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Session 1: Word List

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.

pastry

n. a type of baked pastry that typically consists of a filling of meat, vegetables, or other ingredients, enclosed in a pastry shell; (adjective) pale, lacking in color, or dull

synonym : pastry, pie

(1) **pastry** face, (2) Cornish **pastry**

I plan to pick up a chicken **pastry** at that bakery on my way home from work.

basement

n. a room or a part of a building that is partly or entirely below ground level

synonym : cellar, storage, vault

(1) four **basement** floor, (2) church **basement**

Underground rivers flow over a **basement** layer that is impervious to water.

mischievous

adj. causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way

synonym : naughty, prankish, impish

(1) **mischievous** grin, (2) **mischievous** sense of humor

The **mischievous** child played pranks on his siblings all day long.

shady

adj. characterized by darkness or obscurity, often referring to the atmosphere of a place; characterized by suspicious or dishonest behavior or dealings; relating to shade or protection from sunlight

synonym : shadowy, dubious, questionable

(1) **shady** business, (2) **shady** deal

The tree provided some **shady** relief from the scorching sun.

criminal

n. a person who has committed a crime

synonym : offender, lawbreaker, delinquent

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

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

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

synonym : character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

rogue

n. a deceitful and unreliable person; a person who behaves badly

synonym : baddie, con artist, crook

(1) a **rogue** detective, (2) **rogue** state

The president states emphatically that the opponent country is a **rogue** state that supports terrorism.

agenda

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

synonym : program, schedule, list

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

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

mainstream

n. the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people

synonym : prevailing, average, common

(1) join the **mainstream**, (2) **mainstream** political beliefs

His thinking is **mainstream** in the country's culture.

evil

adj. profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people

synonym : malign, corruption, immorality

(1) **evil** ways, (2) a charm against **evil**

Corruption is an **evil** act for any reason.

disaster

n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

synonym : catastrophe, calamity, tragedy

(1) global **disaster**, (2) **disaster** recovery

The **disaster** response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.

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.

environment

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

synonym : atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

spill

v. to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident

synonym: slop, drop, scatter

(1) **spill** a bit of wine, (2) **spill** my heart

He was determined to **spill** everything.

innovation

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

synonym: invention, initiation, creation

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

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

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.

critic

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

synonym: pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

complain

v. to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

synonym: gripe, claim, denounce

(1) **complain** about a job, (2) call and **complain** frequently

Our users are often **complaining** about the slow application.

underground

adj. under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force

synonym : subterranean, subsurface, confidential

(1) water flowing **underground**, (2) **underground** activist

Having **underground** parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.

railroad

n. metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization

synonym : railway, track, railway system

(1) coast-to-coast **railroad**, (2) **railroad** industry

The town was founded in the 19th century as a stop on the **railroad**, and it grew rapidly as a result.

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

synonym : luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance

The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

wright

n. a person who makes or repairs something, especially a craftsman or artisan who works with wood or metal

synonym : builder, constructor, craftsman

(1) a car- **wright**, (2) aircraft **wright**

She was a skilled **wright**, able to craft intricate pieces of furniture.

prolific

adj. producing many works, results, or offspring

synonym : productive, fertile, abundant

(1) **prolific** apple tree, (2) **prolific** period

The **prolific** author had written over 20 books in just five years.

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**.

patent

n. a legal document that grants an inventor exclusive rights to their invention for a certain period of time; the invention or process for which a patent has been granted

synonym: copyright, trademark, license

(1) **patent** application, (2) **patent** law

The company has filed for a **patent** to protect its new invention.

bifocal

adj. describing lenses that contain two distinct optical powers, typically used for correcting both nearsightedness and farsightedness in the same eyeglasses

synonym: dual-focus, dual-vision

(1) **bifocal** contact lens, (2) **bifocal** reading glasses

His glasses had **bifocal** lenses, allowing him to see near and far.

lightning

n. a flash, or several flashes, of light that accompanies an electric discharge in the atmosphere, or something resembling such a flash

synonym: bolt, electrical discharge

(1) streaks of **lightning**, (2) **lightning** air strike

The human eye is **lightning-fast** in recognizing objects.

rod

n. a long, thin, straight piece of wood, metal, or other material used for support, as a weapon, or for punishment

synonym: stick, wand, staff

(1) **rod** cell, (2) curtain **rod**

He used a fishing **rod** to catch the biggest fish of the day.

collaboration

n. the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

synonym

: affiliation, alliance, coalition

(1) **collaboration** between companies, (2) **collaboration** platform

The partnership program requires a mutual **collaboration** between both agencies.

embody

v. to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea

synonym: represent, exemplify, personify

(1) **embody** my goal, (2) **embody** a spirit of charity

The company's new products **embody** the values of innovation and sustainability.

spirit

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

synonym: soul, attitude, enthusiasm

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

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

tinker

v. to make repairs, adjustments, or improvements to something, especially in an experimental or makeshift way

synonym: fiddle, play, fix

(1) **tinker** with the bill, (2) **tinker** with the settings

He spent the afternoon **tinkering** with his car engine.

statesman

n. a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs

synonym: solon, politician, legislator

(1) a woman **statesman**, (2) international **statesman**

This statue honors a distinguished **statesman**.

conception

n. a general idea or belief of what something or someone is like or should be; an understanding of a situation or a principle

synonym : notion, abstraction, cogitation

(1) a grand **conception**, (2) the **conception** of the good
I have no **conception** of what you intend.

citizenship

n. the status of being a member of a particular country

synonym : nationality, belonging, residency

(1) dual **citizenship**, (2) **citizenship** rights

Her **citizenship** application was denied due to a technical error.

predicate

n. a statement or assertion about something, especially a statement in logic or grammar; (verb) to base or found on a particular fact or assumption

synonym : statement, assertion, claim

(1) a **predicate** that it's true, (2) **predicate** noun

The **predicate** of the sentence states the action or condition of the subject.

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.

civic

adj. of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it

synonym : community, civic, communal

(1) **civic** activity, (2) **civic** center

The city promotes **civic** collaboration in community development

underlie

v. to be the support, basis, hidden cause of something; to be located under or below

synonym : govern, control, determine

(1) **underlie** the theory of the big bang, (2) **underlie** the current economic deadlock

His bitter experiences **underlie** his moral principles.

empower

v. to give someone the power or authority to do something
synonym: authorize, endow, entitle

(1) **empower** my life, (2) **empower** the secretary to do the same

The company **empowered** employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

participate

v. to take part in something
synonym: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

enterprise

n. a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
synonym: business, company, industry

(1) undertake an **enterprise**, (2) his business **enterprise**

A growing **enterprise** requires a bold leader.

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

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.

rebuild

v. to build again or anew

synonym: reconstruct, renovate, restore

(1) **rebuild** a company, (2) **rebuild** communities

They are planning to **rebuild** the house after the fire.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

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

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

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

parallel

adj. being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations

synonym: aligned, side-by-side, similar

(1) a **parallel** case, (2) **parallel** processing

He walked a road **parallel** to the railroad.

conform

v. to act in accordance with a set of rules, standards, or expectations; to comply with the norms or customs of a particular group

synonym: comply, follow, adhere

(1) **conform** to standards, (2) **conform** in all its aspects

The school requires students to **conform** to a strict dress code.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

synonym: cooperate, combine, collaborate

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

another

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

interface

n. (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things

synonym : junction, surface, UI

(1) **interface** between gas and liquid, (2) the user **interface**
Detergent weakens the surface tension at the **interface** of two liquids.

plain

adj. without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees

synonym : basic, straight, bare

(1) **plain** answer, (2) delta **plain**

The lowest lowland region is mostly flat **plain**.

nuisance

n. something or someone that causes annoyance, inconvenience, or discomfort; an unpleasant or irritating thing or person

synonym : bother, annoyance, disturbance

(1) traffic **nuisance**, (2) **nuisance** call

The barking dog next door is becoming quite a **nuisance**.

apparently

adv. based on what you have heard or read

synonym : evidently, obviously, supposedly

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

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

frequent

adj. happening constantly

synonym : periodic, recurring, routine

(1) **frequent** absence, (2) **frequent** use

His heartaches are less **frequent** now.

awesome

adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

synonym: miraculous, marvelous, astounding

(1) **awesome** mental faculty, (2) have an **awesome** birthday

There is a lot of **awesome** nature and food in Hawaii.

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.

articulate

v. to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language

synonym: express, state, utter

(1) **articulate** his position, (2) eloquently **articulate**

She was able to **articulate** her argument in the debate clearly.

responsible

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

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

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

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

stitch

n. one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn

(1) a **stitch** in a garment, (2) pattern **stitch**

The wound was so deep that it needed a surgical procedure and **stitches**.

energize

v. to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate

synonym : invigorate, animate, electrify

(1) **energize** the body, (2) **energize** a team

The motivational speaker **energized** the crowd with their words.

innovative

adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.

synonym : creative, ingenious, inventive

(1) use of **innovative** technology, (2) stylistically **innovative** works

The Prime Minister stressed the need to create **innovative** industries.

entrenched

adj. established firmly and securely

synonym : deep-rooted, confirmed, ingrained

(1) **entrenched** ideas, (2) **entrenched** positions

The monarch exploited the peasants using its **entrenched** power.

attend

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

synonym : go, be present, accompany

(1) **attend** a meeting, (2) **attend** service

We must **attend** to this matter.

capture

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

synonym : catch, arrest, imprison

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

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

impressive

adj. arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill

synonym : impactful, remarkable, exceptional

(1) **impressive** performances, (2) an **impressive** array of facts

The budget reduction was an **impressive** feat for our nation.

phenomenon

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

synonym: marvel, wonder, splendor

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

A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

globe

n. the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness

synonym: Earth, world, sphere

(1) terrestrial **globe**, (2) around the **globe**

His final goal is to sail around the **globe**.

representative

n. someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people

synonym: spokesperson, agent, delegate

(1) an official **representative**, (2) sales **representative**

The media **representatives** had special passes.

contract

n. a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

synonym: agreement, deal, arrangement

(1) employment **contract**, (2) **contract** law

The company signed a **contract** with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

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**.

develop

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

created

synonym : evolve, progress, advance

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

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

firm

adj. resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

synonym : stable, secure, steadfast

(1) **firm** grip, (2) accounting **firm**

The **firm** deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

app

n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

synonym : application, software

(1) killer **app**, (2) cannot log in to the **app**

The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the **app's** release.

legislator

n. a member of a group of people who has the power to make or enact laws

synonym : lawmaker, lawgiver, administrator

(1) a **legislator** appointed by the party, (2) incumbent **legislator**

Corporate executives and **legislators** are still overwhelmingly men.

geek

n. a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed

synonym : nerd, dork, enthusiast

(1) airplane **geek**, (2) **geek** enthusiast

He was a computer **geek** and spent all his free time coding.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
synonym : completely, utterly, definitely

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

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

entrant

n. a person or organization entering or taking part in a competition, contest, or event; someone or something that enters or is granted entry into a particular field or area

synonym : participant, competitor, contestant

(1) **entrant** fee, (2) **entrant** qualification

The **entrant** from Spain won the international cooking competition with her signature dish.

submit

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

synonym : hand in, present, propose

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

Please **submit** the assignment to me.

Congress

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

synonym : legislature, parliament, assembly

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

Congress must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

vacate

v. to leave or give up possession of a place or position; to make a place or position empty

synonym : empty, evacuate, abandon

(1) **vacate** a property, (2) **vacate** a seat

I need to **vacate** my apartment by the end of the month.

spark

v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

synonym: start, inspire, provoke

(1) **spark** his interest, (2) **spark** a chain reaction

The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate **sparked** turmoil in the stock market.

movement

n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

synonym: motion, progression, action

(1) a circular **movement**, (2) **movement** of troops

The **movement** of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

ecosystem

n. all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

(1) marine **ecosystem**, (2) change the **ecosystem**

Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the **ecosystem**.

involve

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

synonym: implicate, include, engage

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

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

protest

n. a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition

synonym: objection, disapproval, challenge

(1) hold a **protest**, (2) a silent **protest**

He left the party in **protest** at its radical political stance.

accomplishment

n. the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training

synonym: success, achievement, complete

(1) proud of his **accomplishments**, (2) the **accomplishment** of a social goal

Graduating from college was a major **accomplishment** for her.

volunteer

n. a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do

synonym: unpaid worker, draftee, enlistee

(1) seek **volunteers**, (2) my **volunteer** work

The teachers make full use of **volunteer** assistance.

firefight

n. a struggle to extinguish a fire; a military engagement in which small arms and other weapons are used

synonym: battle, conflict, fight

(1) killed in a **firefight**, (2) turn into a **firefight**

The platoon experienced a full-scale **firefight**.

brigade

n. a military unit typically consisting of several battalions, usually commanded by a brigadier general; a group of people organized for a particular purpose or activity

synonym: squad, group, unit

(1) **brigade** commander, (2) rescue **brigade**

The culinary **brigade** prepared a delicious meal for the guests at the banquet.

