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Session 1: Word List

device

n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

synonym : gadget, instrument, tool

(1) electronic **device**, (2) tracking **device**

I always carry a backup **device** in case my phone runs out of battery.

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.

percentage

n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

synonym : rate, ratio, portion

(1) the **percentage** of the gold content, (2) a high **percentage**

What is the **percentage** of the consumption tax in the United States?

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.

poverty

n. the condition of being extremely poor

synonym: deprivation, destitution, poorness

(1) **poverty** alleviation, (2) the cycle of **poverty**

Many studies have investigated the relationship between **poverty** and academic achievement.

halve

v. to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size

synonym: reduce by half, cut in half, split

(1) **halve** the price, (2) **halve** the workload

I need to **halve** the recipe to make just enough for two people.

graph

n. a picture consisting of a line, lines, points, etc., that shows how two or more sets of certain quantities are related to each other

synonym: chart, diagram, figure

(1) **graph** theory, (2) a **graph** sample

This bar **graph** shows sales over the past five years.

flood

n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

synonym: deluge, downpour, overflow

(1) **flood** advisory, (2) a **flood** of questions

These heavy rains caused flash **floods** on several islands.

earthquake

n. a sudden and violent shaking of the ground caused by the movement of rock beneath the earth's surface

synonym: seismic activity, tremor, temblor

(1) an **earthquake** zone, (2) an **earthquake-proof**

The violent **earthquake** caused widespread damage and

injuries throughout the region.

volcanic

adj. relating to or produced by or consisting of volcano

(1) effects of **volcanic** eruptions, (2) increase in **volcanic** activity

This study indicates **volcanic** activity affects global warming.

eruption

n. an instance of a sudden and violent release of lava, gas, or ash from a volcano; a sudden outburst or explosion of something

synonym: explosion, outburst, burst

(1) **eruption** alert level, (2) emotional **eruption**

The volcanic **eruption** caused widespread destruction and left the area covered in ash.

drought

n. a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation

synonym: dryness, aridity, water shortage

(1) periods of **drought**, (2) **drought** conditions

The region has been experiencing a severe **drought**, leading to water shortages and crop failures.

chimpanzee

n. a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur

synonym: ape, chimp, pan troglodytes

(1) **chimpanzee** behavior, (2) **chimpanzee** society

Many zoos have **chimpanzee** exhibits, allowing visitors to observe these intelligent primates up close.

random

adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

synonym: incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**

To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

ambition

n. a strong wish to do or achieve something

synonym : purpose, aim, endeavor

(1) an **ambition** for political power, (2) boundless **ambition**
Greed and **ambition** composed his personality.

hint

n. an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something

synonym : clue, indication, suggestion

(1) **hint** of trouble, (2) helpful **hints**

There was no **hint** of a problem.

congratulation

n. the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

synonym : praise, compliment, felicitation

(1) **congratulation** on a promotion, (2) a matter for **congratulation**

The **congratulations** from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.

difficulty

n. a condition or state that causes problems

synonym : hardship, complication, problem

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

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

disgust

n. a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval

synonym : nauseate, hate, dislike

(1) public **disgust**, (2) show **disgust** at his actions

He was filled with **disgust** and fear for the threat of war.

gender

n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

synonym : sexuality

(1) **gender-blind** policies, (2) dual **gender**

Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

equity

n. the value of the shares issued by a company
synonym : fairness

(1) private **equity** firm, (2) **equity** capital market

That company is cautious when it comes to **equity** investment.

achieve

v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

synonym : accomplish, attain, reach

(1) **achieve** success, (2) **achieve** milestones

I will work hard to **achieve** my goals and realize my dreams.

confine

v. to restrict the movement of someone or something

synonym : restrict, limit, contain

(1) **confine** themselves solely, (2) **confine** the scope of use

The animal was **confined** in a small cage.

preconceived

adj. (of an idea or opinion) formed beforehand, especially without evidence for its truth or usefulness

(1) a **preconceived** notion, (2) **preconceived** opinions

We should start a discussion from scratch with no **preconceived** ideas.

pilot

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

synonym : aviator, flyer, chief

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

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

phase

n. any stage in a series of events, change, or development

synonym : degree, stage, step

(1) enter on the last **phase**, (2) two- **phase** structure

The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial **phase** of history.

ignorance

n. lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact

synonym: unintelligence, inexperience, unawareness

(1) **ignorance** of the law, (2) **ignorance** is bliss

His **ignorance** of the situation led him to make a poor decision.

foundation

n. the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes

synonym: base, support, groundwork

(1) **foundation** course, (2) weak **foundation**

The **foundation** of the building was cracked and needed to be repaired.

cofounder

n. one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

(1) **cofounder** of the university, (2) late **cofounder**

He is the **cofounder** and chairman of this tech company.

systematic

adj. done or acting according to a determined set of systems or plans:

synonym: periodic, frequent, organized

(1) a **systematic** reformation, (2) **systematic** botany

Science is based on the **systematic** classification of experience.

devastating

adj. causing a great deal of destruction or damage

synonym: destructive, annihilative, disastrous

(1) have **devastating** effects, (2) treat this **devastating** disease

This typhoon was the most **devastating** in years.

rev *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym: revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

distribute *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

synonym: broadcast, disperse, hand out

(1) **distribute** wealth evenly, (2) **distribute** video content

His estate was **distributed** to his sons.

hump *n.* a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back
synonym: bump, protuberance, knoll

