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Session 1: Word List

invest

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

synonym: fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

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.

preschool

adj. relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time

synonym: nursery, kindergarten, daycare

(1) **preschool** education, (2) during **preschool** years

My old school's **preschool** program was well-regarded and had an excellent reputation.

economy

n. the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

synonym: finance, trade, business

(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class

The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

promote

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

synonym: boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior

The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

develop

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

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

crucial

adj. extremely vital or necessary

synonym: essential, pivotal, vital

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

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

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.

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.

legislator

n. a member of a group of people who has the power to make or enact laws

synonym: lawmaker, lawgiver, administrator

(1) a **legislator** appointed by the party, (2) incumbent **legislator**

Corporate executives and **legislators** are still overwhelmingly men.

magical

adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers

synonym: enchanting, occult, supernatural

(1) **magical** place, (2) **magical** powers

When I was a child, my mother often cast **magical** spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

thereby

adv. as a result; consequence of a particular action or set of conditions

synonym: thus, hence, as a result

(1) **thereby-obtained** data, (2) **thereby** improving overall health

The new software will streamline the workflow, **thereby** increasing productivity.

capita

n. a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike

expansion on a structure, as on a bone

synonym: head, headcount, person

(1) per **capita** sales, (2) the agricultural yield per **capita**
GDP per **capita** shrunk by almost 10 percent for the third consecutive year.

resident

n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place

synonym: dweller, inhabitant, inhabitant

(1) a **resident** of the city, (2) **resident** tax

Visa renewal for **resident** foreigners in this country is once every five years.

childcare

n. a service involving care for other people's children

synonym: babysitting

(1) **childcare** allowance, (2) allow **childcare** leave

Our company offers a full range of **childcare** facilities as part of our benefits package.

incentive

n. something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something

synonym: encouragement, inducement, enticement

(1) financial **incentives**, (2) an **incentive** to work hard

They have no **incentive** to win the game.

property

n. a thing or things that belong to someone

synonym: belongings, possessions, equity

(1) a man of **property**, (2) chemical **property**

He stood to inherit a million-dollar **property**.

creditor

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

compete

v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

synonym: contend, contest, vie

(1) **compete** against a friend, (2) **compete** fiercely

You must **compete** with others to obtain this position.

vigorously

adv. in a way that is very energetic and enthusiastic

synonym: energetically, forcefully, strongly

(1) **vigorously** shake, (2) mix **vigorously** by hand

He **vigorously** scrubbed the stains on the shirt.

attract

v. to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

synonym: lure, entice, draw in

(1) **attract** attention, (2) **attract** customers

The government is eager to **attract** international investment.

expand

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

synonym: extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

induce

v. to persuade someone to do something; to cause to act in a specific manner

synonym: cause, encourage, persuade

(1) **induce** a crisis, (2) **induce** him to see a doctor

The lack of sleep **induces** both physical and psychological diseases.

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.

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.

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.

correspond

v. to match or be similar to something else almost exactly; to exchange messages

synonym : match, equate, communicate

(1) **correspond** to a standard, (2) **correspond** with a foreign student

The numbers on the sign **correspond** to points on the map.

argument

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

synonym : debate, discourse, discussion

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

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

essentially

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

synonym : fundamentally, basically, virtually

(1) **essentially** correct, (2) become **essentially** same

Essentially, a society is an organism.

indirect

adj. happening in addition to the main or intended aim, cause or result, often in a way that is not obvious; not following the shortest or straight way

synonym : unintended, ambiguous, ancillary

(1) **indirect** taxation, (2) **indirect** lighting

He expressed his dissatisfaction in an **indirect** way.

workforce

n. all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.

synonym : labor pool, manpower

(1) skilled **workforce**, (2) the **workforce** is on strike

Many companies outsource and hire consultants to keep their **workforce** flexible.

stick

v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

synonym : pierce, adhere, stay

(1) **stick** a key in a lock, (2) fire **stick**

You **stick** a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

communal

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

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

extensive

adj. covering a large area; having a wide range

synonym : ample, comprehensive, vast

(1) **extensive** experience, (2) have **extensive** vocabulary

The incident attracted **extensive** media coverage throughout the world.

educational

adj. relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction

synonym : instructional, informative, enlightening

(1) **educational** system, (2) elevate **educational** standards

The museum offers a variety of **educational** programs for children and adults.

attainment

n. the act of achieving or accomplishing something; the state of having achieved a specific level of skill or ability; a goal that has been reached or accomplished

synonym : achievement, accomplishment, realization

(1) academic **attainment**, (2) personal **attainment**

Earning a college degree is a great **attainment** and a major accomplishment.

wage

n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

synonym : payment, compensation, salary

(1) unpaid **wages**, (2) increase in the minimum **wage**

His **wages** continued to rise as his skills improved.

folk

n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

synonym : community, family, person

(1) **folk** art, (2) the **folk** songs of a particular district

Some seaweed was used as **folk** medicine in ancient times.

