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Session 1: Word List

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

reserve

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

synonym: keep, hold, preserve

(1) **reserve** the right, (2) **reserve** a concert ticket

You can easily **reserve** seats over the telephone.

safari

n. an expedition, usually with a guide, for viewing or hunting wild animals, especially in Africa

synonym: expedition, journey, exploration

(1) **safari** adventure, (2) **safari** park

Going on a **safari** to see wild animals up close is a unique experience.

twist

v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape

synonym: wrench, turn, twirl

(1) **twist** around to the left, (2) **twist** a wet towel

He **twisted** pieces of rope out of straw.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

starlight

n. the light emitted or reflected by stars, often observed in the night sky; the radiant energy emitted by stars

synonym: twinkle, starshine, stardust

(1) **starlight** sky, (2) romantic **starlight**

The romantic couple had a picnic under the **starlight**.

campfire

n. an outdoor fire used for cooking, warmth, or light, often made by camping or in rural areas; a gathering or social event around such a fire

synonym: bonfire, blaze, fire pit

(1) **campfire** story, (2) roast marshmallows around the **campfire**

We sat around the **campfire** and told stories late into the night.

medicinal

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

synonym: curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

hero

n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

synonym: champion, protagonist, savior

(1) local **hero**, (2) unsung **hero**

The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national **hero**.

harsh

adj. severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit

synonym: brutal, severe, backbreaking

(1) **harsh** climate, (2) use of **harsh** chemicals

The prime minister faced **harsh** criticism.

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**.

interconnect

v. to connect similar things

synonym: interlink, connect, annex

(1) directly **interconnect** with those systems, (2) human activities **interconnect** with the environment

Our system can now **interconnect** with other databases.

president

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

synonym: leader, CEO, chairperson

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

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

release

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

synonym: free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

incarceration

n. the state of being confined in prison or jail

synonym: confinement, imprisonment, detention

(1) mass **incarceration**, (2) **incarceration** rates

The judge sentenced him to five years of **incarceration** for embezzlement.

readjust

v. to change or set something again after an initial failure

synonym: rearrange, readjust, alter

(1) **readjust** sections of land, (2) **readjust** a focus

You have to **readjust** your attitude immediately.

icon

n. a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

synonym: figure, hero, idol

(1) **icon** for young people, (2) television **icon**

Some comic book characters are considered gay **icons**.

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.

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.

bush

n. a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root

synonym: copse, scrub, brushwood

(1) trees and **bushes**, (2) a **bush** of hair
I am going to trim this **bush** off.

recuperate

v. to recover, heal, or regain health, strength, or well-being after an illness, injury, or period of stress or exhaustion
synonym: heal, recover, recuperate

(1) **recuperate** from illness, (2) **recuperate** lost data
After surgery, it's important to rest and **recuperate** before returning to your normal activities.

deterrent

n. something that prevents or discourages someone from doing something or taking a particular action; a hindrance or obstacle

synonym: hindrance, obstacle, impediment

(1) criminal **deterrent**, (2) nuclear **deterrent**
The threat of punishment serves as a **deterrent** for many people who might consider committing a crime.

paparazzi

n. (plural of "paparazzo") a group of freelance photographers who doggedly follow, often aggressively, celebrities, public figures, or socialites to take their photographs in the hope of selling them to newspapers, magazines, or media outlets

synonym: photographer, pap, shutterbug

(1) **paparazzi** photos, (2) celebrity **paparazzi**
The actress had to hire security to fend off the relentless **paparazzi** outside her home.

define

v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

synonym: characterize, depict, express

(1) **define** a word, (2) **define** my position
To advance this discussion, we must **define** "success" rigorously.

suit

n. a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file

in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

synonym: clothes, lawsuit, (verb) fit

(1) **suit** and tie restaurant, (2) **suit** at law

Six **suits** are awaiting trial or verdict.

snowy

adj. characterized by or covered in snow; consisting of or producing snow; often used to describe wintry landscapes or weather conditions

synonym: wintry, frosty, icy

(1) **snowy** mountain, (2) **snowy** landscape

Children love to play outside in the **snowy** weather.

surround

v. to be all around something or somebody

synonym: encircle, encompass, envelop

(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace

On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.

broadcast

v. to send out a program or some information on radio or television

synonym: air, announce, advertise

(1) **broadcast** a concert, (2) **broadcast** a radio ad

Most of the programs are **broadcast** in this area.

divide

v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

synonym: separate, disconnect, split

(1) **divide** the cake into two pieces, (2) **divide** money equally

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

violent

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

synonym: aggressive, intense, turbulent

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

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

unbelievable

adj. beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
synonym : unimaginable, incredible, fantastical

(1) **unbelievable** beauty, (2) cause **unbelievable** damage
He drinks an **unbelievable** amount of beer.

reconciliation

n. the restoration of cordial or friendly relations; getting two things to correspond

synonym : accord, agreement, settlement

(1) national **reconciliation**, (2) **reconciliation** of financial accounts

They had a complete **reconciliation** a few days after their argument.

harmony

n. the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties

synonym : balance, accord, congruence

(1) a **harmony** of colors, (2) break a **harmony**

We worked in perfect **harmony**.

immense

adj. extremely large or great

synonym : enormous, giant, huge

(1) **immense** amount, (2) **immense** pressure

He left his wife an **immense** fortune.

kind-hearted

adj. having a caring and sympathetic nature; characterized by concern for the well-being and happiness of others

synonym : compassionate, kind, sympathetic

(1) **kind-hearted** person, (2) **kind-hearted** gesture

The volunteer organization is full of **kind-hearted** people who donate their time to help others.

embodiment

n. someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea

synonym : image, avatar, incarnation

(1) **embodiment** of evil, (2) illustrative **embodiment**

The devil is the **embodiment** of wicked ideas.

ubuntu

n. a concept rooted in Bantu philosophy, emphasizing the essential human virtues of empathy, compassion, and interconnectedness; a belief in the importance of community, cooperation, and shared humanity; (of a computer) a popular open-source operating system based on the Linux kernel

synonym: humanity, compassion, empathy

(1) **ubuntu** operating system, (2) **ubuntu** community

The philosophy of **ubuntu** emphasizes the interconnectedness and collective responsibility of all individuals.

conscious

adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

synonym: aware, cognizant, deliberate

(1) **conscious** effort, (2) **conscious** of having succeeded

He became **conscious** that he was being followed.

interaction

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

synonym: dealings, exchange, relations

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

(2) **interaction** among human beings

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

cattle

n. cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals

synonym: cows, herd, oxen

(1) **cattle** barn, (2) **cattle** hide

The **cattle** are on the grassland and grazing.

