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Session 1: Word List

tradition

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

synonym: custom, practice, ritual

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

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

perceive

v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

synonym: sense, discern, feel

(1) **perceive** a threat, (2) **perceive** light

Australia is widely **perceived** as having low levels of corruption.

perception

n. a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

synonym: understanding, idea, awareness

(1) keen **perception**, (2) **perception** of a stimulus

He is a man admired for the depth of his **perception**.

criminal

n. a person who has committed a crime

synonym: offender, lawbreaker, delinquent

(1) wanted **criminal**, (2) **criminal** investigation
The police are searching for the **criminal** who stole the jewels.

naturally

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners
synonym: by nature, inherently, intrinsically

(1) **naturally** arising, (2) **naturally** regenerated forest
He was **naturally** gifted.

modern

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
synonym: contemporary, stylish, current

(1) **modern** poetry, (2) pre- **modern** agricultural society
Their headquarters are in a **modern** skyscraper.

asymmetrical

adj. lacking symmetry or balance; unevenly or irregularly shaped; not corresponding in terms of quantity, size, or position

synonym: uneven, lopsided, crooked

(1) **asymmetrical** design, (2) **asymmetrical** haircut
The **asymmetrical** shape of the vase made it unique and exciting.

terrorism

n. the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act

(1) **terrorism** against civilians, (2) anti- **terrorism** bill
Democracy is utterly opposed to any form of **terrorism**.

adapt

v. to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment

synonym: adjust, acclimate, accustom

(1) **adapt** fully to the environment, (2) **adapt** as needed
I advised him to **adapt** to his new surroundings.

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.

flaw

n. a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

synonym: defect, fault, imperfection

(1) a minor **flaw**, (2) the **flaw** in the legislation
Even the slightest design **flaw** in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

suicide

n. the act of killing yourself intentionally

synonym: self-destruction, self-annihilation, felo-de-se

(1) commit **suicide**, (2) **suicide** attack

In an economically prosperous country, most male **suicide** is due to child support problems.

bomb

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

synonym: missile, explosive, ammunition

(1) atomic **bombs**, (2) disarm the **bomb**

The use of cluster **bombs** is strictly prohibited by international law.

tin

n. a silvery-white metal that is typically soft and malleable, often used to make containers or packaging materials; a thin sheet of metal or metal alloy used for a variety of purposes

synonym: can, container, receptacle

(1) **tin** can, (2) **tin** foil

The roof of the old shed was made of rusty **tin**.

virgin

n. a person who has never had sex; (adjective) being used or worked for the first time

synonym: virtuous, vestal, beginner

(1) **virgin** material, (2) enter **virgin** territory

Within a few years, no **virgin** forests will remain.

heaven

n. (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty

synonym: paradise, nirvana, utopia

(1) ascend to **heaven**, (2) **heaven** on earth

He felt like **heaven** when he tasted the delicious chocolate cake.

capitalism

n. an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit

synonym: commercialism

(1) advance **capitalism**, (2) under the umbrella of **capitalism**

Capitalism also guarantees intellectual property rights and thus promotes innovation.

nonsense

n. an idea, behavior, or something spoken or written that has no meaning or makes no sense or that is silly or unacceptable

synonym: ludicrousness, gabble, absurdity

(1) talk **nonsense**, (2) sheer **nonsense**

The parents spoke to their children in no- **nonsense** tones.

heel

n. the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something

synonym: hindfoot

(1) **heel** bone, (2) **heel** wrestler

She wore high **heels** to the party.

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.

consume

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

synonym: absorb, ingest, use up

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

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

constituency

n. a group of people who live in a particular geographic area and are represented politically by an elected official; a body of customers or clients who regularly use a particular service or product

synonym: voters, electorate

(1) **constituency** needs, (2) local **constituency**

The politician met with his **constituency** to hear their concerns and ideas.

facilitate

v. to make something easier or more likely to happen

synonym: aid, assist, help

(1) **facilitate** a smooth transition, (2) **facilitate** the process

The company implemented a new software system to **facilitate** employee communication and collaboration.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym: critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life

Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

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.

bay

n. a part of the coast that is partially enclosed by land; a compartment or section of a ship or building

synonym: inlet, cove, gulf

(1) **bay** area, (2) the mouth of a **bay**
She walked along the **bay** and collected shells.

curtail

v. to reduce or restrict something; to shorten or truncate; to cut short or bring to an abrupt end

synonym: restrict, limit, cut back

(1) **curtail** spending, (2) **curtail** freedom

Due to budget constraints, the company had to **curtail** its marketing campaign for the new product.

underlying

adj. significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly

synonym: fundamental, latent, basic

(1) an **underlying** motive, (2) an **underlying** cause of an accident

The **underlying** principle of every business was identical.

poverty

n. the condition of being extremely poor

synonym: deprivation, destitution, poorness

(1) **poverty** alleviation, (2) the cycle of **poverty**

Many studies have investigated the relationship between **poverty** and academic achievement.

injustice

n. a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society

synonym: unfairness, bias, discrimination

(1) gross **injustice**, (2) **injustice** system

The **injustice** of the court's decision angered many people and led to protests.

myth

n. an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

synonym: fable, legend, lore

(1) the **myth** of an old religion, (2) perpetuate a **myth**

With the financial bubble bursting, the **myth** of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.

heroic

adj. courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

synonym : brave, courageous, daring

(1) a **heroic** poem, (2) **heroic** explorers

The **heroic** actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.

rev

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym : revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

finance

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

synonym : banking, investment, fund

(1) **finance** act, (2) manage my **finances**

Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in **finance**.

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.

recruit

v. to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.

synonym : raise, enroll, enlist

(1) **recruit** a good worker, (2) **recruit** a new hire

The colonial government **recruited** militia support when civil war broke out.

strength

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

synonym : resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**

Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

interaction

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

synonym : dealings, exchange, relations

(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,

(2) **interaction** among human beings

The **interaction** of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

engage

v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

synonym : confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,

(2) **engage** a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.

educate

v. to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.

synonym : instruct, teach, train

(1) **educate** student, (2) **educate** public

The school's mission is to **educate** young children and prepare them for the future.

dialogue

n. a conversation in a book, play, or film

synonym : conversation, discussion, talk

(1) Platonic **dialogues**, (2) the form of a **dialogue**

He recorded the **dialogue** at the time of the incident.

delivery

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

synonym: sending, transporting, bringing

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

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

mechanism

n. a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction

synonym: means, method, system

(1) the **mechanism** for DNA replication, (2) defense **mechanism**

He discovered unique **mechanisms** for photochemical reactions.

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.

preach

v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

synonym: expound, advocate, sermonize

(1) **preach** the gospel, (2) **preach** to the masses

The pastor **preached** about the importance of forgiveness.

victim

n. a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

synonym: prey, target, sufferer

(1) **victim** support, (2) **victim** compensation

The **victim** of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

scar

n. a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed

synonym : blemish, imperfection, blotch

(1) burn **scar**, (2) carry a **scar**

Even after the wound has healed, a **scar** remains.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

synonym : cooperate, combine, collaborate

(1) **interact** directly with customers, (2) **interact** with one another

He should **interact** more with his colleagues.

devil

n. a supernatural being typically represented in belief systems as an evil or mischievous spirit, often used metaphorically to describe a person or thing that is harmful, dangerous, or wicked

synonym : demon, fiend, satan

(1) **devil's** advocate, (2) **devil** horns

There are various ways to ward off the **devil**, including prayer and holy water.

countdown

n. a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline

synonym : timer

(1) **countdown** clock, (2) wedding **countdown**

The **countdown** to launch began as the astronauts prepared for their mission.

Jewish

adj. of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

synonym : Judaic

(1) **Jewish** history, (2) **Jewish** culture

My friend is a **Jewish** woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

alarming

adj. causing concern or apprehension; causing a feeling of danger, harm, or emergency; unsettling or disturbing

synonym : forbidding, concerning, disturbing

(1) **alarming** news, (2) **alarming** statistics

The sudden rise in crime rates in our neighborhood is quite **alarming**.

motto

n. a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

synonym : slogan, catchphrase, phrase

(1) the **motto** for safe traffic, (2) company **motto**

The company's **motto** is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.

explosion

n. a violent release induced by a chemical or nuclear reaction

synonym : burst, eruption, outbreak

(1) a lot of **explosions**, (2) site of the **explosion**

A broken gas pipe triggered the **explosion**.

alcohol

n. a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.

synonym : booze, liquor, ethanol

(1) stop drinking **alcohol**, (2) diluted **alcohol**

There is a clear association between **alcohol** consumption and cognitive decline.

