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Session 1: Word List

boring

adj. lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull

synonym: dull, tedious, monotonous

(1) **boring** work, (2) **boring** day

The lecture was so **boring** that many people fell asleep.

conversation

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

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

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

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

privacy

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

synonym: seclusion, aloneness, solitariness

(1) **privacy** abuse, (2) trespass on a person's **privacy**

This conduct would be an invasion of **privacy**.

philosophy

n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

synonym: doctrine, attitude, creed

(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

- dot** *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
synonym: drop, dab, fleck
(1) connecting the **dots**, (2) **dot** blot method
The wallpaper had a pattern of pink **dots** on a white surface.
- prospect** *n.* the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
synonym: hope, possibility, expectation
(1) **prospect** for gold, (2) job **prospects**
The **prospect** of starting a new business can be both exciting and daunting.
- 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.
- universal** *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
synonym: common, broad, worldwide
(1) **universal** life, (2) principles of **universal** design
The picture earned near- **universal** acclaim from critics.
- crazy** *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
synonym: insane, absurd, bizarre
(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme
The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.
- compute** *v.* to make a mathematical calculation
synonym: calculate
(1) **compute** an average score, (2) **compute** the value
I tried to **compute** the efficiency of the investment.

mess

n. a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy

synonym: disarray, confusion, predicament

(1) have a whole **mess**, (2) get into a **mess**

He made a frightful **mess** in his room.

device

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

synonym: gadget, instrument, tool

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

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

context

n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

synonym: background, setting, environment

(1) historical **context**, (2) legal **context**

It's important to understand the **context** of a situation before making a decision.

clunky

adj. heavy, awkward, and old-fashioned; not graceful and clumsy in style, form, or movement

synonym: clumsy, bulky, burdensome

(1) **clunky** phrasing, (2) **clunky** robot

Refined character portrayal makes up for **clunky** gameplay.

acquire

v. to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself

synonym: attain, earn, catch

(1) **acquire** knowledge, (2) **acquire** a new company

Children **acquire** language at a fantastic rate.

recognition

n. the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal

synonym: acknowledgement, identification, credit

(1) **recognition** award, (2) joint **recognition**

He was given **recognition** for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym: enhance, ameliorate, enrich

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

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

discovery

n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym: idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

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.

supervise

v. to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility

synonym: oversee, manage, control

(1) **supervise** entrance test takers, (2) **supervise** team activity

She was asked to **supervise** the construction project.

automatically

adv. without needing a direct human control

synonym : mechanically, unconsciously, spontaneously

(1) record driving **automatically**, (2) **automatically** adjusted
Our subscription plan is **automatically** renewed.

remarkable

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

synonym : outstanding, exceptional, extraordinary

(1) **remarkable** achievement, (2) the **remarkable** breadth of knowledge

The election was a **remarkable** success for the Whigs.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

pixel

n. the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image

synonym : dot, point, picture element

(1) **pixel** density, (2) color **pixels**

The computer screen comprises thousands of tiny **pixels** that create the overall picture.

narrate

v. to tell a story or give an account of events, often in a chronological or logical sequence; to provide a voiceover or commentary for a film or other media

synonym : tell, recount, describe

(1) **narrate** a news article, (2) **narrate** an event

The audiobook hired a professional actor to **narrate** the story, making it more engaging for listeners.

opponent

n. a person against whom you are playing or fighting in a game, competition, debate, etc.

synonym : adversary, competitor, enemy

(1) computer **opponent**, (2) death-penalty **opponent**
He was attempting to confuse his **opponent**.

rack

n. a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish

synonym: shelf, stand, frame

(1) clothing **rack**, (2) spice **rack**

I need to buy a new coat **rack** to organize my winter jackets.

intelligence

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

synonym: brains, brightness, cleverness

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

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

schedule

n. a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

synonym: agenda, program, itinerary

(1) a heavy **schedule**, (2) arrange my **schedule**

So far, the meeting is going according to **schedule**.

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.

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym: exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

(1) **exciting** football player, (2) **exciting** news

The findings of the experiment were both **exciting** and unexpected.

neuroscience

n. the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system

(1) the branch of **neuroscience**, (2) a theoretical concept in **neuroscience**

Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral **neuroscience**.

background

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

synonym: ground, experience, backdrop

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

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

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.

brain

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

synonym: intellect, mind, encephalon

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

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

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym: spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

increment

n. a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important

synonym : increase, expansion, addendum

(1) steady **incremental** growth, (2) small **increments**

The bid **increment** for this auction is \$100.

soy

n. a legume plant that is widely cultivated for its edible bean, which has many uses, such as for oil, food, and animal feed

(1) **soy** allergy, (2) **soy** milk

Many people use **soy** sauce for sushi, stir-fries, and marinades.

crop

n. a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

synonym : output, produce, product

(1) **crop** field, (2) **crop** herbicide

Sow early for an early **crop**.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym : abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

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

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

disease

n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

synonym : illness, ailment, affliction

(1) **disease** prevention, (2) **disease** control

The doctor diagnosed him with a rare **disease** that had no known cure.

ant

n. a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups

synonym : pismire, insect

(1) a white **ant**, (2) **ant** bite

We can find many large **ant** mounds in this area.

sprinkler

n. a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting

synonym : sprayer, irrigation system

(1) road **sprinkler**, (2) **sprinkler** irrigation

The **sprinkler** system kept the lawn green and healthy.

ash

n. the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation

synonym : cinder, soot, dust

(1) **ash** tree, (2) soda **ash**

The volcanic **ash** covered the island after the eruption.

disappear

v. to cease to exist or be visible

synonym : fade, evaporate, vanish

(1) **disappear** without a trace, (2) **disappear** after a week

They watched the train **disappear** into the distance.

