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Session 1: Word List

communal

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

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

demolition

n. the act of destroying or tearing down a building or other structure

synonym : destruction, clearance, leveling

(1) **demolition** site, (2) **demolition** work

The city authorized the **demolition** of the abandoned building.

illegal

adj. not allowed by law

synonym : banned, prohibited, illicit

(1) **illegal** drugs, (2) child of **illegal** immigrants

The customs agents seized the **illegal** shipment.

construct

v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

synonym : build, assemble, create

(1) **construct** a 3D image, (2) **construct** a dam

He **constructs** hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

revive

v. to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore

synonym: reanimate, rejuvenate, renew

(1) **revive** my energy, (2) **revive** an old friendship

They **revived** the tradition of holding a parade on the main street every year.

artistic

adj. of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities

synonym: beautiful, aesthetic, creative

(1) an **artistic** photograph, (2) cultural and **artistic** activity

Promising entrepreneurs often have a high **artistic** sensibility.

context

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

synonym: background, setting, environment

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

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

elect

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

synonym: select, choose, prefer

(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death

Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.

splash

v. to cause liquid to scatter in irregular drops, especially with force

synonym: scatter, dash, gurgle

(1) **splash** water, (2) **splash** everywhere

The mountain was **splashed** with snow.

radiant

adj. emitting light or heat; shining brightly

synonym : shining, glowing, brilliant

(1) **radiant** smile, (2) **radiant** light

She looked **radiant** on her wedding day.

somber

adj. having a serious or sad atmosphere or character; gloomy or dark

synonym : gloomy, dark, dreary

(1) a suit of **somber** black, (2) **somber** atmosphere

The **somber** mood at the funeral was palpable.

facade

n. the face or front of a building, especially a large one; superficial or false appearance intended to conceal something unpleasant

synonym : front, camouflage, masquerade

(1) the outside **facade** of a castle, (2) **facade** of wealth

A gentle **facade** concealed his powerfulness.

unimaginable

adj. beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision

synonym : unthinkable, inconceivable, incredulous

(1) **unimaginable** horror, (2) **unimaginable** depths

The complexity of scientific theories was **unimaginable** for most people.

traffic

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

synonym : congestion, jam, flow

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

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

jam

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

synonym : difficulty, mess, preserve

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

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

locate

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

synonym: discover, find, place

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

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

spectacular

adj. striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement

synonym: breathtaking, impressive, grand

(1) **spectacular** view, (2) achieve **spectacular** growth

The **spectacular** fireworks display was the highlight of the festival.

accident

n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

synonym: calamity, casualty, chance

(1) cause an **accident**, (2) injury in a car **accident**

The **accident** partially destroyed my vehicle.

sight

n. the ability to see; anything that is seen

synonym: vision, spectacle, view

(1) an unexpected **sight**, (2) dull **sight**

Many famous **sights** are within walking distance.

screech

v. to make a loud, high-pitched, piercing sound, often indicating pain or fear

synonym: shriek, scream, yelp

(1) **screech** out a slogan, (2) **screech** with laughter

The brakes on the car began to **screech** as the driver suddenly stopped at the intersection.

financing

n. the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project

synonym : funding, loan, expenditure

(1) **financing** activity, (2) public **financing**

The investment fund offered **financing** for a company on the brink of bankruptcy.

surround

v. to be all around something or somebody

synonym : encircle, encompass, envelop

(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace

On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym : consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

censor

n. a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information

synonym : suppressor, scrutineer, examiner

(1) **censor** a book, (2) **censor** a TV program

The newspaper editor decided to **censor** the controversial headline to avoid backlash.

socialist

adj. relating to or supporting socialism (= the idea that the wealth and resources of a society should be shared among all members rather than being concentrated in the hands of a small group of individuals or corporations)

synonym : communistic, Marxist, socialist

(1) **socialist** regime, (2) **socialist** ideology

He is a progressive **socialist** and believes in the equal distribution of wealth.

compromise

v. to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

synonym: agree, settle, negotiate

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

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

lifetime

n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

synonym: lifespan, duration

(1) **lifetime** benefits, (2) **lifetime** ban from the sport

She had lived through two world wars in her **lifetime**.

rehabilitate

v. to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment

synonym: reform, restore, renovate

(1) **rehabilitate** prisoners, (2) **rehabilitate** wildlife

The organization works to **rehabilitate** drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.

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**.

belong

v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

synonym: fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group

All the books in this section **belong** to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

pride

n. a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements

synonym: vanity, conceit, egotism

(1) **pride** of a company, (2) hide his **pride**

She took great **pride** in her work, always striving for perfection.

bury

v. to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb

synonym: entomb, sink, forget

(1) **bury** in the earth, (2) **bury** emotion

There is plenty of space to **bury** everyone.

fury

n. intense and often violent anger

synonym: rage, wrath, ire

(1) market **fury**, (2) **fury** of the storm

The crowd's **fury** was palpable as they shouted and protested against the government's decision.

barbaric

adj. characterized by extreme cruelty or brutal violence; resembling the behaviors or practices of a barbarian or uncivilized society

synonym: savage, cruel, primitive

(1) **barbaric** treatment, (2) **barbaric** act

The **barbaric** practice of gladiator fighting was popular in ancient Rome.

mood

n. the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind

synonym: mindset, disposition, temper

(1) the **mood** in a room, (2) in an ugly **mood**

His gaffe spoiled the **mood** of the dinner party.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym: alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power

My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

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**.

poll

n. an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election

synonym : survey, ballot, voting

(1) a pre-election **poll**, (2) public opinion **polls**

Several **polls** show a decline in the president's approval rating.

fascinating

adj. extremely interesting

synonym : alluring, intriguing, captivating

(1) **fascinating** story, (2) completely **fascinating** to me

The museum houses a **fascinating** collection of Celtic artifacts.

municipal

adj. of or relating to a municipality, which is a small administrative division within a larger city or town

synonym : civic, city, urban

(1) **municipal** bond, (2) the **municipal** authorities

The **municipal** government is responsible for maintaining the roads and public transportation in the city.