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.

attractive

adj. immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable

synonym : beautiful, fetching, alluring

(1) **attractive** men, (2) **attractive** opportunity

The growth of the "sharing economy" is **attractive** for tech companies.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

injury

n. harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack

synonym: wound, damage, hurt

(1) without **injury**, (2) a fatal **injury**

My accidental **injury** got better right away.

shrapnel

n. fragments of a bomb, shell, or other explosive object that are scattered in many directions upon detonation and can cause injury or damage

synonym: fragments, debris, shreds

(1) **shrapnel** wounds, (2) **shrapnel** damage

The soldier suffered injuries from **shrapnel** during the explosion.

rub

v. to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure

synonym: scrub, massage, stroke

(1) **rub** shoulders, (2) **rub** a glass window

She **rubbed** the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.

pitiful

adj. making people feel sorrow or sympathy; very small or poor

synonym: miserable, contemptible, sorry

(1) a **pitiful** fate, (2) cast **pitiful** eyes

We heard their **pitiful** laments throughout the night.

mum

n. a British term for "mom" or "mother"; (adjective) failing to speak or communicate when expected to do so

synonym: mother, silent, soundless

(1) **mum's** cooking, (2) keep **mum**

My **mum** always knew how to comfort me when I was feeling down.

trauma

n. an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience

synonym: agony, injury, ordeal

(1) psychic **trauma**, (2) **trauma** care

Many civilians have suffered **trauma** as a result of the war.

sympathize

v. to express or feel compassion or understanding for someone else's pain, difficulty, or misfortune; to share in someone else's emotions or experiences

synonym: empathize, understand, commiserate

(1) **sympathize** with a tragic hero, (2) **sympathize** with their situation

I **sympathize** with your struggles and am here to support you through them.

ignore

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

synonym: neglect, disregard, shun

(1) **ignore** her advice, (2) **ignore** a ban

Since independence, the area has been completely **ignored**.

millennium

n. a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

(1) past **millennium**, (2) **millennium** bottle of wine

Our world is in the third **millennium**.

invasion

n. army's act of forcibly entering another country or territory to take control of it

synonym: aggression, attack, raid

(1) the Turkish **invasion**, (2) home **invasion**

An **invasion** would most probably result in a political catastrophe.

legislation

n. a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws

synonym : act, regulation, decree

(1) anti-terrorist **legislation**, (2) introduce **legislation**

Similar **legislation** had already been rejected by the parliament four times.

emergency

n. a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

synonym : crisis, trouble, difficulty

(1) **emergency** action, (2) acute **emergency**

The president declared a state of **emergency**.

provision

n. the act of providing or supplying something; a clause in a document or law that specifies a particular requirement or condition

synonym : supply, agreement, stocking

(1) **provision** for loan losses, (2) administrative **provision**

The new law includes **provisions** for increased penalties for repeat offenders.

basis

n. the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

synonym : foundation, base, ground

(1) on an equal **basis**, (2) **basis** for calculation

This evidence will form the **basis** for our discussion.

prejudice

n. a thought or feeling that is unfair and makes no sense, mainly when it is formed without enough thought or knowledge

synonym : bias, preconception, predisposition

(1) deep-rooted **prejudice**, (2) color **prejudice**

This community is free of social **prejudice**.

welsh

v. to fail to honor a debt or commitment; to renege on a promise or agreement

synonym : default, renege, fail to pay

(1) **welsh** on a promise, (2) **welsh** on the deal

The sheepherder had to **welsh** some of the animals due to illness.

inevitable

adj. certain to happen and unavoidable

synonym : inescapable, unavoidable, sure

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

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

immense

adj. extremely large or great

synonym : enormous, giant, huge

(1) **immense** amount, (2) **immense** pressure

He left his wife an **immense** fortune.

proactive

adj. acting in advance to deal with an expected difficulty or to take advantage of an opportunity.

synonym : gung-ho, anticipatory, forward-thinking

(1) **proactive** approach, (2) **proactive** about doing the task

The company implemented **proactive** measures to prevent future issues.

arsenal

n. a collection of weapons or military equipment stored in preparation for war or conflict; a collection of resources or tools available for use in a particular field or endeavor

synonym : storage, stockpile, armory

(1) **arsenal** of knowledge, (2) political **arsenal**

The police found a hidden **arsenal** of weapons in the suspect's house.

combat

n. a fight or battle, usually between opposing military forces; an engagement in which opposing parties attempt to defeat each other by force

synonym : battle, fight, warfare

(1) **combat** zone, (2) hand-to-hand **combat**

The veteran was honored for his service in **combat**.

bang

v. to hit or cause to hit something in a way that makes a loud noise

synonym: crash, hit, smash

(1) **bang** his fist on a desk, (2) **bang** a phone down

My father tried to **bang** mathematics into my head since childhood.

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.

imp

n. a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore

synonym: demon, sprite, mischievous child

(1) a little **imp**, (2) behave like an **imp**

The mischievous **imp** caused trouble wherever it went.

battlefield

n. a place where a battle or conflict is fought

synonym: warzone, front line, combat area

(1) **battlefield** casualties, (2) tactics on the **battlefield**

The general reviewed the plans for the upcoming battle on the **battlefield**.

flesh

n. the soft substance composing the body of a person or animal, as opposed to bones and other structures

synonym: meat, muscle, tissue

(1) grow in **flesh**, (2) **flesh** eating

The **flesh** of the fruit is sweet and juicy.

analogy

n. a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept

synonym : metaphor, comparison, parallel

(1) draw **analogy**, (2) historical **analogy**

Some kinds of machine learning models show an **analogy** to how people learn.

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.

souk

n. a market or bazaar in the Middle East or North Africa, typically consisting of a maze of narrow streets and passageways filled with vendors selling goods such as textiles, spices, and crafts

synonym : bazaar, market

(1) traditional **souk**, (2) vibrant **souk**

My favorite part of traveling to Morocco is exploring the maze-like **souks**.

launch

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

synonym : start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

franchise

n. a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election

synonym : dealership, enterprise, suffrage

(1) **franchise** agreement, (2) **franchise** owner

The fast-food **franchise** kept expanding and opening new restaurants across the country.

ignorance

n. lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact

synonym: unintelligence, inexperience, unawareness

(1) **ignorance** of the law, (2) **ignorance** is bliss

His **ignorance** of the situation led him to make a poor decision.

resolve

v. to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty

synonym: decide, determine, fix

(1) **resolve** a dispute, (2) **resolve** the computer error

This company **resolves** its battery problem completely.

dub

v. to give someone or something an unofficial name or nickname; to provide movies with a voice of a foreign language

synonym: name, designate, nickname

(1) **dub** the film in English, (2) **dub** data

We **dubbed** him Ironman because of his toughness.

warfare

n. the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives

synonym: combat, fighting, conflict

(1) **warfare** aircraft, (2) spiritual **warfare**

The country has been engaged in a prolonged conflict, with both sides using modern **warfare** tactics.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym: root, source, ancestor

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

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

mad

adj. insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

synonym: crazy, insane, furious

(1) a **mad** person, (2) gets **mad** easily

He was **mad** with joy to see the results.

maverick

adj. characterized by independence or nonconformity; unconventional, idiosyncratic, or rebellious

synonym : unconventional, nonconformist, independent-minded

(1) **maverick** behavior, (2) **maverick** politician

The **maverick** artist refused to follow traditional painting styles and created his unique art.

crack

v. to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

synonym : snap, burst, break

(1) **crack** an eggshell, (2) a **crack** in a board

He that would eat the kernel must **crack** the nut.

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym : procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

culprit

n. someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing

synonym : criminal, felon, fugitive

(1) the **culprit** of global warming, (2) the arrest of the **culprit**

They finally found the **culprit** of the bug after a long time.

prosecute

v. to bring legal action against someone in a court of law; to pursue or carry out something to completion or achievement

synonym : charge, sue, bring to trial

(1) **prosecute** criminal, (2) **prosecute** case

The attorney decided to **prosecute** the suspect for stealing from the store.

slight

adj. very small in degree or amount

synonym : feeble, nuanced, subtle

(1) feel a **slight** concern, (2) **slight** increase

We made **slight** modifications to reflect the views of both sides.

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.

confident

adj. feeling sure about your abilities or qualities or having trust in people, plans, or the future

synonym : certain, sure, convinced

(1) feel **confident**, (2) a **confident** remark

I'm not **confident** in our victory.

void

n. an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force

synonym : emptiness, vacuity, (adjective) null

(1) **void** of expression, (2) **void** contract

The **void** in her heart was filled with the love of her family.

underdog

n. a person or group in a competition or situation that is expected to lose or be at a disadvantage; a person or group that is seen as less powerful or less favored than others in a social, political, or economic context

synonym : loser, victim

(1) cheer for the **underdog**, (2) classic **underdog** story

The **underdog** team pulled off a stunning upset against the heavily favored opponent.

flip

v. to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion

synonym : throw, jump

(1) **flip** over the pork chop, (2) **flip** a coin

He **flipped** when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.

embarrass

v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

synonym : disconcert, unsettle, agitate

(1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project

He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in public.

haunted

adj. inhabited, visited, or frequented by ghosts or spirits; disturbed or troubled by persistent or disturbing memories or emotions

synonym : spooky, eerie, ghostly

(1) **haunted** house, (2) **haunted** by memories

The old mansion was known to be **haunted**, with strange noises and eerie sightings reported by visitors.

allegedly

adv. according to what has been stated or reported; supposedly

synonym : supposedly, reputedly

(1) **allegedly** guilty, (2) **allegedly** behind the plot

He **allegedly** stole money from the company.

reward

n. a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

synonym : compensation, gratuity, bonus

(1) the **reward** for good works, (2) shopping **rewards** cards

Night fishing has a lot of **rewards**.

politic

adj. wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions

synonym : wise, tactful, expedient

(1) a **politic** decision, (2) heal the body **politic**

She was **politic** in her behavior.

loophole

n. a gap or weakness in a legal or bureaucratic system that allows for the exploitation of unintended benefits or avoids penalties

synonym : loophole, escape clause, technicality

(1) legal **loophole**, (2) finding a **loophole**

A **loophole** in the tax code allows some people to avoid paying taxes legally.

provisional

adj. temporary; serving as a means of satisfying a need or requirement until a more permanent solution can be found

synonym : temporary, interim, tentative

(1) a **provisional** treaty, (2) **provisional** measure

The **provisional** agreement was reached pending further negotiation.

amazing

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

synonym : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

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

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

compassionate

adj. feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others

synonym : empathetic, sympathetic, merciful

(1) a **compassionate** heart, (2) **compassionate** leave

My father has a serious and **compassionate** personality.

affair

n. event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship

synonym : matter, incident, fling

(1) current **affairs**, (2) domestic **affairs**

Some critics say this exhibition will be a big **affair**.

piracy

n. the unauthorized use or reproduction of someone else's work, such as a book, song, or movie; the act of

attacking or robbing ships at sea

synonym : theft, stealing, robbery

(1) software **piracy**, (2) **piracy** on the high seas

Music **piracy** is a serious problem that negatively impacts the livelihoods of artists and the music industry.

pirate

n. (especially in the past) a person who attacks and robs ships at sea

synonym : buccaneer, corsair, privateer

(1) **pirate** treasure, (2) video **pirate**

The **pirate** captain ordered his crew to attack the merchant ship.

fishery

n. an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish

synonym : fishing, piscary, angling

(1) **fishery** management, (2) commercial **fishery**

The majority of the people on the island are **fishery** folk.

dump

v. to deposit or dispose of something, such as trash, waste, etc., carelessly or hurriedly

synonym : throw away, dispose

(1) **dump** the gravel on the road, (2) **dump** hazardous waste

The company **dumped** him after several years of service.

toxic

adj. of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous

synonym : poisonous, harmful, contaminated

(1) **toxic** molecule, (2) exposure to **toxic** chemicals

This chemical compound is a thousand-fold more **toxic**.

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.

coastline

n. the particular shape of the coast (= the shore of a sea or ocean) as seen from the sea

synonym : shoreline, seashore, beach

(1) **coastline** erosion, (2) deeply indented **coastline**

The new resort was built along the **coastline**, offering stunning ocean views from every room.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

prey

n. the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating

synonym : target, quarry, chase

(1) **prey** of beast, (2) become **prey** to terrorists

The majority of snakes swallow their **prey** whole.

missile

n. a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism

synonym : projectile, rocket, bomb

(1) **missile** defense, (2) cruise **missile** attack

The military launched a ballistic **missile** at the enemy's stronghold.

shore

n. the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid

synonym : coast, seaside, beach

(1) a sandy **shore**, (2) **shore** up demand

The waves are beating against the **shore**.

advantage

n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

synonym : benefit, edge, asset

(1) score an **advantage**, (2) take **advantage** of his weak points

One of the main **advantages** of the new product is its increased efficiency.

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.

vulnerable

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

synonym : susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body

Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

norm

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

synonym : criterion, mean, standard

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

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

practical

adj. of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas

synonym : applicable, functional, realistic

(1) **practical** English, (2) gain **practical** experience

Her concept is highly **practical** and helpful.

politically

adv. in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation

(1) **politically** advantageous, (2) become **politically** savvy

This newspaper is supposed to be **politically** neutral.

risky

adj. involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss

synonym : dangerous, perilous, scary

(1) change **risky** behavior, (2) a **risky** enterprise

It is extremely **risky** to sail in such a storm.

protagonist

n. the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories

synonym : hero, central figure, leading character

(1) **protagonist** of drama, (2) play a **protagonist**

The **protagonist's** triumph over adversity was the theme of this play.

interlocutor

n. a person who participates in a conversation or dialogue; a person who speaks or converses with another

synonym : mediator, negotiator, go-between

(1) speak with an **interlocutor**, (2) find an **interlocutor**

She was my **interlocutor**, facilitating the conversation between the two sides.

occasion

n. a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

synonym : event, time, occurrence

(1) a glad **occasion**, (2) as **occasion** demands

She wore her best dress for the special **occasion**.

military

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

synonym : armed, martial, warlike

(1) a **military** operation, (2) a **military** leader

The **military** academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

foster

v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents

synonym : nurture, nourish, cultivate

(1) **foster** a better relationship, (2) **foster** two kids

The pastor contributed to **fostering** the sense of a community embracing all classes.

contemporary

adj. belonging to the same or present time

synonym : modern, stylish, coetaneous

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

Contemporary music has gained different followers from existing music.

innovation

n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation

synonym : invention, initiation, creation

(1) **innovation** leader, (2) cutting-edge **innovation**

The vegetarian burger was an **innovation** that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

receptive

adj. willing to listen to or accept new ideas or suggestions

synonym : open-minded, sensory, sensorial

(1) **receptive** audience, (2) **receptive** to change

The voters appeared to be **receptive** to his new ideas.

dusty

adj. covered with or characterized by dust; having a dry, powdery texture or appearance; having a lot of dust or dirt in the air

synonym : stale, filthy, grimy

(1) **dusty** road, (2) **dusty** bookshelf

The abandoned warehouse was covered in a thick layer of **dusty** debris.

corridor

n. a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure

synonym : hallway, passageway, aisle

(1) walk along a **corridor**, (2) air **corridor**

The long **corridor** was filled with people rushing to get to their rooms before the meeting began.

sector

n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

synonym: division, department, branch

(1) industrial **sector**, (2) private **sector**

The technology **sector** is constantly evolving and innovating.

unpalatable

adj. not pleasing to the taste or palate; unpleasant or distasteful; disagreeable or unacceptable

synonym: distasteful, disagreeable, unpleasant

(1) **unpalatable** meal, (2) **unpalatable** truth

The board made an **unpalatable** decision to lay off a significant portion of the staff due to financial constraints.

humanitarian

adj. something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare

synonym: philanthropic, compassionate, caring

(1) **humanitarian** crisis, (2) a truly **humanitarian** act

The organization is dedicated to providing **humanitarian** aid to disaster-stricken areas worldwide.

struggle

v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

synonym: toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

engagement

n. a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

synonym: betrothal, promise, commitment

(1) a prior **engagement**, (2) break off an **engagement**

They selected a gorgeous diamond **engagement** ring.

definitely

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
synonym : absolutely, certainly, indeed

(1) **definitely** become a problem, (2) say **definitely**
The paper is **definitely** worth reading thoroughly.

controversial

adj. causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
synonym : contentious, disputed, questionable

(1) **controversial** book, (2) **controversial** policy
The issue of the death penalty is highly **controversial**.

react

v. to take action in response to something
synonym : respond, reply, oppose

(1) **react** at a high temperature, (2) **react** against his way of thinking
How did he **react** to your idea?

provocative

adj. arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately
synonym : instigating, provoking, inciting

(1) **provocative** questions, (2) a **provocative** smile
His **provocative** style frequently sparked controversies.

sympathy

n. the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions
synonym : compassion, empathy, understanding

(1) **sympathy** card, (2) feel **sympathy**
I expressed my **sympathy** to my friend after her cat passed away.

tackle

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
synonym : deal with, dive into, work on

(1) **tackle** the issue, (2) help **tackle** climate change

The government is determined to **tackle** sharp inflation.

crisis

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

synonym: concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management

The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

moonlight

n. the light of the moon, which is reflected sunlight and is much weaker than direct sunlight; (verb) to work at a second job, often in addition to one's regular employment, usually without the knowledge or approval of one's employer

synonym: moonshine, moonbeam, moon glow

(1) **moonlight** as a bartender, (2) **moonlight** serenade

The garden looked magical in the **moonlight**, with the flowers and trees casting eerie shadows.

survive

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

synonym: endure, persist, stay

(1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash

These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

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.

spirit

n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body;

the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

synonym : soul, attitude, enthusiasm

(1) **spirit** and the letter of the law, (2) an indomitable **spirit**
Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great **spirit**.

inherent

adj. existing in something as a permanent, essential, or characteristic attribute

synonym : intrinsic, natural, innate

(1) **inherent** risk, (2) have an **inherent** dislike

Honesty is an **inherent** quality that everyone should strive to possess.

communist

adj. relating to or supporting the political ideology of communism (= a form of socialism that abolishes private ownership)

synonym : socialist, marxist, leninist

(1) **communist** party, (2) **communist** activist

During the Cold War, many countries feared the spread of **communist** ideology.

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.

roll

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

synonym : spin, swirl, wheel

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

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|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. pre-mo___n agricultural society | <i>adj.</i> of or belonging to the present time or recent times |
| 2. pe____ve a threat | <i>v.</i> to become aware or conscious of something through the senses |
| 3. disarm the b__b | <i>n.</i> a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something |
| 4. com_____ate leave | <i>adj.</i> feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others |
| 5. de___t body odor | <i>v.</i> to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt |
| 6. me_____n in a report | <i>v.</i> to speak or write about something or someone briefly |
| 7. in_____ct with one another | <i>v.</i> to communicate or react with somebody |
| 8. special de_____ry | <i>n.</i> the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth |
| 9. a mi_____ry leader | <i>adj.</i> relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare |
| 10. an indomitable sp____t | <i>n.</i> the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people |

ANSWERS: 1. modern, 2. perceive, 3. bomb, 4. compassionate, 5. defeat, 6. mention, 7. interact, 8. delivery, 9. military, 10. spirit

11. t_n can *n.* a silvery-white metal that is typically soft and malleable, often used to make containers or packaging materials; a thin sheet of metal or metal alloy used for a variety of purposes
12. ar____l of knowledge *n.* a collection of weapons or military equipment stored in preparation for war or conflict; a collection of resources or tools available for use in a particular field or endeavor
13. f__p over the pork chop *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
14. h__l bone *n.* the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something
15. color pr____ce *n.* a thought or feeling that is unfair and makes no sense, mainly when it is formed without enough thought or knowledge
16. domestic af____rs *n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship
17. la____h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

ANSWERS: 11. tin, 12. arsenal, 13. flip, 14. heel, 15. prejudice, 16. affair, 17. launch

18. walk along a co____or
n. a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure
19. a glad oc____on
n. a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
20. play a pro____st
n. the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories
21. a vul____le bridge
adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
22. a ri__y enterprise
adj. involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss
23. fr____se agreement
n. a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election
24. feel co____nt
adj. feeling sure about your abilities or qualities or having trust in people, plans, or the future
25. pro____al measure
adj. temporary; serving as a means of satisfying a need or requirement until a more permanent solution can be found
26. in____ct directly with customers
v. to communicate or react with somebody
27. the mo__o for safe traffic
n. a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

ANSWERS: 18. corridor, 19. occasion, 20. protagonist, 21. vulnerable, 22. risky, 23. franchise, 24. confident, 25. provisional, 26. interact, 27. motto

28. wedding co_____wn *n.* a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline
29. cu_____l spending *v.* to reduce or restrict something; to shorten or truncate; to cut short or bring to an abrupt end
30. tactics on the bat_____ld *n.* a place where a battle or conflict is fought
31. a truly hum_____ian act *adj.* something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare
32. software pi_____y *n.* the unauthorized use or reproduction of someone else's work, such as a book, song, or movie; the act of attacking or robbing ships at sea
33. the f__w in the legislation *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
34. acute em_____cy *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
35. bat_____ld casualties *n.* a place where a battle or conflict is fought
36. ig_____ce is bliss *n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
37. find an int_____tor *n.* a person who participates in a conversation or dialogue; a person who speaks or converses with another

ANSWERS: 28. countdown, 29. curtail, 30. battlefield, 31. humanitarian, 32. piracy, 33. flaw, 34. emergency, 35. battlefield, 36. ignorance, 37. interlocutor

38. anti-te_____sm bill *n.* the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act
39. re_____ve audience *adj.* willing to listen to or accept new ideas or suggestions
40. v__d of expression *n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force
41. under the umbrella of cap_____sm *n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
42. legal lo_____le *n.* a gap or weakness in a legal or bureaucratic system that allows for the exploitation of unintended benefits or avoids penalties
43. change ri__y behavior *adj.* involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss
44. im_____e amount *adj.* extremely large or great
45. anti-terrorist leg_____on *n.* a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws
46. de__l horns *n.* a supernatural being typically represented in belief systems as an evil or mischievous spirit, often used metaphorically to describe a person or thing that is harmful, dangerous, or wicked
47. a he___c poem *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

ANSWERS: 38. terrorism, 39. receptive, 40. void, 41. capitalism, 42. loophole, 43. risky, 44. immense, 45. legislation, 46. devil, 47. heroic

48. on an equal ba__s *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
49. re____t a new hire *v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
50. am____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
51. an und____ng cause of an accident *adj.* significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly
52. enter vi____n territory *n.* a person who has never had sex; (adjective) being used or worked for the first time
53. 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
54. past mil____um *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
55. su____e a plane crash *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
56. unp____le meal *adj.* not pleasing to the taste or palate; unpleasant or distasteful; disagreeable or unacceptable
57. ascend to he____n *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty

ANSWERS: 48. basis, 49. recruit, 50. amazing, 51. underlying, 52. virgin, 53. appeal, 54. millennium, 55. survive, 56. unpalatable, 57. heaven

58. na_____ly arising *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
59. att_____ve men *adj.* immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
60. su_____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
61. carry a s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
62. perpetuate a m__h *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
63. finding a lo_____le *n.* a gap or weakness in a legal or bureaucratic system that allows for the exploitation of unintended benefits or avoids penalties
64. fo____r a better relationship *v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
65. ba__s for calculation *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
66. without in____y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
67. im_____e pressure *adj.* extremely large or great

ANSWERS: 58. naturally, 59. attractive, 60. survive, 61. scar, 62. myth, 63. loophole, 64. foster, 65. basis, 66. injury, 67. immense

68. sy____hy card *n.* the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions
69. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
70. financial cr____s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
71. wanted cr_____al *n.* a person who has committed a crime
72. em_____cy action *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
73. we__h on the deal *v.* to fail to honor a debt or commitment; to renege on a promise or agreement
74. shopping re____ds cards *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
75. video pi____e *n.* (especially in the past) a person who attacks and robs ships at sea
76. ed_____e student *v.* to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.
77. ad__t as needed *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
78. a m_d person *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

ANSWERS: 68. sympathy, 69. government, 70. crisis, 71. criminal, 72. emergency, 73. welsh, 74. reward, 75. pirate, 76. educate, 77. adapt, 78. mad

79. sl___t increase *adj.* very small in degree or amount
80. sh__e up demand *n.* the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid
81. the arrest of the cu____t *n.* someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing
82. 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
83. cu____l freedom *v.* to reduce or restrict something; to shorten or truncate; to cut short or bring to an abrupt end
84. ma____ck behavior *adj.* characterized by independence or nonconformity; unconventional, idiosyncratic, or rebellious
85. att____ve opportunity *adj.* immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
86. tr___a care *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
87. Je___h history *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
88. du__y road *adj.* covered with or characterized by dust; having a dry, powdery texture or appearance; having a lot of dust or dirt in the air

ANSWERS: 79. slight, 80. shore, 81. culprit, 82. appeal, 83. curtail, 84. maverick, 85. attractive, 86. trauma, 87. Jewish, 88. dusty

89. n__m of action	<i>n.</i> something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
90. company mo__o	<i>n.</i> a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
91. gross in_____ce	<i>n.</i> a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
92. ine_____le changes of the seasons	<i>adj.</i> certain to happen and unavoidable
93. co_____e a large of alcohol	<i>v.</i> to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
94. vi___n material	<i>n.</i> a person who has never had sex; (adjective) being used or worked for the first time
95. unp_____le truth	<i>adj.</i> not pleasing to the taste or palate; unpleasant or distasteful; disagreeable or unacceptable
96. su_____e attack	<i>n.</i> the act of killing yourself intentionally
97. ig_____ce of the law	<i>n.</i> lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
98. p__y of beast	<i>n.</i> the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
99. b__g his fist on a desk	<i>v.</i> to hit or cause to hit something in a way that makes a loud noise
100. co_____st activist	<i>adj.</i> relating to or supporting the political ideology of communism (= a form of socialism that abolishes private ownership)
101. traditional s__k	<i>n.</i> a market or bazaar in the Middle East or North Africa, typically consisting of a maze of narrow streets and passageways filled with vendors selling goods such as textiles, spices, and crafts

ANSWERS: 89. norm, 90. motto, 91. injustice, 92. inevitable, 93. consume, 94. virgin, 95. unpalatable, 96. suicide, 97. ignorance, 98. prey, 99. bang, 100. communist, 101. souk

102. commercial fi____y *n.* an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish
103. con_____ncy needs *n.* a group of people who live in a particular geographic area and are represented politically by an elected official; a body of customers or clients who regularly use a particular service or product
104. en___e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
105. muscular st____th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
106. gain pr_____al experience *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
107. atomic b__bs *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
108. an easy de_____ry *n.* the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth
109. the cycle of po_____y *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
110. pr___h the gospel *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
111. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
112. pr_____on for loan losses *n.* the act of providing or supplying something; a clause in a document or law that specifies a particular requirement or condition

ANSWERS: 102. fishery, 103. constituency, 104. engage, 105. strength, 106. practical, 107. bomb, 108. delivery, 109. poverty, 110. preach, 111. government, 112. provision

113. pro_____ve questions *adj.* arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately
114. vul_____le parts of the body *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
115. em___y job seekers *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
116. fac_____te the process *v.* to make something easier or more likely to happen
117. pr_____ve approach *adj.* acting in advance to deal with an expected difficulty or to take advantage of an opportunity.
118. feel sy_____hy *n.* the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions
119. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
120. current af____rs *n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship
121. we__h on a promise *v.* to fail to honor a debt or commitment; to renege on a promise or agreement
122. burn s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
123. become pol_____ly savvy *adv.* in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation

ANSWERS: 113. provocative, 114. vulnerable, 115. employ, 116. facilitate, 117. proactive, 118. sympathy, 119. innovation, 120. affair, 121. welsh, 122. scar, 123. politically

124. co_____e fiercely *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
125. mi_____e defense *n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism
126. the int_____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
127. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
128. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
129. local con_____ncy *n.* a group of people who live in a particular geographic area and are represented politically by an elected official; a body of customers or clients who regularly use a particular service or product
130. hum_____ian crisis *adj.* something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare
131. ad__t fully to the environment *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
132. vibrant s__k *n.* a market or bazaar in the Middle East or North Africa, typically consisting of a maze of narrow streets and passageways filled with vendors selling goods such as textiles, spices, and crafts

ANSWERS: 124. compete, 125. missile, 126. interaction, 127. statistics, 128. obvious, 129. constituency, 130. humanitarian, 131. adapt, 132. souk

133. become ess_____ly same *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
134. gets m_d easily *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
135. score an ad_____ge *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
136. la___h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
137. a sandy sh___e *n.* the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid
138. re_____ve to change *adj.* willing to listen to or accept new ideas or suggestions
139. ho_____nd pride *n.* a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
140. fo___r two kids *v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
141. exposure to to__c chemicals *adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
142. ess_____ly correct *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

ANSWERS: 133. essentially, 134. mad, 135. advantage, 136. launch, 137. shore, 138. receptive, 139. homeland, 140. foster, 141. toxic, 142. essentially

143. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
144. co_____st party *adj.* relating to or supporting the political ideology of communism (= a form of socialism that abolishes private ownership)
145. mo_____ht as a bartender *n.* the light of the moon, which is reflected sunlight and is much weaker than direct sunlight; (verb) to work at a second job, often in addition to one's regular employment, usually without the knowledge or approval of one's employer
146. keep m_m *n.* a British term for "mom" or "mother"; (adjective) failing to speak or communicate when expected to do so
147. es_____al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
148. draw an_____y *n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept
149. the cu_____t of global warming *n.* someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing
150. political ar_____l *n.* a collection of weapons or military equipment stored in preparation for war or conflict; a collection of resources or tools available for use in a particular field or endeavor
151. es_____al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental

ANSWERS: 143. statistics, 144. communist, 145. moonlight, 146. mum, 147. essential, 148. analogy, 149. culprit, 150. arsenal, 151. essential

152. wa_____e aircraft *n.* the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives
153. 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
154. sheer no_____se *n.* an idea, behavior, or something spoken or written that has no meaning or makes no sense or that is silly or unacceptable
155. a little i_p *n.* a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore
156. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
157. em____y a new method *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
158. break off an eng_____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
159. field of con_____ary art *adj.* belonging to the same or present time
160. deeply indented co_____ne *n.* the particular shape of the coast (= the shore of a sea or ocean) as seen from the sea

ANSWERS: 152. warfare, 153. brand, 154. nonsense, 155. imp, 156. process, 157. employ, 158. engagement, 159. contemporary, 160. coastline

161. a prior eng_____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
162. racial or ____n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
163. co____t zone *n.* a fight or battle, usually between opposing military forces; an engagement in which opposing parties attempt to defeat each other by force
164. a com_____ate heart *adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
165. cr__k an eggshell *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
166. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
167. pol_____ly advantageous *adv.* in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation
168. re__t against his way of thinking *v.* to take action in response to something
169. a mi_____ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
170. pi___e treasure *n.* (especially in the past) a person who attacks and robs ships at sea
171. fac_____te a smooth transition *v.* to make something easier or more likely to happen

ANSWERS: 161. engagement, 162. origin, 163. combat, 164. compassionate, 165. crack, 166. innovation, 167. politically, 168. react, 169. military, 170. pirate, 171. facilitate

172. feel a sl___t concern *adj.* very small in degree or amount
173. asy_____cal haircut *adj.* lacking symmetry or balance; unevenly or irregularly shaped; not corresponding in terms of quantity, size, or position
174. manage my fi_____es *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
175. stop drinking al_____l *n.* a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.
176. the mouth of a b_y *n.* a part of the coast that is partially enclosed by land; a compartment or section of a ship or building
177. speak with an int_____tor *n.* a person who participates in a conversation or dialogue; a person who speaks or converses with another
178. behave like an i_p *n.* a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore
179. introduce leg_____on *n.* a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws
180. d__p the gravel on the road *v.* to deposit or dispose of something, such as trash, waste, etc., carelessly or hurriedly
181. t_n foil *n.* a silvery-white metal that is typically soft and malleable, often used to make containers or packaging materials; a thin sheet of metal or metal alloy used for a variety of purposes

ANSWERS: 172. slight, 173. asymmetrical, 174. finance, 175. alcohol, 176. bay, 177. interlocutor, 178. imp, 179. legislation, 180. dump, 181. tin

182. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
183. na_____ly regenerated forest *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
184. ma_____ck politician *adj.* characterized by independence or nonconformity; unconventional, idiosyncratic, or rebellious
185. diluted al_____l *n.* a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.
186. de___t a global power *v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
187. Je___h culture *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
188. a minor f__w *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
189. cr_____al investigation *n.* a person who has committed a crime
190. d_b the film in English *v.* to give someone or something an unofficial name or nickname; to provide movies with a voice of a foreign language
191. a cr__k in a board *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
192. administrative pr_____on *n.* the act of providing or supplying something; a clause in a document or law that specifies a particular requirement or condition

ANSWERS: 182. norm, 183. naturally, 184. maverick, 185. alcohol, 186. defeat, 187. Jewish, 188. flaw, 189. criminal, 190. dub, 191. crack, 192. provision

193. vi___m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
194. heal the body po_____c *adj.* wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
195. re_____e a dispute *v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
196. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
197. re__t at a high temperature *v.* to take action in response to something
198. he___n on earth *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
199. historical an_____y *n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept
200. become p__y to terrorists *n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
201. the me_____sm for DNA replication *n.* a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction
202. fr_____se owner *n.* a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election

ANSWERS: 193. victim, 194. politic, 195. resolve, 196. industrious, 197. react, 198. heaven, 199. analogy, 200. prey, 201. mechanism, 202. franchise

203. mo_____ht serenade
n. the light of the moon, which is reflected sunlight and is much weaker than direct sunlight; (verb) to work at a second job, often in addition to one's regular employment, usually without the knowledge or approval of one's employer
204. 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
205. cast pi_____l eyes
adj. making people feel sorrow or sympathy; very small or poor
206. sh_____el wounds
n. fragments of a bomb, shell, or other explosive object that are scattered in many directions upon detonation and can cause injury or damage
207. pr_____te case
v. to bring legal action against someone in a court of law; to pursue or carry out something to completion or achievement
208. a pi_____l fate
adj. making people feel sorrow or sympathy; very small or poor
209. pr_____te criminal
v. to bring legal action against someone in a court of law; to pursue or carry out something to completion or achievement
210. an und_____ng motive
adj. significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly

ANSWERS: 203. moonlight, 204. develop, 205. pitiful, 206. shrapnel, 207. prosecute, 208. pitiful, 209. prosecute, 210. underlying

211. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
212. ind____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
213. the form of a di____ue *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
214. r_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
215. co____wn clock *n.* a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline
216. sp____t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
217. 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
218. 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

ANSWERS: 211. obvious, 212. industrious, 213. dialogue, 214. rev, 215. countdown, 216. spirit, 217. develop, 218. brand

219. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
220. he___c explorers *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring
221. em_____ss political enemy *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
222. the Turkish in_____on *n.* army's act of forcibly entering another country or territory to take control of it
223. con_____ary leaders *adj.* belonging to the same or present time
224. pi___y on the high seas *n.* the unauthorized use or reproduction of someone else's work, such as a book, song, or movie; the act of attacking or robbing ships at sea
225. asy_____cal design *adj.* lacking symmetry or balance; unevenly or irregularly shaped; not corresponding in terms of quantity, size, or position
226. beloved ho_____nd *n.* a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
227. pr___h to the masses *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
228. a lot of ex_____ons *n.* a violent release induced by a chemical or nuclear reaction
229. d_b data *v.* to give someone or something an unofficial name or nickname; to provide movies with a voice of a foreign language

ANSWERS: 219. interaction, 220. heroic, 221. embarrass, 222. invasion, 223. contemporary, 224. piracy, 225. asymmetrical, 226. homeland, 227. preach, 228. explosion, 229. dub

230. du__y bookshelf *adj.* covered with or characterized by dust; having a dry, powdery texture or appearance; having a lot of dust or dirt in the air
231. home in____on *n.* army's act of forcibly entering another country or territory to take control of it
232. defense me_____sm *n.* a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction
233. def_____ly become a problem *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
234. r__l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
235. re_____e the computer error *v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
236. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
237. sym_____ze with a tragic hero *v.* to express or feel compassion or understanding for someone else's pain, difficulty, or misfortune; to share in someone else's emotions or experiences
238. Platonic di_____ues *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
239. d__p hazardous waste *v.* to deposit or dispose of something, such as trash, waste, etc., carelessly or hurriedly

ANSWERS: 230. dusty, 231. invasion, 232. mechanism, 233. definitely, 234. roll, 235. resolve, 236. tradition, 237. sympathize, 238. dialogue, 239. dump

240. commit su_____e	<i>n.</i> the act of killing yourself intentionally
241. psy_____gy of crowd	<i>n.</i> the scientific study of mind and behavior
242. r_b shoulders	<i>v.</i> to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
243. pro_____st of drama	<i>n.</i> the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories
244. co_____ne erosion	<i>n.</i> the particular shape of the coast (= the shore of a sea or ocean) as seen from the sea
245. con_____ial book	<i>adj.</i> causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
246. the most am_____g feeling	<i>adj.</i> extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
247. a po_____c decision	<i>adj.</i> wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
248. me_____n name	<i>v.</i> to speak or write about something or someone briefly
249. ine_____le result	<i>adj.</i> certain to happen and unavoidable
250. co_____e against a friend	<i>v.</i> to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
251. a tr_____on of a culture	<i>n.</i> a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
252. the re____d for good works	<i>n.</i> a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
253. a co_____nt remark	<i>adj.</i> feeling sure about your abilities or qualities or having trust in people, plans, or the future

ANSWERS: 240. suicide, 241. psychology, 242. rub, 243. protagonist, 244. coastline, 245. controversial, 246. amazing, 247. politic, 248. mention, 249. inevitable, 250. compete, 251. tradition, 252. reward, 253. confident

254. po____y alleviation *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
255. in_____ce system *n.* a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
256. vi____m compensation *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
257. ha_____d house *adj.* inhabited, visited, or frequented by ghosts or spirits; disturbed or troubled by persistent or disturbing memories or emotions
258. te_____sm against civilians *n.* the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act
259. al_____ng statistics *adj.* causing concern or apprehension; causing a feeling of danger, harm, or emergency; unsettling or disturbing
260. a pro_____al treaty *adj.* temporary; serving as a means of satisfying a need or requirement until a more permanent solution can be found
261. psychic tr____a *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
262. v__d contract *n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force
263. em_____ss my project *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
264. in_____nt risk *adj.* existing in something as a permanent, essential, or characteristic attribute

ANSWERS: 254. poverty, 255. injustice, 256. victim, 257. haunted, 258. terrorism, 259. alarming, 260. provisional, 261. trauma, 262. void, 263. embarrass, 264. inherent

265. ha____d by memories *adj.* inhabited, visited, or frequented by ghosts or spirits; disturbed or troubled by persistent or disturbing memories or emotions
266. con_____ial policy *adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
267. fi_____y management *n.* an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish
268. ig___e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
269. fi_____e act *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
270. b__g a phone down *v.* to hit or cause to hit something in a way that makes a loud noise
271. b_y area *n.* a part of the coast that is partially enclosed by land; a compartment or section of a ship or building
272. keen per_____on *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
273. al_____ng news *adj.* causing concern or apprehension; causing a feeling of danger, harm, or emergency; unsettling or disturbing

ANSWERS: 265. haunted, 266. controversial, 267. fishery, 268. ignore, 269. finance, 270. bang, 271. bay, 272. perception, 273. alarming

274. r__l down his cheeks *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
275. pr____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
276. 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
277. a pro____ve smile *adj.* arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately
278. h__l wrestler *n.* the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something
279. say def____ly *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
280. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
281. talk no____se *n.* an idea, behavior, or something spoken or written that has no meaning or makes no sense or that is silly or unacceptable

ANSWERS: 274. roll, 275. process, 276. democracy, 277. provocative, 278. heel, 279. definitely, 280. engage, 281. nonsense

282. a fatal in___y *n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
283. al_____ly behind the plot *adv.* according to what has been stated or reported; supposedly
284. site of the ex_____on *n.* a violent release induced by a chemical or nuclear reaction
285. pe_____ve light *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
286. private se____r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
287. al_____ly guilty *adv.* according to what has been stated or reported; supposedly
288. f__p a coin *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
289. cruise mi_____e attack *n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism
290. the m__h of an old religion *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
291. take ad_____ge of his weak points *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

ANSWERS: 282. injury, 283. allegedly, 284. explosion, 285. perceive, 286. sector, 287. allegedly, 288. flip, 289. missile, 290. myth, 291. advantage

292. st____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
293. cheer for the un____og *n.* a person or group in a competition or situation that is expected to lose or be at a disadvantage; a person or group that is seen as less powerful or less favored than others in a social, political, or economic context
294. re____t a good worker *v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
295. co____e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
296. pr____al English *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
297. ed____e public *v.* to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.
298. advance cap____sm *n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
299. de__'s advocate *n.* a supernatural being typically represented in belief systems as an evil or mischievous spirit, often used metaphorically to describe a person or thing that is harmful, dangerous, or wicked

ANSWERS: 292. struggle, 293. underdog, 294. recruit, 295. consume, 296. practical, 297. educate, 298. capitalism, 299. devil

300. classic un_____og story *n.* a person or group in a competition or situation that is expected to lose or be at a disadvantage; a person or group that is seen as less powerful or less favored than others in a social, political, or economic context
301. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
302. to__c molecule *adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
303. m_m's cooking *n.* a British term for "mom" or "mother"; (adjective) failing to speak or communicate when expected to do so
304. pr_____ve about doing the task *adj.* acting in advance to deal with an expected difficulty or to take advantage of an opportunity.
305. help ta___e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
306. or___n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
307. mil_____um bottle of wine *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
308. per_____on of a stimulus *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
309. ta___e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
310. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

ANSWERS: 300. underdog, 301. psychology, 302. toxic, 303. mum, 304. proactive, 305. tackle, 306. origin, 307. millennium, 308. perception, 309. tackle, 310. rev

311. cr___s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
312. as oc_____on demands *n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
313. fl__h eating *n.* the soft substance composing the body of a person or animal, as opposed to bones and other structures
314. hand-to-hand co___t *n.* a fight or battle, usually between opposing military forces; an engagement in which opposing parties attempt to defeat each other by force
315. industrial se___r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
316. 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
317. air co_____or *n.* a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure
318. have an in_____nt dislike *adj.* existing in something as a permanent, essential, or characteristic attribute
319. grow in fl__h *n.* the soft substance composing the body of a person or animal, as opposed to bones and other structures

ANSWERS: 311. crisis, 312. occasion, 313. flesh, 314. combat, 315. sector, 316. democracy, 317. corridor, 318. inherent, 319. flesh

320. ig___e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
321. sym_____ze with their situation *v.* to express or feel compassion or understanding for someone else's pain, difficulty, or misfortune; to share in someone else's emotions or experiences
322. spiritual wa_____e *n.* the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives
323. st_____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
324. mo___n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
325. st_____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
326. r_b a glass window *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
327. sh_____el damage *n.* fragments of a bomb, shell, or other explosive object that are scattered in many directions upon detonation and can cause injury or damage
328. deep-rooted pr_____ce *n.* a thought or feeling that is unfair and makes no sense, mainly when it is formed without enough thought or knowledge

ANSWERS: 320. ignore, 321. sympathize, 322. warfare, 323. strength, 324. modern, 325. struggle, 326. rub, 327. shrapnel, 328. prejudice

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The use of cluster _____ is strictly prohibited by international law.
 - n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

2. The company implemented _____ measures to prevent future issues.
 - adj.* acting in advance to deal with an expected difficulty or to take advantage of an opportunity.

3. The military launched a ballistic _____ at the enemy's stronghold.
 - n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism

4. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.
 - v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

5. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
 - n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

6. The _____ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.
 - adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

7. He discovered unique _____ for photochemical reactions.
 - n.* a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction

ANSWERS: 1. bombs, 2. proactive, 3. missile, 4. survive, 5. tradition, 6. military, 7. mechanisms

8. 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
9. The president declared a state of _____.
- n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
10. He could not _____ against temptation.
- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
11. I expressed my _____ to my friend after her cat passed away.
- n.* the feeling of being sorry for someone who is experiencing a difficult or unpleasant situation; understanding or sharing someone else's feelings or emotions
12. The police are searching for the _____ who stole the jewels.
- n.* a person who has committed a crime
13. She _____ the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.
- v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
14. When making arrests, police officers frequently _____ excessive force.
- v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
15. The _____ truck arrived with the packages.
- n.* the act of taking or sending something to a destination; the bringing of a baby during childbirth

ANSWERS: 8. brand, 9. emergency, 10. struggle, 11. sympathy, 12. criminal, 13. rubbed, 14. employ, 15. delivery

16. Due to budget constraints, the company had to _____ its marketing campaign for the new product.
- v.* to reduce or restrict something; to shorten or truncate; to cut short or bring to an abrupt end
17. The soldier suffered injuries from _____ during the explosion.
- n.* fragments of a bomb, shell, or other explosive object that are scattered in many directions upon detonation and can cause injury or damage
18. I advised him to _____ to his new surroundings.
- v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
19. Some kinds of machine learning models show an _____ to how people learn.
- n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept
20. The issue of the death penalty is highly _____.
- adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
21. 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
22. An _____ would most probably result in a political catastrophe.
- n.* army's act of forcibly entering another country or territory to take control of it
23. I miss my _____ and the familiar sights, sounds, and smells.
- n.* a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
24. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.
- v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

ANSWERS: 16. curtail, 17. shrapnel, 18. adapt, 19. analogy, 20. controversial, 21. mentioned, 22. invasion, 23. homeland, 24. launch

25. Many civilians have suffered _____ as a result of the war.
- n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
26. The sudden rise in crime rates in our neighborhood is quite _____.
- adj.* causing concern or apprehension; causing a feeling of danger, harm, or emergency; unsettling or disturbing
27. My accidental _____ got better right away.
- n.* harm done to a person's or an animal's body caused by an accident or an attack
28. A _____ in the tax code allows some people to avoid paying taxes legally.
- n.* a gap or weakness in a legal or bureaucratic system that allows for the exploitation of unintended benefits or avoids penalties
29. The veteran was honored for his service in _____.
- n.* a fight or battle, usually between opposing military forces; an engagement in which opposing parties attempt to defeat each other by force
30. He that would eat the kernel must _____ the nut.
- v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
31. 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
32. His _____ style frequently sparked controversies.
- adj.* arousing anger, interest, or another strong reaction, especially deliberately

ANSWERS: 25. trauma, 26. alarming, 27. injury, 28. loophole, 29. combat, 30. crack, 31. appeal, 32. provocative

33. The shepherd had to _____ some of the animals due to illness.
v. to fail to honor a debt or commitment; to renege on a promise or agreement
34. The old mansion was known to be _____ with strange noises and eerie sightings reported by visitors.
adj. inhabited, visited, or frequented by ghosts or spirits; disturbed or troubled by persistent or disturbing memories or emotions
35. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
36. Even the slightest design _____ in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.
n. a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
37. The board made an _____ decision to lay off a significant portion of the staff due to financial constraints.
adj. not pleasing to the taste or palate; unpleasant or distasteful; disagreeable or unacceptable
38. Despite his best efforts, he was unable to _____ the enemy.
v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
39. She had a master's degree in _____.
n. the scientific study of mind and behavior
40. You must _____ with others to obtain this position.
v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
41. The waves are beating against the _____.
n. the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water;
(verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid

ANSWERS: 33. welsh, 34. haunted, 35. amazing, 36. flaw, 37. unpalatable, 38. defeat, 39. psychology, 40. compete, 41. shore

42. The _____ team pulled off a stunning upset against the heavily favored opponent.
- n.* a person or group in a competition or situation that is expected to lose or be at a disadvantage; a person or group that is seen as less powerful or less favored than others in a social, political, or economic context
43. _____ a society is an organism.
- adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
44. Honesty is an _____ quality that everyone should strive to possess.
- adj.* existing in something as a permanent, essential, or characteristic attribute
45. _____ 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
46. They finally found the _____ of the bug after a long time.
- n.* someone who is responsible for a crime or wrongdoing
47. The _____ shape of the vase made it unique and exciting.
- adj.* lacking symmetry or balance; unevenly or irregularly shaped; not corresponding in terms of quantity, size, or position
48. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great _____.
- n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
49. He left his wife an _____ fortune.
- adj.* extremely large or great

ANSWERS: 42. underdog, 43. Essentially, 44. inherent, 45. Democracy, 46. culprit, 47. asymmetrical, 48. spirit, 49. immense

50. My father tried to _____ mathematics into my head since childhood.
v. to hit or cause to hit something in a way that makes a loud noise
51. My _____ always knew how to comfort me when I was feeling down.
n. a British term for "mom" or "mother"; (adjective) failing to speak or communicate when expected to do so
52. Some critics say this exhibition will be a big _____.
n. event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship
53. He was exhausted and _____ into bed as soon as he got home.
v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
54. 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
55. There is a clear association between _____ consumption and cognitive decline.
n. a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.
56. This community is free of social _____.
n. a thought or feeling that is unfair and makes no sense, mainly when it is formed without enough thought or knowledge
57. The voters appeared to be _____ to his new ideas.
adj. willing to listen to or accept new ideas or suggestions

ANSWERS: 50. bang, 51. mum, 52. affair, 53. rolled, 54. government, 55. alcohol, 56. prejudice, 57. receptive

58. Infants and pregnant women are particularly _____.
adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
59. With the financial bubble bursting, the _____ of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.
n. an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
60. The _____ of the fruit is sweet and juicy.
n. the soft substance composing the body of a person or animal, as opposed to bones and other structures
61. The _____ artist refused to follow traditional painting styles and created his unique art.
adj. characterized by independence or nonconformity; unconventional, idiosyncratic, or rebellious
62. The growth of the "sharing economy" is _____ for tech companies.
adj. immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
63. Our world is in the third _____.
n. a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
64. Night fishing has a lot of _____.
n. a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
65. He felt like _____ when he tasted the delicious chocolate cake.
n. (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty

ANSWERS: 58. vulnerable, 59. myth, 60. flesh, 61. maverick, 62. attractive, 63. millennium, 64. rewards, 65. heaven

66. He looked for an opportunity to _____ that actor in public.
v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
67. The technology _____ is constantly evolving and innovating.
n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
68. The parents spoke to their children in no-_____ tones.
n. an idea, behavior, or something spoken or written that has no meaning or makes no sense or that is silly or unacceptable
69. Many studies have investigated the relationship between _____ and academic achievement.
n. the condition of being extremely poor
70. It is extremely _____ to sail in such a storm.
adj. involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss
71. Australia is widely _____ as having low levels of corruption.
v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
72. I'm not _____ in our victory.
adj. feeling sure about your abilities or qualities or having trust in people, plans, or the future
73. The company's _____ is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.
n. a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

ANSWERS: 66. embarrass, 67. sector, 68. nonsense, 69. poverty, 70. risky, 71. perceived, 72. confident, 73. motto

74. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.
v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
75. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
76. During the Cold War, many countries feared the spread of _____ ideology.
adj. relating to or supporting the political ideology of communism (= a form of socialism that abolishes private ownership)
77. He was ___ with joy to see the results.
adj. insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
78. A broken gas pipe triggered the _____.
n. a violent release induced by a chemical or nuclear reaction
79. Music _____ is a serious problem that negatively impacts the livelihoods of artists and the music industry.
n. the unauthorized use or reproduction of someone else's work, such as a book, song, or movie; the act of attacking or robbing ships at sea
80. The _____ triumph over adversity was the theme of this play.
n. the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories
81. The politician met with his _____ to hear their concerns and ideas.
n. a group of people who live in a particular geographic area and are represented politically by an elected official; a body of customers or clients who regularly use a particular service or product

ANSWERS: 74. tackle, 75. norms, 76. communist, 77. mad, 78. explosion, 79. piracy, 80. protagonist's, 81. constituency

82. He is a man admired for the depth of his _____.

- n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

83. This evidence will form the _____ for our discussion.

- n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

84. Her concept is highly _____ and helpful.

- adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas

85. The long _____ was filled with people rushing to get to their rooms before the meeting began.

- n.* a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure

86. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud _____.

- n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

87. She walked along the _____ and collected shells.

- n.* a part of the coast that is partially enclosed by land; a compartment or section of a ship or building

88. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.

- n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

ANSWERS: 82. perception, 83. basis, 84. practical, 85. corridor, 86. rev, 87. bay, 88. strength

89. The company _____ him after several years of service.

- v.* to deposit or dispose of something, such as trash, waste, etc., carelessly or hurriedly

90. This newspaper is supposed to be _____ neutral.

- adv.* in a way that relates to the government or public affairs of a nation

91. The colonial government _____ militia support when civil war broke out.

- v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.

92. He was _____ gifted.

- adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners

93. The _____ to launch began as the astronauts prepared for their mission.

- n.* a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline

94. The _____ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

- n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

95. This company _____ its battery problem completely.

- v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty

96. We heard their _____ laments throughout the night.

- adj.* making people feel sorrow or sympathy; very small or poor

ANSWERS: 89. dumped, 90. politically, 91. recruited, 92. naturally, 93. countdown, 94. victim, 95. resolves, 96. pitiful

97. He recorded the _____ at the time of the incident.

n. a conversation in a book, play, or film

98. He should _____ more with his colleagues.

v. to communicate or react with somebody

99. Even after the wound has healed, a _____ remains.

n. a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed

100. The company implemented a new software system to _____ employee communication and collaboration.

v. to make something easier or more likely to happen

101. The country has been engaged in a prolonged conflict, with both sides using modern _____ tactics.

n. the use of military force to achieve political, economic, or social objectives

102. The roof of the old shed was made of rusty _____.

n. a silvery-white metal that is typically soft and malleable, often used to make containers or packaging materials; a thin sheet of metal or metal alloy used for a variety of purposes

103. My favorite part of traveling to Morocco is exploring the maze-like _____.

n. a market or bazaar in the Middle East or North Africa, typically consisting of a maze of narrow streets and passageways filled with vendors selling goods such as textiles, spices, and crafts

104. The pastor _____ about the importance of forgiveness.

v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

ANSWERS: 97. dialogue, 98. interact, 99. scar, 100. facilitate, 101. warfare, 102. tin, 103. souks, 104. preached

105. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.

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

106. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

107. The organization is dedicated to providing _____ aid to disaster-stricken areas worldwide.

adj. something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare

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

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

109. My friend is a _____ woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

adj. of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

110. The _____ actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.

adj. courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

111. They selected a gorgeous diamond _____ ring.

n. a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

112. I _____ with your struggles and am here to support you through them.

v. to express or feel compassion or understanding for someone else's pain, difficulty, or misfortune; to share in someone else's emotions or experiences

ANSWERS: 105. consume, 106. industrious, 107. humanitarian, 108. obvious, 109. Jewish, 110. heroic, 111. engagement, 112. sympathize

113. The _____ of the court's decision angered many people and led to protests.
n. a violation of the rights of others or the laws of a society
114. He _____ when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.
v. to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
115. She wore her best dress for the special _____.
n. a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
116. This chemical compound is a thousand-fold more _____.
adj. of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
117. He _____ stole money from the company.
adv. according to what has been stated or reported; supposedly
118. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.
n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
119. There are various ways to ward off the _____ including prayer and holy water.
n. a supernatural being typically represented in belief systems as an evil or mischievous spirit, often used metaphorically to describe a person or thing that is harmful, dangerous, or wicked
120. We _____ him Ironman because of his toughness.
v. to give someone or something an unofficial name or nickname; to provide movies with a voice of a foreign language

ANSWERS: 113. injustice, 114. flipped, 115. occasion, 116. toxic, 117. allegedly, 118. finance, 119. devil, 120. dubbed

121. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
122. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.
- n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
123. My father has a serious and _____ personality.
- adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
124. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.
- adj.* indispensable; fundamental
125. Similar _____ had already been rejected by the parliament four times.
- n.* a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws
126. Democracy is utterly opposed to any form of _____.
- n.* the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act
127. She wore high _____ to the party.
- n.* the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something
128. The _____ captain ordered his crew to attack the merchant ship.
- n.* (especially in the past) a person who attacks and robs ships at sea

ANSWERS: 121. statistics, 122. interaction, 123. compassionate, 124. essential, 125. legislation, 126. terrorism, 127. heels, 128. pirate

129. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.
adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
130. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
131. One of the main _____ of the new product is its increased efficiency.
n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
132. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
133. In an economically prosperous country, most male _____ is due to child support problems.
n. the act of killing yourself intentionally
134. The majority of the people on the island are _____ folk.
n. an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish
135. She was my _____ facilitating the conversation between the two sides.
n. a person who participates in a conversation or dialogue; a person who speaks or converses with another
136. The school's mission is to _____ young children and prepare them for the future.
v. to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.

ANSWERS: 129. modern, 130. engaged, 131. advantages, 132. innovation, 133. suicide, 134. fishery, 135. interlocutor, 136. educate

137. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
- n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
138. The attorney decided to _____ the suspect for stealing from the store.
- v.* to bring legal action against someone in a court of law; to pursue or carry out something to completion or achievement
139. The majority of snakes swallow their _____ whole.
- n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
140. The fast-food _____ kept expanding and opening new restaurants across the country.
- n.* a legal agreement between two parties in which one party grants the other the right to use or sell its products or services under a specific brand name and business model; a business that operates under such an agreement; the right to vote in an election
141. _____ also guarantees intellectual property rights and thus promotes innovation.
- n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
142. The abandoned warehouse was covered in a thick layer of _____ debris.
- adj.* covered with or characterized by dust; having a dry, powdery texture or appearance; having a lot of dust or dirt in the air
143. The new resort was built along the _____ offering stunning ocean views from every room.
- n.* the particular shape of the coast (= the shore of a sea or ocean) as seen from the sea

ANSWERS: 137. crisis, 138. prosecute, 139. prey, 140. franchise, 141. Capitalism, 142. dusty, 143. coastline,

144. The _____ principle of every business was identical.

adj. significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly

145. Since independence, the area has been completely _____.

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

146. 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

147. Within a few years, no _____ forests will remain.

n. a person who has never had sex; (adjective) being used or worked for the first time

148. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

149. In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is _____.

adj. certain to happen and unavoidable

150. The paper is _____ worth reading thoroughly.

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

151. The _____ agreement was reached pending further negotiation.

adj. temporary; serving as a means of satisfying a need or requirement until a more permanent solution can be found

ANSWERS: 144. underlying, 145. ignored, 146. develop, 147. virgin, 148. process, 149. inevitable, 150. definitely, 151. provisional

152. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.
n. the first existence or beginning of something
153. The police found a hidden _____ of weapons in the suspect's house.
n. a collection of weapons or military equipment stored in preparation for war or conflict; a collection of resources or tools available for use in a particular field or endeavor
154. The garden looked magical in the _____ with the flowers and trees casting eerie shadows.
n. the light of the moon, which is reflected sunlight and is much weaker than direct sunlight; (verb) to work at a second job, often in addition to one's regular employment, usually without the knowledge or approval of one's employer
155. She was _____ in her behavior.
adj. wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
156. The _____ in her heart was filled with the love of her family.
n. an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force
157. _____ music has gained different followers from existing music.
adj. belonging to the same or present time
158. The pastor contributed to _____ the sense of a community embracing all classes.
v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
159. The new law includes _____ for increased penalties for repeat offenders.
n. the act of providing or supplying something; a clause in a document or law that specifies a particular requirement or condition

ANSWERS: 152. origin, 153. arsenal, 154. moonlight, 155. politic, 156. void, 157. Contemporary, 158. fostering, 159. provisions

160. The mischievous ____ caused trouble wherever it went.

n. a mischievous or misbehaving child; a small and mischievous demon or sprite in folklore

161. We made _____ modifications to reflect the views of both sides.

adj. very small in degree or amount

162. His _____ of the situation led him to make a poor decision.

n. lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact

163. How did he _____ to your idea?

v. to take action in response to something

164. The general reviewed the plans for the upcoming battle on the _____.

n. a place where a battle or conflict is fought

ANSWERS: 160. imp, 161. slight, 162. ignorance, 163. react, 164. battlefield