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Session 1: Word List

adversity

n. difficulties or hardships that someone faces

synonym : hardship, difficulty, trial

(1) environmental **adversity**, (2) struggling with **adversity**

The team demonstrated great resilience in the face of **adversity** and won the game.

strike

v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

synonym : hit, impact, influence

(1) **strike** up a conversation, (2) **strike** a blow

We **strike** to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

strength

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

synonym : resilience, power, muscles

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

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

wisdom

n. the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions

synonym : sagacity, discernment, insight

(1) a fountain of **wisdom**, (2) **wisdom** literature

The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's **wisdom**.

irrelevant

adj. not connected with or related to something and therefore not important

synonym: unrelated, immaterial, extrinsic

(1) an **irrelevant** thought, (2) do something **irrelevant**

They removed **irrelevant** content from the slides.

forge

v. to fashion or shape metal by heating it and hammering it into shape; to create or develop something new or original; to form strong bonds or relationships with others

synonym: create, build, establish

(1) **forge** an alliance, (2) **forge** iron

She had to **forge** her father's signature on the permission slip because he was out of town.

offspring

n. descendant; any immature animal or plant

synonym: children, descendants, heirs

(1) female **offspring**, (2) produce **offspring**

How many **offspring** does the average lion have?

severe

adj. extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous

synonym: harsh, relentless, powerful

(1) **severe** heat, (2) a **severe** case of pneumonia

The senator received **severe** criticism from his opponent.

disability

n. a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do

synonym: impairment, disadvantage, restriction

(1) a **disability** pension, (2) a learning **disability**

Listening to music at a high volume may lead to a hearing **disability**.

handle

v. to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
synonym: control, manage, deal with

(1) **handle** a precious object, (2) **handled** the incident
We all should learn how to **handle** stress.

preordain

v. to determine or decree something in advance; to believe or accept that an outcome is predetermined by a higher power or fate

synonym: predestine, predetermine, fate

(1) **preordain** the sequence of events, (2) **preordain** my future

Some people believe that a higher power **preordains** everything that happens in life.

grade

n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

synonym: score, rate, degree

(1) boys in the twelfth **grade**, (2) students at all **grade** levels
Departments may set requirements for a higher **grade** point average.

invite

v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

synonym: ask, request, summon

(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism

We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

assume

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

synonym: guess, presume, suppose

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

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

fudge

n. a sweet candy made of sugar, butter, and milk or cream; an act of adjusting, manipulating, or distorting something

to make it more favorable or acceptable; (verb) to manipulate or alter something deceptively or dishonestly, especially data or information

synonym: candy, confection, fakery

(1) chocolate **fudge**, (2) **fudge** the truth during the interview
The movie was a complete **fudge** and a waste of time.

nickname

n. a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name

synonym: moniker, sobriquet, handle

(1) endearing **nickname**, (2) **nickname** for a person

The team has a **nickname** for their star player: "The Ace."

shorthand

n. a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something

synonym: stenography, speedwriting, tachygraphy

(1) learn **shorthand**, (2) write in **shorthand**

The secretary's **shorthand** was so good that she could type up meeting minutes within minutes.

cohort

n. a group of people who share a common characteristic, experience, or background and are usually studied as a single unit in research or analysis; a companion or ally

synonym: group, team, squad

(1) **cohort** study, (2) business **cohort**

The **cohort** of students from the science program graduated with top honors.

chant

n. a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

synonym: hymn, mantra, (verb) recite

(1) **chant** melodies, (2) **chant** in the chapel

The soccer game crowd broke into a **chant** of "Go, team, go!"

provocation

n. action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired

synonym : agitation, incitement, stimulus

(1) **provocation** tactics, (2) verbal **provocation**

The politician's speech was seen as a **provocation** to the opposition party.

homosexual

adj. sexually attracted to people of one's own sex

synonym : gay, same-sex attracted

(1) **homosexual** rights, (2) **homosexual** marriage

The law was repealed to protect the rights of **homosexual** citizens.

develop

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

synonym : evolve, progress, advance

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

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

feces

n. waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement

synonym : poop, stool, excrement

(1) **feces** sample, (2) human **feces**

Proper disposal of **feces** is essential for maintaining public health and sanitation.

incontinence

n. the involuntary leakage of urine or feces from the body

synonym : leakage, urinary incontinence, fecal incontinence

(1) urinary **incontinence**, (2) fecal **incontinence**

The elderly patient is experiencing **incontinence** and requires assistance with toileting.

trauma

n. an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience

synonym: agony, injury, ordeal

(1) psychic **trauma**, (2) **trauma** care

Many civilians have suffered **trauma** as a result of the war.

sphincter

n. a circular muscle that regulates the flow of material through a passage or opening, such as the anus or a valve in the digestive system

synonym: valve, muscle ring

(1) urinary **sphincter**, (2) anal **sphincter**

The digestive system's **sphincter** muscle helps regulate the food and waste flow.

graduated

adj. having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees

synonym: completed, finished, earned

(1) **graduated** taxation, (2) **graduated** flask

She was a **graduated** student of a prestigious university.

cafeteria

n. a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.

synonym: canteen, mess hall, restaurant

(1) **cafeteria** lunch, (2) office **cafeteria**

The university's **cafeteria** was busy with students and staff grabbing a quick lunch.

survive

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

synonym: endure, persist, stay

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

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

incorporate

v. to include something as a part of a larger entity

synonym: contain, integrate, amalgamate

(1) **incorporate** the current trends, (2) **incorporate**

technology into daily life

We will attempt to **incorporate** some of your suggestions into our future strategy.

identity

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

synonym: character, personality, individuality

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

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

narrative

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

synonym: the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**

The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

triumph

n. a great victory or achievement

synonym: victory, success, conquest

(1) **triumph** of democracy, (2) **triumph** of the spirit

The team's **triumph** in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.

evince

v. to demonstrate or show clearly; to make evident or manifest; to display or exhibit a quality, feeling, or characteristic

synonym: show, reveal, demonstrate

(1) **evince** clear reasoning, (2) **evince** strong emotions

The company's financial statements **evinced** a decline in profits.

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.

adolescent

n. a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult

synonym: teen, preadult, youth

(1) **adolescent** girl, (2) pre- **adolescent** children

Timely education about birth control might help reduce **adolescent** pregnancies.

dam

n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

synonym: barricade, barrier, embankment

(1) **dam-building** program, (2) **dam** collapsing

The break in the **dam** threatened the valley.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym: affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym: association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

pity

n. a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain

synonym: sympathy, compassion, mercy

(1) allow self- **pity**, (2) **pity** speech

It is a **pity** that the concert had to be canceled due to the storm.

evolve

v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

synonym: develop, mature, grow

(1) **evolve**, (2) **evolve** over the past decade

Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

grandchild

n. a child of someone's son or daughter

synonym: offspring, descendant, progeny

(1) **grandchild-grandparent** relationship, (2) **grandchild** development

The grandparents take care of their **grandchild** while the parents are at work.

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.

gender

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

synonym: sexuality

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

Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

victim

n. a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

synonym: prey, target, sufferer

(1) **victim** support, (2) **victim** compensation

The **victim** of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

survivor

n. a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died

synonym : subsister

(1) ovarian cancer **survivor**, (2) a single **survivor**

The shipwreck **survivor** was rescued after floating in the ocean for three days.

involve

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

synonym : implicate, include, engage

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

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

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.

substitute

n. a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one

synonym : alternate, replacement, reserve

(1) **substitute** coffee, (2) **substitute** teacher

I **substitute** skim milk for regular milk because we are on a strict diet.

cancer

n. abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

synonym : tumor, carcinoma, malignancy

(1) **cancer** diagnosis, (2) **cancer** research

Breast **cancer** is the most common type of cancer in women.

ashamed

adj. feeling guilt, embarrassment, or remorse about something because of something you have done

synonym : regretful, repentant, mortified

(1) feel **ashamed** of him, (2) cast **ashamed** eyes

You don't have to be **ashamed**.

mantra

n. a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation

synonym : hymn, chant, phrase

(1) campaign **mantra**, (2) chant the **mantra** of structural reform

She repeated her personal **mantra** to herself to stay motivated.

stigmatize

v. to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect

synonym : brand, mark, denounce

(1) **stigmatize** the deviant as criminal, (2) **stigmatize** him as a swindler

She was **stigmatized** by society because she had a child out of wedlock.

accommodate

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

synonym : house, rent, adjust

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

This large SUV **accommodates** eight people.

constrain

v. to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something

synonym : restrict, limit, confine

(1) **constrain** his freedom, (2) **constrain** information flow

The political situation **constrained** the country's economic growth and foreign relations.

constitute

v. to be the essential or fundamental elements or parts of something; to establish, appoint, or assign someone to a particular office or position; to make up or compose something

synonym : comprise, form, make up

(1) **constitute** a threat, (2) **constitute** a majority

The new regulations **constitute** a significant change in the industry standards.

valid

adj. having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable

synonym : proper, reasonable, useful

(1) a **valid** contract, (2) a ticket **valid** for two days

Your credit card is no longer **valid**.

precious

adj. uncommon and extremely valuable

synonym : adored, cherished, valued

(1) price of **precious** metals, (2) **precious** information

We cannot afford to squander **precious** time.

anticipate

v. to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance

synonym : forecast, predict, expect

(1) **anticipate** your kind cooperation, (2) **anticipate** a black future

We **anticipate** heavy snowfall tomorrow.

committed

adj. willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

synonym : devoted, faithful, attached

(1) in a **committed** relationship, (2) strong and **committed** sales staff

Our company is strongly **committed** to meeting customers' needs.

offense

n. an illegal act; a feeling of anger caused by a perceived insult to or disregard for oneself; the action of attacking

an enemy

synonym: crime, violation, insult

(1) minor traffic **offenses**, (2) a first **offense**

Parental indifference to their children leads to juvenile **offenses**.

solitary

adj. existing, living, or doing without others

synonym: lonely, unsociable, singular

(1) use of **solitary** confinement, (2) a **solitary** traveler

He never uttered a **solitary** word.

confinement

n. the act of confining or limiting movement, often by keeping someone in a specific place or within a specific area; a state of being physically or emotionally restricted or limited

synonym: captivity, imprisonment, detention

(1) **confinement** cell, (2) house **confinement**

The prisoner spent months in solitary **confinement**.

grateful

adj. feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful

synonym: thankful, appreciative, indebted

(1) a **grateful** breeze, (2) put a **grateful** expression

She was **grateful** for the help he provided.

jail

n. a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison

synonym: prison, slammer, penitentiary

(1) county **jail**, (2) be in **jail**

The police escorted the prisoner to the **jail**.

meditation

n. the act of focusing one's mind on a particular object or thought; activity to train attention and achieve a mentally clear and emotionally calm and stable state

synonym: contemplation, reflection, introspection

(1) **meditation** training, (2) religious **meditation**

The **meditation** instructor guided the group through the

relaxation and breathing exercises.

travail

n. prolonged, difficult, or exhausting labor or physical work; a painful or laborious effort or struggle

synonym: labor, toil, hardship

(1) physical **travail**, (2) laborious **travail**

The artist's **travail** in perfecting the details of the painting paid off in the end.

crucial

adj. extremely vital or necessary

synonym: essential, pivotal, vital

(1) **crucial** information, (2) a **crucial** issue for women

The revitalization of technology companies is **crucial** to the country's growth.

thrill

n. a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

synonym: exhilaration, delight, rush

(1) the **thrill** of speed, (2) incredible **thrill**

Skydiving is an overwhelming **thrill** for many people.

reform

n. the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem

synonym: change, modify, improve

(1) economic **reform**, (2) **reform** movement

The government is proposing a **reform** to the healthcare system to make it more accessible and affordable for all citizens.

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym: procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**
The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

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.

grace

n. a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal

synonym: charm, poise, elegance

(1) say a **grace**, (2) end of the **grace** period

The old oak tree stood with **grace** and majesty in the park's center.

grievance

n. a real or imagined cause for complaint or protest, especially regarding an unfair or unjust treatment

synonym: complaint, grudge, injustice

(1) file a **grievance**, (2) a minor **grievance**

She had a legitimate **grievance** with her employer over unequal pay.

glamorous

adj. highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people

synonym: alluring, bewitching, enchanting

(1) **glamorous** movie stars, (2) cast **glamorous** eyes

The south coast is less **glamorous** yet has many clean and appealing hotels.

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

synonym: transition, change, modification

(1) Doppler **shift**, (2) major paradigm **shift**

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

erase

v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
synonym: wipe out, delete, obliterate

(1) **erase** a memory, (2) **erased** the files

He attempted to **erase** the misspelled word.

concession

n. something that is granted or given up, often in a negotiation or argument; a place or stand where goods or services are sold or provided, often in a public setting such as a stadium or amusement park

synonym: agreement, compromise, deal

(1) an oil **concession**, (2) make a **concession**

The movie theater offered a special **concession** for seniors on Tuesdays.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

crumb

n. a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something

synonym: fragment, particle, bit

(1) **crumb** of information, (2) bread **crumb**

My dog found a **crumb** on the floor and quickly ate it.

mad

adj. insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

synonym: crazy, insane, furious

(1) a **mad** person, (2) gets **mad** easily

He was **mad** with joy to see the results.

hell

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

difficult place

synonym: inferno, agony, misery

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

The battlefield became **hell** on earth.

remotely

adv. at a distance; not directly or easily accessible

synonym: distantly, remotely, slightly

(1) **remotely** operate, (2) control **remotely**

The company can **remotely** access its employees' computers for troubleshooting purposes.

gay

adj. homosexual; happy, carefree

synonym: cheerful, lively, joyful

(1) **gay** couple, (2) **gay** rights

The **gay** pride parade was a celebration of diversity and acceptance.

prejudice

n. a thought or feeling that is unfair and makes no sense, mainly when it is formed without enough thought or knowledge

synonym: bias, preconception, predisposition

(1) deep-rooted **prejudice**, (2) color **prejudice**

This community is free of social **prejudice**.

privation

n. a state of lacking or deprivation, usually regarding necessities or comforts; the absence or deficiency of something essential, such as food, shelter, or clothing

synonym: deprivation, lack, want

(1) economic **privation**, (2) widespread **privation**

Living in extreme poverty, they faced constant **privation** and hardship.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym: farthestmost, outermost, fierce

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

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

straight

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

synonym : linear, honest, consecutive

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

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

enroll

v. to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service

synonym : register, enlist, join

(1) **enroll** at a college, (2) **enroll** in a school

I need to **enroll** in a cooking class to improve my culinary skills.

surrogate

adj. acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose

synonym : substitute, replacement, deputy

(1) **surrogate** pregnancy, (2) **surrogate** decision

The **surrogate** mother gave birth to a healthy baby for the couple who couldn't conceive independently.

therapy

n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.

synonym : antidote, medicine, treatment

(1) **therapy** for a patient, (2) field of gene **therapy**

I underwent aversion **therapy** for my addiction to alcohol.

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.

prescribe

v. (of a doctor) to advise and order the use of particular medicine or treatment for someone, especially in writing; to issue commands or orders for something

synonym : define, specify, stipulate

(1) **prescribe** a drug, (2) **prescribe** in the preceding paragraph

Federal bankruptcy laws **prescribed** the reorganization process.

prostitute

n. a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment

synonym : hooker, harlot, whore

(1) **prostitute** street, (2) a male **prostitute**

She turned to **prostitute** to make ends meet.

blond

adj. of a light, yellowish-brown or golden color, typically describing hair color; (also spelled "blonde") a female with such hair color

synonym : blonde, light-haired

(1) **blond** fuzz, (2) ash- **blond** ringlet

She is a natural **blond** and doesn't need to dye her hair.

eventually

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

synonym : finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

necrophilia

n. a psychological disorder characterized by an abnormal attraction to, fixation on, or sexual interest in corpses or the dead

synonym : necromania

(1) **necrophilia** pathology, (2) criminal **necrophilia**

He was committed to a mental institution due to his **necrophilia** tendencies.

morgue

n. a place where dead bodies are kept, particularly in preparation for burial or identification by their relatives or authorities

synonym : mortuary, funeral home, charnel house

(1) clinical **morgue**, (2) overcrowded **morgue**

The attendant at the **morgue** was responsible for cataloging the bodies and their respective information.

psyche

n. the human soul, mind, or spirit

synonym : mind, soul, spirit

(1) deep **psyche**, (2) **psyche** healing

The therapist helped her understand the workings of her **psyche** and how to cope with her anxiety.

hew

v. to chop or cut something, particularly wood, with an ax or other tool; to shape, carve, or form something using a sharp tool

synonym : cut, chop, carve

(1) **hew** my way through effort, (2) **hew** out a cave

He used a chisel to **hew** the wood into the shape of a bird.

pointless

adj. having no purpose or reason; serving no useful function; meaningless or senseless

synonym : meaningless, purposeless, worthless

(1) **pointless** argument, (2) **pointless** task

The meeting was considered **pointless** since nothing was accomplished.

torment

n. unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering

synonym : pain, suffering, agony

(1) **torment** of jealousy, (2) economic **torment**

The torturers inflicted great **torment** upon the prisoners.

purposeful

adj. having a specific aim or purpose; determined

synonym : determined, resolved, resolute

(1) **purposeful** series of actions, (2) at a **purposeful** pace
She had a **purposeful** look and was determined to complete the task.

impressive

adj. arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
synonym: impactful, remarkable, exceptional

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

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

delight

n. a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
synonym: pleasure, joy, satisfaction

(1) a tremor of **delight**, (2) with **delight**

The **delight** on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.

misfortune

n. an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble

synonym: adversity, calamity, tragedy

(1) economic **misfortune**, (2) a string of **misfortunes**

The flood was a great **misfortune** to the small town causing extensive damage.

infirmary

n. physical or mental weakness; a physical or mental ailment that makes one vulnerable or fragile

synonym: weakness, ailment, disability

(1) physical **infirmary**, (2) visual **infirmary**

The **infirmary** of old age made it difficult for her to walk up the stairs.

underground

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

synonym: subterranean, subsurface, confidential

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

Having **underground** parking has been very beneficial

throughout the winter.

dissident

n. a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary

synonym: dissenter, rebel, protester

(1) **dissident** activities, (2) outspoken **dissident**

The government's security forces constantly monitored the **dissident** politician.

insert

v. to put something inside something else

synonym: introduce, add, embed

(1) **insert** coin, (2) **insert** a graphic

She **inserted** a new chapter into her manuscript.

annihilate

v. to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist

synonym: destroy, obliterate, eradicate

(1) **annihilate** the enemy, (2) **annihilate** all doubts

The virus had the potential to **annihilate** entire populations if left unchecked.

angel

n. a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo

synonym: messenger, spirit, celestial being

(1) **angel** investors, (2) fallen **angel**

As she lay on her deathbed, a bright light appeared, and she saw a holy **angel** standing at the foot of her bed.

union

n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

synonym: alliance, coalition, confederation

(1) bank and credit **unions**, (2) a craft **union**

The trade **union** remained adamant about its demands.

chief

adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

synonym : essential, primary, leading

(1) **chief** accountant, (2) **chief** events of the year

Mining is a **chief** source of income for the country.

resistance

n. the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something

synonym : opposition, antagonism, defiance

(1) **resistance** movement, (2) **resistance** to insulin

The bill to increase the consumption tax had passed despite much **resistance** from the public.

arrange

v. to plan, prepare for, and carry out something

synonym : set up, order, organize

(1) **arrange** the meeting, (2) the list was **arranged** alphabetically

I need to **arrange** plans with him for the celebration.

barricade

n. a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack

synonym : barrier, obstacle, blockade

(1) **barricade** fencing, (2) police **barricade**

The protestors built a **barricade** to prevent police from entering the area.

column

n. one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument

synonym : line, pillar, cue

(1) the spinal **column**, (2) a **column** of water

The newspaper devoted several **columns** to the affair.

roll

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

synonym : spin, swirl, wheel

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

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

unconditional

adj. not subject to any conditions; absolute or complete; not limited by any qualifications or restrictions

synonym: absolute, complete, unqualified

(1) **unconditional** forgiveness, (2) **unconditional** support
Her love for him was **unconditional**, despite all of his flaws.

destroy

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

synonym: demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

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.

panegyric

n. a formal or elaborate speech, piece of writing, or lyrical composition that praises or celebrates someone or something; a eulogy or tribute that highlights the virtues and achievements of a person or institution

synonym: praise, eulogy, tribute

(1) emotional **panegyric**, (2) glowing **panegyric**

The writer delivered a heartfelt **panegyric** at the award ceremony, praising the recipient's achievements.

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.

hard-pressed

adj. experiencing or facing severe difficulties, particularly financial or resource-related pressures; forced to cope with a situation that is difficult to handle

synonym: overwhelmed, pressured, squeezed

(1) **hard-pressed** economy, (2) **hard-pressed** for cash
With her busy schedule, the CEO was **hard-pressed** to find time for her family.

bedraggle

v. to make something or someone wet, dirty, and limp by dragging it through mud or water; to become soaked, dirty, and limp in this way

synonym: drench, soak, wet

(1) **bedraggle** the flowers, (2) **bedraggle** hair

I got caught in the rain, and my clothes were completely **bedraggled**.

bow

v. to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows

synonym: bend, curve, arch

(1) **bow** and greet, (2) a **bow** wave

She **bowed** to the audience after her performance.

vocabulary

n. the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses

synonym: lexicon, glossary, dictionary

(1) **vocabulary** list, (2) academic **vocabulary**

Using proper **vocabulary** is essential for writing a good essay.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym: highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

awaken

v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping

synonym: rouse, arouse, revive

(1) **awaken** at daybreak, (2) **awaken** a child

The friend's death **awakens** them.

oppress

v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

synonym: antagonize, distress, burden

(1) **oppress** the minority, (2) **oppress** the people with force

Historically, many countries have often **oppressed** certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.

breed

v. to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner

synonym: raise, multiply, reproduce

(1) **breed** horses, (2) **breed** suspicion

This animal **breeds** in northern latitudes.

oppose

v. to be against or in conflict with something or someone; to resist or to try to prevent something from happening

synonym: match, resist, confront

(1) **oppose** a decision, (2) publicly **oppose**

I strongly **oppose** the new proposed law that would harm our environment.

gradual

adj. happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt

synonym: incremental, gradational, piecemeal

(1) a **gradual** process, (2) a **gradual** change

The country experienced a **gradual** increase in population.

cornerstone

n. a fundamental or essential element or component of something; a basis or foundation upon which something

is built or developed

synonym : foundation, basis, keystone

(1) **cornerstone** of democracy, (2) lay the **cornerstone**

Effective communication is often considered the **cornerstone** of a successful team.

rescue

v. to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

synonym : save, extricate, retrieve

(1) **rescue** a dying dog, (2) **rescue** a company from bankruptcy

The fire department arrived just in time to **rescue** the family from the burning building.

movement

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

synonym : motion, progression, action

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

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

posit

v. to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

synonym : assert, declare, assume

(1) **posit** the existence of life after death, (2) **posit** the premise

We should **posit** several hypotheses to discuss the matter.

aberrant

adj. departing from what is considered normal or typical; deviating from the usual or expected path, behavior, or pattern; abnormal or unusual

synonym : deviant, abnormal, atypical

(1) **aberrant** behavior, (2) **aberrant** cell growth

Her sudden outburst was an **aberrant** display of emotion.

victory

n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

synonym: win, triumph, success

(1) **victory** in the law court, (2) **victory** over terrorism

We are optimistic about our final **victory**.

pride

n. a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements

synonym: vanity, conceit, egotism

(1) **pride** of a company, (2) hide his **pride**

She took great **pride** in her work, always striving for perfection.

characteristic

n. a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody

synonym: feature, quality, attribute

(1) stripes **characteristic** of the zebra, (2) my friend's **characteristic** laugh

Bananas have their **characteristic** taste and odor.

gentle

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

synonym: mild, delicate, soft

(1) in a **gentle** voice, (2) **gentle** downward slope

Her **gentle** manner relaxed everyone there.

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.

enterprise

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

synonym: business, company, industry

(1) undertake an **enterprise**, (2) his business **enterprise**
A growing **enterprise** requires a bold leader.

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.

sphere

n. a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity

synonym: ball, globe, scope

(1) **sphere** of influence, (2) business **sphere**

The **sphere** of the earth is divided into several layers including the crust, mantle, and core.

reverb

n. an audio effect that produces a sound that is reflected off surfaces in an enclosed space, creating a sense of space or ambiance; the natural echoing or reverberation of sound in a large or open space

synonym: echo, sound reflection

(1) **reverb** effect, (2) **reverb** chamber

The singer's voice had a natural **reverb** that sounded beautiful in the acoustically-designed church.

narcissist

n. a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements

synonym: egotist, boaster, braggart

(1) relationship with a **narcissist**, (2) somatic **narcissist**

He thinks she is a high **narcissist** because she always talks about herself and her accomplishments.

extol

v. to praise or laud highly; to exalt or elevate someone or something by highlighting their positive qualities or attributes

synonym : praise, admire, acclaim

(1) **extol** the beauty, (2) **extol** the benefits

The teacher **extolled** the virtues of hard work and dedication to her students.

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**.

discrete

adj. separate and distinct; not continuous; individually distinguishable

synonym : separate, distinct, individual

(1) **discrete** metric space, (2) **discrete** variable

The company divided the tasks into **discrete** segments to increase efficiency.

empathy

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

synonym : compassion, sympathy, tenderness

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

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

prop

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

synonym : support, buttress, column

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

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

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.

smug

adj. excessively pleased with oneself; self-righteously complacent

synonym: self-satisfied, complacent, self-assured

(1) in a **smug** manner, (2) **smug** attitude

She felt **smug** about her performance in the competition.

label

n. a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

synonym: tag, mark, identifier

(1) a mailing **label**, (2) **label** a bag with my name

The **label** on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

medal

n. a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor

synonym: award, decoration, badge

(1) gold **medal**, (2) a prize **medal**

She was proud to receive a **medal** for her hard work and dedication to the sport.

revolution

n. a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

synonym: coup, innovation, rebellion

(1) beginning of the industrial **revolution**, (2) a political **revolution**

The **revolution** by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

banish

v. to expel or send away from a place or situation, especially permanently

synonym : exile, deport, expel

(1) **banish** doubt, (2) **banish** my wrinkles

The queen **banished** the traitor from the kingdom, never to be seen again.

dragon

n. a mythical monster typically depicted as a giant reptile with wings, claws, and a fiery breath often portrayed as being fierce and dangerous

synonym : wyvern, serpent, drake

(1) **dragon** fruit, (2) **dragon** wing

In Chinese mythology, **dragons** are considered powerful and benevolent creatures.

hero

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

synonym : champion, protagonist, savior

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

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

attach

v. to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another

synonym : fix, fasten, bind

(1) **attach** firmly, (2) **attach** a file to an e-mail

He does not **attach** importance to these rumors.

heroic

adj. courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

synonym : brave, courageous, daring

(1) a **heroic** poem, (2) **heroic** explorers

The **heroic** actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.

strain

n. a force or pressure that stretches or pulls something, sometimes causing damage; (biology) a group of organisms within a species that differ in trivial ways from similar groups

synonym : pressure, tension, breed

(1) **strain** our eyes, (2) a **strain** of bacillus

Dictators of the past often had the erroneous idea of a pure racial **strain**.

cease

v. to stop an action or event

synonym : stop, end, terminate

(1) **cease** to exist, (2) **cease** drinking

The company decided to **cease** production of the product.

technicolor

adj. relating to a vivid, colorful, or vibrant visual effect or display, often used to describe movies or images produced using this process

synonym : vibrant, colorful, vivid

(1) **technicolor** dream, (2) nostalgic **technicolor**

The film was known for its vibrant **technicolor** visuals, bringing the story to life.

fiesta

n. a festive celebration or party, often involving music, dancing, and abundant food and drink; a public or community celebration held for a special occasion or event

synonym : fete, celebration, festival

(1) **fiesta** decorations, (2) **fiesta** music

The neighborhood was alive with music and laughter during the annual **fiesta** celebration.

manifestation

n. a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition

synonym : expression, embodiment, presentation

(1) **manifestation** of a deeper problem, (2) **manifestation** of psychological stress

The **manifestation** of his anxiety was evident in his shaking

hands.

emphasis

n. particular importance or significance that is given to something

synonym: priority, stress, focus

(1) **emphasis** on color, (2) lay great **emphasis** on policy
The spotlight gave the central figure increased **emphasis**.

loathe

v. to feel strong hatred or disgust for someone or something; to be unwilling or reluctant to do something

synonym: despise, hate, abominate

(1) **loathe** violence, (2) **loathe** broccoli

I absolutely **loathe** spiders and can't stand to be near them.

void

n. an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force

synonym: emptiness, vacuity, (adjective) null

(1) **void** of expression, (2) **void** contract

The **void** in her heart was filled with the love of her family.

celebrate

v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

synonym: praise, glorify, honor

(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas

He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

overflow

v. to flow or run over the edge or brim of a container or surface; to be more than enough

synonym: spill, inundate, flood

(1) **overflow** on the platform, (2) **overflow** with emotion

The river **overflowed** its banks during the heavy rain.

repay

v. to give back or make restitution for money, debt, or other obligation that is owed; to compensate or reward someone for something done or given

synonym: compensate, refund, reimburse

(1) **repay** a kindness, (2) **repay** a debt

I must **repay** my loan on time to avoid late fees and penalties.

debt

n. something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something
synonym: liability, obligation, deficit

(1) **debt** ceiling, (2) corporate **debt**

He became in **debt** after losing his job.

melancholy

n. a feeling of sadness, disappointment, or boredom, often accompanied by a lack of energy or motivation

synonym: sadness, sorrow, gloom

(1) feel **melancholy**, (2) nostalgic **melancholy**

His **melancholy** mood was apparent to everyone who knew him.

homophobia

n. a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

synonym: prejudice, discrimination, bigotry

(1) **homophobia** awareness, (2) **homophobia** in sports

The politician's remarks about same-sex marriage revealed his deep-seated **homophobia**.

blame

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

synonym: condemn, rebuke, find fault with

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

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

humility

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

synonym: humbleness, modesty, unpretentiousness

(1) develop an attitude of **humility**, (2) lack of **humility**
We were filled with **humility** at the sight of the Queen.

neutral

adj. not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.

synonym : impartial, uninvolved, halfhearted

(1) permanently **neutral** country, (2) **neutral** colors
A legislative speaker should always be **neutral**.

halfway

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

synonym : middle, median, center

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

despair

n. the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

synonym : dismay, anguish, misery

(1) **despair** at the future, (2) untold **despair**
His friend's death drove him to **despair**.

endgame

n. the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition

synonym : outcome, finale, conclusion

(1) **endgame** strategies, (2) chess **endgame**
The athlete's **endgame** was to win an Olympic gold medal before retiring from the sport

deny

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

synonym : refute, reject, repudiate

(1) adamantly **deny** killing, (2) **deny** the allegations
He is still **denying** stealing the money from the cash register.

propaganda

n. information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology

synonym : disinformation, misinformation, publicity

(1) **propaganda** campaign, (2) self-serving **propaganda**

The government used **propaganda** pictures to spread its message of national unity.

Sodom

n. a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as sodomy, anal intercourse between men

(1) **Sodom** and Gomorrah, (2) the city of **Sodom**

The term "**Sodom**" has become synonymous with acts of homosexuality and is used as a derogatory term for gay people.

lynch

v. to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance

synonym : hang, execute, mob

(1) **lynch** law, (2) **lynch** him to death

The mob wanted to **lynch** the suspect before he could be tried in court.

carnal

adj. relating to physical or bodily needs, desires, or appetites, particularly sexual ones

synonym : physical, sensual, sexual

(1) **carnal** encounter, (2) **carnal** pleasure

The church considers **carnal** desires to be sinful.

lash

v. to strike or hit someone with a whip or other flexible instrument; to criticize or rebuke someone severely; to bind or tie something tightly with a cord or strap

synonym : whip, beat, strike

(1) **lash** the oxen, (2) **lash** a rope

The mother **lashed** out at her child for misbehaving in public.

permanent

adj. lasting for a long time without essential change

synonym : lasting, ceaseless, endless

(1) literature of **permanent** value, (2) **permanent** life insurance

She is searching for a **permanent** residence.

disabled

adj. having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do

synonym : handicapped, impaired, incapacitated

(1) a **disabled** veteran, (2) a learning- **disabled** child

She was **disabled** in a car accident.

primarily

adv. mainly

synonym : largely, mainly, mostly

(1) intended **primarily** for young people, (2) **primarily** affect adults

All peaceful cooperation is based **primarily** on mutual trust.

accepting

adj. willing to receive or to take something offered

synonym : tolerant, open-minded, receptive

(1) **accepting** attitude, (2) **accepting** of diversity

He was an **accepting** person who believed in diversity and inclusiveness.

dignity

n. the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station

synonym : grace, elegance, nobility

(1) respect for human **dignity**, (2) retain everyone's **dignity**

The failure destroyed his trust and personal **dignity**.

elusive

adj. difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember

synonym : mysterious, ambiguous, inapproachable

(1) an **elusive** criminal, (2) track down an **elusive** fact

The physicist who found the **elusive** particle won the Nobel Prize.

privilege

n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

synonym : benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership
In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the **privilege** of royalty and nobility.

deserve

v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

synonym : merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize

The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

decide

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

synonym : choose, determine, settle

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

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

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**.

elimination

n. the act or process of removing or getting rid of something or someone

synonym : removal, eradication, extinction

(1) waste **elimination**, (2) an **elimination** tournament

The government's efforts toward disease **elimination** have been successful in many regions.

occupy

v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
synonym: inhabit, settle, populate

(1) **occupy** his time, (2) **occupy** a position

The young prince will soon **occupy** the throne.

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.

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.

declare

v. to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly

synonym: announce, state, affirm

(1) **declare** independence, (2) **declare** my love

Foreign goods from abroad must be **declared** to customs when entering a country.

presence

n. the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

synonym: existence, actuality, fact

(1) the evidence of the **presence**, (2) his majestic **presence**

The path to a solid online **presence** necessitates a high technical ability.

absence

n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

synonym: dearth, scarcity, lack

(1) **absence** from work, (2) a leave of **absence**

Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's **absence**.

ache

v. to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain

synonym : hurt, throb, smart

(1) **ache** abominably, (2) **ache** all the time

I **ache** all over after running a marathon yesterday.

shelter

n. a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger

synonym : refuge, hideout, lair

(1) rainproof **shelter**, (2) anti-air raid **shelter**

They need food and **shelter**.

scholar

n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

synonym : professor, pupil, learner

(1) **scholar** in international politics, (2) noted **scholar**

You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a **scholar**.

mistakenly

adv. in a mistaken or incorrect way; wrongly

synonym : incorrectly, erroneously, wrongly

(1) **mistakenly** left his keys, (2) **mistakenly** delete the important file

He **mistakenly** thought the red liquid was juice, but it was paint.

nirvana

n. a state of perfect happiness, peace, and enlightenment in Hinduism and Buddhism

synonym : paradise, heaven, bliss

(1) **nirvana** state, (2) spiritual **nirvana**

He finally achieved **nirvana** after many years of meditation and spiritual practice.

woe

n. significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness

synonym : anguish, despair, suffering

(1) economic **woe**, (2) full of **woe**

Recurrent financial **woes** hampered his subsequent career.

bliss

n. extreme happiness or joy

synonym: delight, euphoria, happiness

(1) ignorance is **bliss**, (2) ultimate **bliss**

The first two years of her marriage were sheer **bliss**.

shadow

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

synonym: shade, silhouette, outline

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

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

sorrow

n. a feeling of deep sadness, grief, or regret, especially for something lost or ending

synonym: grief, heartache, melancholy

(1) deep **sorrow**, (2) **sorrow** for sin

The death of her best friend filled her with **sorrow**.

seedling

n. a young plant that has just germinated and has not yet developed leaves or true roots

synonym: sapling, sprout, shoot

(1) a green **seedling**, (2) **seedling** tray

The **seedlings** in the garden needed to be thinned out to have enough space to grow.

fulfill

v. to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

synonym: satisfy, complete, accomplish

(1) **fulfill** a contract, (2) **fulfill** a lifetime dream

It was the first time for her, but she **fulfilled** the role of Priest.

complexity

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory

The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

bully

n. a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

synonym: tormentor, intimidator, aggressor

(1) **bully** bystander, (2) **bully** the weak

The schoolyard **bully** terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.

assign

v. to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone

synonym: entrust, delegate, designate

(1) **assign** projects, (2) **assign** top priority

Please **assign** a different color to each other kind of item.

ecstasy

n. a state of overwhelming happiness, joy, or pleasure; an emotional or mental state of intense feelings of delight or happiness that is often accompanied by intense physical sensations

synonym: rapture, bliss, euphoria

(1) **ecstasy** pills, (2) state of **ecstasy**

She danced with **ecstasy** as her favorite band played their hit song.

ordinary

adj. not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

synonym: mundane, prosaic, average

(1) an **ordinary** school, (2) **ordinary** annual revenue

The **ordinary** session of the Diet opened.

heterosexual

adj. attracted to individuals of the opposite sex

synonym: straight, conventional

(1) **heterosexual** relationship, (2) **heterosexual** marriage
He identified as **heterosexual** and had never considered being with someone of the same gender.

brehtaking

adj. extremely impressive, stunning, awe-inspiring, or emotionally overwhelming

synonym: stunning, awe-inspiring, magnificent

(1) **brehtaking** view, (2) **brehtaking** performance

The sunset over the ocean was truly **brehtaking**.

exhilarating

adj. making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill

synonym: thrilling, exciting, stimulating

(1) an **exhilarating** drink, (2) **exhilarating** view

Bungee jumping was an **exhilarating** experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.

insist

v. to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say

synonym: demand, assert, claim

(1) **insist** on a clear answer, (2) **insist** over and over

He **insisted** that she pay her debt to the last penny.

microphone

n. a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder

synonym: mic, megaphone, amplifier

(1) **microphone** cable, (2) built-in **microphone**

The interviewer asked him to speak into the **microphone**.

startle

v. to cause a sudden or unexpected reaction of surprise, alarm, or fear in someone, typically by means of a sudden and loud noise, movement, or event

synonym: frighten, shock, surprise

(1) **startle** for a moment, (2) **startle** the world

The loud bang outside the window caused him to **startle** and

spill his coffee.

gasp

v. to inhale sharply and audibly, often in response to strong emotion or sensation; to catch one's breath suddenly, often due to shock or surprise

synonym: breathe, pant, heave

(1) **gasp** for air, (2) **gasp** in shock

The audience **gasp**ed when the magician made the rabbit disappear from the hat.

indebted

adj. owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness

synonym: owing, obligated, beholden

(1) **indebted** to creditors, (2) financially **indebted**

He felt **indebted** to his parents for all the sacrifices they had made for him.

propel

v. to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force

synonym: drive, push, move

(1) **propel** growth, (2) **propel** the ship

An increase in employment helps **propel** economic growth.

confiscate

v. to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules

synonym: seize, take, expropriate

(1) **confiscate** drugs, (2) **confiscate** property

The security officer had to **confiscate** the weapon from the suspect.

trounce

v. to defeat decisively or overwhelmingly in a contest or competition; to beat or thrash severely; to thoroughly overpower or defeat someone or something

synonym: beat, thrash, vanquish

(1) **trounce** an opponent, (2) **trounce** in a debate

The home team managed to **trounce** their rivals with a

surprising score of 5-0.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. st___e a blow | <i>v.</i> to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon |
| 2. a st_____ht line | <i>adj.</i> extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations |
| 3. hide his pr__e | <i>n.</i> a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements |
| 4. su_____e a plane crash | <i>v.</i> to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period |
| 5. deep-rooted pr_____ce | <i>n.</i> a thought or feeling that is unfair and makes no sense, mainly when it is formed without enough thought or knowledge |
| 6. a__e abominably | <i>v.</i> to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain |
| 7. dr___n fruit | <i>n.</i> a mythical monster typically depicted as a giant reptile with wings, claws, and a fiery breath often portrayed as being fierce and dangerous |
| 8. de_____r at the future | <i>n.</i> the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation |
| 9. chant the ma___a of structural reform | <i>n.</i> a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation |

ANSWERS: 1. strike, 2. straight, 3. pride, 4. survive, 5. prejudice, 6. ache, 7. dragon, 8. despair, 9. mantra

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| 10. er__e a memory | v. | to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it |
| 11. widespread pr_____on | n. | a state of lacking or deprivation, usually regarding necessities or comforts; the absence or deficiency of something essential, such as food, shelter, or clothing |
| 12. be_____le hair | v. | to make something or someone wet, dirty, and limp by dragging it through mud or water; to become soaked, dirty, and limp in this way |
| 13. p__y speech | n. | a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain |
| 14. ni_____me for a person | n. | a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name |
| 15. op_____s the people with force | v. | to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people |
| 16. in_____ed to creditors | adj. | owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness |
| 17. in___t a graphic | v. | to put something inside something else |
| 18. ov_____ow with emotion | v. | to flow or run over the edge or brim of a container or surface; to be more than enough |

ANSWERS: 10. erase, 11. privation, 12. bedraggle, 13. pity, 14. nickname, 15. oppress, 16. indebted, 17. insert, 18. overflow

19. su_____te decision *adj.* acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose
20. l__h a rope *v.* to strike or hit someone with a whip or other flexible instrument; to criticize or rebuke someone severely; to bind or tie something tightly with a cord or strap
21. co_____in information flow *v.* to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
22. ash-bl__d ringlet *adj.* of a light, yellowish-brown or golden color, typically describing hair color; (also spelled "blonde") a female with such hair color
23. state of ec_____y *n.* a state of overwhelming happiness, joy, or pleasure; an emotional or mental state of intense feelings of delight or happiness that is often accompanied by intense physical sensations
24. ha___ed the incident *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
25. la__l a bag with my name *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
26. ge___e downward slope *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
27. in___e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

ANSWERS: 19. surrogate, 20. lash, 21. constrain, 22. blond, 23. ecstasy, 24. handle, 25. label, 26. gentle, 27. invite

28. pr_____be a drug *v.* (of a doctor) to advise and order the use of particular medicine or treatment for someone, especially in writing; to issue commands or orders for something
29. ca___l pleasure *adj.* relating to physical or bodily needs, desires, or appetites, particularly sexual ones
30. ba_____de fencing *n.* a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack
31. de_____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
32. ex___l the benefits *v.* to praise or laud highly; to exalt or elevate someone or something by highlighting their positive qualities or attributes
33. produce of_____ng *n.* descendant; any immature animal or plant
34. write in sh_____nd *n.* a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something
35. r___l down his cheeks *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
36. hom_____ia in sports *n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

ANSWERS: 28. prescribe, 29. carnal, 30. barricade, 31. deserve, 32. extol, 33. offspring, 34. shorthand, 35. roll, 36. homophobia

37. voc_____ry list *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
38. lay great em_____is on policy *n.* particular importance or significance that is given to something
39. gl_____us movie stars *adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
40. inc_____te the current trends *v.* to include something as a part of a larger entity
41. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
42. in a ge____e voice *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
43. re__y a kindness *v.* to give back or make restitution for money, debt, or other obligation that is owed; to compensate or reward someone for something done or given
44. di_____ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
45. re____b chamber *n.* an audio effect that produces a sound that is reflected off surfaces in an enclosed space, creating a sense of space or ambiance; the natural echoing or reverberation of sound in a large or open space
46. con_____te a majority *v.* to be the essential or fundamental elements or parts of something; to establish, appoint, or assign someone to a particular office or position; to make up or compose something

ANSWERS: 37. vocabulary, 38. emphasis, 39. glamorous, 40. incorporate, 41. movement, 42. gentle, 43. repay, 44. disappear, 45. reverb, 46. constitute

47. respect for human di____y *n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
48. in a s__g manner *adj.* excessively pleased with oneself; self-righteously complacent
49. 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
50. in____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
51. rem_____le achievement *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
52. v__d contract *n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force
53. an exh_____ing drink *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
54. st___e up a conversation *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
55. co_____in his freedom *v.* to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
56. se___e heat *adj.* extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous

ANSWERS: 47. dignity, 48. smug, 49. rap, 50. involve, 51. remarkable, 52. void, 53. exhilarating, 54. strike, 55. constrain, 56. severe

57. color pr_____ce *n.* a thought or feeling that is unfair and makes no sense, mainly when it is formed without enough thought or knowledge
58. an or_____ry school *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
59. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
60. spiritual ni_____a *n.* a state of perfect happiness, peace, and enlightenment in Hinduism and Buddhism
61. man_____ion of a deeper
problem *n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition
62. clinical mo_____e *n.* a place where dead bodies are kept, particularly in preparation for burial or identification by their relatives or authorities
63. in_____e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
64. end of the gr____e period *n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal

ANSWERS: 57. prejudice, 58. ordinary, 59. develop, 60. nirvana, 61. manifestation, 62. morgue, 63. invite, 64. grace

65. a first of _____e
66. st_____e for a moment
67. put a gr_____ul expression
68. mic_____ne cable
69. the spinal co____n
70. bread cr__b
71. a political rev_____on
72. a leave of ab_____e
- n.* an illegal act; a feeling of anger caused by a perceived insult to or disregard for oneself; the action of attacking an enemy
- v.* to cause a sudden or unexpected reaction of surprise, alarm, or fear in someone, typically by means of a sudden and loud noise, movement, or event
- adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
- n.* a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder
- n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument
- n.* a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something
- n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
- n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

ANSWERS: 65. offense, 66. startle, 67. grateful, 68. microphone, 69. column, 70. crumb, 71. revolution, 72. absence

73. re_____ly operate *adv.* at a distance; not directly or easily accessible
74. res_____ce to insulin *n.* the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
75. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
76. boys in the twelfth gr__e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
77. a green se_____ng *n.* a young plant that has just germinated and has not yet developed leaves or true roots
78. di_____te variable *adj.* separate and distinct; not continuous; individually distinguishable
79. an imp_____ve array of facts *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
80. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
81. a__e all the time *v.* to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain
82. pr_____be in the preceding paragraph *v.* (of a doctor) to advise and order the use of particular medicine or treatment for someone, especially in writing; to issue commands or orders for something

ANSWERS: 73. remotely, 74. resistance, 75. emotional, 76. grade, 77. seedling, 78. discrete, 79. impressive, 80. process, 81. ache, 82. prescribe

83. with de____t *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
84. outspoken di_____nt *n.* a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary
85. acc_____te these needs *v.* to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose
86. my friend's cha_____tic laugh *n.* a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody
87. hom_____ia awareness *n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity
88. ch__f accountant *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
89. rainproof sh_____r *n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
90. a learning dis_____ty *n.* a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do

ANSWERS: 83. delight, 84. dissident, 85. accommodate, 86. characteristic, 87. homophobia, 88. chief, 89. shelter, 90. disability

91. glowing pa_____ic *n.* a formal or elaborate speech, piece of writing, or lyrical composition that praises or celebrates someone or something; a eulogy or tribute that highlights the virtues and achievements of a person or institution
92. economic pr_____on *n.* a state of lacking or deprivation, usually regarding necessities or comforts; the absence or deficiency of something essential, such as food, shelter, or clothing
93. su_____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
94. aw____n at daybreak *v.* to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping
95. physical in_____ty *n.* physical or mental weakness; a physical or mental ailment that makes one vulnerable or fragile
96. a single su_____or *n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
97. d_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
98. de____e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
99. bl__e circumstances for the failure *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

ANSWERS: 91. panegyric, 92. privation, 93. survive, 94. awaken, 95. infirmity, 96. survivor, 97. dam, 98. decide, 99. blame

100. vi___m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
101. tr_____e an opponent *v.* to defeat decisively or overwhelmingly in a contest or competition; to beat or thrash severely; to thoroughly overpower or defeat someone or something
102. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
103. bre_____ing performance *adj.* extremely impressive, stunning, awe-inspiring, or emotionally overwhelming
104. waste eli_____on *n.* the act or process of removing or getting rid of something or someone
105. bu__y the weak *n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
106. ev___e strong emotions *v.* to demonstrate or show clearly; to make evident or manifest; to display or exhibit a quality, feeling, or characteristic
107. gra_____ld-grandparent relationship *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
108. fu_____l a lifetime dream *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

ANSWERS: 100. victim, 101. trounce, 102. assume, 103. breathtaking, 104. elimination, 105. bully, 106. evince, 107. grandchild, 108. fulfill

109. make a con_____on *n.* something that is granted or given up, often in a negotiation or argument; a place or stand where goods or services are sold or provided, often in a public setting such as a stadium or amusement park
110. sc_____r in international politics *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
111. vi____m compensation *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
112. full of em_____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
113. a he____c poem *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring
114. ca____r research *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
115. cor_____ne of democracy *n.* a fundamental or essential element or component of something; a basis or foundation upon which something is built or developed
116. literature of pe_____nt value *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change

ANSWERS: 109. concession, 110. scholar, 111. victim, 112. empathy, 113. heroic, 114. cancer, 115. cornerstone, 116. permanent

126. re___e a company from bankruptcy *v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
127. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
128. feel as_____d of him *adj.* feeling guilt, embarrassment, or remorse about something because of something you have done
129. het_____ual relationship *adj.* attracted to individuals of the opposite sex
130. deep ps___e *n.* the human soul, mind, or spirit
131. a prize me__l *n.* a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor
132. 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
133. unsung h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
134. beginning of the industrial
rev_____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
135. su_____te pregnancy *adj.* acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose

ANSWERS: 126. rescue, 127. involve, 128. ashamed, 129. heterosexual, 130. psyche, 131. medal, 132. discovery, 133. hero, 134. revolution, 135. surrogate

136. sub_____te coffee *n.* a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one
137. ignorance is bl__s *n.* extreme happiness or joy
138. ly__h him to death *v.* to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance
139. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
140. water flowing und_____nd *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
141. tr_____e in a debate *v.* to defeat decisively or overwhelmingly in a contest or competition; to beat or thrash severely; to thoroughly overpower or defeat someone or something
142. police ba_____de *n.* a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack
143. exh_____ing view *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill

ANSWERS: 136. substitute, 137. bliss, 138. lynch, 139. eventually, 140. underground, 141. trounce, 142. barricade, 143. exhilarating

144. mistaken id____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
145. de____y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
146. dual ge____r *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
147. the list was ar____ed alphabetically *v.* to plan, prepare for, and carry out something
148. ab____nt cell growth *adj.* departing from what is considered normal or typical; deviating from the usual or expected path, behavior, or pattern; abnormal or unusual
149. ba____h my wrinkles *v.* to expel or send away from a place or situation, especially permanently
150. adamantly d__y killing *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
151. fe__s sample *n.* waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement
152. a st____n of bacillus *n.* a force or pressure that stretches or pulls something, sometimes causing damage; (biology) a group of organisms within a species that differ in trivial ways from similar groups

ANSWERS: 144. identity, 145. destroy, 146. gender, 147. arrange, 148. aberrant, 149. banish, 150. deny, 151. feces, 152. strain

153. p__p stick
- n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
154. ac_____ng of diversity
- adj.* willing to receive or to take something offered
155. fi___a music
- n.* a festive celebration or party, often involving music, dancing, and abundant food and drink; a public or community celebration held for a special occasion or event
156. se_____te cream from milk
- v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
157. wi___m literature
- n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
158. de_____p a skill
- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
159. office ca_____ia
- n.* a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.
160. co___t study
- n.* a group of people who share a common characteristic, experience, or background and are usually studied as a single unit in research or analysis; a companion or ally

ANSWERS: 153. prop, 154. accepting, 155. fiesta, 156. separate, 157. wisdom, 158. develop, 159. cafeteria, 160. cohort

181. 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
182. a ticket va__d for two days *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
183. the city of So__m *n.* a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as sodomy, anal intercourse between men
184. 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
185. sp___e of influence *n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
186. de____e my love *v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
187. ch__f events of the year *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
188. an eli____on tournament *n.* the act or process of removing or getting rid of something or someone

ANSWERS: 181. struggle, 182. valid, 183. Sodom, 184. function, 185. sphere, 186. declare, 187. chief, 188. elimination

189. ha____y decent job *adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
190. re____b effect *n.* an audio effect that produces a sound that is reflected off surfaces in an enclosed space, creating a sense of space or ambiance; the natural echoing or reverberation of sound in a large or open space
191. retain everyone's di____y *n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
192. na____ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
193. minor traffic of____es *n.* an illegal act; a feeling of anger caused by a perceived insult to or disregard for oneself; the action of attacking an enemy
194. cognitive com____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
195. emotional p__p *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
196. a gr____ul breeze *adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
197. in____t on a clear answer *v.* to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say

ANSWERS: 189. halfway, 190. reverb, 191. dignity, 192. narrative, 193. offense, 194. complexity, 195. prop, 196. grateful, 197. insist

198. environmental ad_____ty *n.* difficulties or hardships that someone faces
199. vi_____y over terrorism *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
200. fecal inc_____nce *n.* the involuntary leakage of urine or feces from the body
201. So__m and Gomorrah *n.* a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as sodomy, anal intercourse between men
202. noted sc_____r *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
203. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
204. co___r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
205. a gr_____l change *adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
206. g_y couple *adj.* homosexual; happy, carefree
207. use of so_____ry confinement *adj.* existing, living, or doing without others
208. lo___e violence *v.* to feel strong hatred or disgust for someone or something; to be unwilling or reluctant to do something

ANSWERS: 198. adversity, 199. victory, 200. incontinence, 201. Sodom, 202. scholar, 203. decide, 204. confer, 205. gradual, 206. gay, 207. solitary, 208. loathe

209. physical tr____l *n.* prolonged, difficult, or exhausting labor or physical work; a painful or laborious effort or struggle
210. ba____h doubt *v.* to expel or send away from a place or situation, especially permanently
211. vi____y in the law court *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
212. full of w_e *n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
213. ly__h law *v.* to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance
214. sh____w cast *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
215. 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

ANSWERS: 209. travail, 210. banish, 211. victory, 212. woe, 213. lynch, 214. shadow, 215. function

216. chocolate fu__e *n.* a sweet candy made of sugar, butter, and milk or cream; an act of adjusting, manipulating, or distorting something to make it more favorable or acceptable; (verb) to manipulate or alter something deceptively or dishonestly, especially data or information
217. economic mis_____ne *n.* an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble
218. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
219. at___h a file to an e-mail *v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
220. relationship with a nar_____st *n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements
221. psychic tr___a *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
222. ex___d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
223. do something irr_____nt *adj.* not connected with or related to something and therefore not important
224. gets m_d easily *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
225. untold de_____r *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
226. st_____e the world *v.* to cause a sudden or unexpected reaction of surprise, alarm, or fear in someone, typically by means of a sudden and loud noise, movement, or event

ANSWERS: 216. fudge, 217. misfortune, 218. communal, 219. attach, 220. narcissist, 221. trauma, 222. expand, 223. irrelevant, 224. mad, 225. despair, 226. startle

227. lay the cor_____ne *n.* a fundamental or essential element or component of something; a basis or foundation upon which something is built or developed
228. fi___a decorations *n.* a festive celebration or party, often involving music, dancing, and abundant food and drink; a public or community celebration held for a special occasion or event
229. strong and co_____ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
230. a craft un___n *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
231. di_____te metric space *adj.* separate and distinct; not continuous; individually distinguishable
232. ab_____nt behavior *adj.* departing from what is considered normal or typical; deviating from the usual or expected path, behavior, or pattern; abnormal or unusual
233. d___y the allegations *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
234. st___n our eyes *n.* a force or pressure that stretches or pulls something, sometimes causing damage; (biology) a group of organisms within a species that differ in trivial ways from similar groups

ANSWERS: 227. cornerstone, 228. fiesta, 229. committed, 230. union, 231. discrete, 232. aberrant, 233. deny, 234. strain

235. pro_____da campaign *n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
236. em_____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
237. cast as_____d eyes *adj.* feeling guilt, embarrassment, or remorse about something because of something you have done
238. ni_____a state *n.* a state of perfect happiness, peace, and enlightenment in Hinduism and Buddhism
239. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
240. unc_____nal support *adj.* not subject to any conditions; absolute or complete; not limited by any qualifications or restrictions
241. be_____le the flowers *v.* to make something or someone wet, dirty, and limp by dragging it through mud or water; to become soaked, dirty, and limp in this way
242. con_____te a threat *v.* to be the essential or fundamental elements or parts of something; to establish, appoint, or assign someone to a particular office or position; to make up or compose something
243. pr__e of a company *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements

ANSWERS: 235. propaganda, 236. empathy, 237. ashamed, 238. nirvana, 239. relation, 240. unconditional, 241. bedraggle, 242. constitute, 243. pride

244. tr____h of democracy *n.* a great victory or achievement
245. human fe__s *n.* waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement
246. 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
247. pro_____on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
248. st____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
249. ce__e drinking *v.* to stop an action or event
250. verbal pro_____on *n.* action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired
251. an irr_____nt thought *adj.* not connected with or related to something and therefore not important
252. ca_____ia lunch *n.* a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.
253. de_____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
254. a gr_____l process *adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt

ANSWERS: 244. triumph, 245. feces, 246. rap, 247. progression, 248. strength, 249. cease, 250. provocation, 251. irrelevant, 252. cafeteria, 253. deserve, 254. gradual

255. ch__t in the chapel *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
256. track down an el_____e fact *adj.* difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember
257. po__t the existence of life after death *v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
258. as___n top priority *v.* to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone
259. bl__e the lack of knowledge *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
260. 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
261. so___w for sin *n.* a feeling of deep sadness, grief, or regret, especially for something lost or ending
262. ant_____te a black future *v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance
263. a learning-di_____ed child *adj.* having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do
264. d_m-building program *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

ANSWERS: 255. chant, 256. elusive, 257. posit, 258. assign, 259. blame, 260. encourage, 261. sorrow, 262. anticipate, 263. disabled, 264. dam

275. pr_____ly affect adults *adv.* mainly
276. religious med_____on *n.* the act of focusing one's mind on a particular object or thought; activity to train attention and achieve a mentally clear and emotionally calm and stable state
277. man_____ion of psychological stress *n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition
278. ov_____ow on the platform *v.* to flow or run over the edge or brim of a container or surface; to be more than enough
279. business co____t *n.* a group of people who share a common characteristic, experience, or background and are usually studied as a single unit in research or analysis; a companion or ally
280. sti_____ze the deviant as criminal *v.* to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect
281. h_w out a cave *v.* to chop or cut something, particularly wood, with an ax or other tool; to shape, carve, or form something using a sharp tool
282. pr____l the ship *v.* to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force
283. intended pr_____ly for young people *adv.* mainly

ANSWERS: 275. primarily, 276. meditation, 277. manifestation, 278. overflow, 279. cohort, 280. stigmatize, 281. hew, 282. propel, 283. primarily

284. mis_____ly delete the important file *adv.* in a mistaken or incorrect way; wrongly
285. pr_____in the sequence of events *v.* to determine or decree something in advance; to believe or accept that an outcome is predetermined by a higher power or fate
286. develop an attitude of hu_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
287. female of _____ng *n.* descendant; any immature animal or plant
288. ps___e healing *n.* the human soul, mind, or spirit
289. a tremor of de_____t *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
290. tre_____us popularity *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
291. emotional pa_____ic *n.* a formal or elaborate speech, piece of writing, or lyrical composition that praises or celebrates someone or something; a eulogy or tribute that highlights the virtues and achievements of a person or institution
292. personal na_____ve *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
293. pe_____nt life insurance *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
294. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
295. allow self-p___y *n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain

ANSWERS: 284. mistakenly, 285. preordain, 286. humility, 287. offspring, 288. psyche, 289. delight, 290. tremendous, 291. panegyric, 292. narrative, 293. permanent, 294. separate, 295. pity

296. ex_____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
297. he___c explorers *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring
298. chess en_____e *n.* the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition
299. ev___e clear reasoning *v.* to demonstrate or show clearly; to make evident or manifest; to display or exhibit a quality, feeling, or characteristic
300. pro_____te street *n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
301. ex___d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
302. at a pur_____ul pace *adj.* having a specific aim or purpose; determined
303. 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
304. en___l in a school *v.* to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service
305. oc___y his time *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time

ANSWERS: 296. extreme, 297. heroic, 298. endgame, 299. evince, 300. prostitute, 301. expand, 302. purposeful, 303. encourage, 304. enroll, 305. occupy

306. ovarian cancer su____or *n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
307. an__l investors *n.* a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo
308. acc_____te a person with money *v.* to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose
309. an el_____e criminal *adj.* difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember
310. field of gene th_____y *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
311. file a gr_____ce *n.* a real or imagined cause for complaint or protest, especially regarding an unfair or unjust treatment
312. in____t coin *v.* to put something inside something else
313. ha____e a precious object *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
314. feel mel_____ly *n.* a feeling of sadness, disappointment, or boredom, often accompanied by a lack of energy or motivation
315. dr____n wing *n.* a mythical monster typically depicted as a giant reptile with wings, claws, and a fiery breath often portrayed as being fierce and dangerous
316. economic w_e *n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
317. pr____l growth *v.* to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force

ANSWERS: 306. survivor, 307. angel, 308. accommodate, 309. elusive, 310. therapy, 311. grievance, 312. insert, 313. handle, 314. melancholy, 315. dragon, 316. woe, 317. propel

318. bl__d fuzz *adj.* of a light, yellowish-brown or golden color, typically describing hair color; (also spelled "blonde") a female with such hair color
319. a m_d person *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
320. the ul____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
321. at__h firmly *v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
322. fallen an__l *n.* a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo
323. the evidence of the pr____ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
324. county j__l *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
325. cr__b of information *n.* a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something
326. op___e a decision *v.* to be against or in conflict with something or someone; to resist or to try to prevent something from happening
327. permanently ne____l country *adj.* not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.
328. urinary sp____er *n.* a circular muscle that regulates the flow of material through a passage or opening, such as the anus or a valve in the digestive system

ANSWERS: 318. blond, 319. mad, 320. ultimate, 321. attach, 322. angel, 323. presence, 324. jail, 325. crumb, 326. oppose, 327. neutral, 328. sphincter

329. economic re___m *n.* the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem
330. a di____ed veteran *adj.* having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do
331. a breach of pr____ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
332. gr____ed flask *adj.* having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
333. be in j__l *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
334. academic voc____ry *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
335. ann____te all doubts *v.* to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist
336. ev___e over the past decade *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
337. run like h__l *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

ANSWERS: 329. reform, 330. disabled, 331. privilege, 332. graduated, 333. jail, 334. vocabulary, 335. annihilate, 336. evolve, 337. hell

338. students at all gr__e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
339. ha____y through my journey *adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
340. br__d suspicion *v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
341. nostalgic mel____ly *n.* a feeling of sadness, disappointment, or boredom, often accompanied by a lack of energy or motivation
342. g__p for air *v.* to inhale sharply and audibly, often in response to strong emotion or sensation; to catch one's breath suddenly, often due to shock or surprise
343. deep so____w *n.* a feeling of deep sadness, grief, or regret, especially for something lost or ending
344. sti____ze him as a swindler *v.* to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect
345. nec____ia pathology *n.* a psychological disorder characterized by an abnormal attraction to, fixation on, or sexual interest in corpses or the dead
346. ado____nt girl *n.* a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult
347. het____ual marriage *adj.* attracted to individuals of the opposite sex
348. ne____l colors *adj.* not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.
349. fu____l a contract *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

ANSWERS: 338. grade, 339. halfway, 340. breed, 341. melancholy, 342. gasp, 343. sorrow, 344. stigmatize, 345. necrophilia, 346. adolescent, 347. heterosexual, 348. neutral, 349. fulfill

350. as___e an important role
v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
351. co___r honor
v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
352. a so____ry traveler
adj. existing, living, or doing without others
353. urinary inc_____nce
n. the involuntary leakage of urine or feces from the body
354. ca___l encounter
adj. relating to physical or bodily needs, desires, or appetites, particularly sexual ones
355. h_w my way through effort
v. to chop or cut something, particularly wood, with an ax or other tool; to shape, carve, or form something using a sharp tool
356. 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
357. a circular mo_____nt
n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
358. mis_____ly left his keys
adv. in a mistaken or incorrect way; wrongly
359. b_w and greet
v. to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows

ANSWERS: 350. assume, 351. confer, 352. solitary, 353. incontinence, 354. carnal, 355. hew, 356. democracy, 357. movement, 358. mistakenly, 359. bow

360. local h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
361. pr_____ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
362. financially in_____ed *adj.* owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness
363. in a co_____ed relationship *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
364. inc_____te technology into daily life *v.* to include something as a part of a larger entity
365. anal sp_____er *n.* a circular muscle that regulates the flow of material through a passage or opening, such as the anus or a valve in the digestive system
366. 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
367. pur_____ul series of actions *adj.* having a specific aim or purpose; determined

ANSWERS: 360. hero, 361. privilege, 362. indebted, 363. committed, 364. incorporate, 365. sphincter, 366. democracy, 367. purposeful

368. ann_____te the enemy *v.* to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist
369. self-serving pro_____da *n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
370. lack of hu_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
371. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
372. muscular st_____th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
373. med_____on training *n.* the act of focusing one's mind on a particular object or thought; activity to train attention and achieve a mentally clear and emotionally calm and stable state
374. pr_____us information *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
375. visual in _____ty *n.* physical or mental weakness; a physical or mental ailment that makes one vulnerable or fragile
376. business sp_____e *n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
377. a string of mis_____nes *n.* an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble
378. de_____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

ANSWERS: 368. annihilate, 369. propaganda, 370. humility, 371. straight, 372. strength, 373. meditation, 374. precious, 375. infirmity, 376. sphere, 377. misfortune, 378. destroy

379. nostalgic tec_____or *adj.* relating to a vivid, colorful, or vibrant visual effect or display, often used to describe movies or images produced using this process
380. a mailing la__l *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
381. re___m movement *n.* the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem
382. v__d of expression *n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force
383. ch__t melodies *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
384. economic to____t *n.* unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering
385. ab_____e from work *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
386. gr_____ed taxation *adj.* having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees

ANSWERS: 379. technicolor, 380. label, 381. reform, 382. void, 383. chant, 384. torment, 385. absence, 386. graduated

387. en_____e strategies *n.* the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition
388. his majestic pr_____ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
389. learn sh_____nd *n.* a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something
390. the ul_____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
391. ant_____te your kind cooperation *v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance
392. publicly op_____e *v.* to be against or in conflict with something or someone; to resist or to try to prevent something from happening
393. con_____te drugs *v.* to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules
394. d__t ceiling *n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something
395. re____e a dying dog *v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
396. ca____r diagnosis *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

ANSWERS: 387. endgame, 388. presence, 389. shorthand, 390. ultimate, 391. anticipate, 392. oppose, 393. confiscate, 394. debt, 395. rescue, 396. cancer

397. de____e independence *v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
398. en___l at a college *v.* to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service
399. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
400. ce_____te Christmas *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
401. built-in mic_____ne *n.* a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder
402. corporate d__t *n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something
403. incredible th___l *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
404. di_____nt activities *n.* a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary
405. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
406. l__h the oxen *v.* to strike or hit someone with a whip or other flexible instrument; to criticize or rebuke someone severely; to bind or tie something tightly with a cord or strap

ANSWERS: 397. declare, 398. enroll, 399. emotional, 400. celebrate, 401. microphone, 402. debt, 403. thrill, 404. dissident, 405. shift, 406. lash

407. ec____y pills *n.* a state of overwhelming happiness, joy, or pleasure; an emotional or mental state of intense feelings of delight or happiness that is often accompanied by intense physical sensations
408. pro_____on tactics *n.* action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired
409. anti-air raid sh_____r *n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
410. g_y rights *adj.* homosexual; happy, carefree
411. cast gl_____us eyes *adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
412. tr___a care *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
413. er__ed the files *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
414. campaign ma____a *n.* a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation
415. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
416. to_____t of jealousy *n.* unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering

ANSWERS: 407. ecstasy, 408. provocation, 409. shelter, 410. gay, 411. glamorous, 412. trauma, 413. erase, 414. mantra, 415. extreme, 416. torment

417. in___t over and over *v.* to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say
418. endearing ni_____me *n.* a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name
419. pr_____in my future *v.* to determine or decree something in advance; to believe or accept that an outcome is predetermined by a higher power or fate
420. h__l broke loose *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
421. a co___n of water *n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument
422. his business ent_____se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
423. a cr_____l issue for women *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
424. tec_____or dream *adj.* relating to a vivid, colorful, or vibrant visual effect or display, often used to describe movies or images produced using this process

ANSWERS: 417. insist, 418. nickname, 419. preordain, 420. hell, 421. column, 422. enterprise, 423. crucial, 424. technicolor

425. control re_____ly *adv.* at a distance; not directly or easily accessible
426. the th____l of speed *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
427. har_____sed economy *adj.* experiencing or facing severe difficulties, particularly financial or resource-related pressures; forced to cope with a situation that is difficult to handle
428. res_____ce movement *n.* the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
429. ge____r-blind policies *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
430. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
431. price of pr_____us metals *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
432. struggling with ad_____ty *n.* difficulties or hardships that someone faces
433. r__l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
434. undertake an ent_____se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort

ANSWERS: 425. remotely, 426. thrill, 427. hard-pressed, 428. resistance, 429. gender, 430. relation, 431. precious, 432. adversity, 433. roll, 434. enterprise

435. laborious tr____l *n.* prolonged, difficult, or exhausting labor or physical work; a painful or laborious effort or struggle
436. con_____nt cell *n.* the act of confining or limiting movement, often by keeping someone in a specific place or within a specific area; a state of being physically or emotionally restricted or limited
437. und_____nd activist *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
438. or_____ry annual revenue *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
439. tr_____h of the spirit *n.* a great victory or achievement
440. oc____y a position *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
441. th_____y for a patient *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
442. fu__e the truth during the interview *n.* a sweet candy made of sugar, butter, and milk or cream; an act of adjusting, manipulating, or distorting something to make it more favorable or acceptable; (verb) to manipulate or alter something deceptively or dishonestly, especially data or information
443. a se___e case of pneumonia *adj.* extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous

ANSWERS: 435. travail, 436. confinement, 437. underground, 438. ordinary, 439. triumph, 440. occupy, 441. therapy, 442. fudge, 443. severe

444. pre-ado_____nt children *n.* a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult
445. criminal nec_____ia *n.* a psychological disorder characterized by an abnormal attraction to, fixation on, or sexual interest in corpses or the dead
446. con_____te property *v.* to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules
447. say a gr__e *n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal
448. id_____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
449. sh___w puppetry *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
450. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
451. 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

ANSWERS: 444. adolescent, 445. necrophilia, 446. confiscate, 447. grace, 448. identity, 449. shadow, 450. eventually, 451. discovery

452. 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
453. gold me__l *n.* a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor
454. ar____e the meeting *v.* to plan, prepare for, and carry out something
455. stripes cha_____tic of the zebra *n.* a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody
456. a fountain of wi___m *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
457. a b_w wave *v.* to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows
458. hom_____al rights *adj.* sexually attracted to people of one's own sex
459. a male pro_____te *n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment
460. hom_____al marriage *adj.* sexually attracted to people of one's own sex
461. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 452. struggle, 453. medal, 454. arrange, 455. characteristic, 456. wisdom, 457. bow, 458. homosexual, 459. prostitute, 460. homosexual, 461. communal

462. br__d horses v. to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
463. pr_____s improvement n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
464. op_____s the minority v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
465. ce_____te his election v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
466. di_____ar without a trace v. to cease to exist or be visible
467. har_____sed for cash adj. experiencing or facing severe difficulties, particularly financial or resource-related pressures; forced to cope with a situation that is difficult to handle
468. aw___n a child v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping

ANSWERS: 462. breed, 463. process, 464. oppress, 465. celebrate, 466. disappear, 467. hard-pressed, 468. awaken

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The government's security forces constantly monitored the _____ politician.
n. a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary

2. Having _____ parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.
adj. under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force

3. She took great _____ in her work, always striving for perfection.
n. a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements

4. He is still _____ stealing the money from the cash register.
v. to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

5. The film was known for its vibrant _____ visuals, bringing the story to life.
adj. relating to a vivid, colorful, or vibrant visual effect or display, often used to describe movies or images produced using this process

6. I must _____ my loan on time to avoid late fees and penalties.
v. to give back or make restitution for money, debt, or other obligation that is owed; to compensate or reward someone for something done or given

7. You don't have to be _____.
adj. feeling guilt, embarrassment, or remorse about something because of something you have done

8. We will attempt to _____ some of your suggestions into our future strategy.
v. to include something as a part of a larger entity

ANSWERS: 1. dissident, 2. underground, 3. pride, 4. denying, 5. technicolor, 6. repay, 7. ashamed, 8. incorporate

9. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.
adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
10. She danced with _____ as her favorite band played their hit song.
n. a state of overwhelming happiness, joy, or pleasure; an emotional or mental state of intense feelings of delight or happiness that is often accompanied by intense physical sensations
11. The break in the ____ threatened the valley.
n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
12. She was _____ in a car accident.
adj. having a physical or mental condition that limits someone's specific actions that most other people can do
13. A legislative speaker should always be _____.
adj. not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.
14. I _____ all over after running a marathon yesterday.
v. to experience a dull, persistent pain or discomfort, typically of moderate or low intensity; to feel a continuous dull pain
15. A growing _____ requires a bold leader.
n. a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
16. Using proper _____ is essential for writing a good essay.
n. the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses

ANSWERS: 9. eventually, 10. ecstasy, 11. dam, 12. disabled, 13. neutral, 14. ache, 15. enterprise, 16. vocabulary

17. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.
n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
18. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
19. We were filled with _____ at the sight of the Queen.
n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
20. She had a legitimate _____ with her employer over unequal pay.
n. a real or imagined cause for complaint or protest, especially regarding an unfair or unjust treatment
21. We should _____ several hypotheses to discuss the matter.
v. to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
22. 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
23. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.
n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
24. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
25. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 17. strength, 18. assumes, 19. humility, 20. grievance, 21. posit, 22. separate, 23. grade, 24. relations, 25. decide

26. He _____ thought the red liquid was juice, but it was paint.

adv. in a mistaken or incorrect way; wrongly

27. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

28. The virus had the potential to _____ entire populations if left unchecked.

v. to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist

29. His _____ mood was apparent to everyone who knew him.

n. a feeling of sadness, disappointment, or boredom, often accompanied by a lack of energy or motivation

30. The security officer had to _____ the weapon from the suspect.

v. to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules

31. The old oak tree stood with _____ and majesty in the park's center.

n. a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal

32. We all should learn how to _____ stress.

v. to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

33. The senator received _____ criticism from his opponent.

adj. extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous

ANSWERS: 26. mistakenly, 27. ultimate, 28. annihilate, 29. melancholy, 30. confiscate, 31. grace, 32. handle, 33. severe

34. The friend's death _____ them.

v. to stop sleeping or to cause someone to stop sleeping

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

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

36. She was a _____ student of a prestigious university.

adj. having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees

37. The sunset over the ocean was truly _____.

adj. extremely impressive, stunning, awe-inspiring, or emotionally overwhelming

38. The interviewer asked him to speak into the _____.

n. a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder

39. The _____ mother gave birth to a healthy baby for the couple who couldn't conceive independently.

adj. acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose

40. He finally achieved _____ after many years of meditation and spiritual practice.

n. a state of perfect happiness, peace, and enlightenment in Hinduism and Buddhism

41. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.

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

ANSWERS: 34. awakens, 35. blamed, 36. graduated, 37. breathtaking, 38. microphone, 39. surrogate, 40. nirvana, 41. survive

42. I underwent aversion _____ for my addiction to alcohol.
n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
43. 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
44. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
45. The _____ actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.
adj. courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring
46. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.
v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
47. The attendant at the _____ was responsible for cataloging the bodies and their respective information.
n. a place where dead bodies are kept, particularly in preparation for burial or identification by their relatives or authorities
48. Timely education about birth control might help reduce _____ pregnancies.
n. a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult

ANSWERS: 42. therapy, 43. encouraged, 44. process, 45. heroic, 46. evolved, 47. morgue, 48. adolescent

49. The politician's speech was seen as a _____ to the opposition party.
- n.* action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired
50. The writer delivered a heartfelt _____ at the award ceremony, praising the recipient's achievements.
- n.* a formal or elaborate speech, piece of writing, or lyrical composition that praises or celebrates someone or something; a eulogy or tribute that highlights the virtues and achievements of a person or institution
51. We are optimistic about our final _____.
- n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
52. She is a natural _____ and doesn't need to dye her hair.
- adj.* of a light, yellowish-brown or golden color, typically describing hair color; (also spelled "blonde") a female with such hair color
53. The schoolyard _____ terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.
- n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
54. He does not _____ importance to these rumors.
- v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
55. The grandparents take care of their _____ while the parents are at work.
- n.* a child of someone's son or daughter

ANSWERS: 49. provocation, 50. panegyric, 51. victory, 52. blond, 53. bully, 54. attach, 55. grandchild

56. The church considers _____ desires to be sinful.

adj. relating to physical or bodily needs, desires, or appetites, particularly sexual ones

57. The university's _____ was busy with students and staff grabbing a quick lunch.

n. a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.

58. The singer's voice had a natural _____ that sounded beautiful in the acoustically-designed church.

n. an audio effect that produces a sound that is reflected off surfaces in an enclosed space, creating a sense of space or ambiance; the natural echoing or reverberation of sound in a large or open space

59. The death of her best friend filled her with _____.

n. a feeling of deep sadness, grief, or regret, especially for something lost or ending

60. The physicist who found the _____ particle won the Nobel Prize.

adj. difficult to find, define, achieve, or remember

61. In Chinese mythology, _____ are considered powerful and benevolent creatures.

n. a mythical monster typically depicted as a giant reptile with wings, claws, and a fiery breath often portrayed as being fierce and dangerous

62. It was the first time for her, but she _____ the role of Priest.

v. to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

ANSWERS: 56. carnal, 57. cafeteria, 58. reverb, 59. sorrow, 60. elusive, 61. dragons, 62. fulfilled

63. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
adj. relating to people's feelings
64. Historically, many countries have often _____ certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.
v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
65. He was exhausted and _____ into bed as soon as he got home.
v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
66. The torturers inflicted great _____ upon the prisoners.
n. unbearable physical pain or extreme mental distress; (verb) to cause severe physical or mental suffering to someone, or to be the victim of such suffering
67. An increase in employment helps _____ economic growth.
v. to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force
68. She was proud to receive a _____ for her hard work and dedication to the sport.
n. a flat, usually circular piece of metal or other material that is often given as an award or commemoration for an achievement, victory, or honor
69. With her busy schedule, the CEO was _____ to find time for her family.
adj. experiencing or facing severe difficulties, particularly financial or resource-related pressures; forced to cope with a situation that is difficult to handle
70. The spotlight gave the central figure increased _____.
n. particular importance or significance that is given to something

ANSWERS: 63. emotional, 64. oppressed, 65. rolled, 66. torment, 67. propel, 68. medal, 69. hard-pressed, 70. emphasis

71. I need to _____ in a cooking class to improve my culinary skills.
- v. to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service
72. The digestive system's _____ muscle helps regulate the food and waste flow.
- n. a circular muscle that regulates the flow of material through a passage or opening, such as the anus or a valve in the digestive system
73. All peaceful cooperation is based _____ on mutual trust.
- adv. mainly
74. The _____ of students from the science program graduated with top honors.
- n. a group of people who share a common characteristic, experience, or background and are usually studied as a single unit in research or analysis; a companion or ally
75. Parental indifference to their children leads to juvenile _____.
- n. an illegal act; a feeling of anger caused by a perceived insult to or disregard for oneself; the action of attacking an enemy
76. This large SUV _____ eight people.
- v. to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose
77. Foreign goods from abroad must be _____ to customs when entering a country.
- v. to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
78. We _____ to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.
- v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

ANSWERS: 71. enroll, 72. sphincter, 73. primarily, 74. cohort, 75. offenses, 76. accommodates, 77. declared, 78. strike

79. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
- n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
80. 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
81. Her sudden outburst was an _____ display of emotion.
- adj.* departing from what is considered normal or typical; deviating from the usual or expected path, behavior, or pattern; abnormal or unusual
82. The team has a _____ for their star player: "The Ace."
- n.* a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name
83. The meeting was considered _____ since nothing was accomplished.
- adj.* having no purpose or reason; serving no useful function; meaningless or senseless
84. This animal _____ in northern latitudes.
- v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
85. Bungee jumping was an _____ experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.
- adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
86. Bananas have their _____ taste and odor.
- n.* a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody

ANSWERS: 79. Empathy, 80. struggle, 81. aberrant, 82. nickname, 83. pointless, 84. breeds, 85. exhilarating, 86. characteristic

87. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.
- v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
88. The artist's _____ in perfecting the details of the painting paid off in the end.
- n.* prolonged, difficult, or exhausting labor or physical work; a painful or laborious effort or struggle
89. The _____ by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.
- n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
90. She _____ a new chapter into her manuscript.
- v.* to put something inside something else
91. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
92. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.
- v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
93. The government's efforts toward disease _____ have been successful in many regions.
- n.* the act or process of removing or getting rid of something or someone
94. The company can _____ access its employees' computers for troubleshooting purposes.
- adv.* at a distance; not directly or easily accessible

ANSWERS: 87. invite, 88. travail, 89. revolution, 90. inserted, 91. develop, 92. deserved, 93. elimination, 94. remotely

95. The trade _____ remained adamant about its demands.

- n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

96. 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

97. They removed _____ content from the slides.

- adj.* not connected with or related to something and therefore not important

98. The _____ session of the Diet opened.

- adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

99. Living in extreme poverty, they faced constant _____ and hardship.

- n.* a state of lacking or deprivation, usually regarding necessities or comforts; the absence or deficiency of something essential, such as food, shelter, or clothing

100. He was an _____ person who believed in diversity and inclusiveness.

- adj.* willing to receive or to take something offered

101. She turned to _____ to make ends meet.

- n.* a person, typically a woman, who engages in sexual activity in exchange for payment

102. She was _____ for the help he provided.

- adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful

ANSWERS: 95. union, 96. progression, 97. irrelevant, 98. ordinary, 99. privation, 100. accepting, 101. prostitute, 102. grateful

103. He _____ that she pay her debt to the last penny.

- v.* to say something clearly or demand something forcefully, especially when other people disagree with or oppose what you say

104. He was sick for five _____ days.

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

105. The queen _____ the traitor from the kingdom, never to be seen again.

- v.* to expel or send away from a place or situation, especially permanently

106. The soccer game crowd broke into a _____ of "Go, team, go!"

- n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

107. The secretary's _____ was so good that she could type up meeting minutes within minutes.

- n.* a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something

108. I need to _____ plans with him for the celebration.

- v.* to plan, prepare for, and carry out something

109. 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

110. The _____ of old age made it difficult for her to walk up the stairs.

- n.* physical or mental weakness; a physical or mental ailment that makes one vulnerable or fragile

ANSWERS: 103. insisted, 104. straight, 105. banished, 106. chant, 107. shorthand, 108. arrange, 109. launch, 110. infirmity

111. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.
n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
112. The home team managed to _____ their rivals with a surprising score of 5-0.
v. to defeat decisively or overwhelmingly in a contest or competition; to beat or thrash severely; to thoroughly overpower or defeat someone or something
113. The therapist helped her understand the workings of her _____ and how to cope with her anxiety.
n. the human soul, mind, or spirit
114. The company's financial statements _____ a decline in profits.
v. to demonstrate or show clearly; to make evident or manifest; to display or exhibit a quality, feeling, or characteristic
115. The election was a _____ success for the Whigs.
adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special
116. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.
n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
117. The police escorted the prisoner to the _____.
n. a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
118. The athlete's _____ was to win an Olympic gold medal before retiring from the sport
n. the final stage or outcome of a long and complex process or sequence of events, especially one that involves a struggle or competition

ANSWERS: 111. narrative, 112. trounce, 113. psyche, 114. evinced, 115. remarkable, 116. identity, 117. jail, 118. endgame

119. The newspaper devoted several _____ to the affair.

- n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument

120. I absolutely _____ spiders and can't stand to be near them.

- v.* to feel strong hatred or disgust for someone or something; to be unwilling or reluctant to do something

121. The _____ instructor guided the group through the relaxation and breathing exercises.

- n.* the act of focusing one's mind on a particular object or thought; activity to train attention and achieve a mentally clear and emotionally calm and stable state

122. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

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

123. The company decided to _____ production of the product.

- v.* to stop an action or event

124. The loud bang outside the window caused him to _____ and spill his coffee.

- v.* to cause a sudden or unexpected reaction of surprise, alarm, or fear in someone, typically by means of a sudden and loud noise, movement, or event

125. The politician's remarks about same-sex marriage revealed his deep-seated _____.

- n.* a strong fear, aversion, or hostility towards people who are homosexual or towards homosexuality itself; discrimination or prejudice against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) individuals based on their sexual orientation or gender identity

ANSWERS: 119. columns, 120. loathe, 121. meditation, 122. involves, 123. cease, 124. startle, 125. homophobia

126. The team's _____ in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.

n. a great victory or achievement

127. You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a _____.

n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

128. She had a _____ look and was determined to complete the task.

adj. having a specific aim or purpose; determined

129. We _____ heavy snowfall tomorrow.

v. to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance

130. We had a _____ time yesterday.

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

131. The mob wanted to _____ the suspect before he could be tried in court.

v. to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance

132. She repeated her personal _____ to herself to stay motivated.

n. a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation

133. He never uttered a _____ word.

adj. existing, living, or doing without others

ANSWERS: 126. triumph, 127. scholar, 128. purposeful, 129. anticipate, 130. tremendous, 131. lynch, 132. mantra, 133. solitary

134. His friend's death drove him to _____.

- n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

135. The ____ in her heart was filled with the love of her family.

- n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force

136. The young prince will soon _____ the throne.

- v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time

137. 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

138. My dog found a _____ on the floor and quickly ate it.

- n.* a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something

139. He used a chisel to ____ the wood into the shape of a bird.

- v.* to chop or cut something, particularly wood, with an ax or other tool; to shape, carve, or form something using a sharp tool

140. We have finally lost our last _____.

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

141. The path to a solid online _____ necessitates a high technical ability.

- n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

ANSWERS: 134. despair, 135. void, 136. occupy, 137. discovery, 138. crumb, 139. hew, 140. prop, 141. presence

142. Some people believe that a higher power _____ everything that happens in life.

- v.* to determine or decree something in advance; to believe or accept that an outcome is predetermined by a higher power or fate

143. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.

- adj.* very great in amount or degree

144. The famous restaurant stands _____ up the hill.

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

145. The first two years of her marriage were sheer _____.

- n.* extreme happiness or joy

146. He attempted to _____ the misspelled word.

- v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

147. Your credit card is no longer _____.

- adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable

148. The battlefield became _____ on earth.

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

149. The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national _____.

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

ANSWERS: 142. preordains, 143. extreme, 144. halfway, 145. bliss, 146. erase, 147. valid, 148. hell, 149. hero

150. The flood was a great _____ to the small town causing extensive damage.
n. an unfortunate event or circumstance; bad luck or trouble
151. The company divided the tasks into _____ segments to increase efficiency.
adj. separate and distinct; not continuous; individually distinguishable
152. Effective communication is often considered the _____ of a successful team.
n. a fundamental or essential element or component of something; a basis or foundation upon which something is built or developed
153. The ___ pride parade was a celebration of diversity and acceptance.
adj. homosexual; happy, carefree
154. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
155. The law was repealed to protect the rights of _____ citizens.
adj. sexually attracted to people of one's own sex
156. The new regulations _____ a significant change in the industry standards.
v. to be the essential or fundamental elements or parts of something; to establish, appoint, or assign someone to a particular office or position; to make up or compose something
157. He became in _____ after losing his job.
n. something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something

ANSWERS: 150. misfortune, 151. discrete, 152. cornerstone, 153. gay, 154. movement, 155. homosexual, 156. constitute, 157. debt

158. She had to _____ her father's signature on the permission slip because he was out of town.
- v.* to fashion or shape metal by heating it and hammering it into shape; to create or develop something new or original; to form strong bonds or relationships with others
159. The elderly patient is experiencing _____ and requires assistance with toileting.
- n.* the involuntary leakage of urine or feces from the body
160. The protestors built a _____ to prevent police from entering the area.
- n.* a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack
161. The _____ on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.
- n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
162. We cannot afford to squander _____ time.
- adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
163. Listening to music at a high volume may lead to a hearing _____.
- n.* a physical or mental condition that makes it difficult for someone to do some things that other people do
164. I got caught in the rain, and my clothes were completely _____.
- v.* to make something or someone wet, dirty, and limp by dragging it through mud or water; to become soaked, dirty, and limp in this way
165. The shipwreck _____ was rescued after floating in the ocean for three days.
- n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died

ANSWERS: 158. forge, 159. incontinence, 160. barricade, 161. label, 162. precious, 163. disability, 164. bedraggled, 165. survivor

166. The prisoner spent months in solitary _____.

- n.* the act of confining or limiting movement, often by keeping someone in a specific place or within a specific area; a state of being physically or emotionally restricted or limited

167. I _____ skim milk for regular milk because we are on a strict diet.

- n.* a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one

168. The government is proposing a _____ to the healthcare system to make it more accessible and affordable for all citizens.

- n.* the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem

169. Skydiving is an overwhelming _____ for many people.

- n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

170. The _____ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

- n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

171. 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

172. Our company is strongly _____ to meeting customers' needs.

- adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

ANSWERS: 166. confinement, 167. substitute, 168. reform, 169. thrill, 170. victim, 171. rap, 172. committed

173. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.

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

174. He felt _____ to his parents for all the sacrifices they had made for him.

adj. owing money or having financial obligations to another person or organization; feeling grateful or obligated to someone for their help, support, or kindness

175. The government used _____ pictures to spread its message of national unity.

n. information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology

176. The failure destroyed his trust and personal _____.

n. the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station

177. Federal bankruptcy laws _____ the reorganization process.

v. (of a doctor) to advise and order the use of particular medicine or treatment for someone, especially in writing; to issue commands or orders for something

178. Dictators of the past often had the erroneous idea of a pure racial _____.

n. a force or pressure that stretches or pulls something, sometimes causing damage; (biology) a group of organisms within a species that differ in trivial ways from similar groups

179. Could you help me _____ some furniture?

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

180. The south coast is less _____ yet has many clean and appealing hotels.

adj. highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people

ANSWERS: 173. expand, 174. indebted, 175. propaganda, 176. dignity, 177. prescribed, 178. strain, 179. shift, 180. glamorous

181. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
182. I strongly _____ the new proposed law that would harm our environment.
v. to be against or in conflict with something or someone; to resist or to try to prevent something from happening
183. The neighborhood was alive with music and laughter during the annual _____ celebration.
n. a festive celebration or party, often involving music, dancing, and abundant food and drink; a public or community celebration held for a special occasion or event
184. The teacher _____ the virtues of hard work and dedication to her students.
v. to praise or laud highly; to exalt or elevate someone or something by highlighting their positive qualities or attributes
185. The tree cast a _____ over the picnic area, providing relief from the sun.
n. a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
186. The fire department arrived just in time to _____ the family from the burning building.
v. to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
187. The movie was a complete _____ and a waste of time.
n. a sweet candy made of sugar, butter, and milk or cream; an act of adjusting, manipulating, or distorting something to make it more favorable or acceptable; (verb) to manipulate or alter something deceptively or dishonestly, especially data or information

ANSWERS: 181. complexity, 182. oppose, 183. fiesta, 184. extolled, 185. shadow, 186. rescue, 187. fudge

188. 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
189. He _____ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.
- v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
190. Breast _____ is the most common type of cancer in women.
- n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
191. The _____ on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.
- n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
192. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.
- n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
193. The _____ of his anxiety was evident in his shaking hands.
- n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition
194. The _____ of the earth is divided into several layers including the crust, mantle, and core.
- n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity

ANSWERS: 188. function, 189. celebrated, 190. cancer, 191. delight, 192. privilege, 193. manifestation, 194. sphere

195. The revitalization of technology companies is _____ to the country's growth.

adj. extremely vital or necessary

196. How many _____ does the average lion have?

n. descendant; any immature animal or plant

197. Mining is a _____ source of income for the country.

adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

198. Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's _____.

n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

199. The team demonstrated great resilience in the face of _____ and won the game.

n. difficulties or hardships that someone faces

200. She was _____ by society because she had a child out of wedlock.

v. to accuse, condemn, or openly or formally consider somebody or something as not deserving respect

201. The country experienced a _____ increase in population.

adj. happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt

202. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

203. They need food and _____.

n. a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger

ANSWERS: 195. crucial, 196. offspring, 197. chief, 198. absence, 199. adversity, 200. stigmatized, 201. gradual, 202. confer, 203. shelter

204. Cultural norms strongly influence _____ expectations.

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

205. Many civilians have suffered _____ as a result of the war.

- n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience

206. The mother _____ out at her child for misbehaving in public.

- v.* to strike or hit someone with a whip or other flexible instrument; to criticize or rebuke someone severely; to bind or tie something tightly with a cord or strap

207. The community greatly respected and sought after the older adult's _____.

- n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions

208. The political situation _____ the country's economic growth and foreign relations.

- v.* to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something

209. He was committed to a mental institution due to his _____ tendencies.

- n.* a psychological disorder characterized by an abnormal attraction to, fixation on, or sexual interest in corpses or the dead

210. As she lay on her deathbed, a bright light appeared, and she saw a holy _____ standing at the foot of her bed.

- n.* a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo

ANSWERS: 204. gender, 205. trauma, 206. lashed, 207. wisdom, 208. constrained, 209. necrophilia, 210. angel

211. The term " _____ " has become synonymous with acts of homosexuality and is used as a derogatory term for gay people.
- n.* a city that, according to the Bible, was destroyed by God because of the wickedness of its inhabitants; also refer as sodomy, anal intercourse between men
212. The _____ in the garden needed to be thinned out to have enough space to grow.
- n.* a young plant that has just germinated and has not yet developed leaves or true roots
213. They watched the train _____ into the distance.
- v.* to cease to exist or be visible
214. This community is free of social _____.
- n.* a thought or feeling that is unfair and makes no sense, mainly when it is formed without enough thought or knowledge
215. The budget reduction was an _____ feat for our nation.
- adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
216. Her love for him was _____ despite all of his flaws.
- adj.* not subject to any conditions; absolute or complete; not limited by any qualifications or restrictions
217. Proper disposal of _____ is essential for maintaining public health and sanitation.
- n.* waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement
218. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 211. Sodom", 212. seedlings, 213. disappear, 214. prejudice, 215. impressive, 216. unconditional, 217. feces, 218. Communal

219. The movie theater offered a special _____ for seniors on Tuesdays.
- n.* something that is granted or given up, often in a negotiation or argument; a place or stand where goods or services are sold or provided, often in a public setting such as a stadium or amusement park
220. The bill to increase the consumption tax had passed despite much _____ from the public.
- n.* the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
221. The audience _____ when the magician made the rabbit disappear from the hat.
- v.* to inhale sharply and audibly, often in response to strong emotion or sensation; to catch one's breath suddenly, often due to shock or surprise
222. He thinks she is a high _____ because she always talks about herself and her accomplishments.
- n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements
223. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.
- v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
224. She is searching for a _____ residence.
- adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
225. Please _____ a different color to each other kind of item.
- v.* to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone
226. It is a _____ that the concert had to be canceled due to the storm.
- n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain

ANSWERS: 219. concession, 220. resistance, 221. gasped, 222. narcissist, 223. destroyed, 224. permanent, 225. assign, 226. pity

227. Her _____ manner relaxed everyone there.

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

228. He was ____ with joy to see the results.

adj. insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

229. He identified as _____ and had never considered being with someone of the same gender.

adj. attracted to individuals of the opposite sex

230. She _____ to the audience after her performance.

v. to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows

231. Recurrent financial _____ hampered his subsequent career.

n. significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness

232. _____ 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

233. She felt _____ about her performance in the competition.

adj. excessively pleased with oneself; self-righteously complacent

234. The river _____ its banks during the heavy rain.

v. to flow or run over the edge or brim of a container or surface; to be more than enough

ANSWERS: 227. gentle, 228. mad, 229. heterosexual, 230. bowed, 231. woes, 232. Democracy, 233. smug, 234. overflowed

ANSWERS: