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Session 1: Word List

academic

adj. associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills

synonym : educational, scholarly, theoretical

(1) **academic** probation, (2) an **academic** discussion

An excellent historian must possess an **academic** mentality.

argue

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

synonym : debate, dispute, quarrel

(1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

philosophy

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

synonym : doctrine, attitude, creed

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

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

puzzle

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

synonym :

plight, maze, (verb) perplex

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

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

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.

cognitive

adj. of or relating to mental processes of understanding

synonym: perceivable, mind, mental

(1) improve **cognitive** function, (2) research on **cognitive** psychology

His **cognitive** faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.

stake

n. a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something

synonym: share, interest, post

(1) execution by burning at a **stake**, (2) buy the company's **stake**

The **stake** of the company is too high nowadays.

propose

v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

synonym: suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes

I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

viable

adj. capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
synonym : feasible, possible, attainable

(1) achieve a **viable** relationship, (2) develop a **viable** therapy

Male gorillas with good drumming skills are more **viable**.

interpretation

n. an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious

synonym : rendering, explanation, understanding

(1) the **interpretation** of history, (2) open to **interpretation**
His **interpretations** of literary works are often unique.

garbage

n. waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse
synonym : waste, trash, debris

(1) **garbage** collection, (2) lump of **garbage**

The **garbage** truck will be coming to pick up the trash every Monday morning.

convince

v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

synonym : persuade, win over, convert

(1) **convince** her to go with us, (2) **convince** an opponent
I am considering what I should do to **convince** him.

utilitarianism

n. the belief that the actions are the right if they are useful or for the benefit of a majority

(1) individualistic **utilitarianism**, (2) institutional **utilitarianism**

Utilitarianism focuses on results and consequences rather than rules.

framework

n. the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text

synonym : structure, scheme, foundation

(1) legal **framework**, (2) the **framework** of a house

He devised a new analytical **framework** to capture the phenomenon.

ethical

adj. of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these

synonym : honorable, moral, virtuous

(1) an **ethical** doctrine, (2) shoulder **ethical** responsibility

The president must have the highest **ethical** standards.

ethics

n. a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong

synonym : morals, principles, moralities

(1) political **ethics**, (2) **ethics** of journalism

This scripture provides the code of **ethics** for the religion.

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**.

refer

v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

synonym : cite, allude, mention

(1) **refer** to a book, (2) **refer** to a map

Please **refer** to the instruction manual for further assistance.

dialectic

n. a method of inquiry and discussion that involves examining and resolving opposing or conflicting ideas or arguments; a discourse or dialogue that seeks to find the truth through logical reasoning and inquiry

synonym : debate, argument, discussion

(1) **dialectic** mathematics, (2) Hegelian **dialectic**

The transcendental **dialectic** in Kant's philosophy seeks to uncover the illusory knowledge pure reason claims to attain.

scream

v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

synonym : cry, shout, yell

(1) **scream** a profanity, (2) **scream** at him to be quiet

She kept **screaming** for an ambulance.

entrenched

adj. established firmly and securely

synonym : deep-rooted, confirmed, ingrained

(1) **entrenched** ideas, (2) **entrenched** positions

The monarch exploited the peasants using its **entrenched** power.

proof

n. a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists

synonym : testimony, evidence, assurance

(1) documentary **proof**, (2) a geometric **proof**

Proof is better than argument.

mathematics

n. the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

synonym : arithmetic, calculation, calculus

(1) a good grounding in **mathematics**, (2) **mathematics** competition

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

doe

n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

synonym : rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure

stags.

premise

n. a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn

synonym: assumption, postulate, supposition

(1) the major **premise**, (2) make a **premise**

The book's **premise** is that the main character must save the world from an impending disaster.

inference

n. a conclusion reached based on evidence and reasoning; a deduction or assumption

synonym: deduction, conclusion, assumption

(1) make an **inference**, (2) logical **inference**

Based on ice core samples, scientists can draw **inferences** about the Earth's past climate.

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**.

conclude

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

synonym: complete, finish, decide

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

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

opposition

n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

synonym: resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

adversary

n. a person, group, or force that opposes or fights against another; an enemy or opponent

synonym : opponent, enemy, foe

(1) **adversary** team, (2) political **adversary**

The boxer's toughest **adversary** was his fear of losing.

necessarily

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

synonym : inevitable, certainly, automatically

(1) not **necessarily** a problem, (2) **necessarily** true

This accident was something that happened **necessarily**.

politician

n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

synonym : congressperson, lawmaker, legislator

(1) a **politician** in the ruling party, (2) a corrupt **politician**

The **politician** lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

twist

v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape

synonym : wrench, turn, twirl

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

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

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym : take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

jury

n. a group of people called upon to render a verdict or judgment in a legal trial; a group of people chosen for a special purpose or task

synonym : panel, tribunal, adjudicators

(1) **jury** verdict, (2) **jury** duty

The judge instructed the **jury** on the law and the evidence presented in the trial.

judgment

n. the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

synonym: conclusion, decision, determination

(1) an emotional **judgment**, (2) deliver a **judgment**

Her **judgments** are consistently rational and sensible.

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.

rhetoric

n. speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form

synonym: oratory, eloquence, persuasion

(1) the **rhetoric** of a debate, (2) high-flown **rhetoric**

He was known for his powerful **rhetoric** and ability to persuade people with his words.

tight

adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

synonym: closed, secured, cramped

(1) a **tight** game, (2) student on a **tight** budget

The national election was held amid **tight** security.

francophone

adj. relating to or characterized by the use of the French language, either as a native speaker or for communication purposes; pertaining to French-speaking people or countries

synonym: french-speaking

(1) **francophone** literature, (2) **francophone** community

He attended a **francophone** school where all the classes were taught in French.

dominant

adj. more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

synonym : chief, predominant, prevailing

(1) achieve a **dominant** share, (2) **dominant** force
Her company soon won a **dominant** market share.

dominate

v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

synonym : govern, rule, prevail

(1) **dominate** possession, (2) **dominate** over the weak
The perspective of his right brain **dominates** his consciousness.

conduct

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

synonym : behave, lead, carry on

(1) **conduct** a background check, (2) **conduct** research
Police will **conduct** random breath testing for drunk driving.

militarism

n. a political belief of a people or a government that a country should maintain a strong military force and be prepared to use it aggressively to defend or promote national interests

synonym : militancy, aggression

(1) abolish **militarism**, (2) anti- **militarism** movement
The leaders of that country strived to revive **militarism** despite past defeats.

punch

v. to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something

synonym : hit, strike, slap

(1) **punch** out numbers, (2) **punch** a ticket
He **punched** the wall in anger.

defend

v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

synonym : protect, guard, support

(1) **defend** my country, (2) **defend** against a threat
International law allows each nation to **defend** itself when its

rights and interests are illegally violated.

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym: approach, procedure, scenario

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

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

metaphor

n. a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity

synonym: conceit, analogy, symbol

(1) **metaphor** for death, (2) visual **metaphor**

She expressed her thought in an artful choice of **metaphors**.

paradigm

n. a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model

synonym: example, standard, epitome

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

He postulated a completely different **paradigm** to explain all these phenomena.

deform

v. to change or distort the shape or appearance of something; to become misshapen or distorted

synonym: distort, contort, mangle

(1) **deform** the shape, (2) **deform** his way of life

The heat from the fire **deformed** the plastic parts of the appliance.

elevate

v. to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position

synonym: lift, heighten, promote

(1) **elevate** educational standards, (2) **elevate** a close relationship

Eating food in a hurry **elevates** blood glucose levels.

tactics

n. the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports

synonym : strategy, maneuvers, plan

(1) blitz **tactics**, (2) political **tactics**

The marketing team developed new **tactics** to boost sales.

substance

n. the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug

synonym : essence, core, material

(1) an explosive **substance**, (2) **substance** abuse problem

The **substance** of the argument was well-presented.

logic

n. a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

synonym : reasoning, reason, ratiocination

(1) an indisputable **logic**, (2) a demonstration in **logic**

There's no **logic** in his description.

subterfuge

n. a deceptive stratagem, tactic, or plan used to hide one's true intentions or to deceive someone; a trick or ruse designed to mislead or disguise the truth

synonym : deception, deceit, trickery

(1) **subterfuge** of trickery, (2) **subterfuge** methods

Civil rights activists criticized the government's use of **subterfuge** to withhold information from the public.

magnify

v. to make something look bigger than it really is, especially by looking at it through a lens; to make something bigger, stronger, or louder

synonym : enlarge, elaborate, intensify

(1) **magnify** the danger, (2) **magnify** the image for display

Terrorists often attempt to **magnify** the economic impact of their acts of destruction.

aspect

n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
synonym : characteristic, element, factor

(1) nontechnical **aspects** of the job, (2) **aspects** of social, political, and economic life

His professional experience includes all **aspects** of media production.

polar

adj. relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites

synonym : opposing, contrary, contrasting

(1) **polar** bears, (2) **polar** regions

Polar animals are graceful and efficient swimmers.

foresee

v. to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future

synonym : predict, anticipate, forecast

(1) **foresee** the consequences, (2) **foresee** challenges

I **foresee** a problem arising if we don't address this issue now.

outcome

n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

synonym : result, consequence, effect

(1) improved student **outcomes**, (2) a desirable **outcome**

They awaited news of the **outcome** of the election.

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.

glorious

adj. having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor

synonym : exquisite, magnificent, majestic

(1) a **glorious** victory, (2) photo in **glorious** color

I choose a **glorious** death rather than a shameful life.

abject

adj. extremely unpleasant and degrading; physically or emotionally impoverished; miserable, wretched, and hopeless

synonym : wretched, miserable, pitiful

(1) **abject** failure, (2) **abject** despair

The **abject** poverty in the slums is a concern for the government.

ignominious

adj. causing or deserving public disgrace or humiliation; characterized by shame or disgrace; dishonorable or humiliating in nature

synonym : shameful, disgraceful, dishonorable

(1) **ignominious** defeat, (2) an **ignominious** exit

After the scandal, the politician's reputation was left in **ignominious** ruins.

defeat

v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt

synonym : conquer, beat, overpower

(1) **defeat** a global power, (2) **defeat** body odor

Despite his best efforts, he was unable to **defeat** the enemy.

negotiation

n. the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

synonym : bargaining, dialogue, haggling

(1) **negotiation** process, (2) **negotiation** skills

The **negotiation** between the two countries was a delicate and complex process.

deliberate

adj. done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident

synonym : intentional, planned, careful

(1) the **deliberate** act of provocation, (2) **deliberate** attempt

Despite its advanced science and technology, the empire was **deliberate** about invasion.

compromise

v. to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

synonym : agree, settle, negotiate

(1) **compromise** the matter, (2) cannot **compromise** anymore

They never **compromised** on development despite the lack of funds.

collaboration

n. the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

synonym : affiliation, alliance, coalition

(1) **collaboration** between companies, (2) **collaboration** platform

The partnership program requires a mutual **collaboration** between both agencies.

hash

n. a dish consisting of chopped or minced meat and vegetables that are mixed and then cooked, often served with potatoes; purified resinous extract of the hemp plant; a symbol (#) used on social media to indicate a specific topic or category or to add emphasis to a post

synonym : mixture, blend, medley

(1) **hash-tag**, (2) **hash** brown patty

He added a dash of salt and a **hash** of pepper to the soup to give it extra flavor.

inhibit

v. to prevent something, such as an action, process, etc., from happening or make it less likely to happen than normal

synonym : deter, hinder, impede

(1) **inhibit** desires, (2) **inhibit** tumor growth

Excessive parental interference may **inhibit** children's eagerness to learn.

resolution

n. a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display

synonym: determination, decision, settlement

(1) **resolution** of a conflict, (2) display **resolution**

He made a New Year's **resolution** to exercise more and eat healthier.

roundabout

n. a circuitous or indirect route or path; a traffic circle or rotary used to regulate the flow of traffic

synonym: detour, circuitous route, indirect path

(1) **roundabout** junction, (2) traffic **roundabout**

Because of the road closure, we had to take a **roundabout** route to reach the destination.

traffic

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

synonym: congestion, jam, flow

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

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

jam

n. a situation in which something becomes stuck because of a dense crowd of people, vehicles, etc.; a preserve of crushed fruit

synonym: difficulty, mess, preserve

(1) a traffic **jam**, (2) a jar of **jam**

The shredder in the print room often has paper **jams**.

gridlock

n. a situation in which traffic or progress is obstructed due to congestion, blockage, or a lack of movement; a deadlock or impasse in negotiations or decision-making

synonym: traffic jam, standstill, impasse

(1) **gridlock** situation, (2) political **gridlock**

The rush hour traffic in the city often leads to **gridlock** on the highways.

conversation

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

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**
Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

educator

n. a person who teaches or educates people

synonym: teacher, instructor, lecturer

(1) business **educator**, (2) duty as an **educator**
She is an **educator** with progressive ideas.

implicit

adj. suggested but not directly expressed

synonym: implied, unstated, hinted

(1) **implicit** bias, (2) give **implicit** consent

The **implicit** meaning behind his words was clear, even though he did not explicitly say it.

equation

n. the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

(1) the **equation** of poverty with ignorance, (2) a chemical **equation**

In this class, you will learn how to solve quadratic **equations**.

suppose

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

synonym: guess, assume, presume

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

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

consideration

n. the act or process of giving careful thought to something; a fee charged in advance to retain the services of someone

synonym: debate, regard, deliberation

(1) mature **consideration**, (2) take into **consideration**

We can rule this possibility out from our **consideration**.

satisfaction

n. a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something

synonym : delight, pleasure, content

(1) a sense of **satisfaction**, (2) customer **satisfaction**

The mediated settlement brought **satisfaction** to both sides.

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.

examine

v. to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them

synonym : study, probe, analyze

(1) **examine** the data studiously, (2) **examine** the issue

Initially, we must **examine** all project-related expenses.

battle-tested

adj. having been proven effective or reliable through real-world experience, especially in times of difficulty or struggle

synonym : proven in battle, battle-hardened, experienced

(1) **battle-tested** strategy, (2) **battle-tested** equipment

The recruits had to undergo **battle-tested** training before being deployed to the front.

convincing

adj. able to make someone believe that something is true

synonym : clear, compelling, believable

(1) a **convincing** victory, (2) **convincing** biochemical explanation

I found her assertion pretty **convincing**.

ego

n. a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one

synonym : self-esteem, personality, psyche

(1) **ego** defense mechanisms, (2) national **ego**

She was constantly trying to boost her **ego** by talking about

her accomplishments.

stroke

n. a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.

synonym : blow

(1) suffer **stroke**, (2) a **stroke** of the putter

This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat **stroke** cases.

yield

n. the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information

synonym : proceeds, harvest, output

(1) corn **yield**, (2) the **yield** on the bond

The company's stock gives a high **yield**.

monster

n. an imaginary creature that is large and has various human and animal parts; someone or something large and powerful

synonym : giant, freak, behemoth

(1) horde of **monsters**, (2) **monster** film

This car has a **monster** engine.

magic

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

synonym : fascination, illusion, wizardry

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

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

bullet

n. a metal projectile that is shot from a gun

synonym : projectile, slug, shot

(1) **bullet** wound, (2) **bullet** train

The stray **bullet** went through the window and hit the wall.

wand

n. a slender rod or stick, especially one used for magic or divination; a rod or staff carried by certain officials as a symbol of authority

synonym : rod, stick, staff

(1) magic **wand**, (2) security **wand**

The magician waved his **wand**, and a rabbit appeared from the hat.

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.

proponent

n. a person who supports an idea or pleads for a cause

synonym : advocate, devotee, follower

(1) enthusiastic **proponent**, (2) **proponent** of world peace

Einstein was a **proponent** of the theory of relativity.

opponent

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

synonym : adversary, competitor, enemy

(1) computer **opponent**, (2) death-penalty **opponent**

He was attempting to confuse his **opponent**.

fortunate

adj. having good luck or lucky

synonym : fortuitous, lucky, blessed

(1) **fortunate** situation, (2) less **fortunate** person

He was pretty **fortunate** to pass the exam.

colleague

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym : coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

Session 2: Spelling

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12. political gr_____ck *n.* a situation in which traffic or progress is obstructed due to congestion, blockage, or a lack of movement; a deadlock or impasse in negotiations or decision-making
13. an explosive su_____ce *n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
14. individualistic uti_____ism *n.* the belief that the actions are the right if they are useful or for the benefit of a majority
15. el_____e educational standards *v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
16. do_____te over the weak *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
17. heavy tr_____c *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
18. nontechnical as____ts of the job *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

ANSWERS: 10. dominant, 11. satisfaction, 12. gridlock, 13. substance, 14. utilitarianism, 15. elevate, 16. dominate, 17. traffic, 18. aspect

19. shoulder et_____l responsibility *adj.* of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these
20. magic w__d *n.* a slender rod or stick, especially one used for magic or divination; a rod or staff carried by certain officials as a symbol of authority
21. di_____ic mathematics *n.* a method of inquiry and discussion that involves examining and resolving opposing or conflicting ideas or arguments; a discourse or dialogue that seeks to find the truth through logical reasoning and inquiry
22. the major pr_____e *n.* a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn
23. de___d my country *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
24. the fr_____rk of a house *n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
25. bat_____ted strategy *adj.* having been proven effective or reliable through real-world experience, especially in times of difficulty or struggle
26. make a pr_____e *n.* a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn
27. political ta_____s *n.* the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports

ANSWERS: 19. ethical, 20. wand, 21. dialectic, 22. premise, 23. defend, 24. framework, 25. battle-tested, 26. premise, 27. tactics

28. the del_____te act of provocation *adj.* done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident
29. pu__h a ticket *v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
30. ac_____ic probation *adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
31. de___m the shape *v.* to change or distort the shape or appearance of something; to become misshapen or distorted
32. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
33. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
34. lump of ga_____e *n.* waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse
35. de___m his way of life *v.* to change or distort the shape or appearance of something; to become misshapen or distorted
36. fo_____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
37. ent_____ed positions *adj.* established firmly and securely
38. rou_____ut junction *n.* a circuitous or indirect route or path; a traffic circle or rotary used to regulate the flow of traffic
39. institutional uti_____ism *n.* the belief that the actions are the right if they are useful or for the benefit of a majority
40. phi_____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

ANSWERS: 28. deliberate, 29. punch, 30. academic, 31. deform, 32. opposition, 33. colleague, 34. garbage, 35. deform, 36. fortunate, 37. entrenched, 38. roundabout, 39. utilitarianism, 40. philosophy

41. fra_____ne literature *adj.* relating to or characterized by the use of the French language, either as a native speaker or for communication purposes; pertaining to French-speaking people or countries
42. tw__t a wet towel *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
43. 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
44. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
45. visual me_____or *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
46. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
47. bu__t wound *n.* a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
48. h__h-tag *n.* a dish consisting of chopped or minced meat and vegetables that are mixed and then cooked, often served with potatoes; purified resinous extract of the hemp plant; a symbol (#) used on social media to indicate a specific topic or category or to add emphasis to a post

ANSWERS: 41. francophone, 42. twist, 43. function, 44. participate, 45. metaphor, 46. colleague, 47. bullet, 48. hash

49. sc___m a profanity *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
50. de___t body odor *v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
51. student on a ti__t budget *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
52. deliver a ju_____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
53. mat_____cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
54. 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
55. military st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
56. take into con_____ion *n.* the act or process of giving careful thought to something; a fee charged in advance to retain the services of someone
57. tr_____h of the spirit *n.* a great victory or achievement

ANSWERS: 49. scream, 50. defeat, 51. tight, 52. judgment, 53. mathematics, 54. function, 55. strategy, 56. consideration, 57. triumph

58. mature con_____ion *n.* the act or process of giving careful thought to something; a fee charged in advance to retain the services of someone
59. tw__t around to the left *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
60. su_____ce abuse problem *n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
61. 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
62. di_____ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
63. political ad_____ry *n.* a person, group, or force that opposes or fights against another; an enemy or opponent
64. corn yi__d *n.* the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information
65. ex_____e the data studiously *v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
66. logical in_____ce *n.* a conclusion reached based on evidence and reasoning; a deduction or assumption
67. a va__d contract *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable

ANSWERS: 58. consideration, 59. twist, 60. substance, 61. decide, 62. disappear, 63. adversary, 64. yield, 65. examine, 66. inference, 67. valid

68. security w__d *n.* a slender rod or stick, especially one used for magic or divination; a rod or staff carried by certain officials as a symbol of authority
69. po__r regions *adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
70. de___d against a threat *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
71. a pol_____an in the ruling party *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
72. ma_____y the danger *v.* to make something look bigger than it really is, especially by looking at it through a lens; to make something bigger, stronger, or louder
73. improved student ou_____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
74. give im_____it consent *adj.* suggested but not directly expressed
75. com_____se the matter *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
76. gr_____ck situation *n.* a situation in which traffic or progress is obstructed due to congestion, blockage, or a lack of movement; a deadlock or impasse in negotiations or decision-making
77. po__r bears *adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites

ANSWERS: 68. wand, 69. polar, 70. defend, 71. politician, 72. magnify, 73. outcome, 74. implicit, 75. compromise, 76. gridlock, 77. polar

78. a ti__t game *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
79. an ac____ic discussion *adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
80. the yi__d on the bond *n.* the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information
81. h__h brown patty *n.* a dish consisting of chopped or minced meat and vegetables that are mixed and then cooked, often served with potatoes; purified resinous extract of the hemp plant; a symbol (#) used on social media to indicate a specific topic or category or to add emphasis to a post
82. j__y verdict *n.* a group of people called upon to render a verdict or judgment in a legal trial; a group of people chosen for a special purpose or task
83. a st___e of the putter *n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
84. the eq____on of poverty with ignorance *n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
85. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

ANSWERS: 78. tight, 79. academic, 80. yield, 81. hash, 82. jury, 83. stroke, 84. equation, 85. magic

86. su____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
87. a geometric pr__f *n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists
88. pu__h out numbers *v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
89. me____or for death *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
90. less fo____te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
91. a ticket va__d for two days *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
92. a traffic j_m *n.* a situation in which something becomes stuck because of a dense crowd of people, vehicles, etc.; a preserve of crushed fruit
93. traffic rou____ut *n.* a circuitous or indirect route or path; a traffic circle or rotary used to regulate the flow of traffic
94. an ign____us exit *adj.* causing or deserving public disgrace or humiliation; characterized by shame or disgrace; dishonorable or humiliating in nature
95. in____t tumor growth *v.* to prevent something, such as an action, process, etc., from happening or make it less likely to happen than normal
96. e_o defense mechanisms *n.* a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one

ANSWERS: 86. suppose, 87. proof, 88. punch, 89. metaphor, 90. fortunate, 91. valid, 92. jam, 93. roundabout, 94. ignominious, 95. inhibit, 96. ego

97. western phi_____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
98. et___s of journalism *n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong
99. in_____t desires *v.* to prevent something, such as an action, process, etc., from happening or make it less likely to happen than normal
100. customer sat_____ion *n.* a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something
101. enthusiastic pr_____nt *n.* a person who supports an idea or pleads for a cause
102. horde of mo_____rs *n.* an imaginary creature that is large and has various human and animal parts; someone or something large and powerful
103. co_____ce an opponent *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
104. ma_____y the image for display *v.* to make something look bigger than it really is, especially by looking at it through a lens; to make something bigger, stronger, or louder
105. fo_____e challenges *v.* to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future

ANSWERS: 97. philosophy, 98. ethics, 99. inhibit, 100. satisfaction, 101. proponent, 102. monster, 103. convince, 104. magnify, 105. foresee

106. col_____ion platform *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
107. a desirable ou_____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
108. a chemical eq_____on *n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
109. ab____t despair *adj.* extremely unpleasant and degrading; physically or emotionally impoverished; miserable, wretched, and hopeless
110. co_____de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
111. execution by burning at a st___e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
112. co_____t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
113. cannot com_____se anymore *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
114. develop a st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
115. res_____on of a conflict *n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display

ANSWERS: 106. collaboration, 107. outcome, 108. equation, 109. abject, 110. conclude, 111. stake, 112. conduct, 113. compromise, 114. strategy, 115. resolution

116. achieve a do_____nt share *adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type
117. de____t a global power *v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
118. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
119. im_____it bias *adj.* suggested but not directly expressed
120. ex_____e the issue *v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
121. co_____t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
122. sc____m at him to be quiet *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
123. death-penalty op_____nt *n.* a person against whom you are playing or fighting in a game, competition, debate, etc.
124. eloquently art_____te *v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
125. national e_o *n.* a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one
126. computer op_____nt *n.* a person against whom you are playing or fighting in a game, competition, debate, etc.

ANSWERS: 116. dominant, 117. defeat, 118. magic, 119. implicit, 120. examine, 121. conduct, 122. scream, 123. opponent, 124. articulate, 125. ego, 126. opponent

127. su____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
128. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
129. blitz ta____s *n.* the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports
130. suffer st___e *n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
131. 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
132. pr____e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
133. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
134. j__y duty *n.* a group of people called upon to render a verdict or judgment in a legal trial; a group of people chosen for a special purpose or task
135. the int_____ion of history *n.* an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious

ANSWERS: 127. suppose, 128. decide, 129. tactics, 130. stroke, 131. argument, 132. propose, 133. doe, 134. jury, 135. interpretation

136. documentary pr__f *n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists
137. ga_____e collection *n.* waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse
138. a con_____ng victory *adj.* able to make someone believe that something is true
139. major pa_____gm shift *n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
140. not nec_____ly a problem *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
141. anti-mil_____sm movement *n.* a political belief of a people or a government that a country should maintain a strong military force and be prepared to use it aggressively to defend or promote national interests
142. re__r to a map *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
143. an et_____l doctrine *adj.* of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these
144. open to int_____ion *n.* an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious
145. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
146. do_____te possession *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

ANSWERS: 136. proof, 137. garbage, 138. convincing, 139. paradigm, 140. necessarily, 141. militarism, 142. refer, 143. ethical, 144. interpretation, 145. opposition, 146. dominate

147. photo in gl_____us color *adj.* having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor
148. ent_____ed ideas *adj.* established firmly and securely
149. duty as an ed_____or *n.* a person who teaches or educates people
150. abolish mil_____sm *n.* a political belief of a people or a government that a country should maintain a strong military force and be prepared to use it aggressively to defend or promote national interests
151. ad_____ry team *n.* a person, group, or force that opposes or fights against another; an enemy or opponent
152. an emotional ju_____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
153. buck and d_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
154. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
155. art_____te his position *v.* to express oneself clearly and effectively in spoken or written language
156. bu___t train *n.* a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
157. di_____ar without a trace *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
158. neg_____on process *n.* the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

ANSWERS: 147. glorious, 148. entrenched, 149. educator, 150. militarism, 151. adversary, 152. judgment, 153. doe, 154. argue, 155. articulate, 156. bullet, 157. disappear, 158. negotiation

159. co_____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
160. pr_____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
161. tr_____h of democracy *n.* a great victory or achievement
162. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
163. ign_____us defeat *adj.* causing or deserving public disgrace or humiliation; characterized by shame or disgrace; dishonorable or humiliating in nature
164. con_____ng biochemical explanation *adj.* able to make someone believe that something is true
165. el_____e a close relationship *v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
166. sub_____ge methods *n.* a deceptive stratagem, tactic, or plan used to hide one's true intentions or to deceive someone; a trick or ruse designed to mislead or disguise the truth
167. a demonstration in lo__c *n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments
168. mathematical pu___e *n.* a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand

ANSWERS: 159. conclude, 160. propose, 161. triumph, 162. conversation, 163. ignominious, 164. convincing, 165. elevate, 166. subterfuge, 167. logic, 168. puzzle

169. col_____ion between companies *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
170. research on co_____ve psychology *adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding
171. legal fr_____rk *n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
172. pr_____nt of world peace *n.* a person who supports an idea or pleads for a cause
173. a gl_____us victory *adj.* having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor
174. make an in_____ce *n.* a conclusion reached based on evidence and reasoning; a deduction or assumption
175. an indisputable lo__c *n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments
176. bat_____ted equipment *adj.* having been proven effective or reliable through real-world experience, especially in times of difficulty or struggle
177. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
178. business ed_____or *n.* a person who teaches or educates people
179. ar__e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

ANSWERS: 169. collaboration, 170. cognitive, 171. framework, 172. proponent, 173. glorious, 174. inference, 175. logic, 176. battle-tested, 177. participate, 178. educator, 179. argue

180. political et___s *n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong
181. sub_____ge of trickery *n.* a deceptive stratagem, tactic, or plan used to hide one's true intentions or to deceive someone; a trick or ruse designed to mislead or disguise the truth
182. a good grounding in mat_____cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
183. del_____te attempt *adj.* done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident
184. crossword pu___e *n.* a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand
185. ab___t failure *adj.* extremely unpleasant and degrading; physically or emotionally impoverished; miserable, wretched, and hopeless
186. buy the company's st__e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
187. re__r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

ANSWERS: 180. ethics, 181. subterfuge, 182. mathematics, 183. deliberate, 184. puzzle, 185. abject, 186. stake, 187. refer

188. as___ts of social, political, and economic life *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
189. mo_____r film *n.* an imaginary creature that is large and has various human and animal parts; someone or something large and powerful
190. Hegelian di_____ic *n.* a method of inquiry and discussion that involves examining and resolving opposing or conflicting ideas or arguments; a discourse or dialogue that seeks to find the truth through logical reasoning and inquiry
191. a jar of j_m *n.* a situation in which something becomes stuck because of a dense crowd of people, vehicles, etc.; a preserve of crushed fruit
192. a corrupt pol_____an *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
193. nec_____ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
194. the rh_____ic of a debate *n.* speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form
195. develop a vi___e therapy *adj.* capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
196. display res_____on *n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display

ANSWERS: 188. aspect, 189. monster, 190. dialectic, 191. jam, 192. politician, 193. necessarily, 194. rhetoric, 195. viable, 196. resolution

197. tr____c jam

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

198. fo____e the consequences

v. to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future

ANSWERS: 197. traffic, 198. foresee

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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

2. There's no _____ in his description.
n. a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

3. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.
n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

4. International law allows each nation to _____ itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.
v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

5. The _____ of the argument was well-presented.
n. the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug

6. The president must have the highest _____ standards.
adj. of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these

7. I am considering what I should do to _____ him.
v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

8. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something

ANSWERS: 1. argument, 2. logic, 3. outcome, 4. defend, 5. substance, 6. ethical, 7. convince, 8. participated

9. The team's _____ in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.
n. a great victory or achievement
10. They watched the train _____ into the distance.
v. to cease to exist or be visible
11. Your credit card is no longer _____.
adj. having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
12. _____ animals are graceful and efficient swimmers.
adj. relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
13. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.
v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
14. The marketing team developed new _____ to boost sales.
n. the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports
15. Terrorists often attempt to _____ the economic impact of their acts of destruction.
v. to make something look bigger than it really is, especially by looking at it through a lens; to make something bigger, stronger, or louder
16. I choose a _____ death rather than a shameful life.
adj. having or deserving great admiration, praise, and honor; having great beauty and splendor

ANSWERS: 9. triumph, 10. disappear, 11. valid, 12. Polar, 13. propose, 14. tactics, 15. magnify, 16. glorious

17. Despite his best efforts, he was unable to _____ the enemy.
v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
18. The judge instructed the _____ on the law and the evidence presented in the trial.
n. a group of people called upon to render a verdict or judgment in a legal trial; a group of people chosen for a special purpose or task
19. The company's stock gives a high _____.
n. the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information
20. He was known for his powerful _____ and ability to persuade people with his words.
n. speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form
21. I found her assertion pretty _____.
adj. able to make someone believe that something is true
22. Despite its advanced science and technology, the empire was _____ about invasion.
adj. done with full consciousness of nature and effects rather than by accident
23. 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

ANSWERS: 17. defeat, 18. jury, 19. yield, 20. rhetoric, 21. convincing, 22. deliberate, 23. function

24. We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction _____ on the main road.
- n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
25. The _____ poverty in the slums is a concern for the government.
- adj.* extremely unpleasant and degrading; physically or emotionally impoverished; miserable, wretched, and hopeless
26. Please _____ to the instruction manual for further assistance.
- v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
27. He attended a _____ school where all the classes were taught in French.
- adj.* relating to or characterized by the use of the French language, either as a native speaker or for communication purposes; pertaining to French-speaking people or countries
28. He made a New Year's _____ to exercise more and eat healthier.
- n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display
29. Initially, we must _____ all project-related expenses.
- v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
30. The transcendental _____ in Kant's philosophy seeks to uncover the illusory knowledge pure reason claims to attain.
- n.* a method of inquiry and discussion that involves examining and resolving opposing or conflicting ideas or arguments; a discourse or dialogue that seeks to find the truth through logical reasoning and inquiry

ANSWERS: 24. traffic, 25. abject, 26. refer, 27. francophone, 28. resolution, 29. examine, 30. dialectic

31. This accident was something that happened _____.
adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
32. They never _____ on development despite the lack of funds.
v. to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
33. Hunters use a whistle that makes the ____ sound to lure stags.
n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
34. We _____ a cease-fire.
v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
35. The recruits had to undergo _____ training before being deployed to the front.
adj. having been proven effective or reliable through real-world experience, especially in times of difficulty or struggle
36. Einstein was a _____ of the theory of relativity.
n. a person who supports an idea or pleads for a cause
37. She kept _____ for an ambulance.
v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
38. _____ focuses on results and consequences rather than rules.
n. the belief that the actions are the right if they are useful or for the benefit of a majority

ANSWERS: 31. necessarily, 32. compromised, 33. doe, 34. concluded, 35. battle-tested, 36. proponent, 37. screaming, 38. Utilitarianism

39. _____ is better than argument.

n. a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists

40. The _____ of the company is too high nowadays.

n. a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something

41. Based on ice core samples, scientists can draw _____ about the Earth's past climate.

n. a conclusion reached based on evidence and reasoning; a deduction or assumption

42. The heat from the fire _____ the plastic parts of the appliance.

v. to change or distort the shape or appearance of something; to become misshapen or distorted

43. The _____ between the two countries was a delicate and complex process.

n. the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

44. The leaders of that country strived to revive _____ despite past defeats.

n. a political belief of a people or a government that a country should maintain a strong military force and be prepared to use it aggressively to defend or promote national interests

45. Police will _____ random breath testing for drunk driving.

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

46. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

ANSWERS: 39. Proof, 40. stake, 41. inferences, 42. deformed, 43. negotiation, 44. militarism, 45. conduct, 46. strategy

47. This scripture provides the code of _____ for the religion.
- n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong
48. An excellent historian must possess an _____ mentality.
- adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
49. I _____ a problem arising if we don't address this issue now.
- v.* to perceive or predict; to anticipate or expect something to happen in the future
50. In this class, you will learn how to solve quadratic _____.
- n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
51. The boxer's toughest _____ was his fear of losing.
- n.* a person, group, or force that opposes or fights against another; an enemy or opponent
52. He _____ the wall in anger.
- v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
53. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.
- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
54. The partnership program requires a mutual _____ between both agencies.
- n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

ANSWERS: 47. ethics, 48. academic, 49. foresee, 50. equations, 51. adversary, 52. punched, 53. conversation, 54. collaboration

55. He postulated a completely different _____ to explain all these phenomena.
n. a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
56. The shredder in the print room often has paper _____.
n. a situation in which something becomes stuck because of a dense crowd of people, vehicles, etc.; a preserve of crushed fruit
57. He devised a new analytical _____ to capture the phenomenon.
n. the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
58. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?
v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
59. He _____ pieces of rope out of straw.
v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape
60. She expressed her thought in an artful choice of _____.
n. a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
61. He was attempting to confuse his _____.
n. a person against whom you are playing or fighting in a game, competition, debate, etc.
62. After the scandal, the politician's reputation was left in _____ ruins.
adj. causing or deserving public disgrace or humiliation; characterized by shame or disgrace; dishonorable or humiliating in nature

ANSWERS: 55. paradigm, 56. jams, 57. framework, 58. suppose, 59. twisted, 60. metaphors, 61. opponent, 62. ignominious

63. He has a flair for _____.

- n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

64. The monarch exploited the peasants using its _____ power.

- adj.* established firmly and securely

65. Her company soon won a _____ market share.

- adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

66. His _____ of literary works are often unique.

- n.* an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious

67. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.

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

68. The national election was held amid _____ security.

- adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

69. This car has a _____ engine.

- n.* an imaginary creature that is large and has various human and animal parts; someone or something large and powerful

70. The mediated settlement brought _____ to both sides.

- n.* a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something

ANSWERS: 63. mathematics, 64. entrenched, 65. dominant, 66. interpretations, 67. magic, 68. tight, 69. monster, 70. satisfaction

71. The _____ lost his position in the end due to the scandal.
n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
72. His _____ faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.
adj. of or relating to mental processes of understanding
73. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
74. This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat _____ cases.
n. a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
75. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.
n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
76. The _____ truck will be coming to pick up the trash every Monday morning.
n. waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse
77. He added a dash of salt and a _____ of pepper to the soup to give it extra flavor.
n. a dish consisting of chopped or minced meat and vegetables that are mixed and then cooked, often served with potatoes; purified resinous extract of the hemp plant; a symbol (#) used on social media to indicate a specific topic or category or to add emphasis to a post
78. 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: 71. politician, 72. cognitive, 73. opposition, 74. stroke, 75. colleague, 76. garbage, 77. hash, 78. decide

79. The stray _____ went through the window and hit the wall.

n. a metal projectile that is shot from a gun

80. She was constantly trying to boost her ____ by talking about her accomplishments.

n. a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one

81. The _____ meaning behind his words was clear, even though he did not explicitly say it.

adj. suggested but not directly expressed

82. Male gorillas with good drumming skills are more _____.

adj. capable of being done as intended; able to succeed

83. Her _____ are consistently rational and sensible.

n. the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

84. The book's _____ is that the main character must save the world from an impending disaster.

n. a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn

85. She is an _____ with progressive ideas.

n. a person who teaches or educates people

86. Eating food in a hurry _____ blood glucose levels.

v. to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position

ANSWERS: 79. bullet, 80. ego, 81. implicit, 82. viable, 83. judgments, 84. premise, 85. educator, 86. elevates

87. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.

adj. having good luck or lucky

88. Excessive parental interference may _____ children's eagerness to learn.

v. to prevent something, such as an action, process, etc., from happening or make it less likely to happen than normal

89. The perspective of his right brain _____ his consciousness.

v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

90. Civil rights activists criticized the government's use of _____ to withhold information from the public.

n. a deceptive stratagem, tactic, or plan used to hide one's true intentions or to deceive someone; a trick or ruse designed to mislead or disguise the truth

91. Ethics is a branch of _____.

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

92. This jigsaw _____ is challenging because there are no pictures.

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

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

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

94. The magician waved his _____ and a rabbit appeared from the hat.

n. a slender rod or stick, especially one used for magic or divination; a rod or staff carried by certain officials as a symbol of authority

ANSWERS: 87. fortunate, 88. inhibit, 89. dominates, 90. subterfuge, 91. philosophy, 92. puzzle, 93. articulate, 94. wand,

95. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.
- v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
96. His professional experience includes all _____ of media production.
- n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
97. We can rule this possibility out from our _____.
- n.* the act or process of giving careful thought to something; a fee charged in advance to retain the services of someone
98. Because of the road closure, we had to take a _____ route to reach the destination.
- n.* a circuitous or indirect route or path; a traffic circle or rotary used to regulate the flow of traffic
99. The rush hour traffic in the city often leads to _____ on the highways.
- n.* a situation in which traffic or progress is obstructed due to congestion, blockage, or a lack of movement; a deadlock or impasse in negotiations or decision-making

ANSWERS: 95. argue, 96. aspects, 97. consideration, 98. roundabout, 99. gridlock