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Session 1: Word List

sculptor

n. an artist who creates sculptures, three-dimensional objects, or forms

synonym: carver, modeler, artist

(1) **sculptor** studio, (2) renowned **sculptor**

The famous **sculptor** used various tools to carve the marble into the desired shape.

upstairs

adv. on or to an upper or highest floor of a building

synonym: above, upper

(1) live **upstairs**, (2) go **upstairs** to rest

I heard a noise **upstairs**.

enforce

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

synonym: execute, implement, administer

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

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

balcony

n. a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space

synonym: terrace, veranda, deck

(1) **balcony** view, (2) **balcony** seating

They enjoyed a romantic dinner on the **balcony** overlooking

the city.

incredibly

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

synonym: enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

(1) **incredibly** cheerful character, (2) get **incredibly** insecure

Several cities are experiencing **incredibly** high unemployment rates.

ridiculous

adj. very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at

synonym: absurd, fatuous, foolish

(1) a **ridiculous** amount of money, (2) a **ridiculous** suggestion

Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as **ridiculous** but was later proven correct.

mummy

n. a body of a human or animal that has been preserved, typically by being embalmed and wrapped in linen or other material

synonym: corpse, remains

(1) **mummy** tomb, (2) ancient Egyptian **mummy**

The well-preserved **mummy** was discovered in an ancient tomb in the desert.

claustrophobia

n. a persistent and intense fear of enclosed or small spaces

(1) overcome **claustrophobia**,

(2) **claustrophobia-inducing**

She suffered from **claustrophobia** and couldn't take elevators.

weird

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

synonym: bizarre, creepy, peculiar

(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**

My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

immobility

n. the state of being unable to move; the quality of being unable to be moved or changed easily

synonym: inactivity, stillness, paralysis

(1) emotional **immobility**, (2) the **immobility** of a rock

The airplane crash resulted in the **immobility** of several passengers due to their injuries.

freaky

adj. strange or unusual in a way that is frightening or unsettling

synonym: weird, strange, unusual

(1) **freaky** accident, (2) **freaky-deaky**

The **freaky** clown at the haunted house scared the children.

cult

n. a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

synonym: sect, faith, religion

(1) **cult** members, (2) **cult's** practices

The **cult** leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym: fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

dimension

n. a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

synonym: extent, measurement, size

(1) new **dimension**, (2) the crosswise **dimension**

Overall **dimensions** are approximately 400x200mm.

limitless

adj. without end, limit, or boundary; infinite

synonym: boundless, infinite, unrestricted

(1) for a **limitless** time, (2) **limitless** potential
The possibilities for scientific discovery are **limitless**.

endless

adj. having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount

synonym : infinite, ceaseless, boundless

(1) **endless** possibilities, (2) **endless** hours

He looked out the window at the **endless** stream of people.

sculpture

n. the art of creating three-dimensional objects or forms, typically by carving, modeling, or casting in a variety of materials such as stone, wood, metal, or clay

synonym : statuary, carving, modeling

(1) create **sculpture**, (2) abstract **sculpture**

The ancient Greek **sculptures** are known for their realism and attention to detail.

paradox

n. a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;

synonym : incongruity, dichotomy, contradiction

(1) French **paradox**, (2) the **paradox** of the heap

There are many theories to explain this **paradox**.

propose

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

synonym : suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes

I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

asleep

adj. in a state of sleep

synonym : sleeping, fallen, at rest

(1) **asleep** at the wheel, (2) dead **asleep**

He lay down and fell **asleep** immediately.

lift

v. to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different

position

synonym : raise, elevate, move up

(1) **lift** sagging skin, (2) **lift** a ban on alcohol

The drought **lifted** the prices of grain globally.

radial

adj. of or relating to rays or the radii of a circle; spreading out from a central point

synonym : concentric, central, spoke-like

(1) **radial** symmetry, (2) in a **radial** direction

The **radial** design of the wheel allows for maximum strength and stability.

pile

n. a collection of objects positioned one on top of another; a large sum of something, such as money

synonym : accumulation, heap, stack

(1) a sand **pile**, (2) the height of a **pile**

After the party, they had to clean up **piles** of dirty dishes.

rearrange

v. to change the order or position of things already made; to change the time, date, or place of an event already planned

synonym : readjust, reorganize, reconstruct

(1) **rearrange** the furniture, (2) **rearrange** his schedule

Please **rearrange** these files as we start a new project tomorrow.

desert

n. arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

(1) **desert** basin, (2) oasis in the **desert**

This region is predominantly **desert**.

fuss

n. a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance

synonym : commotion, agitation, disturbance

(1) make a **fuss**, (2) get into a **fuss**

There was a **fuss** about the broken vase, but it was quickly forgotten.

slide

v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

synonym : glide, drift, drop

(1) **slide** a card across the table, (2) **slide** a glance

If necessary, you can **slide** the front seats forward.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym : insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme

The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

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.

geology

n. a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks

synonym : earth science

(1) bureau of **geology**, (2) local **geology**

He was a visiting **geology** professor at the University of Tokyo.

erosion

n. the wearing away of rock, soil, or land by natural processes such as wind or water

synonym : corrosion, weathering, decay

(1) **erosion** control, (2) wind **erosion**

The **erosion** of the coastline has accelerated due to rising sea levels.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym : specialized, technical

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

Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

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**.

intimate

adj. having a very close friendship, personal

synonym : close, tight, friendly

(1) my **intimate** affairs, (2) **intimate** relationship

He has an **intimate** knowledge of American history.

studio

n. a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

synonym : workshop, atelier, room

(1) a photo **studio**, (2) music **studio**

She works at a recording **studio** in Los Angeles.

mold

n. a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

synonym : cavity, cast, mildew

(1) a casting **mold**, (2) **mold** allergy

Mushrooms and **mold** are fungi.

evidential

adj. providing or related to facts

synonym : indicative, evidentiary

(1) **evidential** hearing, (2) **evidential** fact

All juries should have a copy of the **evidential** data.

index

n. a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index

synonym :

list, directory, indicator

(1) a full-text **index**, (2) health **index**

The stock market **index** measures the performance of a group of stocks.

neutrino

n. a very small and electrically neutral particle with a very small mass that rarely reacts with other matter

(1) **neutrino** capture, (2) sterile **neutrinos**

This laboratory has a pool consisting of thousands of **neutrino** detectors.

cosmic

adj. relating to the universe or cosmos; vast or limitless

synonym: astronomical, celestial, outer-space

(1) second **cosmic** velocity, (2) **cosmic** background radiation

Cosmic rays are high-energy particles that originate from outside the solar system.

ray

n. a narrow line of light, heat, or another form of energy

synonym: beam, light, glimmer

(1) opaque to X- **rays**, (2) effect of cosmic **rays**

Gamma **rays** penetrate body tissues and cause cell damage.

bound

v. to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something

synonym: jump, bounce, leap

(1) **bounded** with delight, (2) **bound** up a staircase

Canada **bounds** on the United States.

reverse

v. to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

synonym: overturn, shift, switch

(1) **reverse** the trend, (2) **reverse** the order

The restaurant **reversed** a ban on smoking.

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.

lump

n. a small, irregularly shaped mass or piece, typically of a soft substance such as coal, flour, or dough

synonym : mass, clump, ball

(1) **lump** in the throat, (2) single **lump** sum

There is a small **lump** on my neck, and I'm concerned about it.

marble

n. a hard crystalline metamorphic rock that has a pattern of lines going through it and takes a high polish used for sculpture and as building material; a small ball made of stone, especially one used in children's games

synonym : stone, rock, sphere

(1) **marble** statues, (2) artificial **marble**

The floor was made of white and black **marble** arranged in a checkerboard pattern.

drill

n. a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice

synonym : exercise, routine, training

(1) the **drill** hit the well, (2) fire **drill**

Several military **drill** programs have become popular methods of exercise.

identify

v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

synonym : determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

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.

distinction

n. a difference or contrast between similar things or people

synonym: eminence, noteworthiness, excellence

(1) important **distinction**, (2) draw a **distinction**

I can't see any **distinction** between these two concepts.

substance

n. the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug

synonym: essence, core, material

(1) an explosive **substance**, (2) **substance** abuse problem

The **substance** of the argument was well-presented.

visible

adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view

synonym: clear, observable, seeable

(1) **visible** stars, (2) **visible** by X-ray

My home is easily **visible** from the shore.

exclusive

adj. not divided or shared with others

synonym: sole, deluxe, limited

(1) **exclusive** authority, (2) **exclusive** clubs

The condo offers **exclusive** access to the beach.

membrane

n. a soft, thin layer that forms animal or vegetable tissue

synonym: tissue layer

(1) cell **membranes**, (2) nuclear **membrane**

Loud noises might harm the fragile ear **membrane**.

occupy

v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time

synonym: inhabit, settle, populate

(1) **occupy** his time, (2) **occupy** a position

The young prince will soon **occupy** the throne.

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.

gravity

n. the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

synonym: heaviness, attraction, weight

(1) the attraction of **gravity**, (2) preserve my **gravity**

The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of **gravity**.

indicate

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

synonym: hint, suggest, show

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

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

reflex

n. an automatic and unthinking response to a particular stimulus; a physical reaction to external stimuli

synonym: reaction, response, instinct

(1) **reflex** test, (2) knee **reflex**

My leg kicked involuntarily when the doctor tapped my knee with the **reflex** hammer.

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**.

particle

n. a small piece of something; a word or piece of a term with grammatical function but little or no significance

synonym: atom, grain, bit

(1) charged **particle**, (2) **particle** energy

We can calculate the position of the **particles** statistically.

nucleus

n. the central and most important part of something; (biology) a part of the cell containing DNA and RNA and responsible for growth and reproduction; (physics) the very dense central region of an atom

synonym: core, heart, middle

(1) form a **nucleus**, (2) the **nucleus** of a team

DNA is stored in the **nucleus** of a cell.

statue

n. a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way

synonym: sculpture, figurine, monument

(1) a beautiful **statue**, (2) the ancient Egyptian **statues**

The **statue** of the famous hero stood proudly in the town square.

release

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

synonym: free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO₂ into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

entropy

n. a scientific concept that is most commonly associated with a state of disorder, randomness, or uncertainty

synonym: randomness

(1) **entropy** calculation, (2) **entropy** conservation

Since the second law of thermodynamics is applicable to the universe, the **entropy** of the universe continues to increase.

concentration

n. the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.

synonym: attention, engagement, assiduity

(1) **concentration** of armaments, (2) his research area of **concentration**

This exam requires excellent **concentration** to pass.

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.

horizon

n. the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated

synonym: skyline, view, visible boundary

(1) the event **horizon** of a black hole, (2) business **horizon**

As the sun set, the colors of the sky merged with the **horizon**, creating a beautiful orange and pink hue.

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**.

catalyst

n. a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself

synonym: accelerator, stimulant, motivation

(1) a **catalyst** in the process of hydrolysis, (2) **catalyst** for reform

The global financial crisis acted as a **catalyst** to unite the

country.

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

firsthand

adv. from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source

synonym: direct

(1) hear customer's voices **firsthand**, (2) conduct **firsthand** research

The manager tried to hear customers' voices **firsthand**.

industrial

adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry

synonym: manufacturing, mechanical

(1) beginning of the **industrial** revolution, (2) **industrial** alcohol

Industrial design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.

tide

n. the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull

synonym: ripple, surge, swell

(1) **tide** cycle, (2) ride the **tide** of change

Red **tide** is often harmful to the local ecosystem.

multiply

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

synonym: boost, amplify, reproduce

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

Multiply a number by itself twice.

mechanical

adj. operated by a machine, relating to or concerned with machinery or tools

synonym : machinelike, automated, automatic

(1) a **mechanical** style of writing, (2) the influence of **mechanical** action

A **mechanical** engineer is still in demand in many companies.

reproduction

n. the process by which organisms create offspring; the production of something similar to an original work

synonym : procreation, replication, duplication

(1) **reproduction** rate, (2) **reproduction** system

The **reproduction** of the plant depends on the pollinators.

disappear

v. to cease to exist or be visible

synonym : fade, evaporate, vanish

(1) **disappear** without a trace, (2) **disappear** after a week

They watched the train **disappear** into the distance.

typical

adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

synonym : characteristic, usual, distinctive

(1) **typical** leader, (2) fairly **typical** symptoms

This artwork is **typical** of her work.

installation

n. the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position

synonym : induction, introduction, furnishing

(1) **installation** fee, (2) a medical **installation**

The Queen attested the **installation** of state ministers to their portfolios.

involve

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

synonym : implicate, include, engage

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

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

surrogate

adj. acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose

synonym : substitute, replacement, deputy

(1) **surrogate** pregnancy, (2) **surrogate** decision

The **surrogate** mother gave birth to a healthy baby for the couple who couldn't conceive independently.