fashion

n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

synonym: style, manner, fad

(1) go out of **fashion**, (2) new **fashion** trends

That style is no longer in **fashion**.

footstep

n. a step, or the sound generated by a person walking when their foot hits the ground

synonym: footfall, step

(1) **footsteps** in the corridor, (2) approaching **footsteps**
The sound of oncoming **footsteps** grew louder, closer.

announce

v. to make something known or officially inform people about something

synonym: disclose, declare, broadcast

(1) **announce** candidacy, (2) **announce** the award winners
The third season of the anime show has been **announced**.

kit

n. a set of tools, supplies, or equipment for a particular purpose

synonym: set, package, bundle

(1) survival **kit**, (2) a first-aid **kit**
I bought a new tool **kit** for my home repair projects.

innovate

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

synonym: bring in, introduce, found

(1) **innovate** a new method, (2) **innovate** the quality of his life

Companies developing self-driving cars consistently **innovate** the emerging technologies.

Session 2: Spelling

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n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
7. en_____ze a team
v. to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate
8. 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
9. mo_____r an exam
v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
10. pr_____ic period
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| 21. em___y my goal | <i>v.</i> | to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea |
| 22. principles of de_____cy | <i>n.</i> | a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so |
| 23. e__l ways | <i>adj.</i> | profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people |
| 24. a leg_____or appointed by the party | <i>n.</i> | a member of a group of people who has the power to make or enact laws |
| 25. par_____te fully in conversation | <i>v.</i> | to take part in something |
| 26. ambitious ag___a | <i>n.</i> | a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered |
| 27. so_____re architect | <i>n.</i> | a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs |
| 28. an official rep_____ive | <i>n.</i> | someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people |
| 29. di_____er recovery | <i>n.</i> | an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life |
| 30. nice fe___w | <i>adj.</i> | someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you |
| 31. co_____al swimming pool | <i>adj.</i> | belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use |

ANSWERS: 21. embody, 22. democracy, 23. evil, 24. legislator, 25. participate, 26. agenda, 27. software, 28. representative, 29. disaster, 30. fellow, 31. communal

32. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
33. app_____ly simple *adv.* based on what you have heard or read
34. nu_____ce call *n.* something or someone that causes annoyance, inconvenience, or discomfort; an unpleasant or irritating thing or person
35. agree to su____t the bill *v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
36. killed in a fi_____ht *n.* a struggle to extinguish a fire; a military engagement in which small arms and other weapons are used
37. art cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
38. at____d service *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
39. historical phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
40. sh__y deal *adj.* characterized by darkness or obscurity, often referring to the atmosphere of a place; characterized by suspicious or dishonest behavior or dealings; relating to shade or protection from sunlight
41. severe cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
42. ro__e state *n.* a deceitful and unreliable person; a person who behaves badly

ANSWERS: 32. absolutely, 33. apparently, 34. nuisance, 35. submit, 36. firefight, 37. critic, 38. attend, 39. phenomenon, 40. shady, 41. critic, 42. rogue

43. aw____e mental faculty *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
44. use of inn____ve technology *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
45. cutting-edge inn____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
46. curtain r_d *n.* a long, thin, straight piece of wood, metal, or other material used for support, as a weapon, or for punishment
47. a silent pr____t *n.* a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
48. art____te his position *v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
49. his business ent____se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
50. sp__k a chain reaction *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
51. rescue br____e *n.* a military unit typically consisting of several battalions, usually commanded by a brigadier general; a group of people organized for a particular purpose or activity
52. church ba____nt *n.* a room or a part of a building that is partly or entirely below ground level
53. a circular mo____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 43. awesome, 44. innovative, 45. innovation, 46. rod, 47. protest, 48. articulate, 49. enterprise, 50. spark, 51. brigade, 52. basement, 53. movement

54. in_____ct with one another *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
55. coast-to-coast ra_____ad *n.* metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization
56. a st____h in a garment *n.* one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn
57. pa_____el processing *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
58. in_____te a new method *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
59. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
60. a grand con_____on *n.* a general idea or belief of what something or someone is like or should be; an understanding of a situation or a principle
61. incumbent leg_____or *n.* a member of a group of people who has the power to make or enact laws
62. a ro__e detective *n.* a deceitful and unreliable person; a person who behaves badly
63. aircraft wr____t *n.* a person who makes or repairs something, especially a craftsman or artisan who works with wood or metal
64. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

ANSWERS: 54. interact, 55. railroad, 56. stitch, 57. parallel, 58. innovate, 59. absolutely, 60. conception, 61. legislator, 62. rogue, 63. wright, 64. responsible

65. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
66. an_____ce the award winners *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
67. en_____t qualification *n.* a person or organization entering or taking part in a competition, contest, or event; someone or something that enters or is granted entry into a particular field or area
68. a charm against e__l *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
69. co_____m in all its aspects *v.* to act in accordance with a set of rules, standards, or expectations; to comply with the norms or customs of a particular group
70. co_____ct law *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
71. approaching fo_____eps *n.* a step, or the sound generated by a person walking when their foot hits the ground
72. delta pl__n *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
73. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 65. environment, 66. announce, 67. entrant, 68. evil, 69. conform, 70. contract, 71. footstep, 72. plain, 73. develop

74. und_____nd activist *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
75. copyrighted so_____re *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
76. marine ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
77. pa__y face *n.* a type of baked pastry that typically consists of a filling of meat, vegetables, or other ingredients, enclosed in a pastry shell; (adjective) pale, lacking in color, or dull
78. sp__k his interest *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
79. pr_____te noun *n.* a statement or assertion about something, especially a statement in logic or grammar; (verb) to base or found on a particular fact or assumption
80. 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
81. em_____r my life *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
82. undertake an ent_____se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort

ANSWERS: 74. underground, 75. software, 76. ecosystem, 77. pasty, 78. spark, 79. predicate, 80. hack, 81. empower, 82. enterprise

83. mo_____r the data carefully *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
84. em_____r the secretary to do the same *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
85. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
86. li_____ng air strike *n.* a flash, or several flashes, of light that accompanies an electric discharge in the atmosphere, or something resembling such a flash
87. Cornish pa__y *n.* a type of baked pastry that typically consists of a filling of meat, vegetables, or other ingredients, enclosed in a pastry shell; (adjective) pale, lacking in color, or dull
88. col_____ion between companies *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
89. bi_____l contact lens *adj.* describing lenses that contain two distinct optical powers, typically used for correcting both nearsightedness and farsightedness in the same eyeglasses
90. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
91. the acc_____ent of a social goal *n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training

ANSWERS: 83. monitor, 84. empower, 85. environment, 86. lightning, 87. pasty, 88. collaboration, 89. bifocal, 90. invention, 91. accomplishment

92. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
93. 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
94. sp__l my heart *v.* to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident
95. an international co_____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
96. go out of fa_____n *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
97. pl__n answer *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
98. un_____ie the current economic deadlock *v.* to be the support, basis, hidden cause of something; to be located under or below
99. ci__c center *adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
100. ca_____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
101. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

ANSWERS: 92. involve, 93. hack, 94. spill, 95. congress, 96. fashion, 97. plain, 98. underlie, 99. civic, 100. capture, 101. invention

102. ma____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
103. en____ze the body *v.* to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate
104. em____y a spirit of charity *v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea
105. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
106. va____e a property *v.* to leave or give up possession of a place or position; to make a place or position empty
107. a pa____el case *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
108. de____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
109. fr____nt absence *adj.* happening constantly
110. accounting f__m *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
111. cit____ip rights *n.* the status of being a member of a particular country

ANSWERS: 102. massive, 103. energize, 104. embody, 105. nation, 106. vacate, 107. parallel, 108. develop, 109. frequent, 110. firm, 111. citizenship

112. ti___r with the settings *v.* to make repairs, adjustments, or improvements to something, especially in an experimental or makeshift way
113. in_____te the quality of his life *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
114. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
115. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
116. co_____in about a job *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
117. ent_____ed ideas *adj.* established firmly and securely
118. mai_____am political beliefs *n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
119. mis_____us sense of humor *adj.* causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way
120. ca_____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
121. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
122. change the ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

ANSWERS: 112. tinker, 113. innovate, 114. decide, 115. movement, 116. complain, 117. entrenched, 118. mainstream, 119. mischievous, 120. capture, 121. government, 122. ecosystem

123. re____d communities *v.* to build again or anew
124. su___t an application *v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
125. pattern st___h *n.* one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn
126. the con_____on of the good *n.* a general idea or belief of what something or someone is like or should be; an understanding of a situation or a principle
127. app_____ly unrelated *adv.* based on what you have heard or read
128. an_____ce candidacy *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
129. va___e a seat *v.* to leave or give up possession of a place or position; to make a place or position empty
130. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
131. terrestrial gl__e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
132. killer a_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
133. join the mai_____am *n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
134. cr_____al investigation *n.* a person who has committed a crime

ANSWERS: 123. rebuild, 124. submit, 125. stitch, 126. conception, 127. apparently, 128. announce, 129. vacate, 130. communal, 131. globe, 132. app, 133. mainstream, 134. criminal

135. new fa_____n trends *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
136. en_____t fee *n.* a person or organization entering or taking part in a competition, contest, or event; someone or something that enters or is granted entry into a particular field or area
137. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
138. col_____ion platform *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
139. around the gl__e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
140. a woman st_____an *n.* a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs
141. global di_____er *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
142. id_____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
143. wanted cr_____al *n.* a person who has committed a crime
144. my vo_____er work *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
145. r_d cell *n.* a long, thin, straight piece of wood, metal, or other material used for support, as a weapon, or for punishment

ANSWERS: 135. fashion, 136. entrant, 137. responsible, 138. collaboration, 139. globe, 140. statesman, 141. disaster, 142. identity, 143. criminal, 144. volunteer, 145. rod

146. ti___r with the bill *v.* to make repairs, adjustments, or improvements to something, especially in an experimental or makeshift way
147. international st_____an *n.* a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs
148. fr_____nt use *adj.* happening constantly
149. f__m grip *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; *(noun)* a business or company
150. a first-aid k_t *n.* a set of tools, supplies, or equipment for a particular purpose
151. re_____d a company *v.* to build again or anew
152. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
153. imp_____ve performances *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
154. br_____nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
155. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
156. sp___t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

ANSWERS: 146. tinker, 147. statesman, 148. frequent, 149. firm, 150. kit, 151. rebuild, 152. massive, 153. impressive, 154. brilliant, 155. innovation, 156. spirit

157. an indomitable sp___t *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
158. streaks of li_____ng *n.* a flash, or several flashes, of light that accompanies an electric discharge in the atmosphere, or something resembling such a flash
159. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
160. natural phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
161. water flowing und_____nd *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
162. co_____m to standards *v.* to act in accordance with a set of rules, standards, or expectations; to comply with the norms or customs of a particular group
163. br_____nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
164. have an aw_____e birthday *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
165. mis_____us grin *adj.* causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way

ANSWERS: 157. spirit, 158. lightning, 159. nation, 160. phenomenon, 161. underground, 162. conform, 163. brilliant, 164. awesome, 165. mischievous

166. employment co_____ct *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
167. at____d a meeting *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
168. four ba_____nt floor *n.* a room or a part of a building that is partly or entirely below ground level
169. turn into a fi_____ht *n.* a struggle to extinguish a fire; a military engagement in which small arms and other weapons are used
170. ent_____ed positions *adj.* established firmly and securely
171. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
172. ci__c activity *adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
173. 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
174. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
175. proud of his acc_____ents *n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
176. call and co_____in frequently *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

ANSWERS: 166. contract, 167. attend, 168. basement, 169. firefight, 170. entrenched, 171. involve, 172. civic, 173. fellow, 174. decide, 175. accomplishment, 176. complain

177. fo_____eps in the corridor *n.* a step, or the sound generated by a person walking when their foot hits the ground
178. br_____e commander *n.* a military unit typically consisting of several battalions, usually commanded by a brigadier general; a group of people organized for a particular purpose or activity
179. in_____ct directly with customers *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
180. in_____ce between gas and liquid *n.* (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things
181. survival k_t *n.* a set of tools, supplies, or equipment for a particular purpose
182. the user in_____ce *n.* (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things
183. pr_____ic apple tree *adj.* producing many works, results, or offspring
184. un_____ie the theory of the big bang *v.* to be the support, basis, hidden cause of something; to be located under or below
185. ra_____ad industry *n.* metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization

ANSWERS: 177. footstep, 178. brigade, 179. interact, 180. interface, 181. kit, 182. interface, 183. prolific, 184. underlie, 185. railroad

186. a pr_____te that it's true *n.* a statement or assertion about something, especially a statement in logic or grammar; (verb) to base or found on a particular fact or assumption
187. seek vo_____ers *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
188. traffic nu_____ce *n.* something or someone that causes annoyance, inconvenience, or discomfort; an unpleasant or irritating thing or person
189. airplane g__k *n.* a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed
190. pa___t law *n.* a legal document that grants an inventor exclusive rights to their invention for a certain period of time; the invention or process for which a patent has been granted
191. sp__l a bit of wine *v.* to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident
192. mistaken id_____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

ANSWERS: 186. predicate, 187. volunteer, 188. nuisance, 189. geek, 190. patent, 191. spill, 192. identity

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Her _____ application was denied due to a technical error.
n. the status of being a member of a particular country
2. This statue honors a distinguished _____.
n. a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs
3. I need to _____ my apartment by the end of the month.
v. to leave or give up possession of a place or position; to make a place or position empty
4. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.
n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
5. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the _____ release.
n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
6. That style is no longer in _____.
n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
7. The teachers make full use of _____ assistance.
n. a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
8. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 1. citizenship, 2. statesman, 3. vacate, 4. identity, 5. app's, 6. fashion, 7. volunteer, 8. develop

9. 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
10. The lowest lowland region is mostly flat _____.
adj. without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
11. I plan to pick up a chicken _____ at that bakery on my way home from work.
n. a type of baked pastry that typically consists of a filling of meat, vegetables, or other ingredients, enclosed in a pastry shell; (adjective) pale, lacking in color, or dull
12. The company's new products _____ the values of innovation and sustainability.
v. to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea
13. The town was founded in the 19th century as a stop on the _____ and it grew rapidly as a result.
n. metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization
14. Corporate executives and _____ are still overwhelmingly men.
n. a member of a group of people who has the power to make or enact laws
15. I was able to _____ the moment on film.
v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
16. The motivational speaker _____ the crowd with their words.
v. to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate

ANSWERS: 9. government, 10. plain, 11. pasty, 12. embody, 13. railroad, 14. legislators, 15. capture, 16. energized

17. The _____ for the meeting includes discussions on the budget and new project proposals.

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

18. Necessity is the mother of _____.

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

19. There is a lot of _____ nature and food in Hawaii.

adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

20. The police _____ believed this explanation was plausible.

adv. based on what you have heard or read

21. The school requires students to _____ to a strict dress code.

v. to act in accordance with a set of rules, standards, or expectations; to comply with the norms or customs of a particular group

22. 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

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

n. a person who has committed a crime

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

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

ANSWERS: 17. agenda, 18. invention, 19. awesome, 20. apparently, 21. conform, 22. monitor, 23. criminal, 24. spirit

25. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
26. Companies developing self-driving cars consistently _____ the emerging technologies.
v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
27. The president states emphatically that the opponent country is a _____ state that supports terrorism.
n. a deceitful and unreliable person; a person who behaves badly
28. 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
29. The wound was so deep that it needed a surgical procedure and _____.
n. one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn
30. The _____ response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.
n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
31. His glasses had _____ lenses, allowing him to see near and far.
adj. describing lenses that contain two distinct optical powers, typically used for correcting both nearsightedness and farsightedness in the same eyeglasses
32. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something

ANSWERS: 25. responsible, 26. innovate, 27. rogue, 28. hacking, 29. stitches, 30. disaster, 31. bifocal, 32. participated

33. The tree provided some _____ relief from the scorching sun.
adj. characterized by darkness or obscurity, often referring to the atmosphere of a place; characterized by suspicious or dishonest behavior or dealings; relating to shade or protection from sunlight
34. He spent the afternoon _____ with his car engine.
v. to make repairs, adjustments, or improvements to something, especially in an experimental or makeshift way
35. The company has filed for a _____ to protect its new invention.
n. a legal document that grants an inventor exclusive rights to their invention for a certain period of time; the invention or process for which a patent has been granted
36. The monarch exploited the peasants using its _____ power.
adj. established firmly and securely
37. 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
38. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
39. He left the party in _____ at its radical political stance.
n. a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
40. The culinary _____ prepared a delicious meal for the guests at the banquet.
n. a military unit typically consisting of several battalions, usually commanded by a brigadier general; a group of people organized for a particular purpose or activity

ANSWERS: 33. shady, 34. tinkering, 35. patent, 36. entrenched, 37. fellow, 38. environment, 39. protest, 40. brigade

41. Having _____ parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.
adj. under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
42. _____ 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
43. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
44. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.
v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
45. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
46. I have no _____ of what you intend.
n. a general idea or belief of what something or someone is like or should be; an understanding of a situation or a principle
47. The human eye is _____ in recognizing objects.
n. a flash, or several flashes, of light that accompanies an electric discharge in the atmosphere, or something resembling such a flash

ANSWERS: 41. underground, 42. Democracy, 43. innovation, 44. involves, 45. movement, 46. conception, 47. lightning-fast

48. His final goal is to sail around the _____.
- n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
49. The city promotes _____ collaboration in community development
- adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
50. The _____ author had written over 20 books in just five years.
- adj.* producing many works, results, or offspring
51. _____ must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.
- n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
52. Our users are often _____ about the slow application.
- v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
53. Corruption is an _____ act for any reason.
- adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
54. The company signed a _____ with the supplier for the delivery of goods.
- n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
55. His heartaches are less _____ now.
- adj.* happening constantly
56. She was a skilled _____ able to craft intricate pieces of furniture.
- n.* a person who makes or repairs something, especially a craftsman or artisan who works with wood or metal

ANSWERS: 48. globe, 49. civic, 50. prolific, 51. Congress, 52. complaining, 53. evil, 54. contract, 55. frequent, 56. wright,

57. The partnership program requires a mutual _____ between both agencies.

n. the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

58. He used a fishing ____ to catch the biggest fish of the day.

n. a long, thin, straight piece of wood, metal, or other material used for support, as a weapon, or for punishment

59. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

60. He should _____ more with his colleagues.

v. to communicate or react with somebody

61. I bought a new tool ____ for my home repair projects.

n. a set of tools, supplies, or equipment for a particular purpose

62. The barking dog next door is becoming quite a _____.

n. something or someone that causes annoyance, inconvenience, or discomfort; an unpleasant or irritating thing or person

63. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

64. He was a computer _____ and spent all his free time coding.

n. a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed

65. A growing _____ requires a bold leader.

n. a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort

ANSWERS: 57. collaboration, 58. rod, 59. absolutely, 60. interact, 61. kit, 62. nuisance, 63. Communal, 64. geek, 65. enterprise

66. The media _____ had special passes.
- n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
67. Detergent weakens the surface tension at the _____ of two liquids.
- n.* (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things
68. Please _____ the assignment to me.
- v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
69. He walked a road _____ to the railroad.
- adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
70. The _____ child played pranks on his siblings all day long.
- adj.* causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way
71. The budget reduction was an _____ feat for our nation.
- adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
72. The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate _____ turmoil in the stock market.
- v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
73. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
- v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 66. representatives, 67. interface, 68. submit, 69. parallel, 70. mischievous, 71. impressive, 72. sparked, 73. decide

74. The company specializes in both hardware and _____.
- n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
75. The third season of the anime show has been _____.
- v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
76. She was able to _____ her argument in the debate clearly.
- v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
77. Underground rivers flow over a _____ layer that is impervious to water.
- n.* a room or a part of a building that is partly or entirely below ground level
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. They are planning to _____ the house after the fire.
- v.* to build again or anew
80. His thinking is _____ in the country's culture.
- n.* the ideas, opinions, beliefs, etc., that are considered normal or accepted by most people
81. He was determined to _____ everything.
- v.* to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident
82. The platoon experienced a full-scale _____.
- n.* a struggle to extinguish a fire; a military engagement in which small arms and other weapons are used

ANSWERS: 74. software, 75. announced, 76. articulate, 77. basement, 78. nation, 79. rebuild, 80. mainstream, 81. spill, 82. firefight

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

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

84. The sound of oncoming _____ grew louder, closer.

n. a step, or the sound generated by a person walking when their foot hits the ground

85. The _____ from Spain won the international cooking competition with her signature dish.

n. a person or organization entering or taking part in a competition, contest, or event; someone or something that enters or is granted entry into a particular field or area

86. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

87. The Prime Minister stressed the need to create _____ industries.

adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.

88. We must _____ to this matter.

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

89. Graduating from college was a major _____ for her.

n. the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training

90. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

ANSWERS: 83. massive, 84. footsteps, 85. entrant, 86. critics, 87. innovative, 88. attend, 89. accomplishment, 90. brilliant

91. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the _____.
- n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
92. The _____ of the sentence states the action or condition of the subject.
- n.* a statement or assertion about something, especially a statement in logic or grammar; (verb) to base or found on a particular fact or assumption
93. A rainbow is a natural _____.
- n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
94. His bitter experiences _____ his moral principles.
- v.* to be the support, basis, hidden cause of something; to be located under or below
95. The ____ deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.
- adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
96. The company _____ employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.
- v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something

ANSWERS: 91. ecosystem, 92. predicate, 93. phenomenon, 94. underlie, 95. firm, 96. empowered