conclude

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

synonym : complete, finish, decide

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

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

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.

salient

adj. most noticeable or important; striking

synonym : striking, noticeable, important

(1) the **salient** part of the speech, (2) **salient** feature

The most **salient** point made during the presentation was the potential profit increase.

policy

n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

synonym : strategy, plan, guideline

(1) health **policy**, (2) foreign **policy**

The company's new **policy** on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

relevance

n. the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand

synonym : pertinence, applicability, connection

(1) have no **relevance**, (2) **relevance** category

The **relevance** of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.

polite

adj. showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior

synonym : courteous, civil, respectful

(1) **polite** manners, (2) **polite** tone

It's important to be **polite** even when you disagree with someone.

misunderstand

v. to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

synonym : misinterpret, misperceive, misapprehend

(1) **misunderstand** each other, (2) **misunderstand** entirely

about her

You should not **misunderstand** the meaning of freedom.

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.

interdependent

adj. depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected

synonym: interconnected, interrelated, mutual

(1) **interdependent** systems, (2) develop **interdependent** skills

In nature, all living things are **interdependent** and rely on each other for survival.

specifically

adv. only associated with or meant for one thing

synonym: especially, particularly, notably

(1) designed **specifically** for men, (2) for **specifically** American customers

This ad campaign is aimed **specifically** at young women.

spillover

n. the occurrence of a disease or infection spreading from one species to another, often from animals to humans; (economics) any indirect effect of public expenditure

synonym: transmission, overflow, contamination

(1) **spillover** effect, (2) **spillover** risk

The **spillover** of the disease from animals to humans caused a global pandemic.

prosperity

n. the state of being successful and having the good fortune

synonym: affluence, accomplishment, capital

(1) economic **prosperity**, (2) **prosperity** of humankind
This war shattered dreams of peace and **prosperity**.

numerous

adj. amounting to a large indefinite number

synonym: many, considerable, countless

(1) **numerous** countries, (2) as **numerous** as the sand

These descriptions are based on a number of **numerous** assumptions.

metropolitan

adj. of or relating to a large city or a city that is considered to be the cultural or economic center of a region or country

synonym: urban, city, municipal

(1) major **metropolitan** area, (2) **metropolitan** city

The city is a true **metropolitan**, with a diverse population and bustling streets.

proxy

n. a person or entity that is authorized to act on behalf of another person or entity

synonym: surrogate, representative, agent

(1) healthcare **proxy**, (2) **proxy** server

She voted by **proxy** because she was unable to attend in person.

percentage

n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

synonym: rate, ratio, portion

(1) the **percentage** of the gold content, (2) a high **percentage**

What is the **percentage** of the consumption tax in the United States?

graduate

n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

synonym: alumna, alum, grad

(1) **graduate** degree program, (2) honor **graduate**

Many employers hire **graduate** trainees to train as managers.

silicon

n. a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

(1) **silicon** wafer, (2) crystalline **silicon**

Silicon is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.

valley

n. a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

synonym: canyon, gorge, dale

(1) **valley** bottom, (2) basin-shaped **valley**

The **valley** had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

economical

adj. providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary

synonym: frugal, thrifty, parsimonious

(1) **economical** use of her time, (2) an **economical** meal

It is more **economical** to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

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.

metro

n. a mass transit system in an urban area, such as a subway or light rail system; (short for "metropolitan") a large city, either a capital or a major urban area, often characterized by densely populated areas with significant economic, cultural, and political importance

synonym: subway, underground, tube

(1) **metro** station, (2) **metro** area

I prefer taking the **metro** to drive in heavy traffic.

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.

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.

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.

degree

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

synonym : level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

addition

n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

synonym : accumulation, expansion, addendum

(1) chemical **addition**, (2) **addition** of vectors

In **addition**, private corporations provide healthcare services.

constant

adj. happening repeatedly or all the time

synonym : ceaseless, stable, unchanging

(1) a **constant** wind, (2) a **constant** temperature

Constant dropping wears away the stone.

lifetime

n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
synonym : lifespan, duration

(1) **lifetime** benefits, (2) **lifetime** ban from the sport
She had lived through two world wars in her **lifetime**.

firm

adj. resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action;
strong or secure in structure, make, or composition;
reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business
or company

synonym : stable, secure, steadfast

(1) **firm** grip, (2) accounting **firm**

The **firm** deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so
we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

employer

n. a person or organization that pays workers to work for
them

synonym : boss, owner, company

(1) illegal **employer**, (2) **employer** responsibility

An **employer's** attitude toward its employees significantly
impacts their productivity.

introduction

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the
start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing
something new into existence or introducing something
to a wider audience or new market

synonym : initiation, preamble, prologue

(1) **introduction** education, (2) self- **introduction**

The **introduction** to the new class was informative and
engaging.

technique

n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs
skill

synonym : approach, procedure, strategy

(1) a **technique** in martial arts, (2) the **technique** applied to
construction

Jockey's superior **technique** brought him victory.

afford

v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

(1) **afford** to buy a new car, (2) **afford** a high travel cost
He cannot **afford** a holiday.

competitive

adj. involving competition or competitiveness

synonym: aggressive, ambitious, militant

(1) a **competitive** price, (2) **competitive** position

The mobile application industry is a **competitive** one.

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.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym: specialized, technical

(1) **technological** advancement, (2) **technological** policy

Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

constantly

adv. all the time

synonym: continuously, always, frequently

(1) a **constantly** innovative enterprise, (2) a **constantly** varying mind

The mobile application industry is **constantly** changing.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

for dinner.

arbor

n. a shady place or a shelter formed by trees, vines, or climbing plants; a lattice framework or trellis that supports climbing plants; a seating area or shelter made of woven branches or vines; (of medicine, also "arbor vitae") the white matter of the cerebellum in the brain

synonym: mandrel, pergola, bower

(1) grape **arbor**, (2) **arbor** vitae

The wooden bench beneath the **arbor** was a peaceful place to read a book.

wolverine

n. a carnivorous mammal native to the Arctic and sub-Arctic regions of North America and Eurasia

synonym: glutton, devil bear, skunk bear

(1) **wolverine** habitat, (2) reintroduction of **wolverine**

The **wolverine** population has declined in many areas due to habitat loss and human activity.

assume

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

synonym: guess, presume, suppose

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

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

vary

v. to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.

synonym: alter, contrast, differ

(1) **vary** according to the age, (2) **vary** directly with the price
Maximum heart rates **vary** a lot for each individual.

depressed

adj. sad and without any hope

synonym: despondent, despairing, sad

(1) **depressed** feeling, (2) the market is **depressed**

After his mother died, he got **depressed**.

boom

n. a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound

synonym: roaring, prosperity, boost

(1) **boom** in sales, (2) a sonic **boom**

The high-technology industry is enjoying a **boom**.

calculate

v. to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

synonym: compute, figure, estimate

(1) **calculate** the distance, (2) **calculate** his credit score

He couldn't **calculate** the actual value of the artwork.

compelling

adj. arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration

synonym: tempting, captivating, influential

(1) tell a **compelling** story, (2) new and **compelling** evidence

His **compelling** presentation deeply moved everyone.

logic

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

synonym: reasoning, reason, ratiocination

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

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

barrier

n. a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

synonym: border, barricade, fence

(1) cost **barrier**, (2) information **barrier**

The police placed a **barrier** across the street to halt traffic.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym: apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

universal

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

synonym: common, broad, worldwide

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

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

roughly

adv. approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

synonym: approximately, more or less, around

(1) **roughly** explain my idea, (2) **roughly** speaking

Five miles is **roughly** similar to eight kilometers.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

synonym: reference, allude, cite

(1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report

I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

corresponding

adj. similar to, connected with, or accompanying something, especially in position or purpose

synonym: matching, equivalent, analogous

(1) find a **corresponding** lack, (2) the **corresponding** word in Spanish

The **corresponding** number on the dial was 3.

multiply

v. to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity

synonym: boost, amplify, reproduce

(1) **multiply** 5 and 6, (2) **multiply** about hundredfold

Multiply a number by itself twice.

translate

v. to convert or change words into another language

synonym: convert, transcribe, render

(1) **translate** a document into English, (2) **translate** the

emotion to a movement

Translate the text from Italian into English.

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym: spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

tuition

n. the act of teaching something, especially when given to a small group or one person; fees charged by education institutions for instruction or other services

synonym: fee, schooling, education

(1) **tuition** assistance, (2) a college **tuition**

His father cannot afford his **tuition**.

concrete

adj. existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement

synonym: actual, factual, hardened

(1) a **concrete** noun, (2) **concrete** examples

The president asked for a more **concrete** plan.

broad

adj. very wide; general

synonym: wide, expansive, comprehensive

(1) attract **broad** attention, (2) a **broad** mind

He accumulated wealth across a **broad** spectrum of assets.

tangible

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

synonym: palpable, real, actual

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

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

profound

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

synonym : deep, unsounded, far-reaching

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

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

sweatshop

n. a factory or workshop where workers are employed at very low wages and under poor conditions, often characterized by long hours, low pay, and hazardous working conditions

(1) **sweatshop** conditions, (2) **sweatshop** labor

Activists have been pushing for legislation to ban the use of **sweatshops** in the garment industry.

oriented

adj. referring to someone or something that is focused or directed toward a particular goal or objective; organized around a specific principle or approach

synonym : aligned, directed, focused

(1) **oriented** graph, (2) technology- **oriented**

The company is very customer- **oriented** and strives to provide excellent service.

remedial

adj. intended to correct or improve a deficiency or weakness; providing basic skills and knowledge to overcome a learning or developmental difficulty

synonym : corrective, therapeutic, restorative

(1) **remedial** education, (2) **remedial** therapy

The student required **remedial** courses in math after struggling in the class.

migration

n. the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change

synonym : exodus

(1) the **migration** of birds, (2) overseas **migration**

There was a **migration** of impoverished farmers into the towns.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym : highest, maximum, foremost

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

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

moral

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

synonym : honest, ethical, conscientious

(1) **moral** hazard, (2) **moral** burden

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

sacrifice

n. the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

synonym : forfeit, immolation, gift

(1) small **sacrifice** for a great cause, (2) **sacrifice** anything to get ahead

You cannot accomplish great things without a **sacrifice** of your time or money.

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.

voter

n. a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election

synonym : elector, citizen

(1) an eligible **voter**, (2) **voter** apathy

The election administration nullified the election results because of **voter** fraud.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. ad_____on of vectors | <i>n.</i> the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers |
| 2. tec_____cal advancement | <i>adj.</i> based on scientific and industrial progress |
| 3. b__m in sales | <i>n.</i> a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound |
| 4. find a cor_____ing lack | <i>adj.</i> similar to, connected with, or accompanying something, especially in position or purpose |
| 5. a sonic b__m | <i>n.</i> a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound |
| 6. a private ind_____al | <i>n.</i> a single person or thing, as distinct from a group |
| 7. sw_____op labor | <i>n.</i> a factory or workshop where workers are employed at very low wages and under poor conditions, often characterized by long hours, low pay, and hazardous working conditions |
| 8. li_____me ban from the sport | <i>n.</i> the duration of someone's life or something's existence; |
| 9. mo__l burden | <i>adj.</i> concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc. |

ANSWERS: 1. addition, 2. technological, 3. boom, 4. corresponding, 5. boom, 6. individual, 7. sweatshop, 8. lifetime, 9. moral

10. re____al education *adj.* intended to correct or improve a deficiency or weakness; providing basic skills and knowledge to overcome a learning or developmental difficulty
11. have no re_____ce *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
12. me_____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
13. re_____nt tax *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
14. sa_____t feature *adj.* most noticeable or important; striking
15. an ap___l for help *n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
16. tec_____cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
17. health po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
18. st__k a key in a lock *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

ANSWERS: 10. remedial, 11. relevance, 12. mention, 13. resident, 14. salient, 15. appeal, 16. technological, 17. policy, 18. stick

19. pr____e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
20. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
21. ca_____te the distance *v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics
22. mo__l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
23. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
24. illegal em_____er *n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
25. pr____e bad behavior *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
26. a co_____nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
27. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
28. mis_____and each other *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
29. per ca___a sales *n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone

ANSWERS: 19. propose, 20. degree, 21. calculate, 22. moral, 23. participate, 24. employer, 25. promote, 26. constant, 27. develop, 28. misunderstand, 29. capita

30. a man of pr_____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
31. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
32. cor_____nd to a standard *v.* to match or be similar to something else almost exactly; to exchange messages
33. a co_____nt temperature *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
34. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
35. me__o area *n.* a mass transit system in an urban area, such as a subway or light rail system; (short for "metropolitan") a large city, either a capital or a major urban area, often characterized by densely populated areas with significant economic, cultural, and political importance
36. th_____y improving overall health *adv.* as a result; consequence of a particular action or set of conditions
37. elevate edu_____al standards *adj.* relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction
38. economic pro_____ty *n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune
39. grape ar__r *n.* a shady place or a shelter formed by trees, vines, or climbing plants; a lattice framework or trellis that supports climbing plants; a seating area or shelter made of woven branches or vines; (of medicine, also "arbor vitae") the white matter of the cerebellum in the brain

ANSWERS: 30. property, 31. participate, 32. correspond, 33. constant, 34. communal, 35. metro, 36. thereby, 37. educational, 38. prosperity, 39. arbor

40. financial in_____ves *n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something
41. re_____al therapy *adj.* intended to correct or improve a deficiency or weakness; providing basic skills and knowledge to overcome a learning or developmental difficulty
42. become ess_____ly same *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
43. in____t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
44. sp_____er risk *n.* the occurrence of a disease or infection spreading from one species to another, often from animals to humans; (economics) any indirect effect of public expenditure
45. lo____e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
46. im_____e a process *v.* to make or become better
47. tr_____te the emotion to a movement *v.* to convert or change words into another language
48. the per_____ge of the gold content *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
49. sw_____op conditions *n.* a factory or workshop where workers are employed at very low wages and under poor conditions, often characterized by long hours, low pay, and hazardous working conditions

ANSWERS: 40. incentive, 41. remedial, 42. essentially, 43. invest, 44. spillover, 45. locate, 46. improve, 47. translate, 48. percentage, 49. sweatshop

50. co____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
51. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
52. allow ch_____re leave *n.* a service involving care for other people's children
53. a con_____ly varying mind *adv.* all the time
54. em___y a new method *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
55. co_____te examples *adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
56. an eligible vo__r *n.* a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election
57. incumbent leg_____or *n.* a member of a group of people who has the power to make or enact laws
58. as___e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
59. a com_____ve price *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
60. a blazing ar_____nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
61. 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

ANSWERS: 50. communal, 51. individual, 52. childcare, 53. constantly, 54. employ, 55. concrete, 56. voter, 57. legislator, 58. assume, 59. competitive, 60. argument, 61. appeal

62. af___d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
63. cor_____nd with a foreign student *v.* to match or be similar to something else almost exactly; to exchange messages
64. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
65. fire st__k *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
66. tell a com_____ng story *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
67. healthcare pr__y *n.* a person or entity that is authorized to act on behalf of another person or entity
68. small sa_____ce for a great cause *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
69. wo_____ne habitat *n.* a carnivorous mammal native to the Arctic and sub-Arctic regions of North America and Eurasia
70. or_____ed graph *adj.* referring to someone or something that is focused or directed toward a particular goal or objective; organized around a specific principle or approach

ANSWERS: 62. afford, 63. correspond, 64. decide, 65. stick, 66. compelling, 67. proxy, 68. sacrifice, 69. wolverine, 70. oriented

71. vo__r apathy *n.* a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election
72. af___d to buy a new car *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
73. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
74. increase in the minimum w__e *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
75. in___e him to see a doctor *v.* to persuade someone to do something; to cause to act in a specific manner
76. ro_____y speaking *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
77. cr_____l information *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
78. v__y according to the age *v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
79. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
80. me__o station *n.* a mass transit system in an urban area, such as a subway or light rail system; (short for "metropolitan") a large city, either a capital or a major urban area, often characterized by densely populated areas with significant economic, cultural, and political importance

ANSWERS: 71. voter, 72. afford, 73. separate, 74. wage, 75. induce, 76. roughly, 77. crucial, 78. vary, 79. economy, 80. metro

81. the te_____ue applied to construction
n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
82. a co_____te noun
adj. existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
83. ex____d a lineup
v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
84. a re_____nt of the city
n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
85. tr_____te a document into English
v. to convert or change words into another language
86. official sta_____cs
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
87. the wo_____ce is on strike
n. all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.
88. se_____te video into chapter
v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
89. a high per_____ge
n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
90. develop int_____ent skills
adj. depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected
91. gov_____nt funding
n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
92. for spe_____lly American customers
adv. only associated with or meant for one thing

ANSWERS: 81. technique, 82. concrete, 83. expand, 84. resident, 85. translate, 86. statistics, 87. workforce, 88. separate, 89. percentage, 90. interdependent, 91. government, 92. specifically

93. va___y bottom *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
94. the ul_____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
95. during pr_____ol years *adj.* relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time
96. ca_____te his credit score *v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics
97. a leg_____or appointed by the party *n.* a member of a group of people who has the power to make or enact laws
98. 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
99. a te_____ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
100. in___e a crisis *v.* to persuade someone to do something; to cause to act in a specific manner
101. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
102. ro_____y explain my idea *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
103. the cor_____ing word in Spanish *adj.* similar to, connected with, or accompanying something, especially in position or purpose

ANSWERS: 93. valley, 94. ultimate, 95. preschool, 96. calculate, 97. legislator, 98. determinant, 99. technique, 100. induce, 101. determinant, 102. roughly, 103. corresponding

104. accounting f__m *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
105. the pr____nd depths of the sea *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
106. de_____ed feeling *adj.* sad and without any hope
107. skilled wo_____ce *n.* all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.
108. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
109. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
110. personal att_____nt *n.* the act of achieving or accomplishing something; the state of having achieved a specific level of skill or ability; a goal that has been reached or accomplished
111. po___e tone *adj.* showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior
112. a cr_____l issue for women *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
113. honor gr_____te *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

ANSWERS: 104. firm, 105. profound, 106. depressed, 107. workforce, 108. statistics, 109. assume, 110. attainment, 111. polite, 112. crucial, 113. graduate

114. the agricultural yield per ca___a *n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone
115. in___e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
116. as nu___us as the sand *adj.* amounting to a large indefinite number
117. re_____ce category *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
118. a con_____ly innovative enterprise *adv.* all the time
119. ma___l place *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
120. ta___le assets *adj.* real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value
121. mu___ly about hundredfold *v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
122. com_____ve position *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
123. em___er responsibility *n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
124. the mi_____on of birds *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change

ANSWERS: 114. capita, 115. involve, 116. numerous, 117. relevance, 118. constantly, 119. magical, 120. tangible, 121. multiply, 122. competitive, 123. employer, 124. migration

125. designed spe_____lly for men *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
126. chemical ad_____on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
127. si_____n wafer *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
128. a seafaring na_____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
129. gr_____te degree program *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
130. ma_____l powers *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
131. bachelor's de_____e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
132. vig_____ly shake *adv.* in a way that is very energetic and enthusiastic
133. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

ANSWERS: 125. specifically, 126. addition, 127. silicon, 128. nation, 129. graduate, 130. magical, 131. degree, 132. vigorously, 133. introduction

134. in_____ct lighting *adj.* happening in addition to the main or intended aim, cause or result, often in a way that is not obvious; not following the shortest or straight way
135. tu_____n assistance *n.* the act of teaching something, especially when given to a small group or one person; fees charged by education institutions for instruction or other services
136. foreign po_____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
137. a college tu_____n *n.* the act of teaching something, especially when given to a small group or one person; fees charged by education institutions for instruction or other services
138. ch_____re allowance *n.* a service involving care for other people's children
139. a br__d mind *adj.* very wide; general
140. attract br__d attention *adj.* very wide; general
141. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
142. the cr_____or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

ANSWERS: 134. indirect, 135. tuition, 136. policy, 137. tuition, 138. childcare, 139. broad, 140. broad, 141. involve, 142. creditor

143. co____e against a friend *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
144. po___e manners *adj.* showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior
145. overseas mi_____on *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
146. f__m grip *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
147. crystalline si_____n *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
148. co_____de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
149. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
150. chemical pr_____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
151. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
152. the ul_____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order

ANSWERS: 143. compete, 144. polite, 145. migration, 146. firm, 147. silicon, 148. conclude, 149. decide, 150. property, 151. mention, 152. ultimate

153. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
154. major met____tan area *adj.* of or relating to a large city or a city that is considered to be the cultural or economic center of a region or country
155. bankrupt cr____or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
156. in____t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
157. mu____ly 5 and 6 *v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
158. at____t attention *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
159. 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
160. ex____ve experience *adj.* covering a large area; having a wide range
161. f__k art *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
162. an indisputable lo__c *n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

ANSWERS: 153. obvious, 154. metropolitan, 155. creditor, 156. invest, 157. multiply, 158. attract, 159. decision, 160. extensive, 161. folk, 162. logic

163. v__y directly with the price *v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
164. basin-shaped va___y *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
165. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
166. nu____us countries *adj.* amounting to a large indefinite number
167. em___y job seekers *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
168. an in_____ve to work hard *n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something
169. technology-or_____ed *adj.* referring to someone or something that is focused or directed toward a particular goal or objective; organized around a specific principle or approach
170. ar__r vitae *n.* a shady place or a shelter formed by trees, vines, or climbing plants; a lattice framework or trellis that supports climbing plants; a seating area or shelter made of woven branches or vines; (of medicine, also "arbor vitae") the white matter of the cerebellum in the brain
171. int_____ent systems *adj.* depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected
172. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

ANSWERS: 163. vary, 164. valley, 165. improvisation, 166. numerous, 167. employ, 168. incentive, 169. oriented, 170. arbor, 171. interdependent, 172. decision

173. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
174. a pr_____nd book *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
175. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
176. mis_____and entirely about her *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
177. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
178. pr_____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
179. co_____e fiercely *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
180. ex____d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
181. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
182. a demonstration in lo__c *n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

ANSWERS: 173. improvisation, 174. profound, 175. government, 176. misunderstand, 177. develop, 178. propose, 179. compete, 180. expand, 181. nation, 182. logic

183. new and com_____ng evidence *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
184. information ba_____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
185. edu_____al system *adj.* relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction
186. sa_____ce anything to get ahead *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
187. pr__y server *n.* a person or entity that is authorized to act on behalf of another person or entity
188. an eco_____al meal *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
189. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
190. principles of un_____al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
191. eco_____al use of her time *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
192. have ex_____ve vocabulary *adj.* covering a large area; having a wide range
193. li_____me benefits *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

ANSWERS: 183. compelling, 184. barrier, 185. educational, 186. sacrifice, 187. proxy, 188. economical, 189. folk, 190. universal, 191. economical, 192. extensive, 193. lifetime

194. the sa____t part of the speech *adj.* most noticeable or important; striking
195. unpaid w__es *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
196. reintroduction of wo_____ne *n.* a carnivorous mammal native to the Arctic and sub-Arctic regions of North America and Eurasia
197. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
198. met_____tan city *adj.* of or relating to a large city or a city that is considered to be the cultural or economic center of a region or country
199. academic att_____nt *n.* the act of achieving or accomplishing something; the state of having achieved a specific level of skill or ability; a goal that has been reached or accomplished
200. mix vig_____ly by hand *adv.* in a way that is very energetic and enthusiastic
201. pro_____ty of humankind *n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune
202. th_____y-obtained data *adv.* as a result; consequence of a particular action or set of conditions
203. in_____ct taxation *adj.* happening in addition to the main or intended aim, cause or result, often in a way that is not obvious; not following the shortest or straight way
204. pr_____ol education *adj.* relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time

ANSWERS: 194. salient, 195. wage, 196. wolverine, 197. locate, 198. metropolitan, 199. attainment, 200. vigorously, 201. prosperity, 202. thereby, 203. indirect, 204. preschool

205. produce ta_____le results *adj.* real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value
206. un_____al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
207. the market is de_____ed *adj.* sad and without any hope
208. at_____t customers *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
209. sp_____er effect *n.* the occurrence of a disease or infection spreading from one species to another, often from animals to humans; (economics) any indirect effect of public expenditure
210. the ar_____nt against capital punishment *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
211. ess_____ly correct *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
212. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
213. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

ANSWERS: 205. tangible, 206. universal, 207. depressed, 208. attract, 209. spillover, 210. argument, 211. essentially, 212. obvious, 213. introduction

214. im____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
215. ec____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
216. cost ba____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
217. pr____e a better relationship *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
218. co____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

ANSWERS: 214. improve, 215. economy, 216. barrier, 217. promote, 218. conclude

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
 - v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

2. This ad campaign is aimed _____ at young women.
 - adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing

3. There was a _____ of impoverished farmers into the towns.
 - n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change

4. I asked the lawyer to initiate _____ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.
 - n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

5. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.
 - n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

6. The _____ of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.
 - n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand

7. He couldn't _____ the actual value of the artwork.
 - v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

ANSWERS: 1. develop, 2. specifically, 3. migration, 4. creditor, 5. degree, 6. relevance, 7. calculate

8. 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
9. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.
- n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
10. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.
- v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
11. Many companies outsource and hire consultants to keep their _____ flexible.
- n.* all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.
12. This war shattered dreams of peace and _____.
- n.* the state of being successful and having the good fortune
13. The president asked for a more _____ plan.
- adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
14. The lack of sleep _____ both physical and psychological diseases.
- v.* to persuade someone to do something; to cause to act in a specific manner
15. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.
- v.* to make or become better

ANSWERS: 8. determinant, 9. addition, 10. mentioned, 11. workforce, 12. prosperity, 13. concrete, 14. induces, 15. improve

16. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.
v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
17. The government should do more to _____ sustainable agribusiness.
v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
18. The museum offers a variety of _____ programs for children and adults.
adj. relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction
19. The new software will streamline the workflow, _____ increasing productivity.
adv. as a result; consequence of a particular action or set of conditions
20. My mother's illness had a _____ impact on us all.
adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
21. You _____ a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.
v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
22. When I was a child, my mother often cast _____ spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.
adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers
23. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 16. expand, 17. promote, 18. educational, 19. thereby, 20. profound, 21. stick, 22. magical, 23. assumes

24. 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
25. Some seaweed was used as _____ medicine in ancient times.
n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
26. She voted by _____ because she was unable to attend in person.
n. a person or entity that is authorized to act on behalf of another person or entity
27. The company is very customer-_____ and strives to provide excellent service.
adj. referring to someone or something that is focused or directed toward a particular goal or objective; organized around a specific principle or approach
28. She had lived through two world wars in her _____.
n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
29. The _____ of the disease from animals to humans caused a global pandemic.
n. the occurrence of a disease or infection spreading from one species to another, often from animals to humans; (economics) any indirect effect of public expenditure
30. The wooden bench beneath the _____ was a peaceful place to read a book.
n. a shady place or a shelter formed by trees, vines, or climbing plants; a lattice framework or trellis that supports climbing plants; a seating area or shelter made of woven branches or vines; (of medicine, also "arbor vitae") the white matter of the cerebellum in the brain

ANSWERS: 24. nation, 25. folk, 26. proxy, 27. oriented, 28. lifetime, 29. spillover, 30. arbor

31. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.
n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
32. It is more _____ to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.
adj. providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
33. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
34. He _____ scrubbed the stains on the shirt.
adv. in a way that is very energetic and enthusiastic
35. His _____ presentation deeply moved everyone.
adj. arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
36. You should not _____ the meaning of freedom.
v. to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
37. The picture earned near-_____ acclaim from critics.
adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
38. My old school's _____ program was well-regarded and had an excellent reputation.
adj. relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time

ANSWERS: 31. introduction, 32. economical, 33. decide, 34. vigorously, 35. compelling, 36. misunderstand, 37. universal, 38. preschool

39. 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
40. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
- n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
41. The government is eager to _____ international investment.
- v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
42. Visa renewal for _____ foreigners in this country is once every five years.
- n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
43. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
- v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
44. You must _____ with others to obtain this position.
- v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
45. After his mother died, he got _____.
- adj.* sad and without any hope
46. The company's new _____ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.
- n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 39. appeal, 40. economy, 41. attract, 42. resident, 43. locate, 44. compete, 45. depressed, 46. policy

47. In nature, all living things are _____ and rely on each other for survival.

adj. depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected

48. It's important to be _____ even when you disagree with someone.

adj. showing consideration, respect, or deference towards others; having good manners, civility, or courteous behavior

49. _____ the text from Italian into English.

v. to convert or change words into another language

50. His _____ continued to rise as his skills improved.

n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

51. An _____ attitude toward its employees significantly impacts their productivity.

n. a person or organization that pays workers to work for them

52. The _____ number on the dial was 3.

adj. similar to, connected with, or accompanying something, especially in position or purpose

53. The election administration nullified the election results because of _____ fraud.

n. a person who votes or has a legal right to vote in a political election

54. He expressed his dissatisfaction in an _____ way.

adj. happening in addition to the main or intended aim, cause or result, often in a way that is not obvious; not following the shortest or straight way

ANSWERS: 47. interdependent, 48. polite, 49. Translate, 50. wages, 51. employer's, 52. corresponding, 53. voter, 54. indirect

55. They have no _____ to win the game.

n. something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something

56. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

57. Earning a college degree is a great _____ and a major accomplishment.

n. the act of achieving or accomplishing something; the state of having achieved a specific level of skill or ability; a goal that has been reached or accomplished

58. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

59. Our company offers a full range of _____ facilities as part of our benefits package.

n. a service involving care for other people's children

60. _____ dropping wears away the stone.

adj. happening repeatedly or all the time

61. The mobile application industry is a _____ one.

adj. involving competition or competitiveness

62. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

ANSWERS: 55. incentive, 56. improvisation, 57. attainment, 58. statistics, 59. childcare, 60. Constant, 61. competitive, 62. obvious

63. The police placed a _____ across the street to halt traffic.
n. a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
64. Maximum heart rates _____ a lot for each individual.
v. to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
65. He accumulated wealth across a _____ spectrum of assets.
adj. very wide; general
66. The mobile application industry is _____ changing.
adv. all the time
67. _____ is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.
n. a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
68. The _____ population has declined in many areas due to habitat loss and human activity.
n. a carnivorous mammal native to the Arctic and sub-Arctic regions of North America and Eurasia
69. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something
70. The numbers on the sign _____ to points on the map.
v. to match or be similar to something else almost exactly; to exchange messages

ANSWERS: 63. barrier, 64. vary, 65. broad, 66. constantly, 67. Silicon, 68. wolverine, 69. participated, 70. correspond

71. The revitalization of technology companies is _____ to the country's growth.

adj. extremely vital or necessary

72. Many employers hire _____ trainees to train as managers.

n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

73. _____ a society is an organism.

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

74. Corporate executives and _____ are still overwhelmingly men.

n. a member of a group of people who has the power to make or enact laws

75. Jockey's superior _____ brought him victory.

n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

76. 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

77. 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

78. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

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

79. Activists have been pushing for legislation to ban the use of _____ in the garment industry.

n. a factory or workshop where workers are employed at very low wages and under poor conditions, often characterized by long hours, low pay, and hazardous working conditions

ANSWERS: 71. crucial, 72. graduate, 73. Essentially, 74. legislators, 75. technique, 76. involves, 77. decision, 78. propose, 79. sweatshops

80. I prefer taking the _____ to drive in heavy traffic.
- n.* a mass transit system in an urban area, such as a subway or light rail system; (short for "metropolitan") a large city, either a capital or a major urban area, often characterized by densely populated areas with significant economic, cultural, and political importance
81. We _____ a cease-fire.
- v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
82. 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
83. The high-technology industry is enjoying a _____.
- n.* a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
84. The most _____ point made during the presentation was the potential profit increase.
- adj.* most noticeable or important; striking
85. His father cannot afford his _____.
- n.* the act of teaching something, especially when given to a small group or one person; fees charged by education institutions for instruction or other services
86. There's no _____ in his description.
- n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments
87. Five miles is _____ similar to eight kilometers.
- adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

ANSWERS: 80. metro, 81. concluded, 82. separate, 83. boom, 84. salient, 85. tuition, 86. logic, 87. roughly

88. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
89. The city is a true _____ with a diverse population and bustling streets.
adj. of or relating to a large city or a city that is considered to be the cultural or economic center of a region or country
90. 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
91. He stood to inherit a million-dollar _____.
n. a thing or things that belong to someone
92. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.
adj. furthest or highest in degree or order
93. The incident attracted _____ media coverage throughout the world.
adj. covering a large area; having a wide range
94. What is the _____ of the consumption tax in the United States?
n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
95. GDP per _____ shrunk by almost 10 percent for the third consecutive year.
n. a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone
96. You cannot accomplish great things without a _____ of your time or money.
n. the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

ANSWERS: 88. Communal, 89. metropolitan, 90. individual, 91. property, 92. ultimate, 93. extensive, 94. percentage, 95. capita, 96. sacrifice

97. These descriptions are based on a number of _____ assumptions.

adj. amounting to a large indefinite number

98. The _____ deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

adj. resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

99. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

100. The _____ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

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

101. 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

102. The _____ had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

n. a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

103. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

104. _____ a number by itself twice.

v. to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity

ANSWERS: 97. numerous, 98. firm, 99. moral, 100. argument, 101. government, 102. valley, 103. invest, 104. Multiply

105. The student required _____ courses in math after struggling in the class.

adj. intended to correct or improve a deficiency or weakness; providing basic skills and knowledge to overcome a learning or developmental difficulty

106. When making arrests, police officers frequently _____ excessive force.

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

107. He cannot _____ a holiday.

v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

108. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

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

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

ANSWERS: 105. remedial, 106. employ, 107. afford, 108. Technological, 109. tangible