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym : association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

body-building

n. the practice of developing and increasing the size, strength, and definition of muscles through exercise, diet, and sometimes the use of supplements or performance-enhancing drugs

synonym : weight training, muscle building, strength training

(1) **body-building** routine, (2) **body-building** supplements

John spends several hours a day lifting weights for **body-building** purposes.

supplant

v. to replace or take the place of something or someone, often by force or through strategic maneuvering; to make obsolete or obsolete by introducing a superior or more advanced alternative

synonym : replace, supersede, displace

(1) **supplant** traditional methods, (2) **supplant** current technology

The young startup aims to **supplant** the established players in the industry through innovation.

biology

n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

(1) evolutionary **biology**, (2) cell and molecular **biology**

In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in **biology** class.

architecture

n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings

synonym: design, structure, layout

(1) **architecture** design, (2) classic **architecture**

The city is known for its impressive **architecture** and beautiful old buildings.

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.

bunker

n. a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel

synonym: shelter, fortification, defense

(1) coal **bunker**, (2) **bunker** facility

The soldiers took cover in the dug-out **bunker** during the bombing.

crouch

v. to put your body close to the ground, especially as a way of avoiding being seen

synonym: bend down, squat, stoop

(1) **crouch** into a ball, (2) **crouch** around a fire

He **crouched** down behind the bushes to avoid being seen.

slot

n. a long, narrow opening or groove, typically one that is cut into a hard material, that is designed to receive and hold an object in place

synonym : notch, groove, channel

(1) memory **slot**, (2) mail **slot**

I inserted the coin into the **slot** and hit the button to start the game.

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.

interior

n. the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building

synonym : inner, inside, internal

(1) **interior** decoration, (2) plenty of **interior** space

The painter focused on the moody **interiors** of abandoned buildings in his work.

idiom

n. a group of words that have a different meaning when used together than the literal meanings of each individual word; a phrase or expression that has a figurative or cultural meaning understood by native speakers of a language

synonym : expression, phrase, saying

(1) common **idiom**, (2) **idiom** dictionary

The **idiom** usage in his novel paints a vivid picture of life in the Southern United States.

transfer

v. to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another

synonym : move, relocate, shift

(1) **transfer** a file, (2) **transfer** power

She **transferred** the money from her savings account to her checking account.

architectural

adj. of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures

synonym : structural, building, constructive

(1) study **architectural** engineering, (2) beautiful **architectural** landmarks

The **architectural** style of the building was a mix of modern and traditional.

metaphor

n. a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity

synonym : conceit, analogy, symbol

(1) **metaphor** for death, (2) visual **metaphor**

She expressed her thought in an artful choice of **metaphors**.

systolic

adj. relating to or denoting the highest pressure in the arteries during contraction of the heart, typically occurring during the heartbeat cycle

synonym : contractile, pulsatile, beating

(1) **systolic** heart failure, (2) **systolic** dysfunction

Her **systolic** blood pressure was high, indicating potential heart problems.

diastolic

adj. relating to the portion of the cardiac cycle when the heart's ventricles are relaxed and filling with blood, typically characterized by lower blood pressure readings

synonym : relaxed, resting, calm

(1) **diastolic** heart failure, (2) **diastolic** dysfunction

His **diastolic** blood pressure was higher than normal, indicating potential cardiovascular problems.

somatic

adj. relating to the body, especially as distinct from the mind or spirit; pertaining to the physical aspects of an organism or its functions

synonym : bodily, physical, corporeal

(1) **somatic** cell, (2) **somatic** symptoms

The **somatic** sensations in my body increased as I stepped into the hot bath.

narrative

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

synonym: the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**

The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

proportion

n. a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole

synonym: ratio, balance, consonance

(1) direct **proportion**, (2) a building of vast **proportions**

He is more concerned about the **proportion** of his body fat than usual because of an upcoming bodybuilding competition.

aggregation

n. a collection or assembly of things or individuals; the act of bringing things or individuals together

synonym: collection, cluster, assembly

(1) protein **aggregation**, (2) social media **aggregation**

The **aggregation** of data helped us identify patterns in customer behavior.

interconnect

v. to connect similar things

synonym: interlink, complect, annex

(1) directly **interconnect** with those systems, (2) human activities **interconnect** with the environment

Our system can now **interconnect** with other databases.

visual

adj. relating to seeing or sight

synonym: optical, graphical, visible

(1) **visual** navigation, (2) field of **visual** arts

The building makes a remarkable **visual** impact.

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.

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.

vapor

n. a mass of tiny liquid drops in the air

synonym : condensation, dew, fog

(1) alcohol **vapor**, (2) water **vapor** in the atmosphere

Clouds form when water **vapor** rises to the upper atmosphere.

atmosphere

n. the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work

synonym : air, ambiance, circumstances

(1) carbon dioxide in the **atmosphere**, (2) a convivial **atmosphere**

The spaceship began to burn up as it approached the Earth's **atmosphere**.

atmospheric

adj. about or located in the earth's atmosphere

synonym : atmospherical, climatic

(1) doubling of **atmospheric** carbon dioxide,

(2) **atmospheric** pressure

The sea surface temperature and **atmospheric** circulation are inextricably linked.

threshold

n. the floor or ground that forms the bottom of a doorway and offers support when passing through a doorway; the smallest detectable sensation

synonym : anteroom, brink, verge

(1) the **threshold** between rooms, (2) high pain **threshold**
She's on the **threshold** of adulthood.

conscious

adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

synonym : aware, cognizant, deliberate

(1) **conscious** effort, (2) **conscious** of having succeeded
He became **conscious** that he was being followed.

obligatory

adj. required by a rule, law, or social convention; compulsory

synonym : mandatory, required, compulsory

(1) **obligatory** audit, (2) an **obligatory** subject
Attending the meeting was **obligatory** for all employees.

disembodied

adj. without a physical body; not having a material form

synonym : bodiless, insubstantial, ghostly

(1) a **disembodied** spirit, (2) **disembodied** feeling
The ghost's **disembodied** voice whispered in the darkness.

ambient

adj. relating to the immediate surroundings of something; creating a particular atmosphere or mood, often through sound or lighting

synonym : atmospheric, surrounding, encompassing

(1) **ambient** temperature, (2) **ambient** air pollution
The **ambient** lighting in the restaurant created a cozy and romantic atmosphere.

