blame, 91. incriminate, 92. lord, 93. tweet, 94. illegal, 95. statistics, 96. optimist, 97. surveillance

98. br___h of privacy *n.* a break or opening, often in a wall or barrier, which enables passage or entry; a violation or infraction of a law, agreement, or duty, often resulting in legal action or punishment
99. st_____e at low temperature *n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information
100. ty_____l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
101. bo___e the imagination *v.* to be overwhelmed or surprised by something; to hesitate or be uncertain about something; to cause someone to feel overwhelmed or surprised
102. industry-sp_____ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
103. a subordinate ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
104. the RSA al_____hm *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
105. unilateral dec_____on *n.* a formal or explicit statement or announcement
106. h__k through the jungle *v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks

ANSWERS: 98. breach, 99. storage, 100. typical, 101. boggle, 102. specific, 103. kingdom, 104. algorithm, 105. declaration, 106. hack

107. 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
108. a te_____ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
109. mi_____ze a loss *v.* to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious
110. a cr__k in a board *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
111. te_____m service providers *n.* (a shortened form of telecommunications) the communication of information over long distances through various means such as phones, television, radio, and the internet
112. su_____t a plot *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
113. g__e him with a weapon *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
114. copyrighted so_____re *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
115. end_____nd supply chain *adj.* extending the full length of something, from one end to the other; covering the entire process or procedure without interruption or disconnect

ANSWERS: 107. primary, 108. technique, 109. minimize, 110. crack, 111. telecom, 112. suspect, 113. gore, 114. software, 115. end-to-end

116. out_____sh behavior *adj.* bizarre, strange, or unconventional in appearance, behavior, or thought, often in a way that is seen as foreign or exotic; unusual or strikingly different from what is expected or normal
117. equ_____nt amounts *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
118. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
119. an_____e your real motives *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
120. m__m a victim *v.* to injure or wound someone seriously, particularly by permanently disabling or disfiguring a body part
121. he is kept under sur_____nce *n.* the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected
122. way to mi_____ze conflict *v.* to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious
123. disband par_____nt *n.* a legislative body, especially the one that represents the people of a country or state
124. an accusation of wro_____ng *n.* an improper or illegal behavior or action
125. policy dec_____ker *n.* a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization
126. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

ANSWERS: 116. outlandish, 117. equivalent, 118. individual, 119. analyze, 120. maim, 121. surveillance, 122. minimize, 123. parliament, 124. wrongdoing, 125. decision-maker, 126. fundamental

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| 127. en____t data | v. | to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons |
| 128. acquire an in____us reputation | adj. | having a reputation for being very bad or wicked |
| 129. inf_____te a community | v. | to enter or penetrate a group, organization, or place covertly or secretly, usually with a specific purpose or goal in mind; to spread or diffuse through something gradually or subtly |
| 130. security br____h | n. | a break or opening, often in a wall or barrier, which enables passage or entry; a violation or infraction of a law, agreement, or duty, often resulting in legal action or punishment |
| 131. d__y the allegations | v. | to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something |
| 132. the ar_____nt against capital punishment | n. | a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute |
| 133. an int_____nce test | n. | the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons |
| 134. de_____cy advocate | n. | a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so |

ANSWERS: 127. encrypt, 128. infamous, 129. infiltrate, 130. breach, 131. deny, 132. argument, 133. intelligence, 134. democracy

135. neg_____le salary *adj.* capable of being discussed and agreed upon; able to be changed or altered through negotiation
136. thousands of in_____nt people *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
137. inc_____te the person *v.* to make someone seem guilty of a crime or wrongdoing
138. fly the c__p *v.* a farm building or enclosure for housing poultry
139. t_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
140. mo_____r an exam *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
141. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
142. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
143. tie c__p *n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
144. digital s_y tools *n.* a person who is employed or trained to observe or gather information in secret, often for military or political purposes; a person who secretly or illegally gathers information about a private individual or organization

ANSWERS: 135. negotiable, 136. innocent, 137. incriminate, 138. coop, 139. tap, 140. monitor, 141. democracy, 142. industrious, 143. clip, 144. spy