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.

shopkeeper

n. a person who owns or manages a shop, especially a small local business

synonym: merchant, storekeeper, retailer

(1) local **shopkeeper**, (2) general **shopkeeper**

The elderly **shopkeeper** greeted customers and helped them find what they sought.

garbage

n. waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse

synonym: waste, trash, debris

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

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

pave

v. to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

synonym: surface, coat, cover

(1) **pave** a new path, (2) **pave** a smoother road

They **paved** the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.

pothole

n. a hole or depression in a road surface, usually caused by wear, weathering, or erosion; can be dangerous to drivers and cause damage to vehicles

synonym: chuckhole, pit, depression

(1) deep **pothole**, (2) **pothole** repair

The car hit a **pothole** and caused a flat tire.

misplace

v. to put something in the wrong place or lose it temporarily

synonym: lose, mislay, misfile

(1) to **misplace** the figure, (2) **misplace** documents

I have **misplaced** my keys again and need help finding them.

anarchy

n. a state of society without government or law
synonym: chaos, disorder, lawlessness

(1) **anarchy** in the classroom, (2) lapse into **anarchy**

The concept of **anarchy** has been used in literature, music, and other art forms to explore ideas about power, freedom, and rebellion.

barb

n. a sharp projection or point, often on a plant or animal; a cutting remark or criticism that is meant to hurt or insult; a type of fishing lure that has small hooks and a brightly colored feather or hair

synonym: spine, barbed remark, sting

(1) **barb** wire, (2) aim a **barb**

The politician's words were full of **barbs** designed to hurt his opponent.

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.

ignorant

adj. lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information

synonym: uninformed, uneducated, unaware

(1) **ignorant** remark, (2) blissfully **ignorant**

He was **ignorant** of the fact that the meeting had been moved to a different location.

concrete

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

synonym: actual, factual, hardened

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

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

riverbank

n. the land along the edge of a river, often used for recreation or agricultural purposes

synonym: riverside, embankment

(1) **riverbank** erosion, (2) walk along the **riverbank**

We enjoyed a picnic on the **riverbank** and watched the boats go by.

demolish

v. to completely destroy or tear down a building, structure, or other entity; to ruin or eliminate the effectiveness or power of something

synonym: destroy, wreck, level

(1) **demolish** a myth, (2) **demolish** a bridge

The city decided to **demolish** the old, unsafe building and build a new one.

bush

n. a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root

synonym: copse, scrub, brushwood

(1) trees and **bushes**, (2) a **bush** of hair

I am going to trim this **bush** off.

businessperson

n. a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive

synonym: entrepreneur, executive

(1) a young **businessperson**, (2) **businessperson** network

He was a successful **businessperson** and had much experience in the field.

regularly

adv. at regular intervals or times

synonym: repeatedly, routinely, usually

(1) **regularly** arranged, (2) post **regularly** to a blog

This site **regularly** shares high-quality academic materials.

competition

n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

synonym: contest, match, fight

(1) the first round of the **competition**, (2) intraspecific

competition

Global **competition** is rising in virtually every industry.

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.

administer

v. to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

synonym: allocate, distribute, dispense

(1) **administer** justice, (2) **administer** the funds

After the accident, three governmental bodies **administer** the company.

politicize

v. to make something political or to involve it in politics, often for personal or ideological gain or to influence public opinion

synonym: politize, exploit, manipulate

(1) **politicize** climate change, (2) **politicize** a tragedy

I wish people would stop trying to **politicize** fundamental human rights issues.

institutionalize

v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

synonym: formalize, establish, regularize

(1) **institutionalize** a system, (2) **institutionalize** customary laws

The new policy aims to **institutionalize** the use of renewable energy sources.

represent

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

synonym: depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

invest

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

synonym: fund, sponsor, support

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

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

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**.

reception

n. the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people

synonym: welcome, greeting, party

(1) a cold **reception**, (2) **reception** desk

The wedding **reception** was held in the grand ballroom of the hotel.

precise

adj. sharply exact or accurate or delimited

synonym: accurate, exact, distinct

(1) **precise** analyses, (2) estimate **precise** costs

The content is **precise** and informative for me.

endemic

adj. (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area

synonym: prevalent, widespread, native

(1) **endemic** disease, (2) cholera- **endemic** area
Malaria is **endemic** in many tropical countries.

corruption

n. dishonest, harmful, or illegal behavior, especially of people in positions of power

synonym: depravity, bribery, degeneration

(1) **corruption** accusation, (2) federal **corruption** charges
Rampant **corruption** led to a loss of trust in the government.

queue

n. a line of people or vehicles, especially one that forms outside a place of entertainment or a public building, waiting for something to become available

synonym: range, sequence, waiting line

(1) form a **queue**, (2) **queue** system

There was a long **queue** at the popular attraction.

certificate

n. an official document stating that the information contained within is true

synonym: diploma, credential, certification

(1) official score **certificate**, (2) a birth **certificate**

He received a **certificate** in computer programming from the local college.

kiosk

n. a small, often freestanding structure or booth, typically used as a retail outlet or information center, particularly in a public space or high-traffic area

synonym: booth, stand, counter

(1) outdoor **kiosk**, (2) information **kiosk**

I ordered some snacks at the **kiosk** before boarding my flight.

skip

v. to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

synonym: bounce, spring, neglect

(1) **skip** across the country, (2) **skip** breakfast

We **skipped** the topic because it was too complicated.

mysterious

adj. difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement

synonym : enigmatic, cryptic, puzzling

(1) **mysterious** object, (2) **mysterious** stranger

The **mysterious** disappearance of the ship remains unsolved.

bribe

v. to try to make someone do something to gain one's favors or influence by giving a gift of money or other inducements

synonym : graft, corrupt

(1) **bribe** a politician, (2) **bribe** him with food

He tries to **bribe** the ship's captain to export illegal products.

invisible

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

synonym : hidden, imperceptible, unseen

(1) an **invisible** asset, (2) **invisible** stars

The phenomenon is **invisible** at optical wavelengths.

clerk

n. a person who works in an office and is responsible for keeping records, writing letters, etc.; a person who works in a store and is responsible for serving customers

synonym : worker, record-keeper, letter-writer

(1) **clerk** job, (2) **clerk** position

The **clerk** at the store helped me find what I needed.

corrupt

adj. characterized by dishonest behavior or actions, often involving bribery, fraud, or the abuse of power for personal gain; morally or ethically flawed or polluted; (verb) to make someone or something morally depraved or causing it to become dishonest

synonym : dishonest, unethical, immoral

(1) **corrupt** good manners, (2) **corrupt** discipline

The **corrupt** politician was finally exposed and faced criminal charges.

convinced

adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

synonym: confident, positive, indoctrinated

(1) **convinced** of the idea, (2) **convinced** criminal

The public is **convinced** that the prime minister has committed fraud.

germ

n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

synonym: bacterium, microbe, pathogen

(1) antibiotic-resistant **germ**, (2) a **germ-free** environment

The **germ** of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

conscience

n. a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior

synonym: morality, ethics, scruples

(1) inner **conscience**, (2) guilty **conscience**

He couldn't bear the thought of acting against his **conscience**, even if it meant losing the job.

environment

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

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

modernize

v. to bring up to date or make contemporary in style or function; to bring modern methods or resources into an existing organization or system

synonym: develop, update, upgrade

(1) **modernize** infrastructure, (2) **modernize** agriculture

The company plans to **modernize** its outdated technology and software to improve efficiency.

reinvent

v. to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new

synonym : recreate, remake, revive

(1) **reinvent** local dishes, (2) **reinvent** our life

They have tried to **reinvent** their grocery stores.

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.

ready-made

adj. (of a product) already made or prepared; (of an idea or solution) preconceived or complete and requiring no further development or work

synonym : pre-made, off-the-shelf, prefab

(1) **ready-made** templates, (2) **ready-made** curtains

I prefer using **ready-made** meals when short on time and don't feel like cooking from scratch.

formula

n. a group of symbols, letters, or numbers that represent a rule, law, or mathematical statement

synonym : expression, recipe, procedure

(1) structural **formula**, (2) a binomial **formula**

The teacher told the students to memorize the math **formula**.

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.

vain

adj. having an excessively high opinion of oneself; excessively concerned with one's appearance or achievements; producing no result or effect, or being unsuccessful

synonym : conceited, narcissistic, egotistic

(1) **vain** hope, (2) **vain** pursuit

He is in **vain** searching for a new job since he has no experience in the field.

impose

v. to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received

synonym : charge, levy, foist

(1) **impose** harsher sanctions, (2) **impose** tariffs

The problem with achievement tests is the narrowness they **impose** on students.

politician

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

synonym : congressperson, lawmaker, legislator

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

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

grant

v. to agree to give or allow somebody

synonym : allocate, authorize, give

(1) **grant** a new license, (2) **grant** a land

The chairperson **granted** him the right to speak.

exigency

n. an urgent or pressing need or demand; a situation that requires immediate attention or action

synonym : emergency, urgency, crisis

(1) emergency **exigency**, (2) financial **exigency**

The military commander acted with great **exigency** to secure the safety of his troops.

resemble

v. to look like or be similar to someone or something

synonym : look like, be similar to

(1) **resemble** each other, (2) **resemble** her mother
The brothers **resemble** each other in the hobby.

cynical

adj. believing that people are motivated by self-interest;
distrustful of human sincerity or integrity

synonym : skeptical, mistrustful, doubtful

(1) **cynical** remarks, (2) **cynical** worldview

He was very **cynical** and didn't believe anything anyone said unless he saw evidence for himself.

stadium

n. a large, usually roofless building with tiers of seats for spectators at sports or other events

synonym : arena, field, park

(1) **stadium** seating, (2) **stadium** capacity

The baseball **stadium** was filled with excited fans eagerly awaiting the start of the game.

gradual

adj. happening slowly over a long period of time or distance;
not steep or abrupt

synonym : incremental, gradational, piecemeal

(1) a **gradual** process, (2) a **gradual** change

The country experienced a **gradual** increase in population.

blind

adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

synonym : sightless, unseeing, random

(1) **blind** to the beauties, (2) **blind** spot

She was nearly **blind** due to severe diabetes.

despair

n. the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

synonym : dismay, anguish, misery

(1) **despair** at the future, (2) untold **despair**

His friend's death drove him to **despair**.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym : boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

aggressive

adj. behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly

synonym : assertive, combative, threatening

(1) an **aggressive** war, (2) an **aggressive** tumor

An **aggressive** tide wrecked the ship.

pessimism

n. a tendency to see the worst in things and anticipate adverse outcomes; a belief that the world is generally bad or that something will go wrong more often than it will go right

synonym : negativity, defeatism, cynicism

(1) deep **pessimism**, (2) sense of **pessimism**

The CEO's constant **pessimism** about the company's future affected employee morale.

cohesion

n. the act or state of keeping or sticking together

synonym : coherence, coherency, cohesiveness

(1) social **cohesion**, (2) the **cohesion** of a team

We gain higher levels of social **cohesion** and stability.

desire

n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

synonym : ambition, appetite, greed

(1) unsatisfied **desire**, (2) fleshly **desire**

Low sexual **desire** typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

civic

adj. of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it

synonym : community, civic, communal

(1) **civic** activity, (2) **civic** center

The city promotes **civic** collaboration in community

development

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.

mobilize

v. to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose

synonym: activate, rally, marshal

(1) **mobilize** cooperation, (2) **mobilize** a stiff joint

The military **mobilized** troops to the border.

admire

v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

synonym: esteem, respect, marvel

(1) **admire** the subtlety of the distinctions, (2) **admire** kids with attitude

We all **admire** him because he is a nobleman.

ingenuity

n. the quality of inventing things or solving problems in clever new ways

synonym: creativity, invention, originality

(1) the infinite **ingenuity** of man, (2) abound in **ingenuity**

Creativity and **ingenuity** are often brought about by extreme concentration.

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

synonym: chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically increase.

argument

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

synonym : debate, discourse, discussion

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

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

instrument

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

synonym : apparatus, tool, device

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

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

tweet

n. a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

synonym : peep, chirp, post (on Twitter)

(1) a chick's **tweet**, (2) his latest **tweets**

We could hear the **tweet** of baby birds.

sideways

adv. towards or from the side; with one side forward or to the front; (adjective, of movement) at an angle

synonym : to the edge, obliquely, sidelong

(1) fall **sideways**, (2) a **sideways** market

She glanced **sideways** at the conversation of the boy she was interested in.

vision

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

synonym : sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

define

v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

synonym: characterize, depict, express

(1) **define** a word, (2) **define** my position

To advance this discussion, we must **define** "success" rigorously.

pace

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

synonym: gait, rate, speed

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

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

prime

adj. main or most important; basic; (prime number, noun) a natural number greater than 1 that cannot be formed by multiplying two smaller natural numbers (e.g., 2, 3, 5, 7, 11 and 13)

synonym: excellent, exceptional, premium

(1) **prime** number, (2) deputy **prime** minister

After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the **prime** suspect.

minister

n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

synonym: bishop, official, ambassador

(1) **Minister** for Education, (2) deputy prime **minister**

The **minister** occasionally preaches at this church.

president

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

synonym: leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

halfway

adj. in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points

synonym : middle, median, center

(1) **halfway** through my journey, (2) **halfway** decent job

The famous restaurant stands **halfway** up the hill.

Session 2: Spelling

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|---|--|
| 1. the ar_____nt against capital punishment | <i>n.</i> a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute |
| 2. chaotic env_____nt | <i>n.</i> the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live |
| 3. su_____nd a town | <i>v.</i> to be all around something or somebody |
| 4. v__n pursuit | <i>adj.</i> having an excessively high opinion of oneself; excessively concerned with one's appearance or achievements; producing no result or effect, or being unsuccessful |
| 5. Mi_____er for Education | <i>n.</i> a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department |
| 6. lo___e a missing pet | <i>v.</i> to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something |
| 7. completely fas_____ng to me | <i>adj.</i> extremely interesting |
| 8. reh_____ate wildlife | <i>v.</i> to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment |
| 9. sp___h water | <i>v.</i> to cause liquid to scatter in irregular drops, especially with force |
| 10. a young bus_____son | <i>n.</i> a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive |

ANSWERS: 1. argument, 2. environment, 3. surround, 4. vain, 5. minister, 6. locate, 7. fascinating, 8. rehabilitate, 9. splash, 10. businessperson

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|--------------------------------|---|
| 11. the m__d in a room | <i>n.</i> the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind |
| 12. st____m capacity | <i>n.</i> a large, usually roofless building with tiers of seats for spectators at sports or other events |
| 13. form a qu__e | <i>n.</i> a line of people or vehicles, especially one that forms outside a place of entertainment or a public building, waiting for something to become available |
| 14. lo___e a tumor | <i>v.</i> to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something |
| 15. de____sh a bridge | <i>v.</i> to completely destroy or tear down a building, structure, or other entity; to ruin or eliminate the effectiveness or power of something |
| 16. emergency ex____cy | <i>n.</i> an urgent or pressing need or demand; a situation that requires immediate attention or action |
| 17. sc____h with laughter | <i>v.</i> to make a loud, high-pitched, piercing sound, often indicating pain or fear |
| 18. decision-making pr____s | <i>n.</i> 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 |
| 19. ins_____ize customary laws | <i>v.</i> to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.) |

ANSWERS: 11. mood, 12. stadium, 13. queue, 14. locate, 15. demolish, 16. exigency, 17. screech, 18. process, 19. institutionalize

20. cholera-en_____c area *adj.* (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area
21. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
22. in_____le stars *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
23. 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
24. cultural and ar_____ic activity *adj.* of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
25. rea_____de curtains *adj.* (of a product) already made or prepared; (of an idea or solution) preconceived or complete and requiring no further development or work
26. de___e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
27. lump of ga_____e *n.* waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse
28. dem_____on work *n.* the act of destroying or tearing down a building or other structure
29. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

ANSWERS: 20. endemic, 21. president, 22. invisible, 23. develop, 24. artistic, 25. ready-made, 26. define, 27. garbage, 28. demolition, 29. construct

30. re_____le her mother *v.* to look like or be similar to someone or something
31. an ar_____ic photograph *adj.* of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
32. an agg_____ve tumor *adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly
33. an indomitable sp____t *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
34. co____r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
35. el__t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
36. a gr_____l process *adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
37. rea_____de templates *adj.* (of a product) already made or prepared; (of an idea or solution) preconceived or complete and requiring no further development or work
38. co____t good manners *adj.* characterized by dishonest behavior or actions, often involving bribery, fraud, or the abuse of power for personal gain; morally or ethically flawed or polluted; (verb) to make someone or something morally depraved or causing it to become dishonest

ANSWERS: 30. resemble, 31. artistic, 32. aggressive, 33. spirit, 34. confer, 35. elect, 36. gradual, 37. ready-made, 38. corrupt

39. an____y in the classroom *n.* a state of society without government or law
40. 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
41. 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
42. pr__e number *adj.* main or most important; basic; (prime number, noun) a natural number greater than 1 that cannot be formed by multiplying two smaller natural numbers (e.g., 2, 3, 5, 7, 11 and 13)
43. v__n hope *adj.* having an excessively high opinion of oneself; excessively concerned with one's appearance or achievements; producing no result or effect, or being unsuccessful
44. mys_____us object *adj.* difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
45. heavy tr_____c *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

ANSWERS: 39. anarchy, 40. rev, 41. rev, 42. prime, 43. vain, 44. mysterious, 45. traffic

46. a pol_____an in the ruling party *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
47. mys_____us stranger *adj.* difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
48. mu_____al bond *adj.* of or relating to a municipality, which is a small administrative division within a larger city or town
49. a chick's tw__t *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
50. a binomial fo_____a *n.* a group of symbols, letters, or numbers that represent a rule, law, or mathematical statement
51. information ki__k *n.* a small, often freestanding structure or booth, typically used as a retail outlet or information center, particularly in a public space or high-traffic area
52. re_____nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
53. gr__t a land *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
54. blissfully ig_____nt *adj.* lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information
55. walk along the ri_____nk *n.* the land along the edge of a river, often used for recreation or agricultural purposes

ANSWERS: 46. politician, 47. mysterious, 48. municipal, 49. tweet, 50. formula, 51. kiosk, 52. represent, 53. grant, 54. ignorant, 55. riverbank

56. s__p across the country *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do
57. b__b wire *n.* a sharp projection or point, often on a plant or animal; a cutting remark or criticism that is meant to hurt or insult; a type of fishing lure that has small hooks and a brightly colored feather or hair
58. aim a b__b *n.* a sharp projection or point, often on a plant or animal; a cutting remark or criticism that is meant to hurt or insult; a type of fishing lure that has small hooks and a brightly colored feather or hair
59. a jar of j_m *n.* a situation in which something becomes stuck because of a dense crowd of people, vehicles, etc.; a preserve of crushed fruit
60. re_____nt local dishes *v.* to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new
61. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
62. re_____nt our life *v.* to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new
63. financial ex_____cy *n.* an urgent or pressing need or demand; a situation that requires immediate attention or action
64. ce___r a book *n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information

ANSWERS: 56. skip, 57. barb, 58. barb, 59. jam, 60. reinvent, 61. communal, 62. reinvent, 63. exigency, 64. censor

65. a suit of so___r black *adj.* having a serious or sad atmosphere or character; gloomy or dark
66. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
67. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
68. dem_____on site *n.* the act of destroying or tearing down a building or other structure
69. ga_____e collection *n.* waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse
70. de_____sh a myth *v.* to completely destroy or tear down a building, structure, or other entity; to ruin or eliminate the effectiveness or power of something
71. 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
72. ig_____nt remark *adj.* lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information
73. be___g to a group *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

ANSWERS: 65. somber, 66. context, 67. government, 68. demolition, 69. garbage, 70. demolish, 71. finance, 72. ignorant, 73. belong

74. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
75. the mu_____al authorities *adj.* of or relating to a municipality, which is a small administrative division within a larger city or town
76. so_____st regime *adj.* relating to or supporting socialism (= the idea that the wealth and resources of a society should be shared among all members rather than being concentrated in the hands of a small group of individuals or corporations)
77. tr_____c jam *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
78. the first round of the com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
79. public fi_____ng *n.* the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project
80. a gr_____l change *adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
81. ba_____ic treatment *adj.* characterized by extreme cruelty or brutal violence; resembling the behaviors or practices of a barbarian or uncivilized society

ANSWERS: 74. president, 75. municipal, 76. socialist, 77. traffic, 78. competition, 79. financing, 80. gradual, 81. barbaric

82. ha____y decent job *adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
83. cause an ac____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
84. co____r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
85. a prodigious vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
86. market f__y *n.* intense and often violent anger
87. mo____ze infrastructure *v.* to bring up to date or make contemporary in style or function; to bring modern methods or resources into an existing organization or system
88. outdoor ki__k *n.* a small, often freestanding structure or booth, typically used as a retail outlet or information center, particularly in a public space or high-traffic area
89. antibiotic-resistant g__m *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
90. sense of pe____sm *n.* a tendency to see the worst in things and anticipate adverse outcomes; a belief that the world is generally bad or that something will go wrong more often than it will go right
91. pr____e analyses *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited

ANSWERS: 82. halfway, 83. accident, 84. confer, 85. vision, 86. fury, 87. modernize, 88. kiosk, 89. germ, 90. pessimism, 91. precise

92. bl__d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
93. ha____y through my journey *adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
94. re_____on desk *n.* the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people
95. intraspecific com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
96. co_____ed criminal *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
97. mo_____ze cooperation *v.* to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose
98. musical ins_____nts *n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work
99. general sho_____er *n.* a person who owns or manages a shop, especially a small local business
100. to mi_____ce the figure *v.* to put something in the wrong place or lose it temporarily
101. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

ANSWERS: 92. blind, 93. halfway, 94. reception, 95. competition, 96. convinced, 97. mobilize, 98. instrument, 99. shopkeeper, 100. misplace, 101. construct

102. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
103. gr__t a new license *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
104. p__e a smoother road *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
105. fall si_____ys *adv.* towards or from the side; with one side forward or to the front; (adjective, of movement) at an angle
106. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
107. bl__d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
108. lapse into an_____y *n.* a state of society without government or law
109. untold de_____r *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
110. 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.
111. ad___e the subtlety of the distinctions *v.* to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
112. de_____r at the future *n.* the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation

ANSWERS: 102. transform, 103. grant, 104. pave, 105. sideways, 106. inspire, 107. blind, 108. anarchy, 109. despair, 110. recruit, 111. admire, 112. despair

113. mi____ce documents *v.* to put something in the wrong place or lose it temporarily
114. in____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
115. a si____ys market *adv.* towards or from the side; with one side forward or to the front; (adjective, of movement) at an angle
116. telescopic vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
117. f____y of the storm *n.* intense and often violent anger
118. an agg____ve war *adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly
119. ra____t smile *adj.* emitting light or heat; shining brightly
120. ad____e kids with attitude *v.* to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
121. social co____on *n.* the act or state of keeping or sticking together
122. ce____r a TV program *n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information
123. ed____e student *v.* to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.

ANSWERS: 113. misplace, 114. inspire, 115. sideways, 116. vision, 117. fury, 118. aggressive, 119. radiant, 120. admire, 121. cohesion, 122. censor, 123. educate

124. spe_____ar view *adj.* striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement
125. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
126. ra_____t light *adj.* emitting light or heat; shining brightly
127. li_____me benefits *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
128. mo_____ze a stiff joint *v.* to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose
129. a corrupt pol_____an *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
130. in_____t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
131. b__y emotion *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
132. 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
133. the runner's p__e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

ANSWERS: 124. spectacular, 125. context, 126. radiant, 127. lifetime, 128. mobilize, 129. politician, 130. invest, 131. bury, 132. develop, 133. pace

134. st_____m seating *n.* a large, usually roofless building with tiers of seats for spectators at sports or other events
135. bus_____son network *n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive
136. child of il_____l immigrants *adj.* not allowed by law
137. br__e him with food *v.* to try to make someone do something to gain one's favors or influence by giving a gift of money or other inducements
138. a blazing ar_____nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
139. hide his pr__e *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
140. ci__c center *adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
141. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
142. ed_____e public *v.* to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.
143. the co_____on of a team *n.* the act or state of keeping or sticking together
144. so_____st ideology *adj.* relating to or supporting socialism (= the idea that the wealth and resources of a society should be shared among all members rather than being concentrated in the hands of a small group of individuals or corporations)

ANSWERS: 134. stadium, 135. businessperson, 136. illegal, 137. bribe, 138. argument, 139. pride, 140. civic, 141. transform, 142. educate, 143. cohesion, 144. socialist

145. in an ugly m__d *n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind
146. fas_____ng story *adj.* extremely interesting
147. adm_____er justice *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
148. cl__k position *n.* a person who works in an office and is responsible for keeping records, writing letters, etc.; a person who works in a store and is responsible for serving customers
149. cannot com_____se anymore *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
150. post re_____ly to a blog *adv.* at regular intervals or times
151. structural fo_____a *n.* a group of symbols, letters, or numbers that represent a rule, law, or mathematical statement
152. reh_____ate prisoners *v.* to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment
153. uni_____ble horror *adj.* beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision
154. re_____le each other *v.* to look like or be similar to someone or something
155. guilty con_____ce *n.* a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior

ANSWERS: 145. mood, 146. fascinating, 147. administer, 148. clerk, 149. compromise, 150. regularly, 151. formula, 152. rehabilitate, 153. unimaginable, 154. resemble, 155. conscience

