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Session 1: Word List

vast

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

synonym: expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

disagree

v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.

synonym: discord, oppose, dissent

(1) **disagree** about a particular issue, (2) **disagree** with a plan

I **disagree** for reasons already stated above.

reaction

n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others

synonym: response, reply, answer

(1) chemical **reaction**, (2) trigger a **reaction**

There was a chemical **reaction** of the lime with the groundwater.

pet

n. an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

(1) a **pet** bird, (2) a teacher's **pet**

I have a parrot as a **pet**.

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.

external

adj. belonging to or situated outside of someone or something

synonym : outside, exterior, foreign

(1) **external** factors, (2) **external** commerce

When a company discloses information to the market, an **external** auditor verifies them.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym : comparative, proximate, congeneric

(1) a remote **relative**, (2) **relative** factors

Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close **relatives**.

ancient

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

synonym : archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories

They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

fluid

n. a substance that can flow and is not solid

synonym : liquid, aqua, sap

(1) plenty of **fluids**, (2) **fluid** assets

She was diagnosed with a **fluid** buildup in her lungs.

accord

n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
synonym: alliance, pact, agreement

(1) **accord** with public opinion, (2) binational **accord**

The organization finally signed a peace **accord**.

humor

n. the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body

synonym: comedy, funniness, liquid substance

(1) sardonic **humor**, (2) vitreous **humor**

My wife seems to be in ill **humor**.

balance

n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

synonym: equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

(1) the **balance** of power, (2) asset on the company's **balance** sheet

Try to keep a **balance** between work and off.

influence

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

synonym: power, leverage, effect

(1) **influence** a child's future, (2) **influence** the daily life

The former emperor had a particular **influence** even after he abdicated.

temperament

n. a person's nature or disposition, especially as it permanently affects their behavior

synonym: disposition, character, personality

(1) the **temperament** of an engineer, (2) a hysterical **temperament**

She has a calm **temperament** and never gets overly upset or angry.

bile

n. a digestive fluid produced by the liver and stored in the gallbladder, which helps to break down fats in the small

intestine; bitterness or spitefulness

synonym : gall, bitterness, acrimony

(1) **bile** secretion, (2) **bile** duct

The doctor identified excess **bile** in the patient's bloodstream, indicating a possible liver or gallbladder issue.

diet

n. the food and drink that a person, animal, or community eats and drinks regularly; a legislative assembly in certain countries, for example, Japan

synonym : food, dietary

(1) eat a vegetarian **diet**, (2) **Diet** approval

A balanced **diet** is more important for health than supplements.

medical

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

synonym : health, disease, treatment

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

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

govern

v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

synonym : control, rule, preside

(1) a nation's right to **govern**, (2) **govern** a public enterprise

The regulations **governing** medical malpractice claims are rigorous.

resonate

v. to be filled with a deep echoing sound

synonym : echo, reverberate, resound

(1) deeply **resonate** with the consumers, (2) **resonate** in the same frequency

The sound **resonates** well in this theater.

occasionally

adv. now and then; sometimes but not often

synonym : periodically, sometimes, from time to time

(1) **occasionally** dine with friends, (2) **occasionally** change the routine

She still **occasionally** writes a short romance novel.

clinical

adj. of or relating to the examination and treatment of patients rather than theoretical or laboratory studies

synonym: dispassionate, analytic, scientific

(1) **clinical** surgery, (2) participate in **clinical** trials

She received special **clinical** training at the hospital.

depression

n. a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

synonym: recession, slump, despair

(1) the Great **Depression**, (2) the root problem of her **depression**

Depression symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.

unexplained

adj. not able to be explained or understood, lacking explanation or justification for something unknown or mysterious

synonym: mysterious, inexplicable, enigmatic

(1) **unexplained** phenomenon, (2) **unexplained** disappearance

There was an **unexplained** noise coming from the attic that frightened us all.

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.

relate

v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel

sympathy with someone or something

synonym: connect, link, associate

(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message

He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

brain

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

synonym: intellect, mind, encephalon

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

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

chemistry

n. the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions

(1) professor of **chemistry**, (2) the **chemistry** of soil

He is familiar with **chemistry** and biology.

chemical

adj. relating to or connected with chemistry;

synonym: chemic, synthetic

(1) toxic **chemicals**, (2) a **chemical** compound

The firm has grown into a large **chemical** manufacturing.

circumstance

n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

synonym: condition, context, environment

(1) **circumstance** of birth, (2) **circumstance** of injury

She explained the **circumstances** surrounding the accident.

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym: custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

attempt

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

synonym: endeavor, effort, try

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

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

discern

v. to see, perceive, or understand something that is not obvious

synonym: determine, distinguish, sense

(1) **discern** the big picture, (2) **discern** friend from foe

Parents need to help their children **discern** right and wrong.

discuss

v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

synonym: talk about, converse, debate

(1) **discuss** options, (2) **discuss** solutions

We need to **discuss** the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

argument

n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

synonym: debate, discourse, discussion

(1) a blazing **argument**, (2) the **argument** against capital punishment

The **argument** between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

inevitable

adj. certain to happen and unavoidable

synonym: inescapable, unavoidable, sure

(1) **inevitable** changes of the seasons, (2) **inevitable** result

In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is **inevitable**.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym: critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life
Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

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.

contend

v. to struggle to win or surmount something

synonym: compete, oppose, argue

(1) **contend** that tobacco is nonaddictive, (2) **contend** for a championship

Tobacco companies have long **contended** that their product is not addictive.

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**.

masterpiece

n. a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement

synonym: classic, chef-d'oeuvre, magnum opus

(1) literary **masterpiece**, (2) a **masterpiece** of design

The Mona Lisa is widely considered to be a **masterpiece** of art.

anatomy

n. the scientific study that deals with the physical structure of humans, animals, or plants

(1) animal **anatomy**, (2) **anatomy** of a country's collapse

The professor explained the **anatomy** of the nervous system.

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**.

romantic

adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

synonym: idealistic, unrealistic, amatory

(1) **romantic** movies, (2) **romantic** breakup

It was his first **romantic** love.

poet

n. a person who writes poetry

synonym: versifier, rhymer, writer

(1) a court **poet**, (2) a **poet** of sorts

She is a talented **poet** who has been recognized for her work.

profound

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

synonym: deep, unsounded, far-reaching

(1) a **profound** book, (2) the **profound** depths of the sea

My mother's illness had a **profound** impact on us all.

emotion

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

synonym: feeling, sentiment, passion

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

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

intelligence

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

synonym: brains, brightness, cleverness

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

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

hierarchy

n. a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest

synonym : ranking, order, scale

(1) top of the **hierarchy**, (2) **hierarchy** of folders

She has taken a step up in the organizational **hierarchy**.

tangible

adj. real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value

synonym : palpable, real, actual

(1) **tangible** assets, (2) produce **tangible** results

A problem that has been pointed out for years finally becomes **tangible**.

evolutionary

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

synonym : developmental, mutative, transformative

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

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

withdrawn

adj. having retired oneself from society, company, or public life; extremely shy and quiet

synonym : aloof, detached, reserved

(1) **withdrawn** product, (2) become socially **withdrawn**

She was **withdrawn** and didn't want to talk to anyone after the breakup.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym : root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

ancestor

n. a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
synonym: forebear, forefather, progenitor

(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**

My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.

bond

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

synonym: bind, adhesion, attachment

(1) **bond** as a family, (2) global **bond** market

They had formed a friendship **bond**.

opposed

adj. being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something

synonym: anti, averse, hostile

(1) two **opposed** characters, (2) absolutely **opposed** to abortion

I'm strongly **opposed** to that plan.

violent

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

synonym: aggressive, intense, turbulent

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

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

suffer

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

synonym: endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades

The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym: directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer **immediately**

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

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.

thrive

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

synonym: bloom, flourish, prosper

(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure

Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

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.

grief

n. a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies

synonym: anguish, desperation, dismay

(1) have **grief** and sorrow, (2) a lot of **grief**

Each person has a unique **grief** experience.

probe

n. a tool used for testing or examining, especially for medical or scientific purposes, or an exploratory mission to a planet or other celestial body; (verb) to investigate, examine, or search into something

synonym: investigation, inquiry, examination

(1) a lunar **probe**, (2) **probe** for inside information

NASA sent a **probe** to study the atmosphere of Jupiter.

weigh

v. to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion

synonym: consider, cogitate, count

(1) **weigh** heavily on stock prices, (2) **weigh** a cargo

The baby **weighs** 1 pound 3 oz.

anthropology

n. the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species

(1) social **anthropology**, (2) **anthropology** of religion

The areas of **anthropology** and psychology are significantly related to one another.

Arthurian

adj. relating to king Arthur and the tales and legends associated with him

(1) the **Arthurian** cycle, (2) **Arthurian** romances

The **Arthurian** legends of King Arthur and the knights of the Round Table are popular literary motifs.

universal

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

synonym: common, broad, worldwide

(1) **universal** life, (2) principles of **universal** design

The picture earned near- **universal** acclaim from critics.

heartbreak

n. a feeling of great sadness or disappointment

synonym: grief, sorrow, bitterness

(1) ease her **heartbreak**, (2) go through **heartbreak**

They had experienced the **heartbreak** of losing two children due to premature births.

bruise

n. a mark caused by a blow, typically one that is purple or black on the skin

synonym: contusion, injury, wound

(1) livid **bruise**, (2) earlier emotional **bruise**

She had a **bruise** on her arm from where she fell on the

playground.

contemporary

adj. belonging to the same or present time

synonym : modern, stylish, coetaneous

(1) field of **contemporary** art, (2) **contemporary** leaders

Contemporary music has gained different followers from existing music.

eliminate

v. to remove or get rid of someone or something

synonym : wipe out, destroy, eradicate

(1) **eliminate** contestants, (2) **eliminate** sexual barriers

We can **eliminate** this possibility from those consumptions.

genetic

adj. of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes

synonym : hereditary, genetical, inborn

(1) have **genetic** testing, (2) a **genetic** disorder

Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the **genetic** code.

engineer

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

synonym : architect, creator, builder

(1) a civil **engineer**, (2) **engineer** shortage

The **engineer** will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

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.

ecosystem

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

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

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

redesign

v. to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again

synonym: revamp, rework, remodel

(1) **redesign** project, (2) **redesign** of lifestyle

The company is planning to **redesign** its website.

paradise

n. a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth

synonym: heaven, Eden, utopia

(1) **paradise** island, (2) **paradise** for criminals

Hawaii is often referred to as an everlasting summer **paradise**.

cave

n. a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground

synonym: cavern, grotto, burrow

(1) domiciliary **caves**, (2) the mouth of the **cave**

Bats reside in sheltered **caves**.

articulate

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

synonym: express, state, utter

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

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

inexpressible

adj. not able to be expressed in words or language; too great or overwhelming to be adequately conveyed by any means of verbal or visual communication

synonym: unutterable, incommunicable, unspeakable

(1) **inexpressible** gratitude, (2) **inexpressible** pain

The beauty of the sunset was so stunning that it brought **inexpressible** joy to my heart.

perch

- v. to sit, stand, or rest on something, particularly a narrow or elevated surface; to position oneself confidently or dominantly; to place something in a high or elevated position; (noun) a branch or other elevated place where a bird can rest or roost

synonym : sit, roost, squat

(1) **perch** on a ledge, (2) **perch** of a bird of prey

The bird **perched** on the branch, watching the world below.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. literary mas_____ce | <i>n.</i> a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement |
| 2. we__h heavily on stock prices | <i>v.</i> to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion |
| 3. su___r a setback | <i>v.</i> to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant |
| 4. an_____t stories | <i>adj.</i> relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old |
| 5. have gr__f and sorrow | <i>n.</i> a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies |
| 6. di_____s options | <i>v.</i> to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic |
| 7. afraid to show em_____n | <i>n.</i> a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others |
| 8. occ_____lly dine with friends | <i>adv.</i> now and then; sometimes but not often |
| 9. occ_____lly change the routine | <i>adv.</i> now and then; sometimes but not often |
| 10. trigger a re_____on | <i>n.</i> a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others |

ANSWERS: 1. masterpiece, 2. weigh, 3. suffer, 4. ancient, 5. grief, 6. discuss, 7. emotion, 8. occasionally, 9. occasionally, 10. reaction

11. domiciliary c__es *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
12. deep so___w *n.* a feeling of deep sadness, grief, or regret, especially for something lost or ending
13. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
14. cir_____nce of birth *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
15. global b__d market *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
16. the ba_____e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
17. a mas_____ce of design *n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
18. pa_____se island *n.* a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth
19. Ar_____an romances *adj.* relating to king Arthur and the tales and legends associated with him
20. the ch_____ry of soil *n.* the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions

ANSWERS: 11. cave, 12. sorrow, 13. tradition, 14. circumstance, 15. bond, 16. balance, 17. masterpiece, 18. paradise, 19. Arthurian, 20. chemistry

21. go through hea_____ak *n.* a feeling of great sadness or disappointment
22. su_____e a plane crash *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
23. asset on the company's ba_____e sheet *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
24. a remote re_____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
25. ease her hea_____ak *n.* a feeling of great sadness or disappointment
26. change the ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
27. b__e duct *n.* a digestive fluid produced by the liver and stored in the gallbladder, which helps to break down fats in the small intestine; bitterness or spitefulness
28. temporary me_____l treatment *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
29. the tem_____nt of an engineer *n.* a person's nature or disposition, especially as it permanently affects their behavior
30. eloquently art_____te *v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
31. re_____te in the same frequency *v.* to be filled with a deep echoing sound
32. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 21. heartbreak, 22. survive, 23. balance, 24. relative, 25. heartbreak, 26. ecosystem, 27. bile, 28. medical, 29. temperament, 30. articulate, 31. resonate, 32. communal

33. 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
34. el_____te contestants *v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something
35. field of con_____ary art *adj.* belonging to the same or present time
36. livid br___e *n.* a mark caused by a blow, typically one that is purple or black on the skin
37. the Great Dep_____on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
38. binational ac___d *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
39. re_____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
40. pa_____se for criminals *n.* a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth
41. ex_____al commerce *adj.* belonging to or situated outside of someone or something
42. a ch_____al compound *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
43. a lunar pr___e *n.* a tool used for testing or examining, especially for medical or scientific purposes, or an exploratory mission to a planet or other celestial body; (verb) to investigate, examine, or search into something

ANSWERS: 33. assume, 34. eliminate, 35. contemporary, 36. bruise, 37. depression, 38. accord, 39. relative, 40. paradise, 41. external, 42. chemical, 43. probe

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ANSWERS: 44. intelligence, 45. external, 46. process, 47. depression, 48. inevitable, 49. tangible, 50. chemical, 51. cave, 52. bond

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60. pre-Christian an_____t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
61. a blazing ar_____nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
62. 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

ANSWERS: 53. inexpressible, 54. thrive, 55. melancholy, 56. diet, 57. contend, 58. emotion, 59. brain, 60. ancient, 61. argument, 62. assume

63. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
64. art_____te his position *v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
65. imm_____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
66. ro_____ic movies *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
67. con_____ary leaders *adj.* belonging to the same or present time
68. earliest human an_____or *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
69. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
70. deeply re_____te with the consumers *v.* to be filled with a deep echoing sound
71. so_____w for sin *n.* a feeling of deep sadness, grief, or regret, especially for something lost or ending
72. produce ta_____le results *adj.* real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value
73. ro_____ic breakup *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
74. wi_____wn product *adj.* having retired oneself from society, company, or public life; extremely shy and quiet
75. es_____al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental

ANSWERS: 63. immediately, 64. articulate, 65. immediately, 66. romantic, 67. contemporary, 68. ancestor, 69. engineer, 70. resonate, 71. sorrow, 72. tangible, 73. romantic, 74. withdrawn, 75. essential

76. re___e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
77. su_____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
78. b__e secretion *n.* a digestive fluid produced by the liver and stored in the gallbladder, which helps to break down fats in the small intestine; bitterness or spitefulness
79. D__t approval *n.* the food and drink that a person, animal, or community eats and drinks regularly; a legislative assembly in certain countries, for example, Japan
80. an_____y of a country's collapse *n.* the scientific study that deals with the physical structure of humans, animals, or plants
81. participate in cl_____al trials *adj.* of or relating to the examination and treatment of patients rather than theoretical or laboratory studies
82. an_____or language *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
83. sardonic hu__r *n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
84. or___n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
85. a nation's right to go___n *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

ANSWERS: 76. relate, 77. survive, 78. bile, 79. diet, 80. anatomy, 81. clinical, 82. ancestor, 83. humor, 84. origin, 85. govern

86. the pr____nd depths of the sea *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
87. in_____ce a child's future *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
88. feel mel_____ly *n.* a feeling of sadness, disappointment, or boredom, often accompanied by a lack of energy or motivation
89. earlier emotional br___e *n.* a mark caused by a blow, typically one that is purple or black on the skin
90. une_____ed disappearance *adj.* not able to be explained or understood, lacking explanation or justification for something unknown or mysterious
91. el_____te sexual barriers *v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something
92. a lot of gr__f *n.* a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies
93. ac___d with public opinion *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
94. cir_____nce of injury *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
95. a ge_____c disorder *adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
96. di_____ee about a particular issue *v.* to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
97. une_____ed phenomenon *adj.* not able to be explained or understood, lacking explanation or justification for something unknown or mysterious

ANSWERS: 86. profound, 87. influence, 88. melancholy, 89. bruise, 90. unexplained, 91. eliminate, 92. grief, 93. accord, 94. circumstance, 95. genetic, 96. disagree, 97. unexplained

98. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
99. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
100. we__h a cargo *v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
101. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
102. plenty of fl__ds *n.* a substance that can flow and is not solid
103. absolutely op_____d to abortion *adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
104. chemical re_____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
105. the ar_____nt against capital punishment *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
106. animal an_____y *n.* the scientific study that deals with the physical structure of humans, animals, or plants
107. es_____al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
108. fl__d assets *n.* a substance that can flow and is not solid
109. go___n a public enterprise *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

ANSWERS: 98. communal, 99. emotional, 100. weigh, 101. vast, 102. fluid, 103. opposed, 104. reaction, 105. argument, 106. anatomy, 107. essential, 108. fluid, 109. govern

110. the at_____t to rescue the hostages *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
111. a civil en_____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
112. the Ar_____an cycle *adj.* relating to king Arthur and the tales and legends associated with him
113. ecology and evo_____ary biology *adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms
114. ant_____ogy of religion *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
115. the evo_____ary process *adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms
116. a pr_____nd book *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
117. re_____gn project *v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
118. pr__e for inside information *n.* a tool used for testing or examining, especially for medical or scientific purposes, or an exploratory mission to a planet or other celestial body; (verb) to investigate, examine, or search into something

ANSWERS: 110. attempt, 111. engineer, 112. Arthurian, 113. evolutionary, 114. anthropology, 115. evolutionary, 116. profound, 117. redesign, 118. probe

119. vitreous hu__r *n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
120. di____s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
121. in_____ce the daily life *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
122. have ge____c testing *adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
123. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
124. un_____al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
125. pe__h of a bird of prey *v.* to sit, stand, or rest on something, particularly a narrow or elevated surface; to position oneself confidently or dominantly; to place something in a high or elevated position; (noun) a branch or other elevated place where a bird can rest or roost
126. a p_t bird *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
127. two op_____d characters *adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something

ANSWERS: 119. humor, 120. discuss, 121. influence, 122. genetic, 123. tradition, 124. universal, 125. perch, 126. pet, 127. opposed

128. di____ee with a plan v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
129. em____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
130. di____n the big picture v. to see, perceive, or understand something that is not obvious
131. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
132. su____r bad grades v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
133. th____e in a society v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
134. co____d that tobacco is nonaddictive v. to struggle to win or surmount something
135. victim of a vi____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
136. ine____le changes of the seasons *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
137. hi____hy of folders *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
138. field of artificial int____nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
139. professor of ch____ry *n.* the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions

ANSWERS: 128. disagree, 129. emotional, 130. discern, 131. vast, 132. suffer, 133. thrive, 134. contend, 135. violent, 136. inevitable, 137. hierarchy, 138. intelligence, 139. chemistry

140. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
141. cl____al surgery *adj.* of or relating to the examination and treatment of patients rather than theoretical or laboratory studies
142. a me____l opinion *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
143. a fountain of wi____m *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
144. a teacher's p_t *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
145. racial or____n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
146. a hysterical tem____nt *n.* a person's nature or disposition, especially as it permanently affects their behavior
147. social ant____ogy *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
148. become socially wi____wn *adj.* having retired oneself from society, company, or public life; extremely shy and quiet

ANSWERS: 140. relate, 141. clinical, 142. medical, 143. wisdom, 144. pet, 145. origin, 146. temperament, 147. anthropology, 148. withdrawn

149. marine ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
150. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
151. di_____n friend from foe *v.* to see, perceive, or understand something that is not obvious
152. principles of un_____al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
153. re_____gn of lifestyle *v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
154. a court p__t *n.* a person who writes poetry
155. top of the hi_____hy *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
156. pe__h on a ledge *v.* to sit, stand, or rest on something, particularly a narrow or elevated surface; to position oneself confidently or dominantly; to place something in a high or elevated position; (noun) a branch or other elevated place where a bird can rest or roost
157. 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

ANSWERS: 149. ecosystem, 150. violent, 151. discern, 152. universal, 153. redesign, 154. poet, 155. hierarchy, 156. perch, 157. process

158. a p__t of sorts *n.* a person who writes poetry
159. wi___m literature *n.* the quality of being wise, or the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make sensible decisions
160. ine_____ble gratitude *adj.* not able to be expressed in words or language; too great or overwhelming to be adequately conveyed by any means of verbal or visual communication
161. a reckless at_____t *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
162. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

ANSWERS: 158. poet, 159. wisdom, 160. inexpressible, 161. attempt, 162. brain

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The company is planning to _____ its website.
 - v. to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again

2. In terms of _____ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.
 - n. the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

3. Without investment, a business cannot _____.
 - v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

4. Each person has a unique _____ experience.
 - n. a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies

5. The regulations _____ medical malpractice claims are rigorous.
 - v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

6. Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the _____ code.
 - adj. of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes

7. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the _____.
 - n. all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

ANSWERS: 1. redesign, 2. intelligence, 3. thrive, 4. grief, 5. governing, 6. genetic, 7. ecosystem

8. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

9. She was able to _____ her argument in the debate clearly.

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

10. We can _____ this possibility from those consumptions.

v. to remove or get rid of someone or something

11. When a company discloses information to the market, an _____ auditor verifies them.

adj. belonging to or situated outside of someone or something

12. She received special _____ training at the hospital.

adj. of or relating to the examination and treatment of patients rather than theoretical or laboratory studies

13. 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

14. The beauty of the sunset was so stunning that it brought _____ joy to my heart.

adj. not able to be expressed in words or language; too great or overwhelming to be adequately conveyed by any means of verbal or visual communication

15. Parents need to help their children _____ right and wrong.

v. to see, perceive, or understand something that is not obvious

ANSWERS: 8. vast, 9. articulate, 10. eliminate, 11. external, 12. clinical, 13. process, 14. inexpressible, 15. discern

16. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
adj. relating to people's feelings
17. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.
adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
18. The firm has grown into a large _____ manufacturing.
adj. relating to or connected with chemistry;
19. She explained the _____ surrounding the accident.
n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
20. The organization finally signed a peace _____.
n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.;
(verb) allow to have
21. The death of her best friend filled her with _____.
n. a feeling of deep sadness, grief, or regret, especially for something lost or ending
22. The doctor identified excess _____ in the patient's bloodstream, indicating a possible liver or gallbladder issue.
n. a digestive fluid produced by the liver and stored in the gallbladder, which helps to break down fats in the small intestine; bitterness or spitefulness
23. The _____ legends of King Arthur and the knights of the Round Table are popular literary motifs.
adj. relating to king Arthur and the tales and legends associated with him

ANSWERS: 16. emotional, 17. violent, 18. chemical, 19. circumstances, 20. accord, 21. sorrow, 22. bile, 23. Arthurian

24. My wife seems to be in ill _____.
- n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
25. Try to keep a _____ between work and off.
- n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
26. Bats reside in sheltered _____.
- n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
27. A balanced _____ is more important for health than supplements.
- n.* the food and drink that a person, animal, or community eats and drinks regularly; a legislative assembly in certain countries, for example, Japan
28. My remote _____ immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.
- n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
29. The former emperor had a particular _____ even after he abdicated.
- n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
30. The Mona Lisa is widely considered to be a _____ of art.
- n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
31. There was a chemical _____ of the lime with the groundwater.
- n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
32. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.
- adj.* indispensable; fundamental

ANSWERS: 24. humor, 25. balance, 26. caves, 27. diet, 28. ancestor, 29. influence, 30. masterpiece, 31. reaction, 32. essential

33. They had experienced the _____ of losing two children due to premature births.

n. a feeling of great sadness or disappointment

34. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.

adv. now or without delay

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

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

36. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

37. She has taken a step up in the organizational _____.

n. a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest

38. She is a talented _____ who has been recognized for her work.

n. a person who writes poetry

39. 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

40. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.

n. the first existence or beginning of something

ANSWERS: 33. heartbreak, 34. immediately, 35. suffers, 36. engineer, 37. hierarchy, 38. poet, 39. wisdom, 40. origin

41. My mother's illness had a _____ impact on us all.

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

42. He is familiar with _____ and biology.

n. the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions

43. The sound _____ well in this theater.

v. to be filled with a deep echoing sound

44. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.

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

45. The professor explained the _____ of the nervous system.

n. the scientific study that deals with the physical structure of humans, animals, or plants

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

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

47. They had formed a friendship _____.

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

48. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

ANSWERS: 41. profound, 42. chemistry, 43. resonates, 44. survive, 45. anatomy, 46. brain, 47. bond, 48. discuss

49. In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is _____.
adj. certain to happen and unavoidable
50. They have been living near water since _____ times.
adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
51. The _____ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.
n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
52. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.
adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
53. The bird _____ on the branch, watching the world below.
v. to sit, stand, or rest on something, particularly a narrow or elevated surface; to position oneself confidently or dominantly; to place something in a high or elevated position; (noun) a branch or other elevated place where a bird can rest or roost
54. The picture earned near-_____ acclaim from critics.
adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
55. She was diagnosed with a _____ buildup in her lungs.
n. a substance that can flow and is not solid
56. The baby _____ 1 pound 3 oz.
v. to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion

ANSWERS: 49. inevitable, 50. ancient, 51. argument, 52. relatives, 53. perched, 54. universal, 55. fluid, 56. weighs

57. 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

58. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

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

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

60. The third _____ was far more successful.

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

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

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

62. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

63. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.

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

64. There was an _____ noise coming from the attic that frightened us all.

adj. not able to be explained or understood, lacking explanation or justification for something unknown or mysterious

ANSWERS: 57. melancholy, 58. relate, 59. medical, 60. attempt, 61. Evolutionary, 62. Communal, 63. emotions, 64. unexplained

65. _____ symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.
n. a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
66. She has a calm _____ and never gets overly upset or angry.
n. a person's nature or disposition, especially as it permanently affects their behavior
67. 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
68. NASA sent a _____ to study the atmosphere of Jupiter.
n. a tool used for testing or examining, especially for medical or scientific purposes, or an exploratory mission to a planet or other celestial body; (verb) to investigate, examine, or search into something
69. I _____ for reasons already stated above.
v. to have or express a different opinion, idea, etc.
70. Tobacco companies have long _____ that their product is not addictive.
v. to struggle to win or surmount something
71. The areas of _____ and psychology are significantly related to one another.
n. the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species
72. She was _____ and didn't want to talk to anyone after the breakup.
adj. having retired oneself from society, company, or public life; extremely shy and quiet

ANSWERS: 65. Depression, 66. temperament, 67. assumes, 68. probe, 69. disagree, 70. contended, 71. anthropology, 72. withdrawn

73. I have a parrot as a _____.

n. an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

74. She still _____ writes a short romance novel.

adv. now and then; sometimes but not often

75. She had a _____ on her arm from where she fell on the playground.

n. a mark caused by a blow, typically one that is purple or black on the skin

76. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

77. It was his first _____ love.

adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

78. Hawaii is often referred to as an everlasting summer _____.

n. a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth

79. I'm strongly _____ to that plan.

adj. being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something

80. _____ music has gained different followers from existing music.

adj. belonging to the same or present time

81. A problem that has been pointed out for years finally becomes _____.

adj. real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value

ANSWERS: 73. pet, 74. occasionally, 75. bruise, 76. tradition, 77. romantic, 78. paradise, 79. opposed, 80. Contemporary, 81. tangible

ANSWERS: