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All Words

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Session 1: Word List

- pun**
- n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
synonym : joke, quip, wordplay
(1) witty **pun**, (2) silly **pun**
The comedian's **pun** had the audience laughing out loud.
- statistics**
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**
The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- president**
- n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
synonym : leader, CEO, chairperson
(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance
The club **president** does not have absolute power.
- 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.

revolution

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

synonym: coup, innovation, rebellion

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

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

government

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

synonym: administration, regime, state

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

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

discuss

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

synonym: talk about, converse, debate

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

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

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.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
synonym: person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

abuse

n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
synonym: misuse, misconduct, vilification

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

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

constitution

n. the set of fundamental principles or established precedents that a state, a country, or an organization is governed by; the act of forming or establishing something

synonym: fundamental law, establishment, formation

(1) the national **constitution**, (2) the national **constitution**

When the **constitution** is amended, it often creates a great deal of controversy throughout the country

adopt

v. to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

synonym: accept, assume, take on

(1) **adopt** a child, (2) **adopt** a bill

The national assembly has **adopted** the budget.

structure

n. the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

synonym: construction, architecture, establishment

(1) the **structure** of a machine, (2) **structure** and function of the brain

The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

infant

n. a baby or very young child

synonym: baby, newborn, tot

(1) **infant** daughter, (2) **infant** food

Mozart was an **infant** prodigy.

separate

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

synonym: disunite, isolate, ramify

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

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

branch

n. a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization

synonym: limb, twig, bough

(1) **branch** office, (2) a **branch** pipe

The **branch** of the tree had fallen and blocked the road.

balance

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

synonym: equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

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

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

guideline

n. a general rule or principle that provides guidance to appropriate behavior; a piece of advice or instructions that tell you how something should be done or what something should be

synonym: policy, direction, protocol

(1) an education **guideline**, (2) **guideline** for clinical trial

This book will be a practical **guideline** when coding.

legislative

adj. having to do with the process of making laws; relating to or serving as a branch of government that makes laws,

such as a legislative assembly or legislature

synonym: legislative, parliamentary, statutory

(1) **legislative** process, (2) **legislative** power

The **legislative** branch of government creates and passes laws.

comprise

v. to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something

synonym: consist of, include, be composed of

(1) **comprise** a large percentage, (2) **comprise** the recent past

The team **comprises** players from different countries.

senator

n. a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate

synonym: legislator, politician, representative

(1) junior **senator**, (2) **senator** term

The hawkish **senator** gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.

representative

n. someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people

synonym: spokesperson, agent, delegate

(1) an official **representative**, (2) sales **representative**

The media **representatives** had special passes.

congress

n. a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

synonym: legislature, parliament, assembly

(1) an international **congress**, (2) peace **congress**

Congress must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

primary

adj. first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or

introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle

synonym : chief, main, fundamental

(1) **primary** school, (2) **primary** education

The **primary** cause of the accident was due to the icy road conditions.

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**.

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.

approve

v. to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.

synonym : accept, authorize, agree

(1) **approve** a measures, (2) unanimously **approve** a resolution

My boss wouldn't **approve** of the plan.

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.

declare

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

synonym: announce, state, affirm

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

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

executive

n. a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

synonym: administrator, manager, director

(1) **executive** editor at the publishing house, (2) **executive** vice president

As the **executive** director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.

vice

n. wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person

synonym: corruption, depravity, evil

(1) virtue and **vice**, (2) **vice-chair** of the committee

Cats hate dogs and **vice** versa.

enforce

v. to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation

synonym: execute, implement, administer

(1) **enforce** the law, (2) **enforce** a contract

Governments make rules, and police **enforce** them.

adviser

n. a person who gives advice about a particular subject
synonym: consultant, guide, expert

(1) a medical **adviser**, (2) chief **adviser**

After retiring, he continued to be an **adviser** to politicians.

cabinet

n. a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister

synonym: cupboard, ministry, authority

(1) member of the **cabinet**, (2) the **cabinet** above the sink

The prime minister decided to reshuffle his **cabinet** to regain support.

appoint

v. to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place

synonym: designate, assign, name

(1) **appoint** members, (2) **appoint** the day

The court **appointed** a guardian for the child.

assist

v. to help someone in doing anything

synonym: help, support, aid

(1) **assist** a patient, (2) **assist** his goal

Please **assist** her with the furniture relocation.

decision

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

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.

treasury

n. the government department in charge of managing public funds; the funds of a government or institution or individual

synonym : coffer, exchequer, bank

(1) **treasury** bonds, (2) **treasury** money

The protracted war nearly depleted the country's **treasury**.

homeland

n. a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs

synonym : motherland, native country, fatherland

(1) beloved **homeland**, (2) **homeland** pride

I miss my **homeland** and the familiar sights, sounds, and smells.

command

n. authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something

synonym : control, authority, leadership

(1) **command** and control, (2) **command** a battery

The general gave a **command** to his troops to prepare for battle.

combine

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

synonym : coalesce, cohere, blend

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

(2) **combine** augmented reality

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

employ

v. to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of

synonym : hire, engage, use

(1) **employ** job seekers, (2) **employ** a new method

When making arrests, police officers frequently **employ** excessive force.

brand

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

synonym: trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car

There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

judicial

adj. of or relating to a court, a judge, or legal judgment

synonym: legal, juridical, judicatory

(1) **judicial** review, (2) **judicial** police

The **judicial** system is responsible for interpreting and enforcing the law.

district

n. a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features

synonym: territory, dominion, zone

(1) school **districts**, (2) urban **districts**

Since 2001, the **district** has provided training programs for automotive technicians.

supreme

adj. highest in rank, level, or importance

synonym: foremost, highest, greatest

(1) the **supreme** commander, (2) justice of the **supreme** court

The **supreme** pleasure of life is the conviction that we are loved.

interpret

v. to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.

synonym: decode, decipher, analyze

(1) **interpret** a graph, (2) **interpret** the question

Different people might **interpret** this news differently.

settle

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

synonym : inhabit, occupy, decide

(1) **settle** a dispute, (2) **settle** down in the town

I don't want to **settle** for second best.

dispute

n. a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one

synonym : argument, disagreement, quarrel

(1) a legal **dispute** over the title, (2) **dispute** settlement

The **dispute** over the ownership of the land has been ongoing for years.

appeal

n. a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest

synonym : request, charm, attraction

(1) draw out your **appeal**, (2) an **appeal** for help

He needed to resolve the problem as soon as possible, so he made an **appeal** directly.

determinant

n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

synonym : cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

constitutional

adj. of or relating to a constitution (= the set of fundamental principles), especially of a country or government; existing as an essential characteristic

synonym : fundamental, basic, inherent

(1) **constitutional** ban, (2) a **constitutional** disease

The right to free speech is a **constitutional** right in the

United States.

democracy

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

synonym: self-government, republic, commonwealth

(1) **democracy** advocate, (2) principles of **democracy**
Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

citizenship

n. the status of being a member of a particular country

synonym: nationality, belonging, residency

(1) dual **citizenship**, (2) **citizenship** rights

Her **citizenship** application was denied due to a technical error.

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.

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.

involve

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

synonym: implicate, include, engage

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

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

intelligent

adj. having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree

synonym: brilliant, clever, competent

(1) an **intelligent** person, (2) **intelligent** assisting system

Intelligent robots that can cooperate with humans have limited motor output for safety.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. peace co_____ss | <i>n.</i> a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups |
| 2. an international co_____ss | <i>n.</i> a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups |
| 3. victim of sexual ab__e | <i>n.</i> the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner |
| 4. de_____e independence | <i>v.</i> to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly |
| 5. an ap___l for help | <i>n.</i> a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest |
| 6. asset on the company's ba_____e sheet | <i>n.</i> a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away |
| 7. the st_____re of a machine | <i>n.</i> the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts |
| 8. en_____e the law | <i>v.</i> to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation |
| 9. ju_____al police | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to a court, a judge, or legal judgment |

ANSWERS: 1. congress, 2. congress, 3. abuse, 4. declare, 5. appeal, 6. balance, 7. structure, 8. enforce, 9. judicial

10. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
11. as____t his goal *v.* to help someone in doing anything
12. 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
13. in____t daughter *n.* a baby or very young child
14. v__e-chair of the committee *n.* wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person
15. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
16. virtue and v__e *n.* wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person
17. ap_____t the day *v.* to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place
18. gu_____ne for clinical trial *n.* a general rule or principle that provides guidance to appropriate behavior; a piece of advice or instructions that tell you how something should be done or what something should be

ANSWERS: 10. involve, 11. assist, 12. puzzle, 13. infant, 14. vice, 15. statistics, 16. vice, 17. appoint, 18. guideline

19. de___d my country *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
20. co_____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
21. a political rev_____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
22. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
23. ap_____t members *v.* to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place
24. se___e down in the town *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
25. de_____e my love *v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
26. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
27. leg_____ve process *adj.* having to do with the process of making laws; relating to or serving as a branch of government that makes laws, such as a legislative assembly or legislature
28. de_____cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
29. create a br__d logo *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

ANSWERS: 19. defend, 20. combine, 21. revolution, 22. separate, 23. appoint, 24. settle, 25. declare, 26. nation, 27. legislative, 28. democracy, 29. brand

30. the br__d of the new car *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
31. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
32. a medical ad____r *n.* a person who gives advice about a particular subject
33. a con_____nal disease *adj.* of or relating to a constitution (= the set of fundamental principles), especially of a country or government; existing as an essential characteristic
34. int_____nt assisting system *adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
35. witty p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
36. co_____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
37. silly p_n *n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
38. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
39. de____d against a threat *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

ANSWERS: 30. brand, 31. responsible, 32. adviser, 33. constitutional, 34. intelligent, 35. pun, 36. combine, 37. pun, 38. separate, 39. defend

40. 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
41. 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
42. em____y a new method
- v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
43. school di____cts
- n.* a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features
44. beloved ho____nd
- n.* a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
45. the su____e commander
- adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance
46. environmental det____nt
- n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
47. ind____al freedom
- n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

ANSWERS: 40. function, 41. function, 42. employ, 43. district, 44. homeland, 45. supreme, 46. determinant, 47. individual

48. em___y job seekers *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
49. leg_____ve power *adj.* having to do with the process of making laws; relating to or serving as a branch of government that makes laws, such as a legislative assembly or legislature
50. co_____d and control *n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something
51. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
52. a legal di_____e over the title *n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one
53. en_____e a contract *v.* to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation
54. beginning of the industrial
rev_____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
55. in___t food *n.* a baby or very young child
56. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

ANSWERS: 48. employ, 49. legislative, 50. command, 51. decision, 52. dispute, 53. enforce, 54. revolution, 55. infant, 56. nation

57. de__t body odor *v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
58. 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
59. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
60. 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
61. ad__t a bill *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
62. con_____nal ban *adj.* of or relating to a constitution (= the set of fundamental principles), especially of a country or government; existing as an essential characteristic
63. dual cit_____ip *n.* the status of being a member of a particular country
64. the ca_____t above the sink *n.* a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister

ANSWERS: 57. defeat, 58. jury, 59. decision, 60. puzzle, 61. adopt, 62. constitutional, 63. citizenship, 64. cabinet

65. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
66. se___e a dispute *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
67. tr_____ry money *n.* the government department in charge of managing public funds; the funds of a government or institution or individual
68. ju_____al review *adj.* of or relating to a court, a judge, or legal judgment
69. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
70. st_____re and function of the brain *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
71. ad__t a child *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
72. ho_____nd pride *n.* a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
73. cit_____ip rights *n.* the status of being a member of a particular country
74. urban di_____cts *n.* a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features
75. di_____s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

ANSWERS: 65. democracy, 66. settle, 67. treasury, 68. judicial, 69. president, 70. structure, 71. adopt, 72. homeland, 73. citizenship, 74. district, 75. discuss

76. co_____se the recent past *v.* to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something
77. ex_____ve editor at the publishing house *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
78. co_____se a large percentage *v.* to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something
79. pr_____y school *adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
80. a br____h pipe *n.* a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization
81. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
82. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
83. 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
84. di_____s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

ANSWERS: 76. comprise, 77. executive, 78. comprise, 79. primary, 80. branch, 81. government, 82. responsible, 83. judge, 84. discuss

85. a det_____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
86. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
87. as____t a patient *v.* to help someone in doing anything
88. justice of the su_____e court *adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance
89. in_____et a graph *v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
90. an official rep_____ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
91. member of the ca_____t *n.* a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister
92. unanimously ap_____e a resolution *v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.
93. co_____d a battery *n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something

ANSWERS: 85. determinant, 86. participate, 87. assist, 88. supreme, 89. interpret, 90. representative, 91. cabinet, 92. approve, 93. command

94. pr____y education *adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
95. 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
96. junior se____r *n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
97. the ba____e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
98. par____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
99. 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
100. ap____e a measures *v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.
101. ex____ve vice president *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

ANSWERS: 94. primary, 95. judge, 96. senator, 97. balance, 98. participate, 99. jury, 100. approve, 101. executive

102. an education gu_____ne *n.* a general rule or principle that provides guidance to appropriate behavior; a piece of advice or instructions that tell you how something should be done or what something should be
103. in_____et the question *v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
104. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
105. the national con_____ion *n.* the set of fundamental principles or established precedents that a state, a country, or an organization is governed by; the act of forming or establishing something
106. de___t a global power *v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
107. tr_____ry bonds *n.* the government department in charge of managing public funds; the funds of a government or institution or individual
108. di_____e settlement *n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one
109. draw out your ap___l *n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
110. chief ad_____r *n.* a person who gives advice about a particular subject

ANSWERS: 102. guideline, 103. interpret, 104. president, 105. constitution, 106. defeat, 107. treasury, 108. dispute, 109. appeal, 110. adviser

111. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
112. sales rep_____ive *n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
113. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
114. an int_____nt person *adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
115. se_____r term *n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
116. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
117. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
118. the problem of drug ab__e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
119. br___h office *n.* a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization

ANSWERS: 111. individual, 112. representative, 113. government, 114. intelligent, 115. senator, 116. involve, 117. statistics, 118. abuse, 119. branch

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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

2. There's a new _____ of hero in the movies now.
n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

3. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

4. The right to free speech is a _____ right in the United States.
adj. of or relating to a constitution (= the set of fundamental principles), especially of a country or government; existing as an essential characteristic

5. Her _____ application was denied due to a technical error.
n. the status of being a member of a particular country

6. The prime minister decided to reshuffle his _____ to regain support.
n. a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister

7. The _____ over the ownership of the land has been ongoing for years.
n. a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one

ANSWERS: 1. jury, 2. brand, 3. statistics, 4. constitutional, 5. citizenship, 6. cabinet, 7. dispute

8. Mozart was an _____ prodigy.
 - n.* a baby or very young child

9. After retiring, he continued to be an _____ to politicians.
 - n.* a person who gives advice about a particular subject

10. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.
 - v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group

11. This book will be a practical _____ when coding.
 - n.* a general rule or principle that provides guidance to appropriate behavior; a piece of advice or instructions that tell you how something should be done or what something should be

12. The hawkish _____ gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.
 - n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate

13. The national assembly has _____ the budget.
 - v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

14. The general gave a _____ to his troops to prepare for battle.
 - n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something

15. The court _____ a guardian for the child.
 - v.* to give someone a job or role, especially as a public official or member of an organization; to arrange or decide on a time or a place

ANSWERS: 8. infant, 9. adviser, 10. combine, 11. guideline, 12. senator, 13. adopted, 14. command, 15. appointed

16. Despite his best efforts, he was unable to _____ the enemy.
- v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
17. He needed to resolve the problem as soon as possible, so he made an _____ directly.
- n. a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
18. The _____ by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.
- n. a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
19. When making arrests, police officers frequently _____ excessive force.
- v. to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
20. I don't want to _____ for second best.
- v. to reach an agreement of disagreement
21. My boss wouldn't _____ of the plan.
- v. to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.
22. 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
23. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.
- v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

ANSWERS: 16. defeat, 17. appeal, 18. revolution, 19. employ, 20. settle, 21. approve, 22. function, 23. separate

24. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.
- v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
25. The organizational _____ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.
- n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
26. The comedian's ____ had the audience laughing out loud.
- n.* a humorous play on words or use of words that sound similar but have different meanings, often for a comedic effect; a form of wordplay
27. The _____ of the tree had fallen and blocked the road.
- n.* a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization
28. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
- n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
29. _____ robots that can cooperate with humans have limited motor output for safety.
- adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
30. Please _____ her with the furniture relocation.
- v.* to help someone in doing anything
31. The _____ system is responsible for interpreting and enforcing the law.
- adj.* of or relating to a court, a judge, or legal judgment

ANSWERS: 24. involves, 25. structure, 26. pun, 27. branch, 28. decision, 29. Intelligent, 30. assist, 31. judicial

32. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
33. _____ must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.
n. a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
34. 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.
35. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.
n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
36. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something
37. The protracted war nearly depleted the country's _____.
n. the government department in charge of managing public funds; the funds of a government or institution or individual
38. 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
39. The team _____ players from different countries.
v. to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something

ANSWERS: 32. government, 33. Congress, 34. defend, 35. Democracy, 36. participated, 37. treasury, 38. responsible, 39. comprises

40. 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
41. Try to keep a _____ between work and off.
n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
42. Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for _____ of authority.
n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
43. 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
44. The _____ pleasure of life is the conviction that we are loved.
adj. highest in rank, level, or importance
45. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
46. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.
v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
47. Governments make rules, and police _____ them.
v. to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation

ANSWERS: 40. judge, 41. balance, 42. abuse, 43. nation, 44. supreme, 45. individual, 46. discuss, 47. enforce

48. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.
- n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
49. Foreign goods from abroad must be _____ to customs when entering a country.
- v.* to say, state, or announce something clearly, officially, or publicly
50. The media _____ had special passes.
- n.* someone who speaks or acts officially on behalf of another person or group of people
51. 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
52. The _____ cause of the accident was due to the icy road conditions.
- adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
53. When the _____ is amended, it often creates a great deal of controversy throughout the country
- n.* the set of fundamental principles or established precedents that a state, a country, or an organization is governed by; the act of forming or establishing something
54. I miss my _____ and the familiar sights, sounds, and smells.
- n.* a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs

ANSWERS: 48. determinant, 49. declared, 50. representatives, 51. puzzle, 52. primary, 53. constitution, 54. homeland

55. Cats hate dogs and _____ versa.

- n.* wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person

56. The _____ branch of government creates and passes laws.

- adj.* having to do with the process of making laws; relating to or serving as a branch of government that makes laws, such as a legislative assembly or legislature

57. The club _____ does not have absolute power.

- n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

58. Different people might _____ this news differently.

- v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.

59. As the _____ director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.

- n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

60. Since 2001, the _____ has provided training programs for automotive technicians.

- n.* a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features

ANSWERS: 55. vice, 56. legislative, 57. president, 58. interpret, 59. executive, 60. district