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.

cyber

adj. relating to or involving computers, computer networks, or virtual reality

synonym : digital, computer, Internet

(1) **cyber** bullying, (2) **cyber** crime

Cyber espionage between countries can have serious consequences.

windmill

n. a machine that uses wind power to generate mechanical energy or electricity

synonym : wind turbine, aerogenerator

(1) **windmill** blades, (2) **windmill** energy

The countryside was dotted with picturesque **windmills**.

clip

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

synonym : buckle, hook, pin

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

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

communal

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

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

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.

loon

n. a large migratory bird, typically having a haunting cry and known for its diving and swimming abilities; (an offensive word) a foolish or crazy person

synonym : fool, lunatic

(1) **loon** call, (2) wild **loon**

We spotted a common **loon** swimming gracefully in the lake.

balloon

n. a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated

synonym : aerostat, blimp, (verb) billow out

(1) **balloon** ride, (2) **balloon** into a severe political problem

The satellite **balloon** slowly ascended into the sky.

efficiently

adv. in a way that produces maximum output with minimum effort or expense

synonym: expeditiously, skillfully, ably

(1) **efficiently** combined, (2) develop software more **efficiently**

We can resolve support requests quickly and **efficiently** by utilization of AI.

tether

v. to tie or secure an animal, person, or object with a rope, chain, or other similar devices to prevent it from moving too far away; (noun) a rope or chain used to tie up or restrain an animal, such as a horse or dog

synonym: tie, fasten, secure

(1) **tether** a horse, (2) **tether** strap

The hiker **tethered** their dog to a tree while they camped for the night.

innovation

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

synonym: invention, initiation, creation

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

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

cheaply

adv. in a stingy or inexpensive manner

synonym: inexpensively, tattily, stingily

(1) **cheaply** available, (2) buy stock **cheaply**

You can live very **cheaply** in Southeast Asia.

normally

adv. usually; under normal conditions

synonym: commonly, generally, naturally

(1) complete **normally**, (2) not **normally** drink much

I don't **normally** take a vacation in the middle of summer.

satellite

n. an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.

synonym : orbiter, asteroid, moon

(1) a GPS **satellite**, (2) a meteorological **satellite**

Launching an artificial **satellite** contributed to the technological development of our country.

launch

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

synonym : start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

altitude

n. the height of an object or point in relation to sea level or ground level

synonym : height, elevation, tallness

(1) the meridian **altitude**, (2) low **altitude**

The plane flew at a high **altitude** to avoid turbulence.

pump

v. to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities

synonym : drain, inject, send

(1) **pump** a secret out of success, (2) **pump** blood throughout the body

He was alert and could not **pump** any critical information out of him.

roughly

adv. approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

synonym : approximately, more or less, around

(1) **roughly** explain my idea, (2) **roughly** speaking

Five miles is **roughly** similar to eight kilometers.

mesh

n. a material made of a network of wire, plastic, or thread
synonym : netting, weave, lattice

(1) a **mesh** fence, (2) the **mesh** of a basket

The **mesh** fabric was breathable and comfortable to wear.

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.

transport

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

synonym : shipment, transit, conveyance

(1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport**

Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

nerd

n. a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.

synonym : geek, techie, wonk

(1) a computer **nerd**, (2) **nerd** neck

He was, by nature, a cyber **nerd**.

fascination

n. the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction

synonym : allure, attraction, charm

(1) rapt in **fascination**, (2) the **fascination** with classical music

I looked at the painting in **fascination**.

automated

adj. carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor

synonym : computerized, mechanical, laborsaving

(1) **automated** manual transmission, (2) **automated** way

The plant will continue operating through an **automated**

system 24 hours a day.

absolutely

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

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

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

tremendous

adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

synonym : enormous, giant, immense

(1) **tremendous** amount, (2) **tremendous** popularity

We had a **tremendous** time yesterday.

disappoint

v. to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad

synonym : sadden, dismay, frustrate

(1) **disappoint** the audience, (2) don't **disappoint** me

She worked very hard not to **disappoint** her boss's expectations.

government

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

synonym : administration, regime, state

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

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

democracy

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

synonym : self-government, republic, commonwealth

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

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

parameter

n. a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data

synonym : factor, variable, characteristic

(1) **parameter** estimation, (2) **parameter** tuning

The temperature range was one of the critical **parameters** we had to consider when designing the experiment.

surveillance

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

synonym : administration, overseeing, control

(1) he is kept under **surveillance**, (2) **surveillance** cameras

The novel contains a criticism of the **surveillance** society.

disservice

n. an action that causes harm or damage; something that is detrimental or disadvantageous; the opposite of a favor

synonym : injury, harm, disadvantage

(1) social **disservice**, (2) **disservice** to the public

It would be a great **disservice** not to recognize her achievements in the field.

debate

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

synonym : argument, discussion, dispute

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

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

function

n. the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

synonym : purpose, mapping, job

(1) **function** properly, (2) immune **function**

The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's **function**.

locate

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

synonym: discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

incognito

adv. in disguise or under a false identity; without revealing one's true identity or purpose

synonym: secretly, anonymously

(1) travel **incognito**, (2) live life **incognito**

The celebrity went **incognito** to avoid being recognized by fans at the airport.

chrome

n. a type of polished metal that is highly reflective and has a mirror-like finish; a web browser developed by Google

synonym: metal, alloy, steel

(1) **chrome** iron ore, (2) steel with **chrome** accents

The shiny **chrome** finish on the car caught the sunlight and sparkled.

voodoo

n. a religion or set of spiritual beliefs and practices that originated in West Africa and the Caribbean, characterized by the worship of spirits, ritual dance, and the use of talismans and charms; also used to describe something mysterious, inexplicable, or magical

synonym: magic, sorcery, hoodoo

(1) **voodoo** curse, (2) **voodoo** doll

Some people believe in the power of **voodoo** to heal or harm others.

doll

n. a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive

synonym : puppet, dolly, toy

(1) plastic **doll**, (2) rag **doll**

The antique **doll** was worth thousands of dollars.

survey

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

synonym : study, examination, poll

(1) a comprehensive **survey**, (2) recent **survey**

That **survey** shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.