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.

well-being

n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
synonym: health, welfare, happiness

(1) the **well-being** of a nation, (2) a sense of **well-being**
We are responsible for the care and **well-being** of all our employees.

mend

v. to repair or fix something that is broken or damaged
synonym: fix, repair, rectify

(1) **mend** broken relationship, (2) **mend** my ways
He **mended** the torn shirt with a needle and thread.

wetland

adj. land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs
synonym: bog, marsh, swamp

(1) **wetland** conservation, (2) **wetland** ecosystem
The **wetland** area was home to many different species of birds.

poach

v. to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings

synonym: steal, snatch

(1) **poach** on his land, (2) **poach** deer
The chef **poached** the eggs perfectly for the benedict breakfast dish.

leopard

n. a large wild cat that has yellow-brown fur with black spots and lives in Africa and southern Asia

(1) snow **leopard**, (2) **leopard** print
Leopards lurked in the grass to catch their prey.

- ph** *n.* a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating greater alkalinity
synonym: acidity, alkalinity, balance
(1) **pH** value of seven, (2) **ph** scale
The **ph** level of this soil is too acidic for these types of plants.
- rear** *adj.* at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult
synonym: back, end, behind
(1) the **rear** gate, (2) **rear** children
The player quickly went to the **rear** side of the defender.
- accusation** *n.* a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone
synonym: charge, indictment, imputation
(1) criminal **accusation**, (2) false **accusation**
The **accusation** of theft was unfounded, and the suspect was eventually cleared of all charges.
- pathological** *adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy
synonym: aberrant, diseased, abnormal
(1) **pathological** liar, (2) **pathological** condition
The doctor was concerned that the patient's **pathological** fear of germs impacted their daily life.
- professional** *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
synonym: skilled, competent, accomplished
(1) **professional** athlete, (2) certified **professional** secretary
He has a **professional** demeanor and always presents himself in a polished manner.

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**.

philanthropy

n. the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money

synonym : altruism, benevolence, generosity

(1) **philanthropy** organization, (2) private **philanthropy**

Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on **philanthropy**.

coincide

v. to take place at or near the same time

synonym : overlap, coexist, concur

(1) partly **coincide**, (2) **coincide** with reality

These results **coincide** with our hypothesis.

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.

roll

v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

synonym : spin, swirl, wheel

(1) **roll** a ball, (2) **roll** down his cheeks

He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.

pants

n. an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs

synonym : trousers, breeches, slacks

(1) woolly **pants**, (2) pajama **pants**

I always wear **pants** when I go outside, even in the summer.

sand

n. finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action

synonym : grit, dust, powder

(1) **sand** dunes, (2) **sand** castle

The **sand** on the beach was warm and golden.

upstream

adj. in the direction against a stream's current; (adverb) toward the source or beginning of a stream, river, or process

synonym : upriver, up-current

(1) swim **upstream**, (2) **upstream** direction

The company is investing heavily in **upstream** research and development.

branch

n. a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization

synonym : limb, twig, bough

(1) **branch** office, (2) a **branch** pipe

The **branch** of the tree had fallen and blocked the road.

shadowy

adj. dark, dim, or vague, as if obscured by shadows; mysterious or uncertain

synonym : dim, dark, obscure

(1) **shadowy** doorway, (2) **shadowy** past

The **shadowy** figure in the corner of the room made me uneasy.

horror

n. intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying

synonym : fear, terror, dread

(1) **horror** movie, (2) **horror-struck** look

The stories of war crimes filled her with **horror**.

crocodile

n. a large, carnivorous reptile with powerful jaws and a long, scaly body; native to tropical regions and often found in rivers and freshwater habitats

synonym : alligator, gator, croc

(1) **crocodile** hide, (2) saltwater **crocodile**

The **crocodile** attack left the villagers in a state of shock and fear

shadow

n. a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner

synonym : shade, silhouette, outline

(1) **shadow** cast, (2) **shadow** puppetry

The tree cast a **shadow** over the picnic area, providing relief from the sun.

ferocity

n. the quality or state of being fierce, intense, or violent; extreme or wild aggressiveness

synonym : fierceness, intensity, violence

(1) roar with **ferocity**, (2) the **ferocity** of the battle

The **ferocity** of the windstorm knocked over trees and caused power outages.

wham

n. a sudden, forceful impact or blow; a loud noise or sound effect used in music or film

synonym : bang, crash, slam

(1) **wham** sound effect, (2) **wham** noise

The car hit the curb with a loud **wham**, causing some damage to the tire.

grab

v. to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way

synonym : clutch, snatch, grasp

(1) **grab** an audience, (2) **grab** an opportunity

Shall we **grab** a bite to eat?

creature

n. a living being, especially an animal

synonym : being, animal, organism

(1) **creature** of habit, (2) artificial **creature**

The deep sea **creature** was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.

promote

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

synonym : boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior

The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

vegetarian

n. a person who does not eat meat or fish, or often any animal products, for health or religious reasons

(1) eat a **vegetarian** diet, (2) a strict **vegetarian**

This restaurant has **vegetarian** dishes as well.

slick

adj. smoothly polished and shiny; cleverly and smoothly done; well-organized and efficient

synonym : smooth, polished, shiny

(1) a **slick** operation, (2) **slick** design

The politician gave a **slick** speech, but it was full of empty promises.

downstream

adv. in the direction that a stream or river flows; (adjective) in the direction of a stream's current

synonym : lower, below, later

(1) go **downstream** in a boat, (2) **downstream** processing

The boat drifted **downstream** and was carried away by the current.

- spit** v. to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth
synonym: expectorate, saliva, spew
(1) **spit** a bullet, (2) **spit** a mouthful of saliva
She tried to **spit** out the gum that she had been chewing.
- mangle** v. to damage or alter something by twisting, crushing, or pressing it out of shape
synonym: crush, deform, disfigure
(1) **mangle** my foot, (2) **mangled** their favorite toy
The machine **mangled** the sheet of metal beyond repair.
- crack** v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
synonym: snap, burst, break
(1) **crack** an eggshell, (2) a **crack** in a board
He that would eat the kernel must **crack** the nut.
- instant** *adj.* happening immediately, with no delay
synonym: immediate, urgent, moment
(1) get **instant** access, (2) an **instant** reply
His pleasant face turned cold in an **instant**.
- 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.
- sect** *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
synonym: group, faction, cult
(1) **sect** beliefs, (2) secret **sect**
The minority **sect** believed in a set of unconventional

religious practices.

straight

adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

synonym: linear, honest, consecutive

(1) a **straight** line, (2) **straight** for two months

He was sick for five **straight** days.

wade

v. to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people

synonym: paddle, trudge, slish

(1) **wade** down a street, (2) **wade** through paperwork

I had to **wade** through the knee-deep water to get to the other side of the river.

waist

n. the part of the human body between the ribs and hips or the corresponding part in other animals

synonym: midriff, torso, abdomen

(1) **waist** measurement, (2) a slim **waist**

She cinched her dress at the **waist** to accentuate her hourglass figure.

vulnerable

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

synonym: susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body

Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

freak

n. an abnormality that is not typical or expected

synonym: anomaly, deviation, oddity

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

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

wrap

v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

synonym : surround, cover, bandage

(1) **wrap** a fish in foil, (2) **wrap** up a meeting

Wrap the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

medical

adj. relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

synonym : health, disease, treatment

(1) a **medical** opinion, (2) temporary **medical** treatment

The **medical** team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

survive

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

synonym : endure, persist, stay

(1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash

These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

amazing

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

synonym : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

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

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

achievement

n. a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability

synonym : accomplishment, attainment, triumph

(1) student **achievement**, (2) a remarkable **achievement**

This **achievement** has never been formally accepted.

essence

n. the basic or most important part or quality of something that makes it what it is

synonym : core, nature, disposition

(1) vanilla **essence**, (2) universal **essence**

University teaches the art of understanding the **essence** of the matter.

animate

v. to make something full of interest and energy

synonym: invigorate, energize, enliven

(1) **animate** the body, (2) **animate** his soul

The positive attitude of the supervisor **animated** the discussion.

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

pelvic

adj. of or relating to the pelvis, the lower part of the trunk of the human body, between the hips

(1) **pelvic** pain, (2) **pelvic** exam

The **pelvic** region is an important area of the human anatomy.

deformity

n. a physical abnormality or distortion

synonym: abnormality, malformation, disfigurement

(1) **deformity** of character, (2) physical **deformity**

The **deformity** in the steel beam caused the bridge to collapse.

migratory

adj. relating to or characterized by the movement of individuals or groups from one place to another, often for regular seasonal or environmental reasons

synonym: nomadic, wandering, roving

(1) **migratory** species, (2) **migratory** route

The **migratory** birds flew thousands of miles to reach their wintering grounds.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym: thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

invert

v. to turn something upside down, inside out; to reverse the position, order, or relationship of something

synonym: turn upside down, reverse, flip

(1) **invert** a glass, (2) **invert** position

He decided to **invert** his investment portfolio, shifting from stocks to bonds.

bracket

n. projecting support or fixture used to attach or bear weight; a small shelf or ledge; a punctuation mark ([]) used to enclose words, numbers, or symbols

synonym: support, holder, frame

(1) **bracket** placement, (2) tax **bracket**

I need to hang these shelves with the help of some sturdy **brackets**.

herd

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

synonym: flock, brood, horde

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

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

outpouring

n. a sudden and abundant flow or expression of thoughts, feelings, emotion, or information; an overwhelming amount of something expressed in a short period of time

synonym: outflow, surge, torrent

(1) artistic **outpouring**, (2) emotional **outpouring**

The **outpouring** of support from the community was overwhelming after the tragic event.

emotion

n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

synonym: feeling, sentiment, passion

(1) control my **emotion**, (2) afraid to show **emotion**

Some **emotions** are common across cultures and backgrounds.

kinship

n. the state or fact of being related to someone

synonym: family, relationship, connection

(1) **kinship** ties, (2) **kinship** relations

She felt a sense of **kinship** with her new colleagues.

amaze

v. to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration

synonym: astound, surprise, stagger

(1) **amaze** and entertain visitors, (2) **amaze** everyone

The magician's tricks **amazed** the audience.

hollow

adj. having a hole, empty space inside, or indentation on the surface

synonym: cavity, depression, concavity

(1) have **hollow** legs, (2) **hollow** sound

The tree had a **hollow** trunk, which made it easy for animals to take shelter inside.

matriarch

n. a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group

synonym: leader, head, founder

(1) ruled by a **matriarch**, (2) **matriarch** figure

The **matriarch** of the family was known for her wisdom and guidance.

steep

adj. having a sharp inclination or slope

synonym: sheer, precipitous, abrupt

(1) a **steep** staircase, (2) **steep** discount

The **steep** cliff made it difficult to climb.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

visible

adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view

synonym: clear, observable, seeable

(1) **visible** stars, (2) **visible** by X-ray
My home is easily **visible** from the shore.

halfway

adj. in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points

synonym : middle, median, center

(1) **halfway** through my journey, (2) **halfway** decent job
The famous restaurant stands **halfway** up the hill.

backward

adv. at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear

synonym : back, rearward, in reverse

(1) walk **backward**, (2) **backward** angle
She falls over **backward** when she sees her mother-in-law.

attempt

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

synonym : endeavor, effort, try

(1) the **attempt** to rescue the hostages, (2) a reckless **attempt**

The third **attempt** was far more successful.

prop

n. a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

synonym : support, buttress, column

(1) emotional **prop**, (2) **prop** stick

We have finally lost our last **prop**.

trunk

n. the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow

synonym : body, chest, torso

(1) the **trunk** of the tree, (2) the **trunk** of the body

Destructive fungi thrive in moist environments, such as those seen in wounds on the **trunk**.

underneath

adv. under or below something else

synonym : below, under, beneath

(1) **underneath** the surface of the water, (2) **underneath** the laughter

The penny fell **underneath** the piano.

shovel

n. a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials

synonym : excavator, scoop, trowel

(1) snow **shovel**, (2) **shovel** blade

The construction workers used a power **shovel** to dig the foundation for the building.

consensus

n. general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole

synonym : agreement, accord, harmony

(1) a public **consensus**, (2) **consensus** among scientists

The two parties have reached a **consensus**.

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.

accommodate

v. to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose

synonym : house, rent, adjust

(1) **accommodate** a person with money, (2) **accommodate** these needs

This large SUV **accommodates** eight people.

expand

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

synonym : extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

definition

n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

synonym : description, connotation, meaning

(1) a precise **definition**, (2) the **definition** of a word

Parallel lines are, by **definition**, lines on the same plane that never cross.

cathedral

n. the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area

synonym : church, basilica, temple

(1) **cathedral** school, (2) **cathedral** choir

The **cathedral's** stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.

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.

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**.

pat

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

synonym : tap, stroke, caress

(1) **pat** on the back, (2) **pat** a dog
She **patted** the puppy on the head and gave it a treat.

distraught

adj. deeply upset, agitated, or emotionally troubled
synonym: upset, troubled, distressed

(1) **distraught** with grief, (2) **distraught** emotions
After receiving the bad news, he was so **distraught** that he couldn't concentrate on anything else for the rest of the day.

tragic

adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
synonym: calamitous, disastrous, catastrophic

(1) **tragic** love stories, (2) **tragic** death
The **tragic** events of the war left many families torn apart.

addition

n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
synonym: accumulation, expansion, addendum

(1) chemical **addition**, (2) **addition** of vectors
In **addition**, private corporations provide healthcare services.

session

n. a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
synonym: conference, gathering

(1) the morning **session**, (2) the court **session**
Parliament is now in **session**.

suffer

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
synonym: endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades
The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous
synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

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

humility

n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self

synonym: humbleness, modesty, unpretentiousness

(1) develop an attitude of **humility**, (2) lack of **humility**

We were filled with **humility** at the sight of the Queen.

magic

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

synonym: fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**

He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

rugby

n. a sport played with an oval ball, with two teams of fifteen players trying to score goals by carrying or kicking the ball over the opponent's goal line

(1) **rugby** match, (2) **rugby** team

He was a passionate fan of **rugby** and loved watching matches.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. traditional me_____al | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease |
| 2. su_____e a blizzard | <i>v.</i> to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period |
| 3. emotional out_____ng | <i>n.</i> a sudden and abundant flow or expression of thoughts, feelings, emotion, or information; an overwhelming amount of something expressed in a short period of time |
| 4. the morning se_____n | <i>n.</i> a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity |
| 5. re_____e the right | <i>v.</i> to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance |
| 6. temporary me_____l treatment | <i>adj.</i> relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine |
| 7. directly int_____ect with those systems | <i>v.</i> to connect similar things |
| 8. sa____i park | <i>n.</i> an expedition, usually with a guide, for viewing or hunting wild animals, especially in Africa |
| 9. tw__t around to the left | <i>v.</i> to bend or turn something into a certain shape |

ANSWERS: 1. medicinal, 2. survive, 3. outpouring, 4. session, 5. reserve, 6. medical, 7. interconnect, 8. safari, 9. twist

10. ub___u community *n.* a concept rooted in Bantu philosophy, emphasizing the essential human virtues of empathy, compassion, and interconnectedness; a belief in the importance of community, cooperation, and shared humanity; (of a computer) a popular open-source operating system based on the Linux kernel
11. peace co_____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
12. re_____st sections of land *v.* to change or set something again after an initial failure
13. kin_____ted person *adj.* having a caring and sympathetic nature; characterized by concern for the well-being and happiness of others
14. a br___h pipe *n.* a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization
15. change the ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
16. re_____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
17. the at_____t to rescue the hostages *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
18. w___e down a street *v.* to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people

ANSWERS: 10. ubuntu, 11. congress, 12. readjust, 13. kind-hearted, 14. branch, 15. ecosystem, 16. release, 17. attempt, 18. wade

19. a sl__k operation *adj.* smoothly polished and shiny; cleverly and smoothly done; well-organized and efficient
20. sh___w puppetry *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
21. ru__y match *n.* a sport played with an oval ball, with two teams of fifteen players trying to score goals by carrying or kicking the ball over the opponent's goal line
22. ha_____y decent job *adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
23. tr___c death *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
24. und_____th the laughter *adv.* under or below something else
25. snow sh___l *n.* a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials
26. cr__k an eggshell *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
27. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

ANSWERS: 19. slick, 20. shadow, 21. rugby, 22. halfway, 23. tragic, 24. underneath, 25. shovel, 26. crack, 27. nation

28. st_____ht sky *n.* the light emitted or reflected by stars, often observed in the night sky; the radiant energy emitted by stars
29. a vul_____le bridge *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
30. ub____u operating system *n.* a concept rooted in Bantu philosophy, emphasizing the essential human virtues of empathy, compassion, and interconnectedness; a belief in the importance of community, cooperation, and shared humanity; (of a computer) a popular open-source operating system based on the Linux kernel
31. po__h on his land *v.* to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings
32. pat_____cal liar *adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy
33. me_____al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
34. ho____w sound *adj.* having a hole, empty space inside, or indentation on the surface
35. s__t a mouthful of saliva *v.* to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth
36. the tr__k of the tree *n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow

ANSWERS: 28. starlight, 29. vulnerable, 30. ubuntu, 31. poach, 32. pathological, 33. medicinal, 34. hollow, 35. spit, 36. trunk

37. ca_____al school *n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
38. ha__h climate *adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
39. r__l down his cheeks *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
40. pat_____cal condition *adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy
41. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
42. br_____st a radio ad *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television
43. a sense of wel_____ng *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
44. chemical ad_____on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
45. ca_____al choir *n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
46. student ach_____nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
47. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

ANSWERS: 37. cathedral, 38. harsh, 39. roll, 40. pathological, 41. violent, 42. broadcast, 43. well-being, 44. addition, 45. cathedral, 46. achievement, 47. psychology

48. certified pro_____nal secretary *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
49. a b__h of hair *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
50. swim up_____am *adj.* in the direction against a stream's current; (adverb) toward the source or beginning of a stream, river, or process
51. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
52. sh___l blade *n.* a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials
53. we_____d conservation *adj.* land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs
54. nuclear de_____nt *n.* something that prevents or discourages someone from doing something or taking a particular action; a hindrance or obstacle
55. ru__y team *n.* a sport played with an oval ball, with two teams of fifteen players trying to score goals by carrying or kicking the ball over the opponent's goal line
56. a cr__k in a board *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

ANSWERS: 48. professional, 49. bush, 50. upstream, 51. responsible, 52. shovel, 53. wetland, 54. deterrent, 55. rugby, 56. crack

57. tw__t a wet towel *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
58. vi_____e stars *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
59. snow le_____d *n.* a large wild cat that has yellow-brown fur with black spots and lives in Africa and southern Asia
60. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
61. ho___r-struck look *n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
62. ex___d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
63. enter on the last ph__e *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
64. cause unb_____ble damage *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
65. ma___e my foot *v.* to damage or alter something by twisting, crushing, or pressing it out of shape
66. ca_____re story *n.* an outdoor fire used for cooking, warmth, or light, often made by camping or in rural areas; a gathering or social event around such a fire
67. ca___e barn *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
68. p__p stick *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

ANSWERS: 57. twist, 58. visible, 59. leopard, 60. environment, 61. horror, 62. expand, 63. phase, 64. unbelievable, 65. mangle, 66. campfire, 67. cattle, 68. prop

69. sh____y past *adj.* dark, dim, or vague, as if obscured by shadows; mysterious or uncertain
70. mi_____ry species *adj.* relating to or characterized by the movement of individuals or groups from one place to another, often for regular seasonal or environmental reasons
71. kin_____ted gesture *adj.* having a caring and sympathetic nature; characterized by concern for the well-being and happiness of others
72. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
73. universal es_____e *n.* the basic or most important part or quality of something that makes it what it is
74. s__t at law *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
75. tr___c love stories *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
76. r__l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
77. illustrative emb_____nt *n.* someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea
78. two-ph__e structure *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
79. vi_____e by X-ray *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view