(1) get the **hump**, (2) spinal **hump**

The camel's **hump** is where it stores fat to survive in the desert.

camel *n.* a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions

(1) **camel** hair, (2) ride a **camel**

A **camel** has a hump on its back.

merge *v.* to combine or integrate things, or to cause this to happen

synonym: combine, join, coalesce

(1) **merge** into a new party, (2) **merge** those systems into a new one

This consulting firm decided to **merge** the two companies into one.

dromedary

n. a type of camel typically found in the Arabian Peninsula, Sahara Desert, and other arid regions, characterized by a single hump on its back

synonym : camel, one-humped camel, Arabian camel

(1) domesticated **dromedary**, (2) wild **dromedary**

I rode on the back of a **dromedary** camel during my desert safari.

appalling

adj. causing horror or shock; deeply disturbing or offensive; extremely bad or unpleasant

synonym : shocking, horrifying, alarming

(1) **appalling** crimes, (2) **appalling** behavior

The condition of that old house was **appalling**.

vaccine

n. a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.)

synonym : vaccinum

(1) development of **vaccines**, (2) an oral **vaccine**

The mRNA **vaccine** was approved in less than a year because it did not contain the fragments of the target virus.

measles

n. a highly infectious viral disease that causes fever, red spots on the skin, and other flu-like symptoms, typically affects children

synonym : rash, red measles, rubella

(1) **measles** outbreak, (2) **measles** vaccine

The school sent a notice of a **measles** case in one of the classrooms.

headline

n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

synonym : title, caption

(1) **headline** article, (2) banner **headline**

The engagement of the two golf players became **headline** news.

- bet** v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
synonym : stake, wager, gamble
(1) **bet** on a race, (2) **bet** my future
I **bet** that you know it.
- invite** v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
synonym : ask, request, summon
(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism
We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.
- confer** v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
synonym : consult, meet, discuss
(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor
The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.
- union** n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
synonym : alliance, coalition, confederation
(1) bank and credit **unions**, (2) a craft **union**
The trade **union** remained adamant about its demands.
- fortunate** *adj.* having good luck or lucky
synonym : fortuitous, lucky, blessed
(1) **fortunate** situation, (2) less **fortunate** person
He was pretty **fortunate** to pass the exam.
- comfort** n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
synonym : ease, solace, coziness
(1) words of **comfort**, (2) **comfort** level
He found **comfort** in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

equip

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

synonym : prepare, furnish, provide

(1) **equip** an army, (2) **equip** our children with some special skills

The construction company **equipped** the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

ignorant

adj. lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information

synonym : uninformed, uneducated, unaware

(1) **ignorant** remark, (2) blissfully **ignorant**

He was **ignorant** of the fact that the meeting had been moved to a different location.

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.

bias

n. a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment

synonym : inclination, partiality, predilection

(1) **bias** against a big company, (2) have a **bias** toward socialism

She researched gender **bias** in politics.

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.

puzzle

n. a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand

synonym: plight, maze, (verb) perplex

(1) crossword **puzzle**, (2) mathematical **puzzle**

This jigsaw **puzzle** is challenging because there are no pictures.

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.

outdated

adj. no longer useful or valid because of being old-fashioned

synonym: obsolete, ancient, bygone

(1) become **outdated**, (2) **outdated** technology

We replaced **outdated** equipment to improve factory productivity.

worldview

n. a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world

synonym: perspective, position, viewpoint

(1) mainstream **worldview**, (2) the **worldview** of the ancient civilization

The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing **worldviews**.

intention

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

synonym: purpose, connotation, will

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

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

journalist

n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

synonym : reporter, newsperson, press

(1) a China-based **journalist**, (2) **journalist** on a magazine
Foreign TV crews and **journalists** can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

exaggerate

v. to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is

synonym : overstate, overestimate, amplify

(1) **exaggerate** in degree, (2) **exaggerate** story

She **exaggerated** the extent of her injuries to get more money from the settlement.

shark

n. a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

synonym : swindler, con artist, crook

(1) a man-eating **shark**, (2) card **shark**

He borrowed money from a loan **shark**.

skew

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

synonym : slant, tilt, distort

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

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

bombard

v. to attack a place with bombs or gunshots continuously; to address with continuously or persistently, as if with a barrage

synonym : bomb, shoot, blitz

(1) **bombard** him with questions, (2) **bombard** a fort with heavy shells

Overprotective parents often **bombard** their children with messages reinforcing their lack of mastery.

intuition

n. the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why

synonym: instinct, gut feeling, sixth sense

(1) creative **intuition**, (2) **intuition** research

Some studies suggest that people's **intuitions** can be influenced by their experiences and biases.

evolution

n. a gradual process of transformation of living things

synonym: elaboration, expansion, transition

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

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

conclude

v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

synonym: complete, finish, decide

(1) **conclude** a meeting, (2) **conclude** that he is healthy

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

causal

adj. relating to or indicating a cause or the relationship between causes and effects; resulting from a cause

synonym: causative, contributory, connected

(1) **causal** chain, (2) **causal** effect

The study aimed to establish a **causal** relationship between smoking and lung cancer.

illusion

n. a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation

synonym: delusion, fallacy, magic trick

(1) optical **illusion**, (2) the **illusion** of being in the forest

He could no longer tell the difference between **illusion** and reality.