zone

n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

synonym : area, region, territory

(1) time **zone**, (2) **zone** defense
He was reluctant to leave his comfort **zone** and try something new.

representation

n. the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting

synonym: delegacy, manifestation, expression

(1) sales **representation**, (2) binary **representation**

A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal **representation**.

monetary

adj. of or relating to the money in the country

synonym: financial, fiscal, economic

(1) the stance of **monetary** policy, (2) **monetary** rewards

The policy might bring more excellent **monetary** stability to the country.

exchange

v. to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

synonym: trade, swap, interchange

(1) **exchange** rate, (2) **exchange** a few friendly words

My sister and I frequently **exchange** books, as we love reading.

assert

v. to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true

synonym: maintain, state, declare

(1) **assert** a free society, (2) **assert** a claim for unjust enrichment

She **asserted** that she was innocent, despite the evidence against her.

cage

n. a structure made of metal bars or wire in which birds or animals can be kept

synonym: enclosure, jail, corral

(1) an insect **cage**, (2) a bird in a **cage**

The trapped bear is running amok in its **cage**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. de___e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
2. sales rep_____ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
3. cla_____bia-inducing *n.* a persistent and intense fear of enclosed or small spaces
4. renowned sc_____or *n.* an artist who creates sculptures, three-dimensional objects, or forms
5. the imm_____ty of a rock *n.* the state of being unable to move; the quality of being unable to be moved or changed easily
6. preserve my gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
7. v__d contract *n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force
8. the state of being we__d *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
9. for a li_____ss time *adj.* without end, limit, or boundary; infinite
10. ty_____l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
11. re_____e the order *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

ANSWERS: 1. define, 2. representation, 3. claustrophobia, 4. sculptor, 5. immobility, 6. gravity, 7. void, 8. weird, 9. limitless, 10. typical, 11. reverse

12. a convivial atm_____re
n. the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work
13. visual me_____or
n. a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
14. su_____ce abuse problem
n. the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
15. important dis_____on
n. a difference or contrast between similar things or people
16. am_____t temperature
adj. relating to the immediate surroundings of something; creating a particular atmosphere or mood, often through sound or lighting
17. lo___e a tumor
v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
18. pos_____ty for growth
n. a chance that something may happen or be true
19. co_____us effort
adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
20. in_____te relationship
adj. having a very close friendship, personal
21. dis_____ed feeling
adj. without a physical body; not having a material form
22. id_____fy handwriting
v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

ANSWERS: 12. atmosphere, 13. metaphor, 14. substance, 15. distinction, 16. ambient, 17. locate, 18. possibility, 19. conscious, 20. intimate, 21. disembodied, 22. identify

23. em____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
24. tr____er a file *v.* to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another
25. as____t a free society *v.* to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true
26. his research area of con_____ion *n.* the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.
27. rep_____ion system *n.* the process by which organisms create offspring; the production of something similar to an original work
28. 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
29. pa____le energy *n.* a small piece of something; a word or piece of a term with grammatical function but little or no significance
30. di_____ic dysfunction *adj.* relating to the portion of the cardiac cycle when the heart's ventricles are relaxed and filling with blood, typically characterized by lower blood pressure readings
31. bl__d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

ANSWERS: 23. empathy, 24. transfer, 25. assert, 26. concentration, 27. reproduction, 28. perception, 29. particle, 30. diastolic, 31. blind

32. 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
33. su_____te decision *adj.* acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose
34. as___p at the wheel *adj.* in a state of sleep
35. cell and molecular bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
36. bo__d up a staircase *v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
37. new di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
38. en_____e the law *v.* to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation
39. a rid_____us amount of money *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
40. re_____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
41. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
42. ex_____ve clubs *adj.* not divided or shared with others
43. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
44. the influence of mec_____al action *adj.* operated by a machine, relating to or concerned with machinery or tools

ANSWERS: 32. concrete, 33. surrogate, 34. asleep, 35. biology, 36. bound, 37. dimension, 38. enforce, 39. ridiculous, 40. release, 41. involve, 42. exclusive, 43. environment, 44. mechanical

45. get into a f__s *n.* a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance
46. co___r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
47. mu_____ly about hundredfold *v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
48. pr_____e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
49. a medical ins_____ion *n.* the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position
50. sc_____or studio *n.* an artist who creates sculptures, three-dimensional objects, or forms
51. live up_____rs *adv.* on or to an upper or highest floor of a building
52. ancient Egyptian mu__y *n.* a body of a human or animal that has been preserved, typically by being embalmed and wrapped in linen or other material
53. social media agg_____on *n.* a collection or assembly of things or individuals; the act of bringing things or individuals together
54. ne_____no capture *n.* a very small and electrically neutral particle with a very small mass that rarely reacts with other matter

ANSWERS: 45. fuss, 46. confer, 47. multiply, 48. propose, 49. installation, 50. sculptor, 51. upstairs, 52. mummy, 53. aggregation, 54. neutrino

55. pr____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
56. re____x test *n.* an automatic and unthinking response to a particular stimulus; a physical reaction to external stimuli
57. an insect c__e *n.* a structure made of metal bars or wire in which birds or animals can be kept
58. en____y calculation *n.* a scientific concept that is most commonly associated with a state of disorder, randomness, or uncertainty
59. full of em____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
60. c__t's practices *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
61. oc____y a position *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
62. alcohol va__r *n.* a mass of tiny liquid drops in the air
63. mo____n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
64. a sand p__e *n.* a collection of objects positioned one on top of another; a large sum of something, such as money
65. common id__m *n.* a group of words that have a different meaning when used together than the literal meanings of each individual word; a phrase or expression that has a figurative or cultural meaning understood by native speakers of a language

ANSWERS: 55. propose, 56. reflex, 57. cage, 58. entropy, 59. empathy, 60. cult, 61. occupy, 62. vapor, 63. modern, 64. pile, 65. idiom

66. co_____us of having succeeded *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
67. me_____or for death *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
68. create sc_____re *n.* the art of creating three-dimensional objects or forms, typically by carving, modeling, or casting in a variety of materials such as stone, wood, metal, or clay
69. na_____ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
70. telescopic vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
71. en_____s hours *adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount
72. nuclear me_____ne *n.* a soft, thin layer that forms animal or vegetable tissue
73. evolutionary bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
74. time z__e *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
75. a bird in a c__e *n.* a structure made of metal bars or wire in which birds or animals can be kept
76. 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