156. ri_____nk erosion *n.* the land along the edge of a river, often used for recreation or agricultural purposes
157. 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
158. li_____me ban from the sport *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
159. cor_____on accusation *n.* dishonest, harmful, or illegal behavior, especially of people in positions of power
160. im_____e tariffs *v.* to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
161. 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
162. sc_____h out a slogan *v.* to make a loud, high-pitched, piercing sound, often indicating pain or fear
163. the outside fa_____e of a castle *n.* the face or front of a building, especially a large one; superficial or false appearance intended to conceal something unpleasant

ANSWERS: 156. riverbank, 157. process, 158. lifetime, 159. corruption, 160. impose, 161. finance, 162. screech, 163. facade

164. federal cor_____on charges *n.* dishonest, harmful, or illegal behavior, especially of people in positions of power
165. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
166. pol_____ze climate change *v.* to make something political or to involve it in politics, often for personal or ideological gain or to influence public opinion
167. qu___e system *n.* a line of people or vehicles, especially one that forms outside a place of entertainment or a public building, waiting for something to become available
168. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
169. an unexpected si___t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
170. at your own p___e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
171. in___t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
172. trees and b___hes *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
173. unsatisfied de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
174. po_____e repair *n.* a hole or depression in a road surface, usually caused by wear, weathering, or erosion; can be dangerous to drivers and cause damage to vehicles

ANSWERS: 164. corruption, 165. define, 166. politicize, 167. queue, 168. possibility, 169. sight, 170. pace, 171. invest, 172. bush, 173. desire, 174. pothole

175. a g__m-free environment *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
176. el__t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
177. local sho_____er *n.* a person who owns or manages a shop, especially a small local business
178. en_____c disease *adj.* (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area
179. a stone wall su_____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
180. com_____se the matter *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
181. play a pro_____st *n.* the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories
182. pr__e of a company *n.* a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
183. a pre-election p__l *n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
184. a traffic j_m *n.* a situation in which something becomes stuck because of a dense crowd of people, vehicles, etc.; a preserve of crushed fruit

ANSWERS: 175. germ, 176. elect, 177. shopkeeper, 178. endemic, 179. surround, 180. compromise, 181. protagonist, 182. pride, 183. poll, 184. jam

185. fa___e of wealth *n.* the face or front of a building, especially a large one; superficial or false appearance intended to conceal something unpleasant
186. co_____t discipline *adj.* characterized by dishonest behavior or actions, often involving bribery, fraud, or the abuse of power for personal gain; morally or ethically flawed or polluted; (verb) to make someone or something morally depraved or causing it to become dishonest
187. deputy pr__e minister *adj.* main or most important; basic; (prime number, noun) a natural number greater than 1 that cannot be formed by multiplying two smaller natural numbers (e.g., 2, 3, 5, 7, 11 and 13)
188. public opinion p__ls *n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
189. co_____te examples *adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
190. ba_____ic act *adj.* characterized by extreme cruelty or brutal violence; resembling the behaviors or practices of a barbarian or uncivilized society
191. ins_____ize a system *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

ANSWERS: 185. facade, 186. corrupt, 187. prime, 188. poll, 189. concrete, 190. barbaric, 191. institutionalize

192. uni_____ble depths *adj.* beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision
193. the characters that re_____nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
194. deputy prime mi_____er *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
195. cy_____l worldview *adj.* believing that people are motivated by self-interest; distrustful of human sincerity or integrity
196. im_____e harsher sanctions *v.* to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
197. achieve spe_____ar growth *adj.* striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement
198. the infinite in_____ty of man *n.* the quality of inventing things or solving problems in clever new ways
199. dull si__t *n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
200. official score cer_____te *n.* an official document stating that the information contained within is true
201. il_____l drugs *adj.* not allowed by law
202. a cold re_____on *n.* the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people
203. fi_____ng activity *n.* the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project

ANSWERS: 192. unimaginable, 193. represent, 194. minister, 195. cynical, 196. impose, 197. spectacular, 198. ingenuity, 199. sight, 200. certificate, 201. illegal, 202. reception, 203. financing

204. 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
205. inner con_____ce *n.* a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior
206. ci__c activity *adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
207. deep pe_____sm *n.* a tendency to see the worst in things and anticipate adverse outcomes; a belief that the world is generally bad or that something will go wrong more often than it will go right
208. fleshly de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
209. pro_____st of drama *n.* the main character in a literary work, film, or other stories
210. a co_____te noun *adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
211. co_____ed of the idea *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
212. cy_____l remarks *adj.* believing that people are motivated by self-interest; distrustful of human sincerity or integrity

ANSWERS: 204. spirit, 205. conscience, 206. civic, 207. pessimism, 208. desire, 209. protagonist, 210. concrete, 211. convinced, 212. cynical

213. estimate pr____e costs *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
214. b__y in the earth *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
215. injury in a car ac____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
216. cl__k job *n.* a person who works in an office and is responsible for keeping records, writing letters, etc.; a person who works in a store and is responsible for serving customers
217. re____e an old friendship *v.* to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore
218. his latest tw__ts *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
219. 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.
220. br__e a politician *v.* to try to make someone do something to gain one's favors or influence by giving a gift of money or other inducements
221. adm____er the funds *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
222. deep po____e *n.* a hole or depression in a road surface, usually caused by wear, weathering, or erosion; can be dangerous to drivers and cause damage to vehicles
223. s__p breakfast *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

ANSWERS: 213. precise, 214. bury, 215. accident, 216. clerk, 217. revive, 218. tweet, 219. recruit, 220. bribe, 221. administer, 222. pothole, 223. skip

224. a b__h of hair *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
225. surgical ins_____nts *n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work
226. abound in in_____ty *n.* the quality of inventing things or solving problems in clever new ways
227. a birth cer_____te *n.* an official document stating that the information contained within is true
228. pol_____ze a tragedy *v.* to make something political or to involve it in politics, often for personal or ideological gain or to influence public opinion
229. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
230. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
231. re___e my energy *v.* to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore
232. an in_____le asset *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
233. sp___h everywhere *v.* to cause liquid to scatter in irregular drops, especially with force
234. re_____ly arranged *adv.* at regular intervals or times
235. mo_____ze agriculture *v.* to bring up to date or make contemporary in style or function; to bring modern methods or resources into an existing organization or system

ANSWERS: 224. bush, 225. instrument, 226. ingenuity, 227. certificate, 228. politicize, 229. government, 230. environment, 231. revive, 232. invisible, 233. splash, 234. regularly, 235. modernize

236. so___r atmosphere *adj.* having a serious or sad atmosphere or character; gloomy or dark
237. be___g to different species *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
238. p___e a new path *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
239. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
240. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true

ANSWERS: 236. somber, 237. belong, 238. pave, 239. communal, 240. possibility

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Rampant _____ led to a loss of trust in the government.
n. dishonest, harmful, or illegal behavior, especially of people in positions of power

2. The CEO's constant _____ about the company's future affected employee morale.
n. a tendency to see the worst in things and anticipate adverse outcomes; a belief that the world is generally bad or that something will go wrong more often than it will go right

3. All the books in this section _____ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.
v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

4. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

5. The economy is growing at a supercharged _____.
n. the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

6. There is plenty of space to _____ everyone.
v. to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb

7. The complexity of scientific theories was _____ for most people.
adj. beyond what can be imagined or conceived; impossible to comprehend or envision

ANSWERS: 1. corruption, 2. pessimism, 3. belong, 4. constructs, 5. pace, 6. bury, 7. unimaginable

8. The president asked for a more _____ plan.

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

9. The city promotes _____ collaboration in community development

adj. of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it

10. After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the _____ suspect.

adj. main or most important; basic; (prime number, noun) a natural number greater than 1 that cannot be formed by multiplying two smaller natural numbers (e.g., 2, 3, 5, 7, 11 and 13)

11. 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

12. The city authorized the _____ of the abandoned building.

n. the act of destroying or tearing down a building or other structure

13. We _____ the topic because it was too complicated.

v. to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

14. 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.

15. He was a successful _____ and had much experience in the field.

n. a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive

ANSWERS: 8. concrete, 9. civic, 10. prime, 11. finance, 12. demolition, 13. skipped, 14. recruited, 15. businessperson

16. He is a progressive _____ and believes in the equal distribution of wealth.
adj. relating to or supporting socialism (= the idea that the wealth and resources of a society should be shared among all members rather than being concentrated in the hands of a small group of individuals or corporations)
17. They never _____ on development despite the lack of funds.
v. to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
18. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.
n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
19. I ordered some snacks at the _____ before boarding my flight.
n. a small, often freestanding structure or booth, typically used as a retail outlet or information center, particularly in a public space or high-traffic area
20. The baseball _____ was filled with excited fans eagerly awaiting the start of the game.
n. a large, usually roofless building with tiers of seats for spectators at sports or other events
21. Several _____ show a decline in the president's approval rating.
n. an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
22. The content is _____ and informative for me.
adj. sharply exact or accurate or delimited
23. The city decided to _____ the old, unsafe building and build a new one.
v. to completely destroy or tear down a building, structure, or other entity; to ruin or eliminate the effectiveness or power of something

ANSWERS: 16. socialist, 17. compromised, 18. vision, 19. kiosk, 20. stadium, 21. polls, 22. precise, 23. demolish

24. They _____ the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.
- v. to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
25. The company plans to _____ its outdated technology and software to improve efficiency.
- v. to bring up to date or make contemporary in style or function; to bring modern methods or resources into an existing organization or system
26. The problem with achievement tests is the narrowness they _____ on students.
- v. to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
27. 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
28. The politician's words were full of _____ designed to hurt his opponent.
- n. a sharp projection or point, often on a plant or animal; a cutting remark or criticism that is meant to hurt or insult; a type of fishing lure that has small hooks and a brightly colored feather or hair
29. The military _____ troops to the border.
- v. to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose
30. She took great _____ in her work, always striving for perfection.
- n. a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's achievements
31. The concept of _____ has been used in literature, music, and other art forms to explore ideas about power, freedom, and rebellion.
- n. a state of society without government or law

ANSWERS: 24. paved, 25. modernize, 26. impose, 27. rev, 28. barbs, 29. mobilized, 30. pride, 31. anarchy

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

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

33. A gentle _____ concealed his powerfulness.

n. the face or front of a building, especially a large one; superficial or false appearance intended to conceal something unpleasant

34. She was nearly _____ due to severe diabetes.

adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

35. The country experienced a _____ increase in population.

adj. happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt

36. The brothers _____ each other in the hobby.

v. to look like or be similar to someone or something

37. An _____ tide wrecked the ship.

adj. behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly

38. The brakes on the car began to _____ as the driver suddenly stopped at the intersection.

v. to make a loud, high-pitched, piercing sound, often indicating pain or fear

39. The _____ triumph over adversity was the theme of this play.

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

ANSWERS: 32. invest, 33. facade, 34. blind, 35. gradual, 36. resemble, 37. aggressive, 38. screech, 39. protagonist's

40. I prefer using _____ meals when short on time and don't feel like cooking from scratch.

adj. (of a product) already made or prepared; (of an idea or solution) preconceived or complete and requiring no further development or work

41. The museum houses a _____ collection of Celtic artifacts.

adj. extremely interesting

42. The organization works to _____ drug addicts and help them rebuild their lives.

v. to restore to good health or physical condition; to help someone return to a normal life, especially after a period of illness, addiction, or imprisonment

43. Every five years, the provincial governors are _____.

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

44. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

45. This site _____ shares high-quality academic materials.

adv. at regular intervals or times

46. 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

47. The teacher told the students to memorize the math _____.

n. a group of symbols, letters, or numbers that represent a rule, law, or mathematical statement

ANSWERS: 40. ready-made, 41. fascinating, 42. rehabilitate, 43. elected, 44. Communal, 45. regularly, 46. spirit, 47. formula

48. The _____ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.
n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
49. The _____ occasionally preaches at this church.
n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
50. The _____ partially destroyed my vehicle.
n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
51. Global _____ is rising in virtually every industry.
n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
52. I am going to trim this _____ off.
n. a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
53. Creativity and _____ are often brought about by extreme concentration.
n. the quality of inventing things or solving problems in clever new ways
54. She glanced _____ at the conversation of the boy she was interested in.
adv. towards or from the side; with one side forward or to the front; (adjective, of movement) at an angle
55. The _____ disappearance of the ship remains unsolved.
adj. difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
56. The investment fund offered _____ for a company on the brink of bankruptcy.
n. the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project

ANSWERS: 48. argument, 49. minister, 50. accident, 51. competition, 52. bush, 53. ingenuity, 54. sideways, 55. mysterious, 56. financing

57. The _____ fireworks display was the highlight of the festival.
adj. striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement
58. The _____ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.
n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
59. He is in _____ searching for a new job since he has no experience in the field.
adj. having an excessively high opinion of oneself; excessively concerned with one's appearance or achievements; producing no result or effect, or being unsuccessful
60. The _____ politician was finally exposed and faced criminal charges.
adj. characterized by dishonest behavior or actions, often involving bribery, fraud, or the abuse of power for personal gain; morally or ethically flawed or polluted;
(verb) to make someone or something morally depraved or causing it to become dishonest
61. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.
n. a chance that something may happen or be true
62. Many famous _____ are within walking distance.
n. the ability to see; anything that is seen
63. He tries to _____ the ship's captain to export illegal products.
v. to try to make someone do something to gain one's favors or influence by giving a gift of money or other inducements
64. 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

ANSWERS: 57. spectacular, 58. germ, 59. vain, 60. corrupt, 61. possibility, 62. sights, 63. bribe, 64. government

65. 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
66. The newspaper editor decided to _____ the controversial headline to avoid backlash.
- n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information
67. The military commander acted with great _____ to secure the safety of his troops.
- n.* an urgent or pressing need or demand; a situation that requires immediate attention or action
68. Promising entrepreneurs often have a high _____ sensibility.
- adj.* of or relating to art or artist; satisfying aesthetic standards and sensibilities
69. We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction _____ on the main road.
- n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
70. The shredder in the print room often has paper _____.
- n.* a situation in which something becomes stuck because of a dense crowd of people, vehicles, etc.; a preserve of crushed fruit

ANSWERS: 65. process, 66. censor, 67. exigency, 68. artistic, 69. traffic, 70. jams

71. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.
v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
72. I wish people would stop trying to _____ fundamental human rights issues.
v. to make something political or to involve it in politics, often for personal or ideological gain or to influence public opinion
73. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
74. The wedding _____ was held in the grand ballroom of the hotel.
n. the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people
75. He was _____ of the fact that the meeting had been moved to a different location.
adj. lacking knowledge or awareness in general; uneducated or unsophisticated; unaware of certain facts or information
76. After the accident, three governmental bodies _____ the company.
v. to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
77. There was a long _____ at the popular attraction.
n. a line of people or vehicles, especially one that forms outside a place of entertainment or a public building, waiting for something to become available
78. The public is _____ that the prime minister has committed fraud.
adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

ANSWERS: 71. confer, 72. politicize, 73. environment, 74. reception, 75. ignorant, 76. administer, 77. queue, 78. convinced

79. The chairperson _____ him the right to speak.

v. to agree to give or allow somebody

80. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.

v. to be all around something or somebody

81. The _____ at the store helped me find what I needed.

n. a person who works in an office and is responsible for keeping records, writing letters, etc.; a person who works in a store and is responsible for serving customers

82. The _____ mood at the funeral was palpable.

adj. having a serious or sad atmosphere or character; gloomy or dark

83. 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.

84. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.

v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

85. We could hear the _____ of baby birds.

n. a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

86. I have _____ my keys again and need help finding them.

v. to put something in the wrong place or lose it temporarily

ANSWERS: 79. granted, 80. surround, 81. clerk, 82. somber, 83. educate, 84. define, 85. tweet, 86. misplaced

87. We gain higher levels of social _____ and stability.

n. the act or state of keeping or sticking together

88. The phenomenon is _____ at optical wavelengths.

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

89. The customs agents seized the _____ shipment.

adj. not allowed by law

90. She looked _____ on her wedding day.

adj. emitting light or heat; shining brightly

91. He couldn't bear the thought of acting against his _____ even if it meant losing the job.

n. a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior

92. The mountain was _____ with snow.

v. to cause liquid to scatter in irregular drops, especially with force

93. The elderly _____ greeted customers and helped them find what they sought.

n. a person who owns or manages a shop, especially a small local business

94. They _____ the tradition of holding a parade on the main street every year.

v. to bring back to life, consciousness, or strength; to restore

95. They have tried to _____ their grocery stores.

v. to change something so drastically that it looks to be completely new

ANSWERS: 87. cohesion, 88. invisible, 89. illegal, 90. radiant, 91. conscience, 92. splashed, 93. shopkeeper, 94. revived, 95. reinvent

96. The famous restaurant stands _____ up the hill.

adj. in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points

97. Malaria is _____ in many tropical countries.

adj. (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area

98. My father's death _____ my life completely.

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

99. The _____ practice of gladiator fighting was popular in ancient Rome.

adj. characterized by extreme cruelty or brutal violence; resembling the behaviors or practices of a barbarian or uncivilized society

100. His gaffe spoiled the _____ of the dinner party.

n. the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind

101. 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

102. The _____ lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

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

103. He was very _____ and didn't believe anything anyone said unless he saw evidence for himself.

adj. believing that people are motivated by self-interest; distrustful of human sincerity or integrity

ANSWERS: 96. halfway, 97. endemic, 98. transformed, 99. barbaric, 100. mood, 101. develop, 102. politician, 103. cynical

104. The _____ government is responsible for maintaining the roads and public transportation in the city.
adj. of or relating to a municipality, which is a small administrative division within a larger city or town
105. The _____ truck will be coming to pick up the trash every Monday morning.
n. waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse
106. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.
n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
107. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
108. The crowd's _____ was palpable as they shouted and protested against the government's decision.
n. intense and often violent anger
109. The club _____ does not have absolute power.
n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
110. His friend's death drove him to _____.
n. the feeling that there is no hope and you cannot do anything to improve a difficult situation
111. We all _____ him because he is a nobleman.
v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

ANSWERS: 104. municipal, 105. garbage, 106. desire, 107. inspired, 108. fury, 109. president, 110. despair, 111. admire

112. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.

- v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

113. The new policy aims to _____ the use of renewable energy sources.

- v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

114. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.

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

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

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

116. He received a _____ in computer programming from the local college.

- n.* an official document stating that the information contained within is true

117. The car hit a _____ and caused a flat tire.

- n.* a hole or depression in a road surface, usually caused by wear, weathering, or erosion; can be dangerous to drivers and cause damage to vehicles

118. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.

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

119. She had lived through two world wars in her _____.

- n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

ANSWERS: 112. represent, 113. institutionalize, 114. context, 115. instrument, 116. certificate, 117. pothole, 118. locate, 119. lifetime

120. We enjoyed a picnic on the _____ and watched the boats go by.

- n.* the land along the edge of a river, often used for recreation or agricultural purposes

ANSWERS: 120. riverbank