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.

anonymous

adj. having no known name, identity, or known source

synonym : nameless, unidentified, unnamed

(1) **anonymous** letter, (2) **anonymous** house

She received several **anonymous** calls.

confidence

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

synonym : self-trust, certainty, belief

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

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

abuse

n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner

synonym : misuse, misconduct, vilification

(1) the problem of drug **abuse**, (2) victim of sexual **abuse**

Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for **abuse** of authority.

scared

adj. afraid or frightened

synonym : frightened, fearful, dreading

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

encourage

v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

synonym : facilitate, persuade, stimulate

(1) **encourage** a sense of affinity, (2) **encourage** antisocial behavior

They **encouraged** customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

overwhelming

adj. very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

synonym : overpowering, astounding, amazing

(1) **overwhelming** majority, (2) an **overwhelming** victory
He has shown signs of uneasiness and **overwhelming** worry.

frustrate

v. to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

synonym : hinder, thwart, dishearten

(1) **frustrate** the advancement, (2) **frustrate** other team members

The coach explained a strategy to **frustrate** the opponent's schemes to the players.

obsess

v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

synonym : torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the fear

He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

fascinate

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

synonym: captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

synonym: chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically increase.

injury

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

synonym: wound, damage, hurt

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

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

separate

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

synonym: disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

minimal

adj. tiny in amount; the least possible

synonym: tiniest, essential, minimum

(1) **minimal** effort, (2) **minimal** amount

The process was carried out at **minimal** cost.

zippy

adj. lively, energetic, and quick

synonym: fast, lively, brisk

(1) a **zippy** girl, (2) **zippy** speed

The **zippy** little sports car was fun to drive.

traffic

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

synonym : congestion, jam, flow

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

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

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym : fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

arena

n. a large, flat area, often circular or oval-shaped, designed to showcase theatre, musical performances, or sporting events

synonym : stadium, theatre, auditorium

(1) indoor **arena**, (2) political **arena**

The company is planning to build a 20,000-seat **arena** with a retractable roof.

progression

n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

synonym : advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease

The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.

economy

n. the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

synonym : finance, trade, business

(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class

The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

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.

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.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym : specialized, technical

(1) **technological** advancement, (2) **technological** policy

Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

horizon

n. the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated

synonym : skyline, view, visible boundary

(1) the event **horizon** of a black hole, (2) business **horizon**

As the sun set, the colors of the sky merged with the **horizon**, creating a beautiful orange and pink hue.

implement

v. to put a decision, plan, or system into effect

synonym : execute, enforce, put through

(1) **implement** a corporate strategy, (2) **implement** security measures

The government promised to **implement** a new system to control the financial crisis.

principle

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

synonym :

rule, creed, code

(1) **principle** of treatment, (2) **principle** in business
Efficiency isn't an essential **principle** here; fairness is.

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**.

struggle

v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

synonym: toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

combine

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

synonym: coalesce, cohere, blend

(1) **combine** chemically with another substance,

(2) **combine** augmented reality

Hydrogen and oxygen **combine** to form water.

commercialize

v. to make something available for sale or use on a large scale

synonym: monetize, capitalize, marketize

(1) **commercialize** my patents, (2) **commercialize** idea

The company is trying to **commercialize** its new product.

corporation

n. a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

synonym: business, company, enterprise

(1) a public **corporation**, (2) **corporation** assets

Four companies were amalgamated into a single **corporation**.

dismay

n. a feeling of discouragement, distress, or anxiety caused by something unexpected or unwelcome; a sudden loss of courage or confidence

synonym : distress, discouragement, consternation

(1) flop down in **dismay**, (2) feel **dismay**

The employees expressed their **dismay** at the sudden announcement of massive layoffs.

evil

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

synonym : malign, corruption, immorality

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

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

rap

n. a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

synonym : hip-hop, emceeing, MCing

(1) **rap** music, (2) get a **rap**

The new **rap** album is getting a lot of attention.

revolutionary

adj. relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change

synonym : radical, innovative, groundbreaking

(1) **revolutionary** change, (2) enforce **revolutionary** justice

The **revolutionary** leader inspired others to join the fight for freedom and democracy.

musky

adj. having a strong, earthy smell that is often reminiscent of musk or moss

synonym : musty, earthy, pungent

(1) **musky** aroma, (2) **musky** perfume

The **musky** scent of the old book filled the air of the dusty library.

mar

v. to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something

synonym: damage, deface, disfigure

(1) **mar** a proper relationship, (2) **mar** the reputation
The scratches on the car **marred** its otherwise perfect appearance.

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**.

aim

v. to try or plan to get or achieve something

synonym: aspire, direct, target

(1) **aim** at a specific target, (2) **aim** to be a nurse
We **aim** for an overseas expansion.

employee

n. a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

synonym: worker, staff, personnel

(1) **employee** benefits, (2) **employee** evaluation
The **employee** handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

wealth

n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

synonym: affluence, assets, fortunate

(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**
The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

curiosity

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something

synonym: interest, inquisitiveness, novelty

(1) boundless **curiosity**, (2) satisfy my intellectual **curiosity**
We are motivated by **curiosity** rather than necessity.

turnover

n. the amount of business or economic activity that is generated within a specific period of time; the rate at which people leave or are replaced in a job or organization, often expressed as a percentage

synonym: revenue, income, sales

(1) annual **turnover**, (2) high **turnover** rate

The bakery's **turnover** increased after it introduced a new line of pastries.

fundamental

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

synonym: basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

android

n. a robot with a human appearance; (operating system) Google's mobile operating system

synonym: droid, cyborg

(1) household **android**, (2) **Android** tablet

The lab is developing an **android** robot that assists in dangerous construction work.

guilty

adj. feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal

synonym: culpable, blameworthy, at fault

(1) feel a bit **guilty**, (2) **guilty** verdict

After much contemplation, the suspect decided to plead **guilty** to the theft charge.

start-up

n. a newly established company or business

(1) **start-up** business, (2) early-stage **start-up**

Our company's services are targeted at **start-up** executives.