confidence

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

synonym: self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

evolutionary

adj. relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms

synonym: developmental, mutative, transformative

(1) ecology and **evolutionary** biology, (2) the **evolutionary** process

Evolutionary algorithms can find ways to optimize that humans do not anticipate.

upside

n. the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something

synonym: advantage, benefit, top

(1) have no **upside**, (2) market **upside**

Many people see the **upside** of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.

trend

n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing

synonym: direction, movement, tendency

(1) an international **trend**, (2) the **trend** away from television

The oil price continued their downward **trend**.

strength

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

synonym: resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**

Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

suppose

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

synonym: guess, assume, presume

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

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

encounter

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

synonym : meet, run into, come across

(1) **encounter** a crisis, (2) **encounter** a storm

I'm prepared to **encounter** challenges throughout this adventure.

domain

n. a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise

synonym : territory, realm, sphere

(1) **domain** of use, (2) a dependent **domain**

The company's **domain** in the market was expanding to new territories.

dimension

n. a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

synonym : extent, measurement, size

(1) new **dimension**, (2) the crosswise **dimension**

Overall **dimensions** are approximately 400x200mm.

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.

climate

n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

synonym : atmosphere, weather, environment

(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change

Climate and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

endangered

adj. at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats

synonym : at risk, threatened, vulnerable

(1) **endangered** species, (2) **endangered** ecosystem

The government has implemented policies to protect the habitat of **endangered** animals.

finance

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

synonym : banking, investment, fund

(1) **finance** act, (2) manage my **finances**

Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in **finance**.

sector

n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

synonym : division, department, branch

(1) industrial **sector**, (2) private **sector**

The technology **sector** is constantly evolving and innovating.

amnesty

n. a general pardon for crimes, especially political crimes

synonym : pardon, clemency, reprieve

(1) grant an **amnesty**, (2) **amnesty** for debt

The government declared **amnesty** for all political prisoners.

poll

n. an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election

synonym : survey, ballot, voting

(1) a pre-election **poll**, (2) public opinion **polls**

Several **polls** show a decline in the president's approval rating.

shortlist

n. a list of selected candidates, items, or options that have been narrowed down from a larger list for further consideration or final decision; (verb) to select a small

number of candidates from a larger group for further consideration, often in the context of job applications, awards, or competitions

synonym : finalist, nominee

(1) narrow down the **shortlist**, (2) **shortlist** of candidates

She eagerly awaited the email notifying her if she had made it onto the **shortlist** for the job interview.

certificate

n. an official document stating that the information contained within is true

synonym : diploma, credential, certification

(1) official score **certificate**, (2) a birth **certificate**

He received a **certificate** in computer programming from the local college.

certify

v. to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true

synonym : accredit, approve, authorize

(1) **certify** product quality, (2) **certify** the authenticity of the painting

As a witness, I can **certify** his innocence.

knowledgeable

adj. having or showing extensive knowledge, expertise, or understanding of a particular subject or field

synonym : well-educated, informed, well-informed

(1) **knowledgeable** staff, (2) **knowledgeable** advice

She is quite **knowledgeable** about the latest trends in technology.

hire

v. to give somebody a job

synonym : employ, engage, lease

(1) **hire** a guide, (2) **hire** a car by the hour

We should always be prepared to **hire** talented recruits.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym : insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme
The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

practical

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

synonym : applicable, functional, realistic

(1) **practical** English, (2) gain **practical** experience
Her concept is highly **practical** and helpful.

shortcut

n. an alternative route shorter or quicker than the usual one

synonym : bypass, cutoff, alternative

(1) take a **shortcut**, (2) keyboard **shortcuts**
There is no **shortcut** to success.

misconception

n. a belief or an idea that is wrong because it has been based on faulty thinking, understanding, or hypothesis

synonym : fallacy, incomprehension, misunderstanding

(1) dispel the **misconception**, (2) commonly held **misconception**

There are numerous **misconceptions** about food and health.

thumb

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

synonym : digit, finger, phalange

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

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

widespread

adj. existing or happening in various places or among many people

synonym : across-the-board, overall, general

(1) **widespread** use, (2) **widespread** fear of nuclear war
In medieval times, death punishment was **widespread** and socially accepted.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym :

enhance, ameliorate, enrich

(1) **improve** a process, (2) **improve** the test score

We want to **improve** ties between our two countries.

gap

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

synonym: opening, lacuna, spread

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

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

inequality

n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others;
(mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

synonym: imbalance, prejudice, unfairness

(1) **inequality** in salary, (2) algebraic **inequality**

There are several causes of economic **inequality** within societies.

unequal

adj. different in amount, size, degree, or value; not fair

synonym: unfair, uneven, imbalanced

(1) **unequal** distribution, (2) **unequal** opportunity

The income inequality in the country is becoming increasingly **unequal**.

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.

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.

religion

n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

synonym: faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**

Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym: guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

euro

n. the official currency of most European Union countries

(1) the value of the **Euro**, (2) **Euro** crises

Some countries may leave the **Euro**.

afford

v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

(1) **afford** to buy a new car, (2) **afford** a high travel cost

He cannot **afford** a holiday.

vacation

n. a period in which someone does not have to attend work or school and is free to do whatever they choose, such as travel or leisure

synonym: leave, recess, break

(1) a short **vacation**, (2) summer **vacation**

Do you have a plan for a long **vacation**?

domination

n. the act of having control or power over someone or something

synonym : control, power, rule

(1) fall under foreign **domination**, (2) **domination** power

The **domination** of the Roman Empire over the Mediterranean region lasted for centuries.

experiment

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

synonym : experimentation, investigation

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

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

monetary

adj. of or relating to the money in the country

synonym : financial, fiscal, economic

(1) the stance of **monetary** policy, (2) **monetary** rewards

The policy might bring more excellent **monetary** stability to the country.