145. ease of com_____on *n.* the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things
146. environmental th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
147. pl____t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
148. g__e scene *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
149. 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
150. a blazing ar_____nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
151. a neg_____le bill *adj.* capable of being discussed and agreed upon; able to be changed or altered through negotiation
152. save the pl____t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

ANSWERS: 145. comparison, 146. threat, 147. planet, 148. gore, 149. primary, 150. argument, 151. negotiable, 152. planet

153. an al__m clock *n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger
154. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
155. a pr__m of viewpoints *n.* a three-dimensional object with a triangular base and parallel sides, which refracts (= to bend something) light that passes through it, resulting in the separation and display of the colors of the visible spectrum; a metaphorical term used to describe a situation that reveals or illuminates various aspects or perspectives of a particular phenomenon or topic
156. st__r a steady course *v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone
157. occ_____al assistance *adj.* happening or appearing at irregular intervals; not constant or regular
158. te_____m industry *n.* (a shortened form of telecommunications) the communication of information over long distances through various means such as phones, television, radio, and the internet
159. en_____t message *v.* to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons

ANSWERS: 153. alarm, 154. president, 155. prism, 156. steer, 157. occasional, 158. telecom, 159. encrypt

160. pr____y abuse *n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
161. there is no other alt____ve *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
162. sup____ter performance *n.* a computer with a high level of computing power and speed, typically used for scientific or engineering computations that require immense amounts of data processing
163. tr____c jam *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
164. dec____on of independence *n.* a formal or explicit statement or announcement
165. cor____le judges *adj.* capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral
166. a well-ba____ed mind *adj.* taking all sides or opinions into account equally; being in a state of proper equilibrium
167. sa____ge mission *n.* the deliberate and malicious damage, destruction, or disruption of equipment, machinery, or other property, often by someone with a particular agenda or motive; the subversion of an organization or institution by secret agents or spies
168. willful wro____ng *n.* an improper or illegal behavior or action

ANSWERS: 160. privacy, 161. alternative, 162. supercomputer, 163. traffic, 164. declaration, 165. corruptible, 166. balanced, 167. sabotage, 168. wrongdoing

169. act of sa____ge *n.* the deliberate and malicious damage, destruction, or disruption of equipment, machinery, or other property, often by someone with a particular agenda or motive; the subversion of an organization or institution by secret agents or spies
170. an in____us crime *adj.* having a reputation for being very bad or wicked
171. ex____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
172. con____on center *n.* a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
173. field of artificial int____nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
174. h__k into the program *v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
175. an alt____ve plan *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
176. bo___e at the price *v.* to be overwhelmed or surprised by something; to hesitate or be uncertain about something; to cause someone to feel overwhelmed or surprised
177. a divine rev____on *n.* a fact that has been disclosed to others, especially a surprising one; the act of revealing or telling the fact or truth to others; communication of knowledge to humans by a divine or supernatural agency

ANSWERS: 169. sabotage, 170. infamous, 171. extreme, 172. convention, 173. intelligence, 174. hack, 175. alternative, 176. boggle, 177. revelation

178. bl__e the lack of knowledge *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
179. prevent ma_____e *n.* a type of software designed to damage, disrupt, or gain unauthorized access to a computer system or network
180. br___l honesty *adj.* harsh or cruel
181. 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
182. an in_____nt child *adj.* not guilty of a crime, offense, etc.; not having an evil mind or knowledge
183. principles of un_____al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
184. ar__e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
185. make an am_____nt to a contract *n.* the act or the process of changing something, especially a document or proposed new law
186. l__t sagging skin *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
187. na_____ng attitude *n.* the act or practice of habitually objecting or criticizing; a tendency to be negative, pessimistic, or unsupportive

ANSWERS: 178. blame, 179. malware, 180. brutal, 181. replacement, 182. innocent, 183. universal, 184. argue, 185. amendment, 186. lift, 187. naysaying

188. sc___d dog *adj.* afraid or frightened
189. ba_____or software *adj.* a term used to describe an unauthorized or concealed means of accessing a computer system or network, typically through a loophole or vulnerability in the system
190. an_____e a chemical compound *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
191. t__e cycle *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
192. l__k data *v.* to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container
193. su_____t that he is sick *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
194. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
195. an emergency hea_____er *n.* the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
196. a lo__e tongue *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
197. enf_____nt action *n.* the act of ensuring that rules, regulations, or laws are obeyed or implemented; the act of applying force or pressure to compel compliance with rules or laws
198. inf_____te the bloodstream *v.* to enter or penetrate a group, organization, or place covertly or secretly, usually with a specific purpose or goal in mind; to spread or diffuse through something gradually or subtly

ANSWERS: 188. scared, 189. backdoor, 190. analyze, 191. tide, 192. leak, 193. suspect, 194. slide, 195. headquarter, 196. loose, 197. enforcement, 198. infiltrate

199. sc___d all the time *adj.* afraid or frightened
200. attempted mu___r *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
201. l__k a classified memo *v.* to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container
202. su_____t expectations *v.* to undermine, overthrow, or weaken the established order, system, or authority; to bring about fundamental change or revolution from within
203. re_____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
204. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
205. chicken c__p *v.* a farm building or enclosure for housing poultry
206. simmering fl__e *n.* a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger
207. bl_____t authority *n.* a large piece of soft material used to cover or wrap a person or thing to keep them warm; (adjective) broad in scope or content
208. a man of imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
209. de_____t data *v.* to convert encoded or scrambled information or messages into a form that is intelligible or understandable; to reveal information that is hidden or obscured, such as data that has been encrypted for security purposes

ANSWERS: 199. scared, 200. murder, 201. leak, 202. subvert, 203. replace, 204. nation, 205. coop, 206. flame, 207. blanket, 208. importance, 209. decrypt

210. adamantly d__y killing *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
211. al_____hm for image processing *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
212. ex_____ed payment *adj.* longer than usual or anticipated
213. plant a co___y *n.* a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away
214. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
215. a young l__d *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
216. equ_____nt in meaning *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
217. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
218. an air-cooled en___e *n.* a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
219. h__l broke loose *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

ANSWERS: 210. deny, 211. algorithm, 212. extended, 213. colony, 214. nation, 215. lord, 216. equivalent, 217. invention, 218. engine, 219. hell

220. fairly ty____l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
221. improved student ou____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
222. ma____e attack *n.* a type of software designed to damage, disrupt, or gain unauthorized access to a computer system or network
223. mu____r in the second degree *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
224. constitutional am____nt *n.* the act or the process of changing something, especially a document or proposed new law
225. ex____ed vacation *adj.* longer than usual or anticipated
226. recent su____y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
227. de____t a file with a private key *v.* to convert encoded or scrambled information or messages into a form that is intelligible or understandable; to reveal information that is hidden or obscured, such as data that has been encrypted for security purposes
228. a ba____ed diet *adj.* taking all sides or opinions into account equally; being in a state of proper equilibrium
229. common in____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

ANSWERS: 220. typical, 221. outcome, 222. malware, 223. murder, 224. amendment, 225. extended, 226. survey, 227. decrypt, 228. balanced, 229. invention

230. end_____nd testing *adj.* extending the full length of something, from one end to the other; covering the entire process or procedure without interruption or disconnect
231. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
232. a desirable ou_____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
233. a co____y of bacteria *n.* a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away
234. a st_____e battery *n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information
235. economic th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
236. occ_____al visitor *adj.* happening or appearing at irregular intervals; not constant or regular
237. el__e athlete *adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society
238. ride the t__e of change *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull

ANSWERS: 230. end-to-end, 231. electrify, 232. outcome, 233. colony, 234. storage, 235. threat, 236. occasional, 237. elite, 238. tide

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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

2. The European Central Bank is Europe's _____ of the Federal Reserve.
n. having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.

3. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.
v. to take the place of something

4. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using _____ medicines.
n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

5. Nevada is _____ a desert state.
adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

6. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.
n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

7. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.
adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

8. The CEO of the company denied any _____ while admitting to mismanagement.
n. an improper or illegal behavior or action

ANSWERS: 1. replacement, 2. equivalent, 3. replace, 4. alternative, 5. largely, 6. planet, 7. fundamental, 8. wrongdoing

9. I'm _____ of insects.

adj. afraid or frightened

10. The _____ company is planning to launch a new smartphone next month.

n. (a shortened form of telecommunications) the communication of information over long distances through various means such as phones, television, radio, and the internet

11. He fastens some sheets of paper with a _____.

n. a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip

12. Red _____ is often harmful to the local ecosystem.

n. the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull

13. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

14. This artwork is _____ of her work.

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

15. The public was outraged to discover that the company had made a _____ deal with the government to avoid taxes.

adj. a term used to describe an unauthorized or concealed means of accessing a computer system or network, typically through a loophole or vulnerability in the system

16. The captain told him to _____ the ship north.

v. to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone

ANSWERS: 9. scared, 10. telecom, 11. clip, 12. tide, 13. industrious, 14. typical, 15. backdoor, 16. steer

17. He is the kind of _____ who only works for his success.

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

18. We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction _____ on the main road.

n. the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

19. The President made the _____ of war.

n. a formal or explicit statement or announcement

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

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

21. 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

22. The electric _____ keeps me warm on cold nights.

n. a large piece of soft material used to cover or wrap a person or thing to keep them warm; (adjective) broad in scope or content

23. He looked for an opportunity to _____ that actor in public.

v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

24. Our company offers _____ solutions for businesses looking to streamline their operations.

adj. extending the full length of something, from one end to the other; covering the entire process or procedure without interruption or disconnect

ANSWERS: 17. fellow, 18. traffic, 19. declaration, 20. universal, 21. communicate, 22. blanket, 23. embarrass, 24. end-to-end

25. The customs agents seized the _____ shipment.

adj. not allowed by law

26. The drought _____ the prices of grain globally.

v. to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position

27. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

28. It is illegal to _____ police radio.

v. to stop and catch someone or something to prevent them from continuing to a destination

29. She only visited her grandparents on _____ weekends.

adj. happening or appearing at irregular intervals; not constant or regular

30. The _____ outfit drew the attention of everyone in the room.

adj. bizarre, strange, or unconventional in appearance, behavior, or thought, often in a way that is seen as foreign or exotic; unusual or strikingly different from what is expected or normal

31. That _____ shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.

n. an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

32. European powers _____ much of the Americas in the 16th and 17th centuries.

v. to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers

ANSWERS: 25. illegal, 26. lifted, 27. argue, 28. intercept, 29. occasional, 30. outlandish, 31. survey, 32. colonized

33. Jockey's superior _____ brought him victory.

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

34. The _____ of the candle flickered in the darkness of the room.

n. a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger

35. The policies he announces can be the _____ of economic growth in the country.

n. a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose

36. The inspector discovered _____ bolts under the fuel rods.

adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

37. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.

adj. very great in amount or degree

38. To protect their sensitive information, many businesses _____ their files.

v. to convert information or data into a code, thereby making it unreadable without a key or password; to conceal or obscure information in a way that makes it inaccessible to unauthorized persons

39. To expand the company, we must ____ new human resources.

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

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

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

ANSWERS: 33. technique, 34. flame, 35. engine, 36. loose, 37. extreme, 38. encrypt, 39. tap, 40. threat

41. The complexity of the situation can _____ the mind.

- v.* to be overwhelmed or surprised by something; to hesitate or be uncertain about something; to cause someone to feel overwhelmed or surprised

42. The farmer put a _____ over the hens.

- v.* a farm building or enclosure for housing poultry

43. The _____ declared its independence and became a republic.

- n.* a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away

44. The city is taking measures to reduce the amount of _____ in the streets.

- n.* discarded material, refuse, or waste

45. The teacher attempted to _____ the root cause of our mistake.

- v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

46. In terms of _____ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

- n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

47. People select Internet _____ not only in terms of price but also in terms of transmission speed.

- n.* a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted

48. GDP stands for gross _____ product.

- adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

ANSWERS: 41. boggle, 42. coop, 43. colony, 44. trash, 45. analyze, 46. intelligence, 47. providers, 48. domestic

49. By remaining neutral, this _____ continued to exist.

- n.* the country ruled by a king or queen

50. The company specializes in both hardware and _____.

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

51. The feudal _____ had ruled the land for many years.

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

52. A wealth of information does not always have a positive impact on _____.

- n.* a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization

53. He _____ serious accounting irregularities that only people in the company's executive could know.

- v.* to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container

54. She is a confident _____ who always looks on the bright side.

- n.* a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future

55. We store customer data in cloud _____.

- n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

56. Our company specializes in the _____ of office supplies.

- n.* the sale of goods in large quantities, typically for resale by retailers; of or relating to goods or services that are sold in large quantities, typically for resale by retailers or other intermediaries

ANSWERS: 49. kingdom, 50. software, 51. lord, 52. decision-makers, 53. leaked, 54. optimist, 55. storage, 56. wholesale

57. My computer was infected with _____ and it caused many problems.

- n.* a type of software designed to damage, disrupt, or gain unauthorized access to a computer system or network

58. My husband was found _____ of any crime.

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

59. The novel contains a criticism of the _____ society.

- n.* the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected

60. The club _____ does not have absolute power.

- n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

61. The _____ attack left the victim with serious injuries.

- adj.* harsh or cruel

62. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.

- n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally

63. The company's data _____ compromised thousands of customers' personal information.

- n.* a break or opening, often in a wall or barrier, which enables passage or entry; a violation or infraction of a law, agreement, or duty, often resulting in legal action or punishment

64. I ignore the _____ of others and pursue my dreams anyway.

- n.* the act or practice of habitually objecting or criticizing; a tendency to be negative, pessimistic, or unsupportive

ANSWERS: 57. malware, 58. innocent, 59. surveillance, 60. president, 61. brutal, 62. murder, 63. breach, 64. naysaying

65. The scientist conducted a study that provided _____ details about the species' behavior.

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

66. They used a special receiver to _____ police radio channels.

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

67. Necessity is the mother of _____.

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

68. I've included the two designs for a _____.

n. the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things

69. The _____ of the new traffic laws led to a decrease in accidents.

n. the act of ensuring that rules, regulations, or laws are obeyed or implemented; the act of applying force or pressure to compel compliance with rules or laws

70. The _____ of the factory's equipment caused significant damage.

n. the deliberate and malicious damage, destruction, or disruption of equipment, machinery, or other property, often by someone with a particular agenda or motive; the subversion of an organization or institution by secret agents or spies

71. We conducted a _____ assessment of intellectual and cultural history.

adj. taking all sides or opinions into account equally; being in a state of proper equilibrium

ANSWERS: 65. specific, 66. monitor, 67. invention, 68. comparison, 69. enforcement, 70. sabotage, 71. balanced

72. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.
- v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
73. Their team specializes in demand _____ for our products.
- n.* a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance
74. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.
- n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
75. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
- adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
76. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
77. The rebels could _____ the government's plans by leaking classified information.
- v.* to undermine, overthrow, or weaken the established order, system, or authority; to bring about fundamental change or revolution from within
78. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
79. The scientist used an optical _____ to analyze the dispersion of light in the laboratory experiment.
- n.* a three-dimensional object with a triangular base and parallel sides, which refracts (= to bend something) light that passes through it, resulting in the separation and display of the colors of the visible spectrum; a metaphorical term used to describe a situation that reveals or illuminates various aspects or perspectives of a particular phenomenon or topic

ANSWERS: 72. slide, 73. forecasts, 74. outcome, 75. obvious, 76. statistics, 77.