Session 2: Spelling

1. An_____d tablet *n.* a robot with a human appearance; (operating system) Google's mobile operating system
2. di_____ar without a trace *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
3. st_____up business *n.* a newly established company or business
4. don't dis_____nt me *v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
5. an int_____nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
6. re_____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
7. co_____e an average score *v.* to make a mathematical calculation
8. immune fu_____on *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
9. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 1. android, 2. disappear, 3. start-up, 4. disappoint, 5. intelligence, 6. release, 7. compute, 8. function, 9. discovery

10. su_____se entrance test takers *v.* to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility
11. dis_____ce to the public *n.* an action that causes harm or damage; something that is detrimental or disadvantageous; the opposite of a favor
12. a white a_t *n.* a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups
13. tre_____us popularity *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
14. rapt in fas_____on *n.* the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction
15. m_r a proper relationship *v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
16. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
17. chemical ad_____on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
18. household an_____d *n.* a robot with a human appearance; (operating system) Google's mobile operating system
19. heavy tr_____c *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

ANSWERS: 10. supervise, 11. disservice, 12. ant, 13. tremendous, 14. fascination, 15. mar, 16. separate, 17. addition, 18. android, 19. traffic

20. live life in_____to *adv.* in disguise or under a false identity; without revealing one's true identity or purpose
21. com_____ize my patents *v.* to make something available for sale or use on a large scale
22. co_____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
23. joint rec_____on *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
24. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
25. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
26. cor_____on assets *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
27. field of artificial int_____nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
28. a fatal in_____y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

ANSWERS: 20. incognito, 21. commercialize, 22. combine, 23. recognition, 24. economy, 25. government, 26. corporation, 27. intelligence, 28. injury

29. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
30. high tu_____er rate *n.* the amount of business or economic activity that is generated within a specific period of time; the rate at which people leave or are replaced in a job or organization, often expressed as a percentage
31. vo____o doll *n.* a religion or set of spiritual beliefs and practices that originated in West Africa and the Caribbean, characterized by the worship of spirits, ritual dance, and the use of talismans and charms; also used to describe something mysterious, inexplicable, or magical
32. cy__r crime *adj.* relating to or involving computers, computer networks, or virtual reality
33. spice r__k *n.* a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish
34. feel di____y *n.* a feeling of discouragement, distress, or anxiety caused by something unexpected or unwelcome; a sudden loss of courage or confidence
35. pro_____on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

ANSWERS: 29. invention, 30. turnover, 31. voodoo, 32. cyber, 33. rack, 34. dismay, 35. progression

36. a public cor_____on *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
37. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
38. de_____e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
39. de_____cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
40. low al_____de *n.* the height of an object or point in relation to sea level or ground level
41. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
42. computer op_____nt *n.* a person against whom you are playing or fighting in a game, competition, debate, etc.
43. private phi_____opy *n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
44. tre_____us amount *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
45. mi_____l amount *adj.* tiny in amount; the least possible
46. fr_____te other team members *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

ANSWERS: 36. corporation, 37. amazing, 38. debate, 39. democracy, 40. altitude, 41. separate, 42. opponent, 43. philanthropy, 44. tremendous, 45. minimal, 46. frustrate

47. 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
48. en_____ge antisocial behavior *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
49. a zi__y girl *adj.* lively, energetic, and quick
50. p__p a secret out of success *v.* to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities
51. recent su___y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
52. te___r a horse *v.* to tie or secure an animal, person, or object with a rope, chain, or other similar devices to prevent it from moving too far away; (noun) a rope or chain used to tie up or restrain an animal, such as a horse or dog
53. ch_____y available *adv.* in a stingy or inexpensive manner
54. m_r the reputation *v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
55. au_____ed way *adj.* carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor

ANSWERS: 47. planet, 48. encourage, 49. zippy, 50. pump, 51. survey, 52. tether, 53. cheaply, 54. mar, 55. automated

56. historical co____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
57. ex____d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
58. a_h tree *n.* the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation
59. bo____g day *adj.* lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull
60. without in____y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
61. e__l ways *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
62. eff______ly combined *adv.* in a way that produces maximum output with minimum effort or expense
63. common in____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
64. en____ge a sense of affinity *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

ANSWERS: 56. context, 57. expand, 58. ash, 59. boring, 60. injury, 61. evil, 62. efficiently, 63. invention, 64. encourage

65. na____e an event *v.* to tell a story or give an account of events, often in a chronological or logical sequence; to provide a voiceover or commentary for a film or other media
66. pr____ct for gold *n.* the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
67. co____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
68. fr____te the advancement *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
69. am__e and entertain visitors *v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
70. sc____d all the time *adj.* afraid or frightened
71. wi____ll blades *n.* a machine that uses wind power to generate mechanical energy or electricity
72. a charm against e__l *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
73. abs____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

ANSWERS: 65. narrate, 66. prospect, 67. communal, 68. frustrate, 69. amaze, 70. scared, 71. windmill, 72. evil, 73. absolutely

74. cy__r bullying *adj.* relating to or involving computers, computer networks, or virtual reality
75. get into a m__s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
76. ex_____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
77. western phi_____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
78. ac_____e knowledge *v.* to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself
79. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
80. mu__y perfume *adj.* having a strong, earthy smell that is often reminiscent of musk or moss
81. the meridian al_____de *n.* the height of an object or point in relation to sea level or ground level
82. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
83. the event ho_____n of a black hole *n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
84. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