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.

capita

n. a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone

synonym : head, headcount, person

(1) per **capita** sales, (2) the agricultural yield per **capita**

GDP per **capita** shrunk by almost 10 percent for the third consecutive year.

outnumber

v. to be more numerous or greater in number than another group or entity; to exceed in quantity or number

synonym : surpass, exceed

(1) **outnumber** our opponents, (2) **outnumber** males
The number of tourists in the city now **outnumbers** the locals.

consume

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

synonym: absorb, ingest, use up

(1) **consume** a large of alcohol, (2) **consume** electricity
A smaller car will **consume** less fuel.

decision

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

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**
She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. an ear_____ke zone | <i>n.</i> a sudden and violent shaking of the ground caused by the movement of rock beneath the earth's surface |
| 2. co_____al swimming pool | <i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use |
| 3. an official rep_____ive | <i>n.</i> someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people |
| 4. b_t my future | <i>v.</i> to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something |
| 5. save the pl____t | <i>n.</i> any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star |
| 6. electronic de____e | <i>n.</i> a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic |
| 7. ha__e the price | <i>v.</i> to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size |
| 8. h__e a guide | <i>v.</i> to give somebody a job |
| 9. wid_____ad use | <i>adj.</i> existing or happening in various places or among many people |

ANSWERS: 1. earthquake, 2. communal, 3. representative, 4. bet, 5. planet, 6. device, 7. halve, 8. hire, 9. widespread

10. end_____ed ecosystem *adj.* at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats
11. th__b a ride *n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
12. fi_____e act *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
13. 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
14. take a sh_____ut *n.* an alternative route shorter or quicker than the usual one
15. mainstream wo_____ew *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
16. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
17. summer va_____on *n.* a period in which someone does not have to attend work or school and is free to do whatever they choose, such as travel or leisure
18. me_____s vaccine *n.* a highly infectious viral disease that causes fever, red spots on the skin, and other flu-like symptoms, typically affects children

ANSWERS: 10. endangered, 11. thumb, 12. finance, 13. planet, 14. shortcut, 15. worldview, 16. crazy, 17. vacation, 18. measles

19. helpful h__ts *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
20. ap_____ng behavior *adj.* causing horror or shock; deeply disturbing or offensive; extremely bad or unpleasant
21. an am_____on for political power *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
22. sys_____ic botany *adj.* done or acting according to a determined set of systems or plans:
23. the per_____ge of the gold content *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
24. creative in_____on *n.* the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why
25. b_t on a race *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
26. get the h__p *n.* a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back
27. fall under foreign dom_____on *n.* the act of having control or power over someone or something
28. co_____t level *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
29. banner he_____ne *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

ANSWERS: 19. hint, 20. appalling, 21. ambition, 22. systematic, 23. percentage, 24. intuition, 25. bet, 26. hump, 27. domination, 28. comfort, 29. headline

30. bo____d him with questions *v.* to attack a place with bombs or gunshots continuously; to address with continuously or persistently, as if with a barrage
31. 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
32. a pre-election p__l *n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
33. eq____y capital market *n.* the value of the shares issued by a company
34. effects of cl____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
35. enter on the last ph__e *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
36. ex____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
37. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
38. ac____e milestones *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
39. a gr__h sample *n.* a picture consisting of a line, lines, points, etc., that shows how two or more sets of certain quantities are related to each other

ANSWERS: 30. bombard, 31. forecast, 32. poll, 33. equity, 34. climate, 35. phase, 36. extreme, 37. communal, 38. achieve, 39. graph

40. do___n of use *n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
41. fou_____on course *n.* the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes
42. ride a ca___l *n.* a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions
43. boundless am_____on *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
44. two-ph___e structure *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
45. ha___e the workload *v.* to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size
46. become ou_____ed *adj.* no longer useful or valid because of being old-fashioned
47. me___e those systems into a new one *v.* to combine or integrate things, or to cause this to happen
48. a pre_____ved notion *adj.* (of an idea or opinion) formed beforehand, especially without evidence for its truth or usefulness
49. 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

ANSWERS: 40. domain, 41. foundation, 42. camel, 43. ambition, 44. phase, 45. halve, 46. outdated, 47. merge, 48. preconceived, 49. electrify

50. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
51. weak fou_____on *n.* the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes
52. the evo_____ary process *adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms
53. ca____l chain *adj.* relating to or indicating a cause or the relationship between causes and effects; resulting from a cause
54. con_____ion on a promotion *n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another
55. th__b wrestling *n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
56. jou_____st on a magazine *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
57. an ear_____ke-proof *n.* a sudden and violent shaking of the ground caused by the movement of rock beneath the earth's surface
58. ou_____er males *v.* to be more numerous or greater in number than another group or entity; to exceed in quantity or number

ANSWERS: 50. extreme, 51. foundation, 52. evolutionary, 53. causal, 54. congratulation, 55. thumb, 56. journalist, 57. earthquake, 58. outnumber

59. per ca___a sales *n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone
60. late co_____er *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
61. dis_____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
62. 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
63. a ra___m choice *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
64. im_____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
65. clear in_____on *n.* something you want to do and are going to do
66. kno_____ble advice *adj.* having or showing extensive knowledge, expertise, or understanding of a particular subject or field
67. ce_____y product quality *v.* to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true
68. industrial se___r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

ANSWERS: 59. capita, 60. cofounder, 61. distribute, 62. develop, 63. random, 64. improve, 65. intention, 66. knowledgeable, 67. certify, 68. sector

69. periods of dr____t *n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
70. wid_____ad fear of nuclear war *adj.* existing or happening in various places or among many people
71. effects of vo_____ic eruptions *adj.* relating to or produced by or consisting of volcano
72. boost my con_____ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
73. con_____ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
74. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
75. a man-eating sh__k *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
76. human ev_____on *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
77. b__s against a big company *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
78. chi_____ee behavior *n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur

ANSWERS: 69. drought, 70. widespread, 71. volcanic, 72. confidence, 73. confidence, 74. statistics, 75. shark, 76. evolution, 77. bias, 78. chimpanzee

79. an oral va_____e *n.* a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.)
80. exp_____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
81. he_____ne article *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
82. fo_____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
83. dom_____on power *n.* the act of having control or power over someone or something
84. private se____r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
85. am_____y for debt *n.* a general pardon for crimes, especially political crimes
86. dual ge____r *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
87. co_____de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
88. im_____e a process *v.* to make or become better
89. in_____on behind his decision *n.* something you want to do and are going to do

ANSWERS: 79. vaccine, 80. experiment, 81. headline, 82. fortunate, 83. domination, 84. sector, 85. amnesty, 86. gender, 87. conclude, 88. improve, 89. intention

90. s__w social values *v.* to turn or place at an angle; to make biased or distorted with the result that it is not accurate, fair, normal, etc.
91. ecology and evo_____ary biology *adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms
92. the stance of mo_____ry policy *adj.* of or relating to the money in the country
93. ca___l effect *adj.* relating to or indicating a cause or the relationship between causes and effects; resulting from a cause
94. the wo_____ew of the ancient civilization *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
95. emotional er_____on *n.* an instance of a sudden and violent release of lava, gas, or ash from a volcano; a sudden outburst or explosion of something
96. po_____y alleviation *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
97. a matter for con_____ion *n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another
98. as___e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
99. r_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

ANSWERS: 90. skew, 91. evolutionary, 92. monetary, 93. causal, 94. worldview, 95. eruption, 96. poverty, 97. congratulation, 98. assume, 99. rev

100. kno_____ble staff *adj.* having or showing extensive knowledge, expertise, or understanding of a particular subject or field
101. distance g_p *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
102. pi__t production *n.* a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water
103. ig_____nt remark *adj.* lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information
104. st_____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
105. have a b__s toward socialism *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
106. un_____l opportunity *adj.* different in amount, size, degree, or value; not fair
107. s__w the message *v.* to turn or place at an angle; to make biased or distorted with the result that it is not accurate, fair, normal, etc.
108. eq__p our children with some special skills *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
109. less fo_____te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
110. me_____s outbreak *n.* a highly infectious viral disease that causes fever, red spots on the skin, and other flu-like symptoms, typically affects children

ANSWERS: 100. knowledgeable, 101. gap, 102. pilot, 103. ignorant, 104. strength, 105. bias, 106. unequal, 107. skew, 108. equip, 109. fortunate, 110. measles

111. market up___e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
112. ig_____ce of the law *n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
113. en_____er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
114. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
115. dif_____ty in breathing *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
116. bank and credit un__ns *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
117. manage my fi_____es *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
118. er_____on alert level *n.* an instance of a sudden and violent release of lava, gas, or ash from a volcano; a sudden outburst or explosion of something

ANSWERS: 111. upside, 112. ignorance, 113. encounter, 114. rev, 115. difficulty, 116. union, 117. finance, 118. eruption

119. re_____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
120. a short va_____on *n.* a period in which someone does not have to attend work or school and is free to do whatever they choose, such as travel or leisure
121. eq___p an army *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
122. global di_____er *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
123. official score cer_____te *n.* an official document stating that the information contained within is true
124. chi_____ee society *n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur
125. di_____er recovery *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
126. the cycle of po_____y *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
127. private eq_____y firm *n.* the value of the shares issued by a company
128. treat this dev_____ng disease *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
129. a birth cer_____te *n.* an official document stating that the information contained within is true
130. me___e into a new party *v.* to combine or integrate things, or to cause this to happen

ANSWERS: 119. religion, 120. vacation, 121. equip, 122. disaster, 123. certificate, 124. chimpanzee, 125. disaster, 126. poverty, 127. equity, 128. devastating, 129. certificate, 130. merge

131. exa_____te in degree *v.* to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is
132. blissfully ig_____nt *adj.* lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information
133. muscular st_____th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
134. ine_____ty in salary *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
135. bo_____d a fort with heavy shells *v.* to attack a place with bombs or gunshots continuously; to address with continuously or persistently, as if with a barrage
136. a craft un__n *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
137. narrow down the sh_____st *n.* a list of selected candidates, items, or options that have been narrowed down from a larger list for further consideration or final decision; (verb) to select a small number of candidates from a larger group for further consideration, often in the context of job applications, awards, or competitions
138. un_____l distribution *adj.* different in amount, size, degree, or value; not fair

ANSWERS: 131. exaggerate, 132. ignorant, 133. strength, 134. inequality, 135. bombard, 136. union, 137. shortlist, 138. unequal

139. bombs fell at ra___m *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
140. end_____ed species *adj.* at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats
141. ou_____ed technology *adj.* no longer useful or valid because of being old-fashioned
142. pre_____ved opinions *adj.* (of an idea or opinion) formed beforehand, especially without evidence for its truth or usefulness
143. co_____e themselves solely *v.* to restrict the movement of someone or something
144. pr_____al English *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
145. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
146. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
147. keyboard sh_____uts *n.* an alternative route shorter or quicker than the usual one
148. have no up_____e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
149. in_____on research *n.* the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why
150. a high per_____ge *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

ANSWERS: 139. random, 140. endangered, 141. outdated, 142. preconceived, 143. confine, 144. practical, 145. suppose, 146. climate, 147. shortcut, 148. upside, 149. intuition, 150. percentage

151. the agricultural yield per ca___a *n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone
152. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
153. sh_____st of candidates *n.* a list of selected candidates, items, or options that have been narrowed down from a larger list for further consideration or final decision; (verb) to select a small number of candidates from a larger group for further consideration, often in the context of job applications, awards, or competitions
154. co___r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
155. in___e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
156. 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
157. optical il_____on *n.* a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation
158. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 151. capita, 152. assume, 153. shortlist, 154. confer, 155. invite, 156. forecast, 157. illusion, 158. statistics

159. a test pi__t *n.* a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water
160. ev_____on theory *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
161. the crosswise di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
162. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
163. the tr__d away from television *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
164. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
165. fl__d advisory *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
166. mathematical pu___e *n.* a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand
167. a sys_____ic reformation *adj.* done or acting according to a determined set of systems or plans:
168. series of exp_____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

ANSWERS: 159. pilot, 160. evolution, 161. dimension, 162. distribute, 163. trend, 164. decision, 165. flood, 166. puzzle, 167. systematic, 168. experiment

169. the g_p between ideal and reality *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
170. public opinion p__ls *n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
171. 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
172. increase in vo_____ic activity *adj.* relating to or produced by or consisting of volcano
173. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
174. h__e a car by the hour *v.* to give somebody a job
175. algebraic ine_____ty *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
176. show di_____t at his actions *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
177. domesticated dr_____ry *n.* a type of camel typically found in the Arabian Peninsula, Sahara Desert, and other arid regions, characterized by a single hump on its back
178. ce_____y the authenticity of the painting *v.* to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true

ANSWERS: 169. gap, 170. poll, 171. electrify, 172. volcanic, 173. religion, 174. hire, 175. inequality, 176. disgust, 177. dromedary, 178. certify

179. co_____e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
180. ac_____e success *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
181. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
182. the degree of dif_____ty *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
183. wild dr_____ry *n.* a type of camel typically found in the Arabian Peninsula, Sahara Desert, and other arid regions, characterized by a single hump on its back
184. card sh__k *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
185. an international tr__d *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
186. co_____e the scope of use *v.* to restrict the movement of someone or something
187. exa_____te story *v.* to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is
188. gr__h theory *n.* a picture consisting of a line, lines, points, etc., that shows how two or more sets of certain quantities are related to each other
189. h__t of trouble *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something

ANSWERS: 179. consume, 180. achieve, 181. crazy, 182. difficulty, 183. dromedary, 184. shark, 185. trend, 186. confine, 187. exaggerate, 188. graph, 189. hint

190. a fl__d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
191. ge___r-blind policies *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
192. words of co_____t *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
193. ap_____ng crimes *adj.* causing horror or shock; deeply disturbing or offensive; extremely bad or unpleasant
194. gain pr_____al experience *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
195. dispel the mis_____ion *n.* a belief or an idea that is wrong because it has been based on faulty thinking, understanding, or hypothesis
196. public di_____t *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
197. have dev_____ng effects *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
198. commonly held mis_____ion *n.* a belief or an idea that is wrong because it has been based on faulty thinking, understanding, or hypothesis
199. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 190. flood, 191. gender, 192. comfort, 193. appalling, 194. practical, 195. misconception, 196. disgust, 197. devastating, 198. misconception, 199. develop

200. new di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
201. en_____er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
202. a China-based jou_____st *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
203. co_____er of the university *n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
204. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
205. tracking de_____e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
206. co_____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
207. ou_____er our opponents *v.* to be more numerous or greater in number than another group or entity; to exceed in quantity or number
208. sales rep_____ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
209. co_____r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

ANSWERS: 200. dimension, 201. encounter, 202. journalist, 203. cofounder, 204. suppose, 205. device, 206. conclude, 207. outnumber, 208. representative, 209. confer

210. the il_____on of being in the forest	<i>n.</i>	a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation
211. ca__l hair	<i>n.</i>	a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions
212. mo_____ry rewards	<i>adj.</i>	of or relating to the money in the country
213. development of va_____es	<i>n.</i>	a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.)
214. a selfish de_____on	<i>n.</i>	the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
215. the value of the E__o	<i>n.</i>	the official currency of most European Union countries
216. co_____e a large of alcohol	<i>v.</i>	to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
217. grant an am_____y	<i>n.</i>	a general pardon for crimes, especially political crimes
218. ig_____ce is bliss	<i>n.</i>	lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
219. af____d to buy a new car	<i>v.</i>	to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
220. crossword pu____e	<i>n.</i>	a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand

ANSWERS: 210. illusion, 211. camel, 212. monetary, 213. vaccine, 214. decision, 215. euro, 216. consume, 217. amnesty, 218. ignorance, 219. afford, 220. puzzle

221. E__o crises *n.* the official currency of most European Union countries
222. in___e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
223. dr_____t conditions *n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
224. a dependent do___n *n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
225. af___d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
226. spinal h__p *n.* a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back

ANSWERS: 221. euro, 222. invite, 223. drought, 224. domain, 225. afford, 226. hump

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The violent _____ caused widespread damage and injuries throughout the region.
 - n.* a sudden and violent shaking of the ground caused by the movement of rock beneath the earth's surface

2. The _____ exercised great care in landing.
 - n.* a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water

3. What is the _____ of the consumption tax in the United States?
 - n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

4. We _____ a cease-fire.
 - v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

5. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.
 - v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

6. The media _____ had special passes.
 - n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people

7. We should always be prepared to _____ talented recruits.
 - v.* to give somebody a job

ANSWERS: 1. earthquake, 2. pilot, 3. percentage, 4. concluded, 5. confer, 6. representatives, 7. hire

8. This jigsaw _____ is challenging because there are no pictures.
n. a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand
9. Do you have a plan for a long _____
n. a period in which someone does not have to attend work or school and is free to do whatever they choose, such as travel or leisure
10. He has _____ exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.
n. a condition or state that causes problems
11. He found _____ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.
n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
12. The results of the poll are _____ because it only surveyed a small group of people.
v. to turn or place at an angle; to make biased or distorted with the result that it is not accurate, fair, normal, etc.
13. He received a _____ in computer programming from the local college.
n. an official document stating that the information contained within is true
14. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.
n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
15. The engagement of the two golf players became _____ news.
n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

ANSWERS: 8. puzzle, 9. vacation?, 10. difficulty, 11. comfort, 12. skewed, 13. certificate, 14. strength, 15. headline

16. There was no _____ of a problem.

n. an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something

17. This typhoon was the most _____ in years.

adj. causing a great deal of destruction or damage

18. As a witness, I can _____ his innocence.

v. to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true

19. He could no longer tell the difference between _____ and reality.

n. a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation

20. He cannot _____ a holiday.

v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

21. They study the _____ of the universe.

n. a gradual process of transformation of living things

22. His _____ showed highly positive results.

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

23. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

24. Our CEO's _____ are always transparent and straightforward.

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

25. The _____ of the Roman Empire over the Mediterranean region lasted for centuries.

n. the act of having control or power over someone or something

ANSWERS: 16. hint, 17. devastating, 18. certify, 19. illusion, 20. afford, 21. evolution, 22. experiments, 23. religion, 24. intentions, 25. domination

26. 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
27. Some countries may leave the _____.
- n.* the official currency of most European Union countries
28. This bar _____ shows sales over the past five years.
- n.* a picture consisting of a line, lines, points, etc., that shows how two or more sets of certain quantities are related to each other
29. There is no _____ to success.
- n.* an alternative route shorter or quicker than the usual one
30. The mRNA _____ was approved in less than a year because it did not contain the fragments of the target virus.
- n.* a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.)
31. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.
- adj.* having good luck or lucky
32. The trade _____ remained adamant about its demands.
- n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
33. Overall _____ are approximately 400x200mm.
- n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

ANSWERS: 26. electrify, 27. Euro, 28. graph, 29. shortcut, 30. vaccine, 31. fortunate, 32. union, 33. dimensions

34. He was filled with _____ and fear for the threat of war.

n. a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval

35. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

36. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

37. This study indicates _____ activity affects global warming.

adj. relating to or produced by or consisting of volcano

38. She researched gender _____ in politics.

n. a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment

39. Her concept is highly _____ and helpful.

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

40. In medieval times, death punishment was _____ and socially accepted.

adj. existing or happening in various places or among many people

41. I _____ that you know it.

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

ANSWERS: 34. disgust, 35. Communal, 36. finance, 37. volcanic, 38. bias, 39. practical, 40. widespread, 41. bet

42. The technology _____ is constantly evolving and innovating.
- n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
43. The government has implemented policies to protect the habitat of _____ animals.
- adj.* at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats
44. Many people are working together to close the gender ____.
- n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
45. _____ algorithms can find ways to optimize that humans do not anticipate.
- adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms
46. She eagerly awaited the email notifying her if she had made it onto the _____ for the job interview.
- n.* a list of selected candidates, items, or options that have been narrowed down from a larger list for further consideration or final decision; (verb) to select a small number of candidates from a larger group for further consideration, often in the context of job applications, awards, or competitions
47. The company's _____ in the market was expanding to new territories.
- n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
48. The government declared _____ for all political prisoners.
- n.* a general pardon for crimes, especially political crimes

ANSWERS: 42. sector, 43. endangered, 44. gap, 45. Evolutionary, 46. shortlist, 47. domain, 48. amnesty

49. Many studies have investigated the relationship between _____ and academic achievement.
- n.* the condition of being extremely poor
50. The region has been experiencing a severe _____ leading to water shortages and crop failures.
- n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
51. This consulting firm decided to _____ the two companies into one.
- v.* to combine or integrate things, or to cause this to happen
52. The oil price continued their downward _____.
- n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
53. I need to _____ the recipe to make just enough for two people.
- v.* to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size
54. 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
55. His estate was _____ to his sons.
- v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
56. Foreign TV crews and _____ can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.
- n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

ANSWERS: 49. poverty, 50. drought, 51. merge, 52. trend, 53. halve, 54. planet, 55. distributed, 56. journalists

57. The _____ of the building was cracked and needed to be repaired.
- n.* the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes
58. A _____ has a hump on its back.
- n.* a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions
59. Science is based on the _____ classification of experience.
- adj.* done or acting according to a determined set of systems or plans:
60. He was _____ of the fact that the meeting had been moved to a different location.
- adj.* lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information
61. She _____ the extent of her injuries to get more money from the settlement.
- v.* to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is
62. I rode on the back of a _____ camel during my desert safari.
- n.* a type of camel typically found in the Arabian Peninsula, Sahara Desert, and other arid regions, characterized by a single hump on its back
63. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.
- v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
64. The _____ from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.
- n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

ANSWERS: 57. foundation, 58. camel, 59. systematic, 60. ignorant, 61. exaggerated, 62. dromedary, 63. invite, 64. congratulations

65. She is quite _____ about the latest trends in technology.

adj. having or showing extensive knowledge, expertise, or understanding of a particular subject or field

66. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud ____.

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

67. Several _____ show a decline in the president's approval rating.

n. an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election

68. The construction company _____ the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

69. I will work hard to _____ my goals and realize my dreams.

v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

70. Some studies suggest that people's _____ can be influenced by their experiences and biases.

n. the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why

71. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

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

ANSWERS: 65. knowledgeable, 66. rev, 67. polls, 68. equipped, 69. achieve, 70. intuitions, 71. statistics

72. Greed and _____ composed his personality.
n. a strong wish to do or achieve something
73. His _____ of the situation led him to make a poor decision.
n. lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
74. The policy might bring more excellent _____ stability to the country.
adj. of or relating to the money in the country
75. The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial _____ of history.
n. any stage in a series of events, change, or development
76. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
77. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
78. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.
adj. very great in amount or degree
79. There are numerous _____ about food and health.
n. a belief or an idea that is wrong because it has been based on faulty thinking, understanding, or hypothesis
80. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

ANSWERS: 72. ambition, 73. ignorance, 74. monetary, 75. phase, 76. Climate, 77. assumes, 78. extreme, 79. misconceptions, 80. decision

81. 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
82. The school sent a notice of a _____ case in one of the classrooms.
n. a highly infectious viral disease that causes fever, red spots on the skin, and other flu-like symptoms, typically affects children
83. He used his right _____ to press the button on his phone.
n. the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
84. We should start a discussion from scratch with no _____ ideas.
adj. (of an idea or opinion) formed beforehand, especially without evidence for its truth or usefulness
85. I'm prepared to _____ challenges throughout this adventure.
v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
86. The study aimed to establish a _____ relationship between smoking and lung cancer.
adj. relating to or indicating a cause or the relationship between causes and effects; resulting from a cause
87. 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

ANSWERS: 81. forecasts, 82. measles, 83. thumb, 84. preconceived, 85. encounter, 86. causal, 87. disaster

88. Overprotective parents often _____ their children with messages reinforcing their lack of mastery.
- v.* to attack a place with bombs or gunshots continuously; to address with continuously or persistently, as if with a barrage
89. Many people see the _____ of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.
- n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
90. I always carry a backup _____ in case my phone runs out of battery.
- n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
91. The income inequality in the country is becoming increasingly _____.
- adj.* different in amount, size, degree, or value; not fair
92. The condition of that old house was _____.
- adj.* causing horror or shock; deeply disturbing or offensive; extremely bad or unpleasant
93. He borrowed money from a loan _____.
- n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
94. The volcanic _____ caused widespread destruction and left the area covered in ash.
- n.* an instance of a sudden and violent release of lava, gas, or ash from a volcano; a sudden outburst or explosion of something
95. Many zoos have _____ exhibits, allowing visitors to observe these intelligent primates up close.
- n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur

ANSWERS: 88. bombard, 89. upside, 90. device, 91. unequal, 92. appalling, 93. shark, 94. eruption, 95. chimpanzee

96. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.

v. to make or become better

97. 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

98. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?

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

99. To find drunk drivers, police conduct _____ tests.

adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

100. The animal was _____ in a small cage.

v. to restrict the movement of someone or something

101. We replaced _____ equipment to improve factory productivity.

adj. no longer useful or valid because of being old-fashioned

102. The camel's _____ is where it stores fat to survive in the desert.

n. a rounded lump or bump, especially on an animal's back

103. GDP per _____ shrunk by almost 10 percent for the third consecutive year.

n. a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone

ANSWERS: 96. improve, 97. develop, 98. suppose, 99. random, 100. confined, 101. outdated, 102. hump, 103. capita

104. These heavy rains caused flash _____ on several islands.

n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

105. The number of tourists in the city now _____ the locals.

v. to be more numerous or greater in number than another group or entity; to exceed in quantity or number

106. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

107. Skill and _____ are an unconquered army.

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

108. There are several causes of economic _____ within societies.

n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

109. He is the _____ and chairman of this tech company.

n. one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

110. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

111. The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing _____.

n. a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world

ANSWERS: 104. floods, 105. outnumber, 106. consume, 107. confidence, 108. inequality, 109. cofounder, 110. crazy, 111. worldviews

112. That company is cautious when it comes to _____ investment.

n. the value of the shares issued by a company

113. Cultural norms strongly influence _____ expectations.

n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

ANSWERS: 112. equity, 113. gender