ANSWERS: 66. conscious, 67. metaphor, 68. sculpture, 69. narrative, 70. vision, 71. endless, 72. membrane, 73. biology, 74. zone, 75. cage, 76. perception

77. am_____t air pollution *adj.* relating to the immediate surroundings of something; creating a particular atmosphere or mood, often through sound or lighting
78. re_____ge his schedule *v.* to change the order or position of things already made; to change the time, date, or place of an event already planned
79. ex_____ve authority *adj.* not divided or shared with others
80. effect of cosmic r_ys *n.* a narrow line of light, heat, or another form of energy
81. di_____ar without a trace *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
82. vi___l navigation *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
83. water va__r in the atmosphere *n.* a mass of tiny liquid drops in the air
84. de___t basin *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
85. in_____te a preference *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
86. m__d allergy *n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
87. directly int_____ect with those systems *v.* to connect similar things

ANSWERS: 77. ambient, 78. rearrange, 79. exclusive, 80. ray, 81. disappear, 82. visual, 83. vapor, 84. desert, 85. indicate, 86. mold, 87. interconnect

88. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
89. in_____or decoration *n.* the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
90. bo__ded with delight *v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
91. dead as____p *adj.* in a state of sleep
92. mo_____ry rewards *adj.* of or relating to the money in the country
93. v__d of expression *n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force
94. a beautiful st____e *n.* a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way
95. field of vi____l arts *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
96. memory s__t *n.* a long, narrow opening or groove, typically one that is cut into a hard material, that is designed to receive and hold an object in place
97. carbon dioxide in the atm_____re *n.* the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work
98. ba_____y seating *n.* a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space
99. the th_____ld between rooms *n.* the floor or ground that forms the bottom of a doorway and offers support when passing through a doorway; the smallest detectable sensation

ANSWERS: 88. imaginary, 89. interior, 90. bound, 91. asleep, 92. monetary, 93. void, 94. statue, 95. visual, 96. slot, 97. atmosphere, 98. balcony, 99. threshold

100. su_____nt traditional methods *v.* to replace or take the place of something or someone, often by force or through strategic maneuvering; to make obsolete or obsolete by introducing a superior or more advanced alternative
101. opaque to X-r_ys *n.* a narrow line of light, heat, or another form of energy
102. a mec_____al style of writing *adj.* operated by a machine, relating to or concerned with machinery or tools
103. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
104. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
105. rep_____ion rate *n.* the process by which organisms create offspring; the production of something similar to an original work
106. local ge_____y *n.* a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks
107. vi_____e stars *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
108. a building of vast pro_____ons *n.* a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole
109. the pa_____x of the heap *n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;

ANSWERS: 100. supplant, 101. ray, 102. mechanical, 103. define, 104. involve, 105. reproduction, 106. geology, 107. visible, 108. proportion, 109. paradox

110. abstract sc_____re *n.* the art of creating three-dimensional objects or forms, typically by carving, modeling, or casting in a variety of materials such as stone, wood, metal, or clay
111. cr___h around a fire *v.* to put your body close to the ground, especially as a way of avoiding being seen
112. obl_____ry audit *adj.* required by a rule, law, or social convention; compulsory
113. en_____s possibilities *adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount
114. cell me_____nes *n.* a soft, thin layer that forms animal or vegetable tissue
115. co___r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
116. ba_____y view *n.* a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space
117. a full-text in__x *n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index
118. arc_____ure design *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings

ANSWERS: 110. sculpture, 111. crouch, 112. obligatory, 113. endless, 114. membrane, 115. confer, 116. balcony, 117. index, 118. architecture

119. a ca____st in the process of hydrolysis *n.* a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself
120. human activities int_____ect with the environment *v.* to connect similar things
121. c__t members *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
122. overcome cla_____bia *n.* a persistent and intense fear of enclosed or small spaces
123. evi_____al fact *adj.* providing or related to facts
124. sterile ne_____nos *n.* a very small and electrically neutral particle with a very small mass that rarely reacts with other matter
125. 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
126. as____t a claim for unjust enrichment *v.* to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true
127. beautiful arc_____ral landmarks *adj.* of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures

ANSWERS: 119. catalyst, 120. interconnect, 121. cult, 122. claustrophobia, 123. evidential, 124. neutrino, 125. tradition, 126. assert, 127. architectural

128. co___c background radiation *adj.* relating to the universe or cosmos; vast or limitless
129. business ho_____n *n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
130. en_____e a contract *v.* to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation
131. form a nu_____s *n.* the central and most important part of something; (biology) a part of the cell containing DNA and RNA and responsible for growth and reproduction; (physics) the very dense central region of an atom
132. health in__x *n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index
133. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
134. doubling of atm_____ic carbon dioxide *adj.* about or located in the earth's atmosphere
135. l__p in the throat *n.* a small, irregularly shaped mass or piece, typically of a soft substance such as coal, flour, or dough
136. z__e defense *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

ANSWERS: 128. cosmic, 129. horizon, 130. enforce, 131. nucleus, 132. index, 133. incredibly, 134. atmospheric, 135. lump, 136. zone

137. the dr__l hit the well *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
138. li_____ss potential *adj.* without end, limit, or boundary; infinite
139. re_____ge the furniture *v.* to change the order or position of things already made; to change the time, date, or place of an event already planned
140. mu_____ly 5 and 6 *v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
141. ride the t__e of change *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
142. a dis_____ed spirit *adj.* without a physical body; not having a material form
143. tec_____cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
144. oc___y his time *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
145. in a ra___l direction *adj.* of or relating to rays or the radii of a circle; spreading out from a central point
146. er_____n control *n.* the wearing away of rock, soil, or land by natural processes such as wind or water
147. an obl_____ry subject *adj.* required by a rule, law, or social convention; compulsory
148. tr_____er power *v.* to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another

ANSWERS: 137. drill, 138. limitless, 139. rearrange, 140. multiply, 141. tide, 142. disembodied, 143. technological, 144. occupy, 145. radial, 146. erosion, 147. obligatory, 148. transfer

149. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
150. di_____ic heart failure *adj.* relating to the portion of the cardiac cycle when the heart's ventricles are relaxed and filling with blood, typically characterized by lower blood pressure readings
151. the nu_____s of a team *n.* the central and most important part of something; (biology) a part of the cell containing DNA and RNA and responsible for growth and reproduction; (physics) the very dense central region of an atom
152. direct pro_____on *n.* a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole
153. draw a dis_____on *n.* a difference or contrast between similar things or people
154. the ancient Egyptian st___es *n.* a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way
155. wind er_____n *n.* the wearing away of rock, soil, or land by natural processes such as wind or water
156. fr___y accident *adj.* strange or unusual in a way that is frightening or unsettling
157. di_____ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
158. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind

ANSWERS: 149. slide, 150. diastolic, 151. nucleus, 152. proportion, 153. distinction, 154. statue, 155. erosion, 156. freaky, 157. disappear, 158. imaginary

159. re____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
160. personal na_____ve *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
161. tec_____cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
162. fr___y-deaky *adj.* strange or unusual in a way that is frightening or unsettling
163. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
164. classic arc_____ure *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
165. ex_____ge rate *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
166. ca_____st for reform *n.* a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself
167. bureau of ge_____y *n.* a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks
168. ind_____al alcohol *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry

ANSWERS: 159. release, 160. narrative, 161. technological, 162. freaky, 163. relation, 164. architecture, 165. exchange, 166. catalyst, 167. geology, 168. industrial

169. 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
170. sy_____ic dysfunction *adj.* relating to or denoting the highest pressure in the arteries during contraction of the heart, typically occurring during the heartbeat cycle
171. a photo st____o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
172. French pa_____x *n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
173. bod_____ing routine *n.* the practice of developing and increasing the size, strength, and definition of muscles through exercise, diet, and sometimes the use of supplements or performance-enhancing drugs
174. cr____h into a ball *v.* to put your body close to the ground, especially as a way of avoiding being seen
175. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
176. an explosive su_____ce *n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug

ANSWERS: 169. concrete, 170. systolic, 171. studio, 172. paradox, 173. body-building, 174. crouch, 175. identify, 176. substance

177. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
178. go up_____rs to rest *adv.* on or to an upper or highest floor of a building
179. mail s__t *n.* a long, narrow opening or groove, typically one that is cut into a hard material, that is designed to receive and hold an object in place
180. 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
181. pre-mo____n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
182. charged pa_____le *n.* a small piece of something; a word or piece of a term with grammatical function but little or no significance
183. plenty of in_____or space *n.* the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
184. mu__y tomb *n.* a body of a human or animal that has been preserved, typically by being embalmed and wrapped in linen or other material
185. high pain th_____ld *n.* the floor or ground that forms the bottom of a doorway and offers support when passing through a doorway; the smallest detectable sensation
186. beginning of the ind_____al revolution *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
187. the crosswise di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

ANSWERS: 177. incredibly, 178. upstairs, 179. slot, 180. vision, 181. modern, 182. particle, 183. interior, 184. mummy, 185. threshold, 186. industrial, 187. dimension

188. sy____ic heart failure *adj.* relating to or denoting the highest pressure in the arteries during contraction of the heart, typically occurring during the heartbeat cycle
189. in____te an error *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
190. id__m dictionary *n.* a group of words that have a different meaning when used together than the literal meanings of each individual word; a phrase or expression that has a figurative or cultural meaning understood by native speakers of a language
191. su_____te pregnancy *adj.* acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose
192. ins_____ion fee *n.* the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position
193. a we__d dress *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
194. my in____te affairs *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
195. bod_____ing supplements *n.* the practice of developing and increasing the size, strength, and definition of muscles through exercise, diet, and sometimes the use of supplements or performance-enhancing drugs

ANSWERS: 188. systolic, 189. indicate, 190. idiom, 191. surrogate, 192. installation, 193. weird, 194. intimate, 195. body-building

196. ra___l symmetry *adj.* of or relating to rays or the radii of a circle; spreading out from a central point
197. t__e cycle *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
198. hear customer's voices fi_____nd *adv.* from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source
199. con_____ion of armaments *n.* the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.
200. the height of a p__e *n.* a collection of objects positioned one on top of another; a large sum of something, such as money
201. ex_____ge a few friendly words *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
202. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
203. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
204. fairly ty_____l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
205. a rid_____us suggestion *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
206. lo___e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

ANSWERS: 196. radial, 197. tide, 198. firsthand, 199. concentration, 200. pile, 201. exchange, 202. environment, 203. crazy, 204. typical, 205. ridiculous, 206. locate

207. the stance of mo____ry policy *adj.* of or relating to the money in the country
208. I__t a ban on alcohol *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
209. emotional imm_____ty *n.* the state of being unable to move; the quality of being unable to be moved or changed easily
210. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
211. binary rep_____ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
212. bl__d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
213. evi_____al hearing *adj.* providing or related to facts
214. single l__p sum *n.* a small, irregularly shaped mass or piece, typically of a soft substance such as coal, flour, or dough
215. a casting m__d *n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
216. second co____c velocity *adj.* relating to the universe or cosmos; vast or limitless

ANSWERS: 207. monetary, 208. lift, 209. immobility, 210. crazy, 211. representation, 212. blind, 213. evidential, 214. lump, 215. mold, 216. cosmic

217. su____nt current technology *v.* to replace or take the place of something or someone, often by force or through strategic maneuvering; to make obsolete or obsolete by introducing a superior or more advanced alternative
218. bu____r facility *n.* a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel
219. make a f__s *n.* a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance
220. artificial ma____e *n.* a hard crystalline metamorphic rock that has a pattern of lines going through it and takes a high polish used for sculpture and as building material; a small ball made of stone, especially one used in children's games
221. ma____e statues *n.* a hard crystalline metamorphic rock that has a pattern of lines going through it and takes a high polish used for sculpture and as building material; a small ball made of stone, especially one used in children's games
222. re____e the trend *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
223. vi____e by X-ray *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view

ANSWERS: 217. supplant, 218. bunker, 219. fuss, 220. marble, 221. marble, 222. reverse, 223. visible

224. music st___o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
225. conduct fi_____nd research *adv.* from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source
226. so_____c cell *adj.* relating to the body, especially as distinct from the mind or spirit; pertaining to the physical aspects of an organism or its functions
227. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
228. fire dr__l *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
229. oasis in the de___t *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
230. en_____y conservation *n.* a scientific concept that is most commonly associated with a state of disorder, randomness, or uncertainty
231. the attraction of gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
232. coal bu___r *n.* a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel
233. atm_____ic pressure *adj.* about or located in the earth's atmosphere