ANSWERS: 74. cyber, 75. mess, 76. exciting, 77. philosophy, 78. acquire, 79. innovation, 80. musky, 81. altitude, 82. possibility, 83. horizon, 84. democracy

85. aut_____lly adjusted *adv.* without needing a direct human control
86. a criminal bac_____nd *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
87. the m__h of a basket *n.* a material made of a network of wire, plastic, or thread
88. the branch of neu_____nce *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
89. pro_____on of disease *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
90. annual tu_____er *n.* the amount of business or economic activity that is generated within a specific period of time; the rate at which people leave or are replaced in a job or organization, often expressed as a percentage
91. mu__y aroma *adj.* having a strong, earthy smell that is often reminiscent of musk or moss
92. enforce rev_____ary justice *adj.* relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change
93. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
94. bo___g work *adj.* lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull

ANSWERS: 85. automatically, 86. background, 87. mesh, 88. neuroscience, 89. progression, 90. turnover, 91. musky, 92. revolutionary, 93. context, 94. boring

95. di_____ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
96. a meteorological sa_____te *n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
97. the fas_____on with classical music *n.* the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction
98. n__d neck *n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
99. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
100. boundless cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
101. mi_____l effort *adj.* tiny in amount; the least possible
102. pr_____le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
103. business ho_____n *n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
104. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

ANSWERS: 95. disappear, 96. satellite, 97. fascination, 98. nerd, 99. discovery, 100. curiosity, 101. minimal, 102. principle, 103. horizon, 104. debate

105. small in_____nts *n.* a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important
106. dis_____nt the audience *v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
107. pr_____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
108. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
109. ad_____on of vectors *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
110. wild l__n *n.* a large migratory bird, typically having a haunting cry and known for its diving and swimming abilities; (an offensive word) a foolish or crazy person
111. steel with ch___e accents *n.* a type of polished metal that is highly reflective and has a mirror-like finish; a web browser developed by Google
112. electronic de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
113. majority of his we___h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

ANSWERS: 105. increment, 106. disappoint, 107. principle, 108. improvisation, 109. addition, 110. loon, 111. chrome, 112. device, 113. wealth

114. ch___e iron ore *n.* a type of polished metal that is highly reflective and has a mirror-like finish; a web browser developed by Google
115. rev_____ary change *adj.* relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change
116. em_____ee benefits *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
117. the rem_____le breadth of knowledge *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
118. a_m to be a nurse *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
119. clothing r__k *n.* a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish
120. su_____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
121. ac_____e a new company *v.* to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself
122. com_____ize idea *v.* to make something available for sale or use on a large scale
123. de___e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
124. pi__l density *n.* the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image

ANSWERS: 114. chrome, 115. revolutionary, 116. employee, 117. remarkable, 118. aim, 119. rack, 120. suddenly, 121. acquire, 122. commercialize, 123. define, 124. pixel

125. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
126. principles of un_____al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
127. p__p blood throughout the body *v.* to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities
128. wi_____ll energy *n.* a machine that uses wind power to generate mechanical energy or electricity
129. a comprehensive su____y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
130. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
131. a me_____l opinion *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
132. basic br__n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
133. 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

ANSWERS: 125. conversation, 126. universal, 127. pump, 128. windmill, 129. survey, 130. brain, 131. medical, 132. brain, 133. planet

134. flop down in di___y *n.* a feeling of discouragement, distress, or anxiety caused by something unexpected or unwelcome; a sudden loss of courage or confidence
135. sc___d dog *adj.* afraid or frightened
136. a cr___y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
137. a heavy sc_____le *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
138. la___h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
139. s_y milk *n.* a legume plant that is widely cultivated for its edible bean, which has many uses, such as for oil, food, and animal feed
140. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
141. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
142. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
143. tr_____c jam *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

ANSWERS: 134. dismay, 135. scared, 136. crazy, 137. schedule, 138. launch, 139. soy, 140. conversation, 141. communal, 142. absolutely, 143. traffic

144. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
145. gu___y verdict *adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
146. cl___y robot *adj.* heavy, awkward, and old-fashioned; not graceful and clumsy in style, form, or movement
147. co_____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
148. a GPS sa_____te *n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
149. travel in_____to *adv.* in disguise or under a false identity; without revealing one's true identity or purpose
150. fu_____on properly *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
151. tie c___p *n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip

ANSWERS: 144. innovation, 145. guilty, 146. clunky, 147. combine, 148. satellite, 149. incognito, 150. function, 151. clip

152. cl___y phrasing *adj.* heavy, awkward, and old-fashioned; not graceful and clumsy in style, form, or movement
153. ob___s over her weight *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
154. au_____ed manual transmission *adj.* carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor
155. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
156. st___le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
157. he is kept under sur_____nce *n.* the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected
158. satisfy my intellectual cu_____ty *n.* a strong desire to know or learn about something
159. di_____e prevention *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
160. ex___d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
161. political ar__a *n.* a large, flat area, often circular or oval-shaped, designed to showcase theatre, musical performances, or sporting events
162. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

ANSWERS: 152. clunky, 153. obsess, 154. automated, 155. locate, 156. struggle, 157. surveillance, 158. curiosity, 159. disease, 160. expand, 161. arena, 162. excite

163. st_____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
164. ro_____y explain my idea *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
165. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
166. 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
167. phi_____opy organization *n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
168. sp_____er irrigation *n.* a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting
169. a computer n__d *n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
170. l__n call *n.* a large migratory bird, typically having a haunting cry and known for its diving and swimming abilities; (an offensive word) a foolish or crazy person
171. un_____al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

ANSWERS: 163. struggle, 164. roughly, 165. background, 166. ph, 167. philanthropy, 168. sprinkler, 169. nerd, 170. loon, 171. universal

172. vo___o curse *n.* a religion or set of spiritual beliefs and practices that originated in West Africa and the Caribbean, characterized by the worship of spirits, ritual dance, and the use of talismans and charms; also used to describe something mysterious, inexplicable, or magical
173. su_____se team activity *v.* to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility
174. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
175. phi_____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
176. indoor ar__a *n.* a large, flat area, often circular or oval-shaped, designed to showcase theatre, musical performances, or sporting events
177. am__e everyone *v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
178. pa_____er tuning *n.* a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data
179. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
180. em_____ee evaluation *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
181. con_____ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

ANSWERS: 172. voodoo, 173. supervise, 174. obvious, 175. philosophy, 176. arena, 177. amaze, 178. parameter, 179. crazy, 180. employee, 181. confidence

182. rec_____on award *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
183. pr_____y abuse *n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
184. s_y allergy *n.* a legume plant that is widely cultivated for its edible bean, which has many uses, such as for oil, food, and animal feed
185. ec_____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
186. sur_____nce cameras *n.* the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected
187. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
188. ex_____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
189. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
190. learn new co_____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract

ANSWERS: 182. recognition, 183. privacy, 184. soy, 185. economy, 186. surveillance, 187. improvisation, 188. exciting, 189. possibility, 190. concept

191. steady in_____ntal growth *n.* a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important
192. trespass on a person's pr_____y *n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
193. job pr_____cts *n.* the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals
194. record driving aut_____lly *adv.* without needing a direct human control
195. temporary me_____l treatment *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
196. die su_____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
197. feel a bit gu_____y *adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
198. ro_____y speaking *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
199. road sp_____er *n.* a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting
200. have a whole m____s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy

ANSWERS: 191. increment, 192. privacy, 193. prospect, 194. automatically, 195. medical, 196. suddenly, 197. guilty, 198. roughly, 199. sprinkler, 200. mess

201. an ove_____ing victory *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
202. short video c__p *n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
203. get a r_p *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
204. arrange my sc_____le *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
205. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
206. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
207. social dis_____ce *n.* an action that causes harm or damage; something that is detrimental or disadvantageous; the opposite of a favor
208. develop software more eff_____ly *adv.* in a way that produces maximum output with minimum effort or expense
209. tec_____cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
210. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

ANSWERS: 201. overwhelming, 202. clip, 203. rap, 204. schedule, 205. government, 206. imaginary, 207. disservice, 208. efficiently, 209. technological, 210. fundamental

211. im_____nt a corporate strategy *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
212. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
213. death-penalty op_____nt *n.* a person against whom you are playing or fighting in a game, competition, debate, etc.
214. early-stage st_____up *n.* a newly established company or business
215. la___h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
216. lo___e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
217. tr_____rt facilities *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
218. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
219. im_____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
220. ba_____n ride *n.* a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated
221. the problem of drug ab___e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
222. pa_____er estimation *n.* a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data

ANSWERS: 211. implement, 212. define, 213. opponent, 214. start-up, 215. launch, 216. locate, 217. transport, 218. obvious, 219. improve, 220. balloon, 221. abuse, 222. parameter

223. not no____ly drink much *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
224. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
225. c__p herbicide *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food
226. complete no____ly *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
227. na____e a news article *v.* to tell a story or give an account of events, often in a chronological or logical sequence; to provide a voiceover or commentary for a film or other media
228. co____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
229. zi__y speed *adj.* lively, energetic, and quick
230. a_t bite *n.* a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups
231. material we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
232. te____r strap *v.* to tie or secure an animal, person, or object with a rope, chain, or other similar devices to prevent it from moving too far away; (noun) a rope or chain used to tie up or restrain an animal, such as a horse or dog
233. rem____le achievement *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
234. ex____e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

ANSWERS: 223. normally, 224. amazing, 225. crop, 226. normally, 227. narrate, 228. concept, 229. zippy, 230. ant, 231. wealth, 232. tether, 233. remarkable, 234. excite

235. buy stock ch____y *adv.* in a stingy or inexpensive manner
236. re____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
237. ba____n into a severe political problem *n.* a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated
238. a m__h fence *n.* a material made of a network of wire, plastic, or thread
239. boost my con_____ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
240. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
241. access to public tr_____rt *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
242. 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
243. rag d__l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
244. c__p field *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

ANSWERS: 235. cheaply, 236. release, 237. balloon, 238. mesh, 239. confidence, 240. fundamental, 241. transport, 242. ph, 243. doll, 244. crop

245. fa_____te the public *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
246. plastic d__l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
247. he is ob___sed with the fear *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
248. color pi__ls *n.* the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image
249. im_____nt security measures *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
250. an_____us letter *adj.* having no known name, identity, or known source
251. tec_____cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
252. fa_____te the young *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
253. d_t blot method *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
254. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
255. a theoretical concept in neu_____nce *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
256. ove_____ing majority *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

ANSWERS: 245. fascinate, 246. doll, 247. obsess, 248. pixel, 249. implement, 250. anonymous, 251. technological, 252. fascinate, 253. dot, 254. imaginary, 255. neuroscience, 256. overwhelming

257. an_____us house *adj.* having no known name, identity, or known source
258. tracking de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
259. victim of sexual ab___e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
260. co_____e the value *v.* to make a mathematical calculation
261. r_p music *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
262. connecting the d_ts *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
263. soda a_h *n.* the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation
264. di_____e control *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
265. a_m at a specific target *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
266. im_____e a process *v.* to make or become better

ANSWERS: 257. anonymous, 258. device, 259. abuse, 260. compute, 261. rap, 262. dot, 263. ash, 264. disease, 265. aim, 266. improve

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. They watched the train _____ into the distance.
v. to cease to exist or be visible
2. Corruption is an _____ act for any reason.
adj. profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
3. I looked at the painting in _____.
n. the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction
4. He was attempting to confuse his _____.
n. a person against whom you are playing or fighting in a game, competition, debate, etc.
5. I'm _____ of insects.
adj. afraid or frightened
6. We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction _____ on the main road.
n. the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
7. She received several _____ calls.
adj. having no known name, identity, or known source

ANSWERS: 1. disappear, 2. evil, 3. fascination, 4. opponent, 5. scared, 6. traffic, 7. anonymous

8. We had a _____ time yesterday.
adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
9. The countryside was dotted with picturesque _____.
n. a machine that uses wind power to generate mechanical energy or electricity
10. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
11. The _____ fabric was breathable and comfortable to wear.
n. a material made of a network of wire, plastic, or thread
12. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.
n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
13. The hiker _____ their dog to a tree while they camped for the night.
v. to tie or secure an animal, person, or object with a rope, chain, or other similar devices to prevent it from moving too far away; (noun) a rope or chain used to tie up or restrain an animal, such as a horse or dog
14. The lab is developing an _____ robot that assists in dangerous construction work.
n. a robot with a human appearance; (operating system) Google's mobile operating system
15. Necessity is the mother of _____.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

ANSWERS: 8. tremendous, 9. windmills, 10. locate, 11. mesh, 12. Democracy, 13. tethered, 14. android, 15. invention

16. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

17. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

18. We can find many large _____ mounds in this area.

n. a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups

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

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

20. The antique _____ was worth thousands of dollars.

n. a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive

21. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

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

22. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

23. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

ANSWERS: 16. possibility, 17. crazy, 18. ant, 19. background, 20. doll, 21. government, 22. Technological, 23. conversation

24. Ethics is a branch of _____.
- n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
25. It would be a great _____ not to recognize her achievements in the field.
- n.* an action that causes harm or damage; something that is detrimental or disadvantageous; the opposite of a favor
26. The employees expressed their _____ at the sudden announcement of massive layoffs.
- n.* a feeling of discouragement, distress, or anxiety caused by something unexpected or unwelcome; a sudden loss of courage or confidence
27. So far, the meeting is going according to _____.
- n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
28. Who answers _____ knows little.
- adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
29. The _____ system kept the lawn green and healthy.
- n.* a device that sprays water over a large area used especially for watering crops or gardens or for firefighting
30. The lecture was so _____ that many people fell asleep.
- adj.* lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull
31. The bakery's _____ increased after it introduced a new line of pastries.
- n.* the amount of business or economic activity that is generated within a specific period of time; the rate at which people leave or are replaced in a job or organization, often expressed as a percentage

ANSWERS: 24. philosophy, 25. disservice, 26. dismay, 27. schedule, 28. suddenly, 29. sprinkler, 30. boring, 31. turnover

32. They _____ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.
- v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
33. Children _____ language at a fantastic rate.
- v. to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself
34. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.
- v. to make or become better
35. The plant will continue operating through an _____ system 24 hours a day.
- adj. carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor
36. 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
37. He made a frightful _____ in his room.
- n. a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
38. I always carry a backup _____ in case my phone runs out of battery.
- n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
39. 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: 32. encouraged, 33. acquire, 34. improve, 35. automated, 36. medical, 37. mess, 38. device, 39. ph

40. The computer screen comprises thousands of tiny _____ that create the overall picture.

n. the smallest unit of an image that can be displayed or manipulated electronically, typically a point of light on a computer screen or in a digital image

41. The election was a _____ success for the Whigs.

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

42. The _____ of starting a new business can be both exciting and daunting.

n. the possibility or likelihood of something happening or being successful; a person or thing that is likely to succeed or become popular; a potential customer or client; (verb) to explore for useful or valuable things or substances, such as minerals

43. The scratches on the car _____ its otherwise perfect appearance.

v. to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something

44. The plane flew at a high _____ to avoid turbulence.

n. the height of an object or point in relation to sea level or ground level

45. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

46. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

47. The _____ leader inspired others to join the fight for freedom and democracy.

adj. relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change

ANSWERS: 40. pixels, 41. remarkable, 42. prospect, 43. marred, 44. altitude, 45. obvious, 46. launch, 47. revolutionary

48. Enhanced rail _____ is crucial for our business.

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

49. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

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

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

51. Our company's services are targeted at _____ executives.

n. a newly established company or business

52. This conduct would be an invasion of _____.

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

53. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.

n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

54. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

55. The volcanic ____ covered the island after the eruption.

n. the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation

ANSWERS: 48. transportation, 49. exciting, 50. absolutely, 51. start-up, 52. privacy, 53. context, 54. concept, 55. ash

56. The process was carried out at _____ cost.

adj. tiny in amount; the least possible

57. Some people believe in the power of _____ to heal or harm others.

n. a religion or set of spiritual beliefs and practices that originated in West Africa and the Caribbean, characterized by the worship of spirits, ritual dance, and the use of talismans and charms; also used to describe something mysterious, inexplicable, or magical

58. We ___ for an overseas expansion.

v. to try or plan to get or achieve something

59. The _____ little sports car was fun to drive.

adj. lively, energetic, and quick

60. I need to buy a new coat _____ to organize my winter jackets.

n. a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish

61. We can resolve support requests quickly and _____ by utilization of AI.

adv. in a way that produces maximum output with minimum effort or expense

62. The company is trying to _____ its new product.

v. to make something available for sale or use on a large scale

63. Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for _____ of authority.

n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner

ANSWERS: 56. minimal, 57. voodoo, 58. aim, 59. zippy, 60. rack, 61. efficiently, 62. commercialize, 63. abuse

64. The magic tricks _____ the children.

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

65. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.

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

66. The shiny _____ finish on the car caught the sunlight and sparkled.

n. a type of polished metal that is highly reflective and has a mirror-like finish; a web browser developed by Google

67. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.

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

68. The company has made great strides in its _____ toward sustainability.

n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

69. The _____ handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

n. a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

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

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

71. _____ espionage between countries can have serious consequences.

adj. relating to or involving computers, computer networks, or virtual reality

72. I don't _____ take a vacation in the middle of summer.

adv. usually; under normal conditions

ANSWERS: 64. fascinated, 65. expand, 66. chrome, 67. fundamental, 68. progression, 69. employee, 70. release, 71. Cyber, 72. normally

73. Many people use ____ sauce for sushi, stir-fries, and marinades.

- n.* a legume plant that is widely cultivated for its edible bean, which has many uses, such as for oil, food, and animal feed

74. Little children tend to have _____ friends.

- adj.* existing only in someone's mind

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

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

76. The audiobook hired a professional actor to _____ the story, making it more engaging for listeners.

- v.* to tell a story or give an account of events, often in a chronological or logical sequence; to provide a voiceover or commentary for a film or other media

77. As the sun set, the colors of the sky merged with the _____ creating a beautiful orange and pink hue.

- n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated

78. Our subscription plan is _____ renewed.

- adv.* without needing a direct human control

79. The temperature range was one of the critical _____ we had to consider when designing the experiment.

- n.* a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data

80. He's utterly _____ with his promotion.

- v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

ANSWERS: 73. soy, 74. imaginary, 75. clip, 76. narrate, 77. horizon, 78. automatically, 79. parameters, 80. obsessed

81. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.
v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
82. You can live very _____ in Southeast Asia.
adv. in a stingy or inexpensive manner
83. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
84. The government promised to _____ a new system to control the financial crisis.
v. to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
85. We spotted a common _____ swimming gracefully in the lake.
n. a large migratory bird, typically having a haunting cry and known for its diving and swimming abilities; (an offensive word) a foolish or crazy person
86. Her research team made an important _____.
n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
87. The celebrity went _____ to avoid being recognized by fans at the airport.
adv. in disguise or under a false identity; without revealing one's true identity or purpose
88. Launching an artificial _____ contributed to the technological development of our country.
n. an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.

ANSWERS: 81. define, 82. cheaply, 83. Communal, 84. implement, 85. loon, 86. discovery, 87. incognito, 88. satellite

89. The new ____ album is getting a lot of attention.

n. a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

90. The _____ scent of the old book filled the air of the dusty library.

adj. having a strong, earthy smell that is often reminiscent of musk or moss

91. The wallpaper had a pattern of pink _____ on a white surface.

n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed

92. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.

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

93. We are motivated by _____ rather than necessity.

n. a strong desire to know or learn about something

94. Refined character portrayal makes up for _____ gameplay.

adj. heavy, awkward, and old-fashioned; not graceful and clumsy in style, form, or movement

95. The magician's tricks _____ the audience.

v. to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration

96. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

n. the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 89. rap, 90. musky, 91. dots, 92. brain, 93. curiosity, 94. clunky, 95. amazed, 96. economy

97. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.
- n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
98. After much contemplation, the suspect decided to plead _____ to the theft charge.
- adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
99. The novel contains a criticism of the _____ society.
- n.* the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected
100. She worked very hard not to _____ her boss's expectations.
- v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
101. He was given _____ for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.
- n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
102. Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral _____.
- n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
103. The news of her promotion _____ her.
- v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
104. She was asked to _____ the construction project.
- v.* to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility

ANSWERS: 97. debate, 98. guilty, 99. surveillance, 100. disappoint, 101. recognition, 102. neuroscience, 103. excited, 104. supervise

105. He was, by nature, a cyber _____.

- n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.

106. The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's _____.

- n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

107. He was alert and could not _____ any critical information out of him.

- v.* to cause water, air, gas, etc. to move from one place to another by using mechanical equipment; to get or supply something such as money, information, etc. in significant quantities

108. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.

- n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

109. The company is planning to build a 20,000-seat _____ with a retractable roof.

- n.* a large, flat area, often circular or oval-shaped, designed to showcase theatre, musical performances, or sporting events

110. Sow early for an early _____.

- n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

111. He could not _____ against temptation.

- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

ANSWERS: 105. nerd, 106. function, 107. pump, 108. wealth, 109. arena, 110. crop, 111. struggle

112. I tried to _____ the efficiency of the investment.

v. to make a mathematical calculation

113. He has shown signs of uneasiness and _____ worry.

adj. very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

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

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

115. The doctor diagnosed him with a rare _____ that had no known cure.

n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

116. The satellite _____ slowly ascended into the sky.

n. a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated

117. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

118. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

119. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

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

ANSWERS: 112. compute, 113. overwhelming, 114. intelligence, 115. disease, 116. balloon, 117. improvisation, 118. combine, 119. innovation

120. Five miles is _____ similar to eight kilometers.

adv. approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

121. 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

122. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

123. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

124. Skill and _____ are an unconquered army.

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

125. The coach explained a strategy to _____ the opponent's schemes to the players.

v. to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

126. Four companies were amalgamated into a single _____.

n. a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

127. The bid _____ for this auction is \$100.

n. a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important

ANSWERS: 120. roughly, 121. planet, 122. principle, 123. amazing, 124. confidence, 125. frustrate, 126. corporation, 127. increment

128. That _____ shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.
n. an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
129. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.
n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
130. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.
v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
131. The picture earned near-_____ acclaim from critics.
adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
132. Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on _____.
n. the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
133. My accidental _____ got better right away.
n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

ANSWERS: 128. survey, 129. addition, 130. separate, 131. universal, 132. philanthropy, 133. injury