ANSWERS: 69. shadowy, 70. migratory, 71. kind-hearted, 72. incredible, 73. essence, 74. suit, 75. tragic, 76. roll, 77. embodiment, 78. phase, 79. visible

80. common in _____ on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
81. 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
82. ruled by a ma _____ ch *n.* a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group
83. s __ t beliefs *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
84. television i __ n *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
85. sa ___ i adventure *n.* an expedition, usually with a guide, for viewing or hunting wild animals, especially in Africa
86. co _____ us of having succeeded *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
87. br ___ h office *n.* a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization
88. in _____ e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

ANSWERS: 80. invention, 81. planet, 82. matriarch, 83. sect, 84. icon, 85. safari, 86. conscious, 87. branch, 88. inspire

89. w__e through paperwork *v.* to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people
90. de_____ty of character *n.* a physical abnormality or distortion
91. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
92. develop an attitude of hu_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
93. su___r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
94. im_____e amount *adj.* extremely large or great
95. br_____st a concert *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television
96. inc_____ion rates *n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail
97. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
98. m__d broken relationship *v.* to repair or fix something that is broken or damaged
99. s__t a bullet *v.* to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth
100. save the pl____t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

ANSWERS: 89. wade, 90. deformity, 91. excite, 92. humility, 93. suffer, 94. immense, 95. broadcast, 96. incarceration, 97. inspire, 98. mend, 99. spit, 100. planet

101. su___r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
102. w__p a fish in foil *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
103. break a ha_____y *n.* the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties
104. walk ba_____rd *adv.* at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear
105. po__h deer *v.* to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings
106. ha_____y through my journey *adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
107. pr_____e bad behavior *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
108. w__m sound effect *n.* a sudden, forceful impact or blow; a loud noise or sound effect used in music or film
109. g__b an opportunity *v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
110. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

ANSWERS: 101. suffer, 102. wrap, 103. harmony, 104. backward, 105. poach, 106. halfway, 107. promote, 108. wham, 109. grab, 110. psychology

111. ma___ed their favorite toy *v.* to damage or alter something by twisting, crushing, or pressing it out of shape
112. 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
113. acc_____te a person with money *v.* to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose
114. ph scale *n.* a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating greater alkalinity
115. the common h__d *n.* a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
116. in___t a glass *v.* to turn something upside down, inside out; to reverse the position, order, or relationship of something
117. und_____th the surface of the water *adv.* under or below something else
118. the def_____on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
119. 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: 111. mangle, 112. develop, 113. accommodate, 114. ph, 115. herd, 116. invert, 117. underneath, 118. definition, 119. develop

120. wa__t measurement *n.* the part of the human body between the ribs and hips or the corresponding part in other animals
121. the court se____n *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
122. su____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
123. di___e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
124. dis_____ht emotions *adj.* deeply upset, agitated, or emotionally troubled
125. physical de_____ty *n.* a physical abnormality or distortion
126. a precise def_____on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
127. di___e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
128. secret s__t *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
129. sl__k design *adj.* smoothly polished and shiny; cleverly and smoothly done; well-organized and efficient
130. p_t on the back *v.* to touch or tap something lightly and usually in a friendly or encouraging manner; to apply or rub lightly and repetitively

ANSWERS: 120. waist, 121. session, 122. surround, 123. divide, 124. distraught, 125. deformity, 126. definition, 127. divide, 128. sect, 129. slick, 130. pat

131. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
132. the wel_____ng of a nation *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
133. pr_____e a better relationship *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
134. co_____us among scientists *n.* general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole
135. control my em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
136. im_____e pressure *adj.* extremely large or great
137. a st_____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
138. use of ha__h chemicals *adj.* severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit
139. the int_____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
140. unsung h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
141. ad_____on of vectors *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

ANSWERS: 131. define, 132. well-being, 133. promote, 134. consensus, 135. emotion, 136. immense, 137. straight, 138. harsh, 139. interaction, 140. hero, 141. addition

142. roar with fe____ty *n.* the quality or state of being fierce, intense, or violent; extreme or wild aggressiveness
143. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
144. an_____e his soul *v.* to make something full of interest and energy
145. false acc_____on *n.* a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone
146. eat a veg_____an diet *n.* a person who does not eat meat or fish, or often any animal products, for health or religious reasons
147. s__d dunes *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
148. em_____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
149. sn__y landscape *adj.* characterized by or covered in snow; consisting of or producing snow; often used to describe wintry landscapes or weather conditions
150. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

ANSWERS: 142. ferocity, 143. responsible, 144. animate, 145. accusation, 146. vegetarian, 147. sand, 148. empathy, 149. snowy, 150. excite

151. acc_____te these needs *v.* to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose
152. w__p up a meeting *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
153. emotional p__p *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
154. human activities int_____ect with the environment *v.* to connect similar things
155. i__n for young people *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
156. a reckless at_____t *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
157. local h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
158. pro_____nal athlete *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
159. an in_____t reply *adj.* happening immediately, with no delay

ANSWERS: 151. accommodate, 152. wrap, 153. prop, 154. interconnect, 155. icon, 156. attempt, 157. hero, 158. professional, 159. instant

160. ca___e hide *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
161. s__t and tie restaurant *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
162. celebrity pa_____zi *n.* (plural of "paparazzo") a group of freelance photographers who doggedly follow, often aggressively, celebrities, public figures, or socialites to take their photographs in the hope of selling them to newspapers, magazines, or media outlets
163. the fe_____ty of the battle *n.* the quality or state of being fierce, intense, or violent; extreme or wild aggressiveness
164. romantic st_____ht *n.* the light emitted or reflected by stars, often observed in the night sky; the radiant energy emitted by stars
165. a st__p staircase *adj.* having a sharp inclination or slope
166. partly co_____de *v.* to take place at or near the same time
167. a remarkable ach_____nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
168. a ha_____y of colors *n.* the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties

ANSWERS: 160. cattle, 161. suit, 162. paparazzi, 163. ferocity, 164. starlight, 165. steep, 166. coincide, 167. achievement, 168. harmony

169. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
170. phi_____opy organization *n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
171. a stone wall su_____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
172. rec_____te from illness *v.* to recover, heal, or regain health, strength, or well-being after an illness, injury, or period of stress or exhaustion
173. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
174. unb_____ble beauty *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
175. trees and b__hes *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
176. mass inc_____ion *n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail
177. co_____us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
178. emb_____nt of evil *n.* someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea
179. re_____e a concert ticket *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
180. marine ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

ANSWERS: 169. incredible, 170. philanthropy, 171. surround, 172. recuperate, 173. magic, 174. unbelievable, 175. bush, 176. incarceration, 177. conscious, 178. embodiment, 179. reserve, 180. ecosystem

181. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
182. a rock fr__k *n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected
183. a public co_____us *n.* general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole
184. a slim wa__t *n.* the part of the human body between the ribs and hips or the corresponding part in other animals
185. br_____t placement *n.* projecting support or fixture used to attach or bear weight; a small shelf or ledge; a punctuation mark ([]) used to enclose words, numbers, or symbols
186. le_____d print *n.* a large wild cat that has yellow-brown fur with black spots and lives in Africa and southern Asia
187. st__p discount *adj.* having a sharp inclination or slope
188. an international co_____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
189. the r__r gate *adj.* at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult
190. am__e everyone *v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration

ANSWERS: 181. decision, 182. freak, 183. consensus, 184. waist, 185. bracket, 186. leopard, 187. steep, 188. congress, 189. rear, 190. amaze

191. vanilla es_____e *n.* the basic or most important part or quality of something that makes it what it is
192. pa_____zi photos *n.* (plural of "paparazzo") a group of freelance photographers who doggedly follow, often aggressively, celebrities, public figures, or socialites to take their photographs in the hope of selling them to newspapers, magazines, or media outlets
193. p_t a dog *v.* to touch or tap something lightly and usually in a friendly or encouraging manner; to apply or rub lightly and repetitively
194. saltwater cr_____le *n.* a large, carnivorous reptile with powerful jaws and a long, scaly body; native to tropical regions and often found in rivers and freshwater habitats
195. pajama pa__s *n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
196. in___t position *v.* to turn something upside down, inside out; to reverse the position, order, or relationship of something
197. ba_____rd angle *adv.* at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear
198. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

ANSWERS: 191. essence, 192. paparazzi, 193. pat, 194. crocodile, 195. pants, 196. invert, 197. backward, 198. invention

199. h__d of cattle *n.* a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
200. rec_____te lost data *v.* to recover, heal, or regain health, strength, or well-being after an illness, injury, or period of stress or exhaustion
201. criminal acc_____on *n.* a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone
202. get in_____t access *adj.* happening immediately, with no delay
203. lack of hu_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
204. mi_____ry route *adj.* relating to or characterized by the movement of individuals or groups from one place to another, often for regular seasonal or environmental reasons
205. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
206. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
207. national rec_____ion *n.* the restoration of cordial or friendly relations; getting two things to correspond
208. am__e and entertain visitors *v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
209. pe___c pain *adj.* of or relating to the pelvis, the lower part of the trunk of the human body, between the hips

ANSWERS: 199. herd, 200. recuperate, 201. accusation, 202. instant, 203. humility, 204. migratory, 205. interaction, 206. nation, 207. reconciliation, 208. amaze, 209. pelvic

210. the tr__k of the body *n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
211. sh____y doorway *adj.* dark, dim, or vague, as if obscured by shadows; mysterious or uncertain
212. we____d ecosystem *adj.* land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs
213. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
214. roast marshmallows around the
ca_____re *n.* an outdoor fire used for cooking, warmth, or light, often made by camping or in rural areas; a gathering or social event around such a fire
215. sn__y mountain *adj.* characterized by or covered in snow; consisting of or producing snow; often used to describe wintry landscapes or weather conditions
216. artificial cr_____re *n.* a living being, especially an animal
217. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
218. sh___w cast *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner

ANSWERS: 210. trunk, 211. shadowy, 212. wetland, 213. opportune, 214. campfire, 215. snowy, 216. creature, 217. opportune, 218. shadow

219. dis_____ht with grief *adj.* deeply upset, agitated, or emotionally troubled
220. a me_____l opinion *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
221. go dow_____am in a boat *adv.* in the direction that a stream or river flows; (adjective) in the direction of a stream's current
222. private phi_____opy *n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
223. rec_____ion of financial accounts *n.* the restoration of cordial or friendly relations; getting two things to correspond
224. de___e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
225. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
226. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
227. have ho___w legs *adj.* having a hole, empty space inside, or indentation on the surface
228. re_____st a focus *v.* to change or set something again after an initial failure
229. ho___r movie *n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
230. g__b an audience *v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way

ANSWERS: 219. distraught, 220. medical, 221. downstream, 222. philanthropy, 223. reconciliation, 224. define, 225. president, 226. violent, 227. hollow, 228. readjust, 229. horror, 230. grab

231. m__d my ways *v.* to repair or fix something that is broken or damaged
232. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
233. s__d castle *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
234. dow_____am processing *adv.* in the direction that a stream or river flows; (adjective) in the direction of a stream's current
235. cr_____le hide *n.* a large, carnivorous reptile with powerful jaws and a long, scaly body; native to tropical regions and often found in rivers and freshwater habitats
236. artistic out_____ng *n.* a sudden and abundant flow or expression of thoughts, feelings, emotion, or information; an overwhelming amount of something expressed in a short period of time
237. fr__k weather *n.* an abnormality that is not typical or expected
238. cr_____re of habit *n.* a living being, especially an animal
239. a strict veg_____an *n.* a person who does not eat meat or fish, or often any animal products, for health or religious reasons
240. woolly pa__s *n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs

ANSWERS: 231. mend, 232. amazing, 233. sand, 234. downstream, 235. crocodile, 236. outpouring, 237. freak, 238. creature, 239. vegetarian, 240. pants

241. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
242. su_____e a plane crash *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
243. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
244. ex____d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
245. re_____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
246. tax br_____t *n.* projecting support or fixture used to attach or bear weight; a small shelf or ledge; a punctuation mark ([]) used to enclose words, numbers, or symbols
247. an_____e the body *v.* to make something full of interest and energy
248. co_____de with reality *v.* to take place at or near the same time
249. up_____am direction *adj.* in the direction against a stream's current; (adverb) toward the source or beginning of a stream, river, or process
250. pe____c exam *adj.* of or relating to the pelvis, the lower part of the trunk of the human body, between the hips
251. ma_____ch figure *n.* a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group

ANSWERS: 241. amazing, 242. survive, 243. president, 244. expand, 245. release, 246. bracket, 247. animate, 248. coincide, 249. upstream, 250. pelvic, 251. matriarch

252. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
253. r__r children *adj.* at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult
254. afraid to show em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
255. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
256. ki_____p ties *n.* the state or fact of being related to someone
257. ki_____p relations *n.* the state or fact of being related to someone
258. full of em_____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
259. criminal de_____nt *n.* something that prevents or discourages someone from doing something or taking a particular action; a hindrance or obstacle
260. w__m noise *n.* a sudden, forceful impact or blow; a loud noise or sound effect used in music or film
261. pH value of seven *n.* a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating greater alkalinity

ANSWERS: 252. environment, 253. rear, 254. emotion, 255. straight, 256. kinship, 257. kinship, 258. empathy, 259. deterrent, 260. wham, 261. ph

262. vul_____le parts of the body

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

263. she is ma__c

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

264. a selfish de_____on

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

ANSWERS: 262. vulnerable, 263. magic, 264. decision

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We sat around the _____ and told stories late into the night.
n. an outdoor fire used for cooking, warmth, or light, often made by camping or in rural areas; a gathering or social event around such a fire
2. She felt a sense of _____ with her new colleagues.
n. the state or fact of being related to someone
3. I need to hang these shelves with the help of some sturdy _____.
n. projecting support or fixture used to attach or bear weight; a small shelf or ledge; a punctuation mark ([]) used to enclose words, numbers, or symbols
4. I had to _____ through the knee-deep water to get to the other side of the river.
v. to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people
5. Children love to play outside in the _____ weather.
adj. characterized by or covered in snow; consisting of or producing snow; often used to describe wintry landscapes or weather conditions
6. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.
n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
7. The _____ region is an important area of the human anatomy.
adj. of or relating to the pelvis, the lower part of the trunk of the human body, between the hips

ANSWERS: 1. campfire, 2. kinship, 3. brackets, 4. wade, 5. snowy, 6. emotions, 7. pelvic

8. The _____ of the family was known for her wisdom and guidance.
n. a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group
9. _____ lurked in the grass to catch their prey.
n. a large wild cat that has yellow-brown fur with black spots and lives in Africa and southern Asia
10. I am going to trim this _____ off.
n. a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
11. The tree cast a _____ over the picnic area, providing relief from the sun.
n. a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
12. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
13. _____ the bandage tightly around the injured arm.
v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
14. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?
v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
15. The deep sea _____ was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.
n. a living being, especially an animal

ANSWERS: 8. matriarch, 9. Leopards, 10. bush, 11. shadow, 12. amazing, 13. Wrap, 14. divide, 15. creature

16. The _____ of the tree had fallen and blocked the road.
n. a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization
17. The devil is the _____ of wicked ideas.
n. someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea
18. The news of her promotion _____ her.
v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
19. We were filled with _____ at the sight of the Queen.
n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
20. I always wear _____ when I go outside, even in the summer.
n. an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
21. The famous restaurant stands _____ up the hill.
adj. in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
22. The actress had to hire security to fend off the relentless _____ outside her home.
n. (plural of "paparazzo") a group of freelance photographers who doggedly follow, often aggressively, celebrities, public figures, or socialites to take their photographs in the hope of selling them to newspapers, magazines, or media outlets
23. Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on _____.
n. the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money

ANSWERS: 16. branch, 17. embodiment, 18. excited, 19. humility, 20. pants, 21. halfway, 22. paparazzi, 23. philanthropy

24. After surgery, it's important to rest and _____ before returning to your normal activities.
- v. to recover, heal, or regain health, strength, or well-being after an illness, injury, or period of stress or exhaustion
25. Our system can now _____ with other databases.
- v. to connect similar things
26. The _____ accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.
- n. an abnormality that is not typical or expected
27. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
- v. to make somebody full with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
28. The construction workers used a power _____ to dig the foundation for the building.
- n. a tool with a handle and broad scoop or blade used for digging or moving Earth, coal, snow, or other granular materials
29. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
- n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
30. The machine _____ the sheet of metal beyond repair.
- v. to damage or alter something by twisting, crushing, or pressing it out of shape
31. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.
- n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

ANSWERS: 24. recuperate, 25. interconnect, 26. freak, 27. inspired, 28. shovel, 29. Empathy, 30. mangled, 31. interaction

32. Destructive fungi thrive in moist environments, such as those seen in wounds on the _____.

n. the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow

33. The magician's tricks _____ the audience.

v. to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration

34. The _____ are on the grassland and grazing.

n. cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals

35. 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

36. My home is easily _____ from the shore.

adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view

37. The _____ birds flew thousands of miles to reach their wintering grounds.

adj. relating to or characterized by the movement of individuals or groups from one place to another, often for regular seasonal or environmental reasons

38. This _____ has never been formally accepted.

n. a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability

39. We have finally lost our last _____.

n. a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

ANSWERS: 32. trunk, 33. amazed, 34. cattle, 35. environment, 36. visible, 37. migratory, 38. achievement, 39. prop

40. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.
- v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
41. Shall we _____ a bite to eat?
- v. to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
42. The threat of punishment serves as a _____ for many people who might consider committing a crime.
- n. something that prevents or discourages someone from doing something or taking a particular action; a hindrance or obstacle
43. Most of the programs are _____ in this area.
- v. to send out a program or some information on radio or television
44. Some comic book characters are considered gay _____.
- n. a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
45. The stories of war crimes filled her with _____.
- n. intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
46. The philosophy of _____ emphasizes the interconnectedness and collective responsibility of all individuals.
- n. a concept rooted in Bantu philosophy, emphasizing the essential human virtues of empathy, compassion, and interconnectedness; a belief in the importance of community, cooperation, and shared humanity; (of a computer) a popular open-source operating system based on the Linux kernel
47. The _____ of theft was unfounded, and the suspect was eventually cleared of all charges.
- n. a statement or claim alleging that someone has committed a crime, offense, or wrongdoing; a charge or indictment made against someone

ANSWERS: 40. define, 41. grab, 42. deterrent, 43. broadcast, 44. icons, 45. horror, 46. ubuntu, 47. accusation

48. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

49. The _____ of the windstorm knocked over trees and caused power outages.

n. the quality or state of being fierce, intense, or violent; extreme or wild aggressiveness

50. The player quickly went to the _____ side of the defender.

adj. at, toward, or near the back part of something; (verb) to look after a child until it is an adult

51. Six _____ are awaiting trial or verdict.

n. a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

52. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.

n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

53. The tree had a _____ trunk, which made it easy for animals to take shelter inside.

adj. having a hole, empty space inside, or indentation on the surface

54. They had a complete _____ a few days after their argument.

n. the restoration of cordial or friendly relations; getting two things to correspond

55. The ___ level of this soil is too acidic for these types of plants.

n. a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating greater alkalinity

ANSWERS: 48. expand, 49. ferocity, 50. rear, 51. suits, 52. addition, 53. hollow, 54. reconciliation, 55. ph

56. 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

57. This large SUV _____ eight people.

v. to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose

58. Going on a _____ to see wild animals up close is a unique experience.

n. an expedition, usually with a guide, for viewing or hunting wild animals, especially in Africa

59. The _____ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

60. He was riding _____ on the sheep during the day.

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

61. 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

62. These results _____ with our hypothesis.

v. to take place at or near the same time

63. The _____ area was home to many different species of birds.

adj. land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs

ANSWERS: 56. decision, 57. accommodates, 58. safari, 59. medicinal, 60. herd, 61. planet, 62. coincide, 63. wetland

64. The politician gave a _____ speech, but it was full of empty promises.
adj. smoothly polished and shiny; cleverly and smoothly done; well-organized and efficient
65. The third _____ was far more successful.
n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
66. The _____ of support from the community was overwhelming after the tragic event.
n. a sudden and abundant flow or expression of thoughts, feelings, emotion, or information; an overwhelming amount of something expressed in a short period of time
67. He that would eat the kernel must _____ the nut.
v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
68. He _____ the torn shirt with a needle and thread.
v. to repair or fix something that is broken or damaged
69. The company is investing heavily in _____ research and development.
adj. in the direction against a stream's current; (adverb) toward the source or beginning of a stream, river, or process
70. He _____ pieces of rope out of straw.
v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape
71. The _____ on the beach was warm and golden.
n. finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action

ANSWERS: 64. slick, 65. attempt, 66. outpouring, 67. crack, 68. mended, 69. upstream, 70. twisted, 71. sand

72. He left his wife an _____ fortune.

adj. extremely large or great

73. She falls over _____ when she sees her mother-in-law.

adv. at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear

74. _____ 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

75. The car hit the curb with a loud _____ causing some damage to the tire.

n. a sudden, forceful impact or blow; a loud noise or sound effect used in music or film

76. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

77. The chef _____ the eggs perfectly for the benedict breakfast dish.

v. to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings

78. The prime minister faced _____ criticism.

adj. severe and unkind; extremely tough and unpleasant to inhabit

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

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

ANSWERS: 72. immense, 73. backward, 74. Congress, 75. wham, 76. opportune, 77. poached, 78. harsh, 79. patted

80. The club _____ does not have absolute power.
n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
81. The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national _____.
n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
82. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.
n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
83. This restaurant has _____ dishes as well.
n. a person who does not eat meat or fish, or often any animal products, for health or religious reasons
84. The romantic couple had a picnic under the _____.
n. the light emitted or reflected by stars, often observed in the night sky; the radiant energy emitted by stars
85. The _____ events of the war left many families torn apart.
adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
86. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.
v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
87. 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

ANSWERS: 80. president, 81. hero, 82. definition, 83. vegetarian, 84. starlight, 85. tragic, 86. survive, 87. nation

88. The _____ in the steel beam caused the bridge to collapse.

n. a physical abnormality or distortion

89. He has a _____ demeanor and always presents himself in a polished manner.

adj. having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful

90. The positive attitude of the supervisor _____ the discussion.

v. to make something full of interest and energy

91. Necessity is the mother of _____.

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

92. You have to _____ your attitude immediately.

v. to change or set something again after an initial failure

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

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

94. You can easily _____ seats over the telephone.

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

95. Parliament is now in _____.

n. a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity

ANSWERS: 88. deformity, 89. professional, 90. animated, 91. invention, 92. readjust, 93. promote, 94. reserve, 95. session

96. The _____ stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.
n. the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
97. She cinched her dress at the _____ to accentuate her hourglass figure.
n. the part of the human body between the ribs and hips or the corresponding part in other animals
98. 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
99. He was exhausted and _____ into bed as soon as he got home.
v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
100. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.
v. to be all around something or somebody
101. He was a passionate fan of _____ and loved watching matches.
n. a sport played with an oval ball, with two teams of fifteen players trying to score goals by carrying or kicking the ball over the opponent's goal line
102. The _____ figure in the corner of the room made me uneasy.
adj. dark, dim, or vague, as if obscured by shadows; mysterious or uncertain
103. University teaches the art of understanding the _____ of the matter.
n. the basic or most important part or quality of something that makes it what it is

ANSWERS: 96. cathedral's, 97. waist, 98. responsible, 99. rolled, 100. surround, 101. rugby, 102. shadowy, 103. essence

104. He was sick for five _____ days.

adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

105. The doctor was concerned that the patient's _____ fear of germs impacted their daily life.

adj. relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy

106. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

107. After receiving the bad news, he was so _____ that he couldn't concentrate on anything else for the rest of the day.

adj. deeply upset, agitated, or emotionally troubled

108. The two parties have reached a _____.

n. general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole

109. The volunteer organization is full of _____ people who donate their time to help others.

adj. having a caring and sympathetic nature; characterized by concern for the well-being and happiness of others

110. We worked in perfect _____.

n. the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties

ANSWERS: 104. straight, 105. pathological, 106. suffers, 107. distraught, 108. consensus, 109. kind-hearted, 110. harmony

111. He became _____ that he was being followed.

adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

112. He drinks an _____ amount of beer.

adj. beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising

113. She tried to _____ out the gum that she had been chewing.

v. to eject saliva or other liquid from the mouth

114. Infants and pregnant women are particularly _____.

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

115. The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial _____ of history.

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

116. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

117. She had a master's degree in _____.

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

118. His pleasant face turned cold in an _____.

adj. happening immediately, with no delay

119. 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

ANSWERS: 111. conscious, 112. unbelievable, 113. spit, 114. vulnerable, 115. phase, 116. release, 117. psychology, 118. instant, 119. ecosystem

120. He decided to _____ his investment portfolio, shifting from stocks to bonds.
v. to turn something upside down, inside out; to reverse the position, order, or relationship of something
121. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.
adj. unbelievable; enormous
122. The boat drifted _____ and was carried away by the current.
adv. in the direction that a stream or river flows; (adjective) in the direction of a stream's current
123. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.
n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
124. The judge sentenced him to five years of _____ for embezzlement.
n. the state of being confined in prison or jail
125. 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
126. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.
adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
127. We are responsible for the care and _____ of all our employees.
n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

ANSWERS: 120. invert, 121. incredible, 122. downstream, 123. magic, 124. incarceration, 125. develop, 126. violent, 127. well-being

128. The _____ team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

adj. relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

129. The _____ cliff made it difficult to climb.

adj. having a sharp inclination or slope

130. The _____ attack left the villagers in a state of shock and fear

n. a large, carnivorous reptile with powerful jaws and a long, scaly body; native to tropical regions and often found in rivers and freshwater habitats

131. The minority _____ believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

n. a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

132. The penny fell _____ the piano.

adv. under or below something else

ANSWERS: 128. medical, 129. steep, 130. crocodile, 131. sect, 132. underneath