ANSWERS: 224. studio, 225. firsthand, 226. somatic, 227. slide, 228. drill, 229. desert, 230. entropy, 231. gravity, 232. bunker, 233. atmospheric

234. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
235. the event ho_____n of a black hole *n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
236. knee re_____x *n.* an automatic and unthinking response to a particular stimulus; a physical reaction to external stimuli
237. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
238. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
239. protein agg_____on *n.* a collection or assembly of things or individuals; the act of bringing things or individuals together
240. so_____c symptoms *adj.* relating to the body, especially as distinct from the mind or spirit; pertaining to the physical aspects of an organism or its functions
241. study arc_____ral engineering *adj.* of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures
242. l__t sagging skin *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position

ANSWERS: 234. possibility, 235. horizon, 236. reflex, 237. tradition, 238. relation, 239. aggregation, 240. somatic, 241. architectural, 242. lift

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. She _____ the money from her savings account to her checking account.
v. to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another

2. The ancient Greek _____ are known for their realism and attention to detail.
n. the art of creating three-dimensional objects or forms, typically by carving, modeling, or casting in a variety of materials such as stone, wood, metal, or clay

3. The _____ of the plant depends on the pollinators.
n. the process by which organisms create offspring; the production of something similar to an original work

4. The soldiers took cover in the dug-out _____ during the bombing.
n. a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel

5. Clouds form when water _____ rises to the upper atmosphere.
n. a mass of tiny liquid drops in the air

6. The famous _____ used various tools to carve the marble into the desired shape.
n. an artist who creates sculptures, three-dimensional objects, or forms

7. The well-preserved _____ was discovered in an ancient tomb in the desert.
n. a body of a human or animal that has been preserved, typically by being embalmed and wrapped in linen or other material

ANSWERS: 1. transferred, 2. sculptures, 3. reproduction, 4. bunker, 5. vapor, 6. sculptor, 7. mummy

8. The possibilities for scientific discovery are _____.
adj. without end, limit, or boundary; infinite
9. The spaceship began to burn up as it approached the Earth's _____.
n. the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work
10. My computer has been acting _____ recently.
adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
11. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.
n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
12. The _____ clown at the haunted house scared the children.
adj. strange or unusual in a way that is frightening or unsettling
13. He became _____ that he was being followed.
adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
14. They watched the train _____ into the distance.
v. to cease to exist or be visible
15. Since the second law of thermodynamics is applicable to the universe, the _____ of the universe continues to increase.
n. a scientific concept that is most commonly associated with a state of disorder, randomness, or uncertainty
16. _____ rays are high-energy particles that originate from outside the solar system.
adj. relating to the universe or cosmos; vast or limitless

ANSWERS: 8. limitless, 9. atmosphere, 10. weird, 11. narrative, 12. freaky, 13. conscious, 14. disappear, 15. entropy, 16. Cosmic

17. 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
18. Red _____ is often harmful to the local ecosystem.
- n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
19. The stock market _____ measures the performance of a group of stocks.
- n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index
20. He was a visiting _____ professor at the University of Tokyo.
- n.* a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks
21. The ghost's _____ voice whispered in the darkness.
- adj.* without a physical body; not having a material form
22. There is a small _____ on my neck, and I'm concerned about it.
- n.* a small, irregularly shaped mass or piece, typically of a soft substance such as coal, flour, or dough
23. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.
- v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
24. 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

ANSWERS: 17. vision, 18. tide, 19. index, 20. geology, 21. disembodied, 22. lump, 23. slide, 24. void

25. The trapped bear is running amok in its _____.
- n.* a structure made of metal bars or wire in which birds or animals can be kept
26. A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal _____.
- n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
27. As the sun set, the colors of the sky merged with the _____ creating a beautiful orange and pink hue.
- n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
28. The Queen attested the _____ of state ministers to their portfolios.
- n.* the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position
29. This laboratory has a pool consisting of thousands of _____ detectors.
- n.* a very small and electrically neutral particle with a very small mass that rarely reacts with other matter
30. His _____ blood pressure was higher than normal, indicating potential cardiovascular problems.
- adj.* relating to the portion of the cardiac cycle when the heart's ventricles are relaxed and filling with blood, typically characterized by lower blood pressure readings
31. He looked out the window at the _____ stream of people.
- adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount

ANSWERS: 25. cage, 26. representation, 27. horizon, 28. installation, 29. neutrino, 30. diastolic, 31. endless

32. Mushrooms and _____ are fungi.

- n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

33. Attending the meeting was _____ for all employees.

- adj.* required by a rule, law, or social convention; compulsory

34. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.

- n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

35. The manager tried to hear customers' voices _____.

- adv.* from the source; directly; (adjective) received directly from a source

36. 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

37. Governments make rules, and police _____ them.

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

38. All juries should have a copy of the _____ data.

- adj.* providing or related to facts

39. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.

- n.* a chance that something may happen or be true

40. Several military _____ programs have become popular methods of exercise.

- n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice

ANSWERS: 32. mold, 33. obligatory, 34. relations, 35. firsthand, 36. environment, 37. enforce, 38. evidential, 39. possibility, 40. drill

41. She expressed her thought in an artful choice of _____.
- n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
42. The _____ of the argument was well-presented.
- n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
43. The building makes a remarkable _____ impact.
- adj.* relating to seeing or sight
44. I can't see any _____ between these two concepts.
- n.* a difference or contrast between similar things or people
45. 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
46. She suffered from _____ and couldn't take elevators.
- n.* a persistent and intense fear of enclosed or small spaces
47. The rain and thunder are _____ today.
- adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
48. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.
- v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
49. Little children tend to have _____ friends.
- adj.* existing only in someone's mind

ANSWERS: 41. metaphors, 42. substance, 43. visual, 44. distinction, 45. perception, 46. claustrophobia, 47. crazy, 48. define, 49. imaginary

50. The _____ style of the building was a mix of modern and traditional.
adj. of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures
51. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.
v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
52. The condo offers _____ access to the beach.
adj. not divided or shared with others
53. _____ design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.
adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry
54. The airplane crash resulted in the _____ of several passengers due to their injuries.
n. the state of being unable to move; the quality of being unable to be moved or changed easily
55. DNA is stored in the _____ of a cell.
n. the central and most important part of something; (biology) a part of the cell containing DNA and RNA and responsible for growth and reproduction; (physics) the very dense central region of an atom
56. The data _____ that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.
v. to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
57. He lay down and fell _____ immediately.
adj. in a state of sleep