subvert, 78. nation, 79. prism

80. I bought a gadget before my trip to help _____ stress during the flight.
v. to make something, especially something bad, small or less serious
81. We could hear the _____ of baby birds.
n. a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
82. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.
n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
83. Bureaucracies are more _____ than other systems or organizations.
adj. capable of being made to do something dishonest or immoral
84. Visa renewal for _____ foreigners in this country is once every five years.
n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
85. The company decided to move its _____ to New York City.
n. the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
86. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
87. They met at biennial _____.
n. a large formal assembly of people who do a particular job or have a similar interest or of a political party; something regarded as a normative example
88. He was a member of _____.
n. a legislative body, especially the one that represents the people of a country or state

ANSWERS: 80. minimize, 81. tweet, 82. Democracy, 83. corruptible, 84. resident, 85. headquarters, 86. individual, 87. conventions, 88. parliament

89. The government recruited a ____ to gather information on a suspected terrorist cell
- n.* a person who is employed or trained to observe or gather information in secret, often for military or political purposes; a person who secretly or illegally gathers information about a private individual or organization
90. This blog offers a variety of tips for _____ everyday life.
- v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
91. The _____ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.
- n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
92. Very few educational _____ go to Oxford or Cambridge.
- adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society
93. The product developed through years of research continues to _____ the market.
- v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
94. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
95. We _____ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.
- v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
96. The _____ announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.
- n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

ANSWERS: 89. spy, 90. hacking, 91. argument, 92. elites, 93. electrify, 94. government, 95. estimated, 96. alarm

97. He is still _____ stealing the money from the cash register.

v. to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

98. The hunter _____ the deer with an arrow.

v. to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound

99. The shocking _____ embarrassed the administration.

n. a fact that has been disclosed to others, especially a surprising one; the act of revealing or telling the fact or truth to others; communication of knowledge to humans by a divine or supernatural agency

100. The spy was able to _____ the enemy's headquarters undetected.

v. to enter or penetrate a group, organization, or place covertly or secretly, usually with a specific purpose or goal in mind; to spread or diffuse through something gradually or subtly

101. The _____ criminal was finally brought to justice.

adj. having a reputation for being very bad or wicked

102. The _____ lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

103. The opposition politicians jointly proposed an _____ to that law.

n. the act or the process of changing something, especially a document or proposed new law

104. This conduct would be an invasion of _____.

n. someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people

ANSWERS: 97. denying, 98. gored, 99. revelation, 100. infiltrate, 101. infamous, 102. politician, 103. amendment, 104. privacy

105. I need to _____ this important message before it falls into the wrong hands.
- v. to convert encoded or scrambled information or messages into a form that is intelligible or understandable; to reveal information that is hidden or obscured, such as data that has been encrypted for security purposes
106. He exercised his right not to _____ himself
- v. to make someone seem guilty of a crime or wrongdoing
107. The reckless driver _____ several pedestrians after losing control of the vehicle.
- v. to injure or wound someone seriously, particularly by permanently disabling or disfiguring a body part
108. The price of these items is _____ so feel free to make an offer.
- adj. capable of being discussed and agreed upon; able to be changed or altered through negotiation
109. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.
- v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
110. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of _____.
- n. the quality of being important and worthy of note
111. 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
112. The cops _____ him of being the killer.
- v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

ANSWERS: 105. decrypt, 106. incriminate, 107. maimed, 108. negotiable, 109. discuss, 110. importance, 111. primary, 112. suspected

113. We _____ our impeded progress on lack of money.

- v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

114. China has developed one of the world's fastest _____ for its space program.

- n.* a computer with a high level of computing power and speed, typically used for scientific or engineering computations that require immense amounts of data processing

115. We can evaluate the performance of an _____ in terms of computation time.

- n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

116. They had a _____ conversation over coffee at the local cafe.

- adj.* relaxed and informal in manner or dress, not planned or expected; not involving commitment or seriousness

117. He that would eat the kernel must _____ the nut.

- v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

118. The _____ airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

- adj.* longer than usual or anticipated

119. The battlefield became _____ on earth.

- n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

ANSWERS: 113. blamed, 114. supercomputers, 115. algorithm, 116. casual, 117. crack, 118. extended, 119. hell

ANSWERS: