

Englist.me



Vocabulary Builder Reference from...

Julian Treasure: How to speak so that people want to listen | TED Talk

https://www.ted.com/talks/julian_treasure_how_to_speak_so_that_people_want_to_listen

All Words

IMPORTANT

This material is a commentary and does not contain any copyrighted material of the reference source. We strongly recommend accessing/buying the reference source at the same time.

Session 1: Word List

instrument

n. an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work

synonym : apparatus, tool, device

(1) musical **instruments**, (2) surgical **instruments**

This electronic **instrument** is required to undergo periodic inspections to ensure precision.

assemble

v. to collect in one place as a single group

synonym : gather, congregate, collect

(1) **assemble** your colleagues, (2) **assemble** a jigsaw puzzle

The president began to **assemble** an army.

sin

n. the offense against a religious or moral law or against God

synonym : misdeed, guilt, wrong

(1) forgive a **sin**, (2) **sin** of omission

Some overzealous environmentalists claim celebrities are committing carbon dioxide **sins**.

pretension

n. the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

synonym : presumption, pretense, affectation

(1) **pretension** to authority, (2) baseless **pretension**

His **pretensions** of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

exhaustive

adj. comprehensive and thorough; totally complete; leaving no stone unturned

synonym : thorough, complete, comprehensive

(1) **exhaustive** study, (2) **exhaustive** review

The team conducted an **exhaustive** search for the missing hiker, but unfortunately, she was never found.

gossip

n. conversation or discussion about other people's personal affairs, often of a trivial or idle nature involving sharing rumors, hearsay, or speculation about the lives of others

synonym : rumor, chitchat, tittle-tattle

(1) **gossip** magazine, (2) celebrity **gossip**

I heard some juicy **gossip** about our co-worker at the water cooler.

judge

n. a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

synonym : arbiter, justice, (verb) deduce

(1) **judge** a competition, (2) an associate **judge**

The strict **judge** ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

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.

negative

adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

synonym: minus, adverse, pessimistic

(1) have a **negative** effect, (2) a **negative** number

The movie has received almost universally **negative** criticism.

dreadful

adj. very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear

synonym: terrible, horrible, awful

(1) **dreadful** accident, (2) **dreadful** news

The conditions of the prison were **dreadful** and inhumane.

complain

v. to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

synonym: gripe, claim, denounce

(1) **complain** about a job, (2) call and **complain** frequently

Our users are often **complaining** about the slow application.

nation

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

viral

adj. relating to or caused by a virus

(1) fight **viral** infections, (2) detect a **viral** code

This device can more accurately detect **viral** pathogens.

misery

n. a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune

synonym: affliction, despair, anguish

(1) live in **misery**, (2) untold **misery**

Our company suffered **misery** from incurring a heavy loss.

sunshine

n. the direct light and heat that comes from the sun

synonym: sunlight, daylight, rays

(1) warm **sunshine**, (2) morning **sunshine**

The **sunshine** was so bright that I had to wear sunglasses to protect my eyes.

excuse

n. a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt

synonym: apology, justification, reason

(1) **excuse** for inaction, (2) perfect **excuse**

He quickly fabricated an **excuse** for not attending the meeting.

blame

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

synonym: condemn, rebuke, find fault with

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

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

responsible

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

penultimate

adj. second to last in a series or sequence; coming right before the final or ultimate one

synonym: second-to-last

(1) **penultimate** paragraph, (2) **penultimate** stage

The **penultimate** chapter of the book reveals the unexpected twist in the plot.

embroidery

n. the art or skill of decorating fabric with thread, yarn, or other material, often by creating designs or pictures with stitches or patterns

synonym : needlework, stitching, tapestry

(1) **embroidery** design, (2) hand **embroidery**

The wedding dress had beautiful **embroidery** on the bodice.

exaggeration

n. an overstatement of facts or description; the act of making something seem larger, more important, or more significant than it is

synonym : hyperbole, overstatement, embellishment

(1) sensational **exaggeration**, (2) minimal **exaggeration**

His story was filled with obvious **exaggerations**.

awesome

adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

synonym : miraculous, marvelous, astounding

(1) **awesome** mental faculty, (2) have an **awesome** birthday

There is a lot of **awesome** nature and food in Hawaii.

dogmatic

adj. characterized by strong and unwavering opinions or beliefs that are often expressed with force and without consideration for alternative viewpoints or evidence

synonym : authoritative, doctrinal, opinionated

(1) **dogmatic** beliefs, (2) **dogmatic** approach

The company's old **dogmatic** policies were the cause of its downfall.

confusion

n. the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty

synonym : disorder, disarray, chaos

(1) administrative **confusion**, (2) in great **confusion**

The sudden policy change has caused **confusion** among employees.

conflate

v. to blend or fuse two or more things, often with the result of creating confusion or a loss of distinction between

them; to mistakenly treat two separate entities as one
synonym: fuse, blend, merge

(1) **conflate** ideas, (2) **conflate** data

It's important not to **conflate** two issues when analyzing a complex situation.

bombard

v. to attack a place with bombs or gunshots continuously; to address with continuously or persistently, as if with a barrage

synonym: bomb, shoot, blitz

(1) **bombard** him with questions, (2) **bombard** a fort with heavy shells

Overprotective parents often **bombard** their children with messages reinforcing their lack of mastery.

cornerstone

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

synonym: foundation, basis, keystone

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

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

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.

hail

v. to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky

synonym: greet, salute, welcome

(1) **hail** the victorious team with cheers, (2) **hail** forecast

People in the area were forced to **hail** a taxi due to the lack of public transportation options.

definition

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

synonym: description, connotation, meaning

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

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

greet

v. to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

synonym: welcome, salute, acknowledge

(1) **greet** a customer, (2) **greet** an idea

He **greeted** his friends with a warm smile and a hug.

acclaim

n. praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly

synonym: praise, admiration, welcome

(1) **acclaim** the winner, (2) treated with royal **acclaim**

The actor's performance in the play earned her widespread **acclaim** from the theater community.

enthusiastically

adv. in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval

synonym: fervently, eagerly, passionately

(1) **enthusiastically** applauded, (2) discuss

enthusiastically

The study participants **enthusiastically** participated in the discussion, showing genuine interest.

honesty

n. the quality of being truthful, sincere, and morally upright; adherence to moral and ethical principles

synonym: sincerity, integrity, truthfulness

(1) **honesty** policy, (2) **honesty** box

A culture of **honesty** in the workplace leads to better communication and productivity.

straight

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

synonym : linear, honest, consecutive

(1) a **straight** line, (2) **straight** for two months
He was sick for five **straight** days.

authenticity

n. the quality of being real or genuine

synonym : genuineness, originality, credibility

(1) **authenticity** verification, (2) lack **authenticity**

The museum's experts confirmed the **authenticity** of the painting.

integrity

n. the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

synonym : honesty, honor, morality

(1) a person of **integrity**, (2) **integrity** of data

The company's reputation for honesty and **integrity** is highly valued among its customers.

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.

absolute

adj. perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

synonym : complete, infrangible, indisputable

(1) **absolute** loyalty, (2) an **absolute** must

Gandhi had an **absolute** zeal for nonviolence.

ugly

adj. unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at

synonym : unattractive, unsightly, repulsive

(1) an **ugly** sound, (2) **ugly** building

The **ugly** truth was that he had been lying to her for months.

simultaneously

adv. at the same time

synonym : concurrently, coincidentally, together

(1) **simultaneously** affected, (2) take several inputs

simultaneously

Two students answered the teacher's question **simultaneously**.

amazing

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

synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

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

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

toolbox

n. a container or storage unit for tools, typically characterized by a handle and one or more compartments for organizing and storing various tools and equipment

synonym: tool chest, tool kit, tool bag

(1) design **toolbox**, (2) **toolbox** storage

You should always keep a basic **toolbox** in your car in case of an emergency.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

rummage

v. to search for something thoroughly by moving things around unsystematically and carelessly

synonym: search, ransack, dig up

(1) **rummage** about in the room, (2) **rummage** through his mind

The police **rummaged** through his belongings, looking for illegal drugs.

registry

n. an official list or record that contains details of people, objects, or events; a computer system that stores and manages data about something; the act or process of registering something, such as an event, a person, or an object

synonym : list, catalog, record

(1) **registry** database, (2) **registry** number

The hospital keeps a **registry** of patients' medical records.

falsetto

n. a high-pitched, artificially-tightened singing voice, often used by male singers to reach high notes that are beyond their natural vocal range

synonym : high-pitched, alto, countertenor

(1) sing in **falsetto**, (2) high **falsetto** voice

The singer hit an impressive **falsetto** note during the concert.

locate

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

synonym : discover, find, place

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

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

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.

associate

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

synonym : tie in, link, consociate

(1) **associate** alcohol with gambling, (2) **associate** with people widely

The majority of consumers **associate** this brand with quality.

depth

n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

synonym : deepness, profoundness, extent

(1) **depth** camera, (2) the **depth** of the water

The pond's **depth** was around five feet.

timbre

n. the quality of sound that is produced by particular voices or musical instruments sounds different from each other

synonym: resonance, tone, inflection

(1) the **timbre** of a musical sound, (2) the **timbre** of her soprano

His voice had a deep **timbre**.

prefer

v. to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another

synonym: choose, like, favor

(1) **prefer** physics to chemistry, (2) **prefer** a window seat
The birds **prefer** open water areas with reeds around them.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym: enhance, ameliorate, enrich

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

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

prosody

n. the patterns of rhythm and sound in language, including the study of meter, rhyme, and intonation; the study of versification and poetic structure; the way in which speech sounds, stress patterns, and intonation are used in poetry and formal speech

synonym: meter, rhythm, verse

(1) emotional **prosody**, (2) unique **prosody** style

The **prosody** analysis of the poem revealed intricate rhythmic patterns.

meta

adj. pertaining to or involving a higher or more abstract level of analysis, interpretation, or self-reference, often used to describe aspects of gaming, social media, or other online communities that involve self-conscious or self-referential elements

synonym: self-referential, introspective, recursive

(1) **meta-analysis**, (2) **meta-language**

The **meta** description of a website is an important element for search engine optimization.

impart

v. to expose or inform; to provide a portion of
synonym : pass on, give, bestow

(1) **impart** a secret, (2) **impart** basic knowledge
She had knowledge she couldn't wait to **impart**.

monotone

n. a sound or voice that does not vary in pitch or tone; a sequence of words or phrases that are delivered without variation in pitch or tone, often resulting in a dull or boring quality

synonym : sameness, monotony, uniformity

(1) **monotone** rhythm, (2) speak in a **monotone**

The professor spoke for hours in a **monotone**, putting his students to sleep.

monotonous

adj. lacking in variety, excitement, or interest; repetitive and tedious

synonym : tedious, dull, boring

(1) **monotonous** routine, (2) **monotonous** job

The **monotonous** task of data entry required intense concentration.

repetition

n. the act of doing or saying something many times

synonym : duplication, iteration, recurrence

(1) **repetition** of the word, (2) habitual **repetition**

Repetition is the mother of all learning.

restrict

v. to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing

synonym : limit, confine, hinder

(1) **restrict** an Internet access, (2) **restrict** the use of this parking lot

We **restrict** the number of students per course to twenty.

communicate

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

synonym : convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,

(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

sham

n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

synonym: bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**

The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

pace

n. the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

synonym: gait, rate, speed

(1) at your own **pace**, (2) the runner's **pace**

The economy is growing at a supercharged **pace**.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym: thrill, exhilarate, animate

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

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

emphasize

v. to give or show particular importance to something

synonym: highlight, accentuate, stress

(1) **emphasize** her words, (2) **emphasize** a direct relationship

Use italics or capitals to **emphasize** a word in a piece of writing.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym: quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

pitch

n. the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially

of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something

synonym : angle, gradient, slope

(1) make a **pitch** for a new product, (2) a low- **pitched** sound

Her voice gradually increased in **pitch**.

indicate

v. to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly

synonym : hint, suggest, show

(1) **indicate** a preference, (2) **indicate** an error

The data **indicates** that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.

slightly

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

synonym : barely, narrowly, scarcely

(1) increase **slightly**, (2) **slightly** alkaline soils

He moved his body **slightly** to the left.

delivery

n. the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth

synonym : sending, transporting, bringing

(1) an easy **delivery**, (2) special **delivery**

The **delivery** truck arrived with the packages.

volume

n. the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound

synonym : capacity, amount, intensity

(1) **volume** of work, (2) high **volume**

This container has a **volume** of 10 cubic meters.

startle

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

synonym : frighten, shock, surprise

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

The loud bang outside the window caused him to **startle** and spill his coffee.

broadcast

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

synonym: air, announce, advertise

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

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

sod

n. a section of grass-covered surface soil held together by matted roots; a piece of turf or the layer of soil and grass cut and used to establish a new lawn or repair an existing one; a derogatory term for a person, often used to express annoyance or contempt

synonym: turf, dirt, ground

(1) **sod** house, (2) **sod** roof

I slipped and fell on the wet **sod** after the rainstorm.

imposing

adj. having an appearance that commands respect and admiration; impressive or grand in scale or size

synonym: grand, impressive, majestic

(1) **imposing** figure, (2) **imposing** mansion

The **imposing** building stood tall amongst the others on the city skyline.

inconsiderate

adj. not showing concern or care for the feelings, needs, or well-being of others; thoughtless; lacking consideration for others

synonym: thoughtless, selfish, rude

(1) **inconsiderate** remarks, (2) **inconsiderate** actions

It was incredibly **inconsiderate** of him to cancel plans at the last minute without giving any notice.

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.

engine

n. a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose

synonym : motor, locomotive, driver

(1) a steam **engine**, (2) an air-cooled **engine**

The policies he announces can be the **engine** of economic growth in the country.

warm-up

v. to prepare oneself physically, mentally, or emotionally for an activity or performance by engaging in light exercises, practice, or relaxation techniques; (noun) a period of preparation or exercise that is done before a more intense activity or performance

synonym : prepare, limber up

(1) **warm-up** exercises, (2) **warm-up** the crowd

It's important to **warm-up** before exercising to prevent injury.

breath

n. the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs

synonym : air, puff, whiff

(1) hold your **breath**, (2) **breath** of wind

He bated his **breath** when talking about this affair.

sigh

v. to emit a deep, audible breath or sound, often expressing feelings of tiredness, frustration, or relief; to express longing, wish, or regret; (noun) the act of exhaling audibly in a long, deep, and often melancholy way

synonym : breathe out, exhale, groan

(1) **sigh** deeply, (2) let out a **sigh**

He **sighed** in relief when he finally found his lost keys.

tongue

n. a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language

synonym : lingo, language, vocabulary

(1) native **tongue**, (2) **tongue** cancer

The **tongue** is boneless, but it is as strong as bones.

exaggerate

v. to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is

synonym : overstate, overestimate, amplify

(1) **exaggerate** in degree, (2) **exaggerate** story

She **exaggerated** the extent of her injuries to get more money from the settlement.

roll

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

synonym : spin, swirl, wheel

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

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

champagne

n. a type of sparkling wine produced in the Champagne region of France, or any similar wine produced elsewhere

synonym : sparkling wine, prosecco, cava

(1) **champagne** toast, (2) **champagne** celebration

They opened a bottle of **champagne** to celebrate their success.

fantastic

adj. extremely good; excellent

synonym : incredible, unbelievable, marvelous

(1) a **fantastic** dress, (2) absolutely **fantastic** event

The new amusement park ride was **fantastic**, with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.

applause

n. a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together

synonym : clapping, cheering, acclaim

(1) round of **applause**, (2) earn **applause**
The **applause** burst from the audience.

advance

v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
synonym: progress, boost, come along

(1) **advance** the technology, (2) **advance** a cooperative relationship

Scientific knowledge will **advance** significantly with the power of AI.

context

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

synonym: background, setting, environment

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

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

environment

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

acoustics

n. a branch of physics that deals with the study of mechanical waves in gases, liquids, and solids, including topics such as vibration, sound, ultrasound, and infrasound

(1) specialize in **acoustics**, (2) the engineer of **acoustics**

The physicist specializes in **acoustics**.

phase

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

synonym: degree, stage, step

(1) enter on the last **phase**, (2) two- **phase** structure

The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial **phase** of

history.

consciously

adv. with awareness; in a deliberate manner

synonym: intentionally, deliberately, knowingly

(1) **consciously** aware of a problem, (2) act **consciously**

He **consciously** criticizes her in the publicity.

consume

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

synonym: absorb, ingest, use up

(1) **consume** a large of alcohol, (2) **consume** electricity

A smaller car will **consume** less fuel.

norm

n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

synonym: criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. as____le your colleagues *v.* to collect in one place as a single group
2. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
3. at inc____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
4. bo____d a fort with heavy shells *v.* to attack a place with bombs or gunshots continuously; to address with continuously or persistently, as if with a barrage
5. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
6. perfect ex____e *n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt
7. sl____ly alkaline soils *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
8. mon____us routine *adj.* lacking in variety, excitement, or interest; repetitive and tedious
9. ju__e a competition *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
10. pen____te paragraph *adj.* second to last in a series or sequence; coming right before the final or ultimate one

ANSWERS: 1. assemble, 2. nation, 3. incredible, 4. bombard, 5. amazing, 6. excuse, 7. slightly, 8. monotonous, 9. judge, 10. penultimate

11. pre_____on to authority *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
12. br___h of wind *n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs
13. administrative co_____on *n.* the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty
14. the runner's p___e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
15. exh_____ve review *adj.* comprehensive and thorough; totally complete; leaving no stone unturned
16. im___t basic knowledge *v.* to expose or inform; to provide a portion of
17. ro_____ic movies *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
18. 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.
19. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
20. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
21. live in mi___y *n.* a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune

ANSWERS: 11. pretension, 12. breath, 13. confusion, 14. pace, 15. exhaustive, 16. impart, 17. romantic, 18. politician, 19. conversation, 20. excite, 21. misery

22. fo_____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
23. wa_____p exercises *v.* to prepare oneself physically, mentally, or emotionally for an activity or performance by engaging in light exercises, practice, or relaxation techniques; (noun) a period of preparation or exercise that is done before a more intense activity or performance
24. de__h camera *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
25. im_____e a process *v.* to make or become better
26. ad_____e a cooperative relationship *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
27. ch_____ne toast *n.* a type of sparkling wine produced in the Champagne region of France, or any similar wine produced elsewhere
28. absolutely fa_____ic event *adj.* extremely good; excellent
29. r__l down his cheeks *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
30. go___p magazine *n.* conversation or discussion about other people's personal affairs, often of a trivial or idle nature involving sharing rumors, hearsay, or speculation about the lives of others
31. an air-cooled en___e *n.* a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose

ANSWERS: 22. fortunate, 23. warm-up, 24. depth, 25. improve, 26. advance, 27. champagne, 28. fantastic, 29. roll, 30. gossip, 31. engine

32. hold your br___h *n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs
33. im_____ng figure *adj.* having an appearance that commands respect and admiration; impressive or grand in scale or size
34. a s__m battle *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
35. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
36. dr_____ul accident *adj.* very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear
37. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
38. morning su_____ne *n.* the direct light and heat that comes from the sun
39. celebrity go___p *n.* conversation or discussion about other people's personal affairs, often of a trivial or idle nature involving sharing rumors, hearsay, or speculation about the lives of others
40. at your own p___e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
41. high vo___e *n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound

ANSWERS: 32. breath, 33. imposing, 34. sham, 35. straight, 36. dreadful, 37. nation, 38. sunshine, 39. gossip, 40. pace, 41. volume

42. make a pi__h for a new product *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
43. earn ap____se *n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
44. s_n of omission *n.* the offense against a religious or moral law or against God
45. exa____te in degree *v.* to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is
46. h__l forecast *v.* to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky
47. the def____on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
48. sing in fa____to *n.* a high-pitched, artificially-tightened singing voice, often used by male singers to reach high notes that are beyond their natural vocal range
49. co____e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
50. surgical ins____nts *n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work

ANSWERS: 42. pitch, 43. applause, 44. sin, 45. exaggerate, 46. hail, 47. definition, 48. falsetto, 49. consume, 50. instrument

51. two-ph__e structure *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
52. detect a vi__l code *adj.* relating to or caused by a virus
53. ho____y box *n.* the quality of being truthful, sincere, and morally upright; adherence to moral and ethical principles
54. in great co_____on *n.* the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty
55. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
56. co_____in about a job *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
57. inc_____ate remarks *adj.* not showing concern or care for the feelings, needs, or well-being of others; thoughtless; lacking consideration for others
58. aw_____e mental faculty *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
59. br_____st a concert *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television
60. pr___r a window seat *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
61. in_____te a preference *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
62. m__a-language *adj.* pertaining to or involving a higher or more abstract level of analysis, interpretation, or self-reference, often used to describe aspects of gaming, social media, or other online communities that involve self-conscious or self-referential elements

ANSWERS: 51. phase, 52. viral, 53. honesty, 54. confusion, 55. environment, 56. complain, 57. inconsiderate, 58. awesome, 59. broadcast, 60. prefer, 61. indicate, 62.

meta

63. high fa____to voice *n.* a high-pitched, artificially-tightened singing voice, often used by male singers to reach high notes that are beyond their natural vocal range
64. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
65. st_____e the world *v.* to cause a sudden or unexpected reaction of surprise, alarm, or fear in someone, typically by means of a sudden and loud noise, movement, or event
66. have a ne____ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
67. an easy de____ry *n.* the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth
68. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
69. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
70. do____ic beliefs *adj.* characterized by strong and unwavering opinions or beliefs that are often expressed with force and without consideration for alternative viewpoints or evidence
71. gr__t a customer *v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
72. call and co_____in frequently *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

ANSWERS: 63. falsetto, 64. locate, 65. startle, 66. negative, 67. delivery, 68. norm, 69. norm, 70. dogmatic, 71. greet, 72. complain

73. a precise def_____on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
74. round of ap_____se *n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
75. the engineer of ac_____cs *n.* a branch of physics that deals with the study of mechanical waves in gases, liquids, and solids, including topics such as vibration, sound, ultrasound, and infrasound
76. co_____e a large of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
77. less fo_____te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
78. a low-pi__hed sound *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
79. a ne_____ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
80. as_____te alcohol with gambling *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
81. have an aw_____e birthday *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
82. 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.
83. turn out to be all s__m *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

ANSWERS: 73. definition, 74. applause, 75. acoustics, 76. consume, 77. fortunate, 78. pitch, 79. negative, 80. associate, 81. awesome, 82. politician, 83. sham

84. a fa_____ic dress *adj.* extremely good; excellent
85. re_____ct the use of this parking lot *v.* to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing
86. do_____ic approach *adj.* characterized by strong and unwavering opinions or beliefs that are often expressed with force and without consideration for alternative viewpoints or evidence
87. ad_____e the technology *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
88. em_____ze her words *v.* to give or show particular importance to something
89. hand emb_____ry *n.* the art or skill of decorating fabric with thread, yarn, or other material, often by creating designs or pictures with stitches or patterns
90. ex_____e for inaction *n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt
91. minimal exa_____ion *n.* an overstatement of facts or description; the act of making something seem larger, more important, or more significant than it is
92. musical ins_____nts *n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work

ANSWERS: 84. fantastic, 85. restrict, 86. dogmatic, 87. advance, 88. emphasize, 89. embroidery, 90. excuse, 91. exaggeration, 92. instrument

93. the ti___e of her soprano *n.* the quality of sound that is produced by particular voices or musical instruments sounds different from each other
94. pr_____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
95. br_____st a radio ad *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television
96. bl___e circumstances for the failure *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
97. mo_____ne rhythm *n.* a sound or voice that does not vary in pitch or tone; a sequence of words or phrases that are delivered without variation in pitch or tone, often resulting in a dull or boring quality
98. im___t a secret *v.* to expose or inform; to provide a portion of
99. co_____te data *v.* to blend or fuse two or more things, often with the result of creating confusion or a loss of distinction between them; to mistakenly treat two separate entities as one
100. aut_____ity verification *n.* the quality of being real or genuine
101. specialize in ac_____cs *n.* a branch of physics that deals with the study of mechanical waves in gases, liquids, and solids, including topics such as vibration, sound, ultrasound, and infrasound
102. s_d house *n.* a section of grass-covered surface soil held together by matted roots; a piece of turf or the layer of soil and grass cut and used to establish a new lawn or repair an existing one; a derogatory term for a person, often used to express annoyance or contempt

ANSWERS: 93. timbre, 94. propose, 95. broadcast, 96. blame, 97. monotone, 98. impart, 99. conflate, 100. authenticity, 101. acoustics, 102. sod

103. an ab_____te must *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
104. bo_____d him with questions *v.* to attack a place with bombs or gunshots continuously; to address with continuously or persistently, as if with a barrage
105. sim_____sly affected *adv.* at the same time
106. untold mi____y *n.* a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune
107. s_d roof *n.* a section of grass-covered surface soil held together by matted roots; a piece of turf or the layer of soil and grass cut and used to establish a new lawn or repair an existing one; a derogatory term for a person, often used to express annoyance or contempt
108. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
109. as_____le a jigsaw puzzle *v.* to collect in one place as a single group
110. the de__h of the water *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
111. enter on the last ph__e *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
112. a steam en____e *n.* a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose

ANSWERS: 103. absolute, 104. bombard, 105. simultaneously, 106. misery, 107. sod, 108. responsible, 109. assemble, 110. depth, 111. phase, 112. engine

113. a person of in_____ty *n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
114. increase sl_____ly *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
115. re_____ry number *n.* an official list or record that contains details of people, objects, or events; a computer system that stores and manages data about something; the act or process of registering something, such as an event, a person, or an object
116. speak in a mo_____ne *n.* a sound or voice that does not vary in pitch or tone; a sequence of words or phrases that are delivered without variation in pitch or tone, often resulting in a dull or boring quality
117. h__l the victorious team with cheers *v.* to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky
118. lo____e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
119. design to_____x *n.* a container or storage unit for tools, typically characterized by a handle and one or more compartments for organizing and storing various tools and equipment
120. take several inputs sim_____sly *adv.* at the same time

ANSWERS: 113. integrity, 114. slightly, 115. registry, 116. monotone, 117. hail, 118. locate, 119. toolbox, 120. simultaneously

121. treated with royal ac____m *n.* praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly
122. emb____ry design *n.* the art or skill of decorating fabric with thread, yarn, or other material, often by creating designs or pictures with stitches or patterns
123. the ti____e of a musical sound *n.* the quality of sound that is produced by particular voices or musical instruments sounds different from each other
124. ab____te loyalty *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
125. con____ly aware of a problem *adv.* with awareness; in a deliberate manner
126. r__l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
127. ex____e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
128. ru____e through his mind *v.* to search for something thoroughly by moving things around unsystematically and carelessly
129. emotional pr____y *n.* the patterns of rhythm and sound in language, including the study of meter, rhyme, and intonation; the study of versification and poetic structure; the way in which speech sounds, stress patterns, and intonation are used in poetry and formal speech
130. res____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

ANSWERS: 121. acclaim, 122. embroidery, 123. timbre, 124. absolute, 125. consciously, 126. roll, 127. excite, 128. rummage, 129. prosody, 130. responsible

131. habitual rep_____on *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times
132. im_____ng mansion *adj.* having an appearance that commands respect and admiration; impressive or grand in scale or size
133. give si____t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
134. lack aut_____ity *n.* the quality of being real or genuine
135. pr_____e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
136. special de_____ry *n.* the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth
137. an associate ju__e *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
138. pr____r physics to chemistry *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
139. dr_____ul news *adj.* very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear
140. baseless pre_____on *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
141. inc_____ate actions *adj.* not showing concern or care for the feelings, needs, or well-being of others; thoughtless; lacking consideration for others

ANSWERS: 131. repetition, 132. imposing, 133. silent, 134. authenticity, 135. propose, 136. delivery, 137. judge, 138. prefer, 139. dreadful, 140. pretension, 141. inconsiderate

142. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist
v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
143. wa_____p the crowd
v. to prepare oneself physically, mentally, or emotionally for an activity or performance by engaging in light exercises, practice, or relaxation techniques; (noun) a period of preparation or exercise that is done before a more intense activity or performance
144. m__a-analysis
adj. pertaining to or involving a higher or more abstract level of analysis, interpretation, or self-reference, often used to describe aspects of gaming, social media, or other online communities that involve self-conscious or self-referential elements
145. bl__e the lack of knowledge
v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
146. forgive a s_n
n. the offense against a religious or moral law or against God
147. an u__y sound
adj. unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
148. s__h deeply
v. to emit a deep, audible breath or sound, often expressing feelings of tiredness, frustration, or relief; to express longing, wish, or regret; (noun) the act of exhaling audibly in a long, deep, and often melancholy way

ANSWERS: 142. communicate, 143. warm-up, 144. meta, 145. blame, 146. sin, 147. ugly, 148. sigh

149. co_____te ideas
v. to blend or fuse two or more things, often with the result of creating confusion or a loss of distinction between them; to mistakenly treat two separate entities as one
150. exh_____ve study
adj. comprehensive and thorough; totally complete; leaving no stone unturned
151. discuss ent_____lly
adv. in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval
152. chaotic env_____nt
n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
153. exa_____te story
v. to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is
154. in_____te an error
v. to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
155. ru_____e about in the room
v. to search for something thoroughly by moving things around unsystematically and carelessly
156. in_____ty of data
n. the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
157. let out a s__h
v. to emit a deep, audible breath or sound, often expressing feelings of tiredness, frustration, or relief; to express longing, wish, or regret; (noun) the act of exhaling audibly in a long, deep, and often melancholy way

ANSWERS: 149. conflate, 150. exhaustive, 151. enthusiastically, 152. environment, 153. exaggerate, 154. indicate, 155. rummage, 156. integrity, 157. sigh

158. ent_____lly applauded *adv.* in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval
159. native to___e *n.* a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language
160. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
161. rep_____on of the word *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times
162. warm su_____ne *n.* the direct light and heat that comes from the sun
163. lay the cor_____ne *n.* a fundamental or essential element or component of something; a basis or foundation upon which something is built or developed
164. st_____e for a moment *v.* to cause a sudden or unexpected reaction of surprise, alarm, or fear in someone, typically by means of a sudden and loud noise, movement, or event
165. sensational exa_____ion *n.* an overstatement of facts or description; the act of making something seem larger, more important, or more significant than it is
166. re_____ry database *n.* an official list or record that contains details of people, objects, or events; a computer system that stores and manages data about something; the act or process of registering something, such as an event, a person, or an object

ANSWERS: 158. enthusiastically, 159. tongue, 160. context, 161. repetition, 162. sunshine, 163. cornerstone, 164. startle, 165. exaggeration, 166. registry

167. ho____y policy *n.* the quality of being truthful, sincere, and morally upright; adherence to moral and ethical principles
168. em_____ze a direct relationship *v.* to give or show particular importance to something
169. vo___e of work *n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
170. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
171. a st_____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
172. si___t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
173. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
174. fight vi___l infections *adj.* relating to or caused by a virus
175. act con_____ly *adv.* with awareness; in a deliberate manner
176. to_____x storage *n.* a container or storage unit for tools, typically characterized by a handle and one or more compartments for organizing and storing various tools and equipment
177. im_____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
178. unique pr_____y style *n.* the patterns of rhythm and sound in language, including the study of meter, rhyme, and intonation; the study of versification and poetic structure; the way in which speech sounds, stress patterns, and intonation are used in poetry and formal speech

ANSWERS: 167. honesty, 168. emphasize, 169. volume, 170. communicate, 171. straight, 172. silent, 173. amazing, 174. viral, 175. consciously, 176. toolbox, 177. improve, 178. prosody

179. u__y building *adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
180. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
181. pen_____te stage *adj.* second to last in a series or sequence; coming right before the final or ultimate one
182. ch_____ne celebration *n.* a type of sparkling wine produced in the Champagne region of France, or any similar wine produced elsewhere
183. cor_____ne of democracy *n.* a fundamental or essential element or component of something; a basis or foundation upon which something is built or developed
184. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
185. as_____te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
186. ac_____m the winner *n.* praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly
187. gr__t an idea *v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
188. ro_____ic breakup *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

ANSWERS: 179. ugly, 180. conversation, 181. penultimate, 182. champagne, 183. cornerstone, 184. context, 185. associate, 186. acclaim, 187. greet, 188. romantic

189. to___e cancer *n.* a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language
190. mon_____us job *adj.* lacking in variety, excitement, or interest; repetitive and tedious
191. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
192. re_____ct an Internet access *v.* to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing

ANSWERS: 189. tongue, 190. monotonous, 191. incredible, 192. restrict

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We _____ our impeded progress on lack of money.
 - v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

2. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
 - n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

3. The physicist specializes in _____.
 - n.* a branch of physics that deals with the study of mechanical waves in gases, liquids, and solids, including topics such as vibration, sound, ultrasound, and infrasound

4. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.
 - v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

5. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.
 - n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

6. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
 - n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

7. We _____ the number of students per course to twenty.
 - v.* to limit someone's actions or movements, or to limit something to lessen its size or prevent it from increasing

8. The _____ truck arrived with the packages.
 - n.* the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth

ANSWERS: 1. blamed, 2. norms, 3. acoustics, 4. propose, 5. definition, 6. context, 7. restrict, 8. delivery

9. I slipped and fell on the wet ____ after the rainstorm.

n. a section of grass-covered surface soil held together by matted roots; a piece of turf or the layer of soil and grass cut and used to establish a new lawn or repair an existing one; a derogatory term for a person, often used to express annoyance or contempt

10. The _____ task of data entry required intense concentration.

adj. lacking in variety, excitement, or interest; repetitive and tedious

11. He bated his _____ when talking about this affair.

n. the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs

12. They opened a bottle of _____ to celebrate their success.

n. a type of sparkling wine produced in the Champagne region of France, or any similar wine produced elsewhere

13. The conditions of the prison were _____ and inhumane.

adj. very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear

14. It was incredibly _____ of him to cancel plans at the last minute without giving any notice.

adj. not showing concern or care for the feelings, needs, or well-being of others; thoughtless; lacking consideration for others

15. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

16. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.

adj. having good luck or lucky

ANSWERS: 9. sod, 10. monotonous, 11. breath, 12. champagne, 13. dreadful, 14. inconsiderate, 15. communicate, 16. fortunate

17. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
18. The economy is growing at a supercharged _____.
- n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
19. Scientific knowledge will _____ significantly with the power of AI.
- v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
20. The _____ is boneless, but it is as strong as bones.
- n.* a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a tongue
21. The birds _____ open water areas with reeds around them.
- v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
22. A culture of _____ in the workplace leads to better communication and productivity.
- n.* the quality of being truthful, sincere, and morally upright; adherence to moral and ethical principles
23. The hospital keeps a _____ of patients' medical records.
- n.* an official list or record that contains details of people, objects, or events; a computer system that stores and manages data about something; the act or process of registering something, such as an event, a person, or an object
24. The news of her promotion _____ her.
- v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

ANSWERS: 17. nation, 18. pace, 19. advance, 20. tongue, 21. prefer, 22. honesty, 23. registry, 24. excited

25. Our company suffered _____ from incurring a heavy loss.
n. a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune
26. The professor spoke for hours in a _____ putting his students to sleep.
n. a sound or voice that does not vary in pitch or tone; a sequence of words or phrases that are delivered without variation in pitch or tone, often resulting in a dull or boring quality
27. This container has a _____ of 10 cubic meters.
n. the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
28. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.
v. to make or become better
29. The sudden policy change has caused _____ among employees.
n. the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty
30. Gandhi had an _____ zeal for nonviolence.
adj. perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
31. It's important not to _____ two issues when analyzing a complex situation.
v. to blend or fuse two or more things, often with the result of creating confusion or a loss of distinction between them; to mistakenly treat two separate entities as one
32. The movie has received almost universally _____ criticism.
adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

ANSWERS: 25. misery, 26. monotone, 27. volume, 28. improve, 29. confusion, 30. absolute, 31. conflate, 32. negative

33. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

34. _____ is the mother of all learning.

n. the act of doing or saying something many times

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

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

36. The _____ analysis of the poem revealed intricate rhythmic patterns.

n. the patterns of rhythm and sound in language, including the study of meter, rhyme, and intonation; the study of versification and poetic structure; the way in which speech sounds, stress patterns, and intonation are used in poetry and formal speech

37. The _____ burst from the audience.

n. a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together

38. The _____ was so bright that I had to wear sunglasses to protect my eyes.

n. the direct light and heat that comes from the sun

39. Two students answered the teacher's question _____.

adv. at the same time

40. The actor's performance in the play earned her widespread _____ from the theater community.

n. praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly

ANSWERS: 33. amazing, 34. Repetition, 35. phase, 36. prosody, 37. applause, 38. sunshine, 39. simultaneously, 40. acclaim

41. The president began to _____ an army.

v. to collect in one place as a single group

42. He was sick for five _____ days.

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

43. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.

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

44. The museum's experts confirmed the _____ of the painting.

n. the quality of being real or genuine

45. She _____ the extent of her injuries to get more money from the settlement.

v. to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is

46. People in the area were forced to _____ a taxi due to the lack of public transportation options.

v. to call out to someone to get their attention, often from a distance; to greet or welcome someone, especially with enthusiasm or admiration; (noun) precipitation in the form of small balls or lumps of ice that fall from the sky

47. You should always keep a basic _____ in your car in case of an emergency.

n. a container or storage unit for tools, typically characterized by a handle and one or more compartments for organizing and storing various tools and equipment

48. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

ANSWERS: 41. assemble, 42. straight, 43. locate, 44. authenticity, 45. exaggerated, 46. hail, 47. toolbox, 48. consume

49. Use italics or capitals to _____ a word in a piece of writing.

v. to give or show particular importance to something

50. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

51. It was his first _____ love.

adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

52. Her voice gradually increased in _____.

n. the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something

53. Overprotective parents often _____ their children with messages reinforcing their lack of mastery.

v. to attack a place with bombs or gunshots continuously; to address with continuously or persistently, as if with a barrage

54. His story was filled with obvious _____.

n. an overstatement of facts or description; the act of making something seem larger, more important, or more significant than it is

55. He _____ in relief when he finally found his lost keys.

v. to emit a deep, audible breath or sound, often expressing feelings of tiredness, frustration, or relief; to express longing, wish, or regret; (noun) the act of exhaling audibly in a long, deep, and often melancholy way

56. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

adj. unbelievable; enormous

ANSWERS: 49. emphasize, 50. environment, 51. romantic, 52. pitch, 53. bombard, 54. exaggerations, 55. sighed, 56. incredible

57. He _____ his friends with a warm smile and a hug.

v. to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

58. I heard some juicy _____ about our co-worker at the water cooler.

n. conversation or discussion about other people's personal affairs, often of a trivial or idle nature involving sharing rumors, hearsay, or speculation about the lives of others

59. The new amusement park ride was _____ with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.

adj. extremely good; excellent

60. This electronic _____ is required to undergo periodic inspections to ensure precision.

n. an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work

61. The data he prepared was completely _____.

n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

62. The team conducted an _____ search for the missing hiker, but unfortunately, she was never found.

adj. comprehensive and thorough; totally complete; leaving no stone unturned

63. The wedding dress had beautiful _____ on the bodice.

n. the art or skill of decorating fabric with thread, yarn, or other material, often by creating designs or pictures with stitches or patterns

64. Our users are often _____ about the slow application.

v. to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

ANSWERS: 57. greeted, 58. gossip, 59. fantastic, 60. instrument, 61. sham, 62. exhaustive, 63. embroidery, 64. complaining

65. He _____ criticizes her in the publicity.

adv. with awareness; in a deliberate manner

66. The _____ truth was that he had been lying to her for months.

adj. unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at

67. 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.

68. The policies he announces can be the _____ of economic growth in the country.

n. a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose

69. It's important to _____ before exercising to prevent injury.

v. to prepare oneself physically, mentally, or emotionally for an activity or performance by engaging in light exercises, practice, or relaxation techniques; (noun) a period of preparation or exercise that is done before a more intense activity or performance

70. His _____ of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

n. the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

71. The _____ building stood tall amongst the others on the city skyline.

adj. having an appearance that commands respect and admiration; impressive or grand in scale or size

ANSWERS: 65. consciously, 66. ugly, 67. politician, 68. engine, 69. warm-up, 70. pretensions, 71. imposing

72. The data _____ that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.
- v. to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
73. The singer hit an impressive _____ note during the concert.
- n. a high-pitched, artificially-tightened singing voice, often used by male singers to reach high notes that are beyond their natural vocal range
74. This device can more accurately detect _____ pathogens.
- adj. relating to or caused by a virus
75. The majority of consumers _____ this brand with quality.
- v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
76. His voice had a deep _____.
- n. the quality of sound that is produced by particular voices or musical instruments sounds different from each other
77. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.
- n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
78. The pond's _____ was around five feet.
- n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
79. He quickly fabricated an _____ for not attending the meeting.
- n. a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt

ANSWERS: 72. indicates, 73. falsetto, 74. viral, 75. associate, 76. timbre, 77. conversation, 78. depth, 79. excuse

80. Effective communication is often considered the _____ of a successful team.
- n.* a fundamental or essential element or component of something; a basis or foundation upon which something is built or developed
81. Some overzealous environmentalists claim celebrities are committing carbon dioxide _____.
- n.* the offense against a religious or moral law or against God
82. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
- adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
83. She had knowledge she couldn't wait to _____.
- v.* to expose or inform; to provide a portion of
84. The loud bang outside the window caused him to _____ and spill his coffee.
- v.* to cause a sudden or unexpected reaction of surprise, alarm, or fear in someone, typically by means of a sudden and loud noise, movement, or event
85. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.
- adj.* without any or little sound
86. The company's reputation for honesty and _____ is highly valued among its customers.
- n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
87. He moved his body _____ to the left.
- adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little

ANSWERS: 80. cornerstone, 81. sins, 82. responsible, 83. impart, 84. startle, 85. silent, 86. integrity, 87. slightly

88. The _____ description of a website is an important element for search engine optimization.

adj. pertaining to or involving a higher or more abstract level of analysis, interpretation, or self-reference, often used to describe aspects of gaming, social media, or other online communities that involve self-conscious or self-referential elements

89. There is a lot of _____ nature and food in Hawaii.

adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

90. The police _____ through his belongings, looking for illegal drugs.

v. to search for something thoroughly by moving things around unsystematically and carelessly

91. The _____ chapter of the book reveals the unexpected twist in the plot.

adj. second to last in a series or sequence; coming right before the final or ultimate one

92. The company's old _____ policies were the cause of its downfall.

adj. characterized by strong and unwavering opinions or beliefs that are often expressed with force and without consideration for alternative viewpoints or evidence

93. Most of the programs are _____ in this area.

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

94. He was exhausted and _____ into bed as soon as he got home.

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

95. The strict _____ ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

n. a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

ANSWERS: 88. meta, 89. awesome, 90. rummaged, 91. penultimate, 92. dogmatic, 93. broadcast, 94. rolled, 95. judge

96. The study participants _____ participated in the discussion, showing genuine interest.

adv. in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval

ANSWERS: 96. enthusiastically