ANSWERS: 50. architectural, 51. propose, 52. exclusive, 53. Industrial, 54. immobility, 55. nucleus, 56. indicates, 57. asleep

58. 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

59. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

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

60. He was reluctant to leave his comfort _____ and try something new.

n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

61. This artwork is _____ of her work.

adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

62. They enjoyed a romantic dinner on the _____ overlooking the city.

n. a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space

63. After the party, they had to clean up _____ of dirty dishes.

n. a collection of objects positioned one on top of another; a large sum of something, such as money

64. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

65. The sea surface temperature and _____ circulation are inextricably linked.

adj. about or located in the earth's atmosphere

ANSWERS: 58. concrete, 59. involves, 60. zone, 61. typical, 62. balcony, 63. piles, 64. incredibly, 65. atmospheric

66. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.
adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
67. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
68. Gamma _____ penetrate body tissues and cause cell damage.
n. a narrow line of light, heat, or another form of energy
69. The restaurant _____ a ban on smoking.
v. to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
70. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.
adj. based on scientific and industrial progress
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. 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
73. This region is predominantly _____.
n. arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

ANSWERS: 66. modern, 67. Empathy, 68. rays, 69. reversed, 70. Technological, 71. confer, 72. tradition, 73. desert

74. My sister and I frequently _____ books, as we love reading.
- v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
75. He _____ down behind the bushes to avoid being seen.
- v.* to put your body close to the ground, especially as a way of avoiding being seen
76. The painter focused on the moody _____ of abandoned buildings in his work.
- n.* the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
77. The _____ design of the wheel allows for maximum strength and stability.
- adj.* of or relating to rays or the radii of a circle; spreading out from a central point
78. The _____ usage in his novel paints a vivid picture of life in the Southern United States.
- n.* a group of words that have a different meaning when used together than the literal meanings of each individual word; a phrase or expression that has a figurative or cultural meaning understood by native speakers of a language
79. She works at a recording _____ in Los Angeles.
- n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
80. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in _____ class.
- n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

ANSWERS: 74. exchange, 75. crouched, 76. interiors, 77. radial, 78. idiom, 79. studio, 80. biology

81. He is more concerned about the _____ of his body fat than usual because of an upcoming bodybuilding competition.
- n.* a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole
82. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
- v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
83. The global financial crisis acted as a _____ to unite the country.
- n.* a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself
84. The _____ leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.
- n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
85. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.
- v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
86. I heard a noise _____.
- adv.* on or to an upper or highest floor of a building
87. Loud noises might harm the fragile ear _____.
- n.* a soft, thin layer that forms animal or vegetable tissue
88. This exam requires excellent _____ to pass.
- n.* the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.

ANSWERS: 81. proportion, 82. locate, 83. catalyst, 84. cult, 85. release, 86. upstairs, 87. membrane, 88. concentration

89. The _____ of the famous hero stood proudly in the town square.
- n.* a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way
90. Please _____ these files as we start a new project tomorrow.
- v.* to change the order or position of things already made; to change the time, date, or place of an event already planned
91. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
- v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
92. Overall _____ are approximately 400x200mm.
- n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
93. The city is known for its impressive _____ and beautiful old buildings.
- n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
94. Canada _____ on the United States.
- v.* to move forward by leaps and bounds; to form the boundary of something
95. There are many theories to explain this _____.
- n.* a statement, situation, or person that has two opposite facts or features and therefore seems impossible, is difficult to understand, or is strange;
96. He has an _____ knowledge of American history.
- adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
97. The _____ sensations in my body increased as I stepped into the hot bath.
- adj.* relating to the body, especially as distinct from the mind or spirit; pertaining to the physical aspects of an organism or its functions

ANSWERS: 89. statue, 90. rearrange, 91. identify, 92. dimensions, 93. architecture, 94. bounds, 95. paradox, 96. intimate, 97. somatic

98. My home is easily _____ from the shore.

adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view

99. The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of _____.

n. the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

100. She's on the _____ of adulthood.

n. the floor or ground that forms the bottom of a doorway and offers support when passing through a doorway; the smallest detectable sensation

101. The _____ mother gave birth to a healthy baby for the couple who couldn't conceive independently.

adj. acting as a substitute or replacement for someone or something else; having a similar function or purpose

102. My leg kicked involuntarily when the doctor tapped my knee with the _____ hammer.

n. an automatic and unthinking response to a particular stimulus; a physical reaction to external stimuli

103. The young prince will soon _____ the throne.

v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time

104. The _____ of the coastline has accelerated due to rising sea levels.

n. the wearing away of rock, soil, or land by natural processes such as wind or water

105. _____ a number by itself twice.

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

ANSWERS: 98. visible, 99. gravity, 100. threshold, 101. surrogate, 102. reflex, 103. occupy, 104. erosion, 105. Multiply

106. The _____ of data helped us identify patterns in customer behavior.
n. a collection or assembly of things or individuals; the act of bringing things or individuals together
107. Our system can now _____ with other databases.
v. to connect similar things
108. Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as _____ but was later proven correct.
adj. very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
109. John spends several hours a day lifting weights for _____ purposes.
n. the practice of developing and increasing the size, strength, and definition of muscles through exercise, diet, and sometimes the use of supplements or performance-enhancing drugs
110. Her _____ blood pressure was high, indicating potential heart problems.
adj. relating to or denoting the highest pressure in the arteries during contraction of the heart, typically occurring during the heartbeat cycle
111. There was a _____ about the broken vase, but it was quickly forgotten.
n. a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance
112. The drought _____ the prices of grain globally.
v. to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
113. We can calculate the position of the _____ statistically.
n. a small piece of something; a word or piece of a term with grammatical function but little or no significance

ANSWERS: 106. aggregation, 107. interconnect, 108. ridiculous, 109. body-building, 110. systolic, 111. fuss, 112. lifted, 113. particles

114. The _____ lighting in the restaurant created a cozy and romantic atmosphere.

adj. relating to the immediate surroundings of something; creating a particular atmosphere or mood, often through sound or lighting

115. The young startup aims to _____ the established players in the industry through innovation.

v. to replace or take the place of something or someone, often by force or through strategic maneuvering; to make obsolete or obsolete by introducing a superior or more advanced alternative

116. The policy might bring more excellent _____ stability to the country.

adj. of or relating to the money in the country

117. A _____ engineer is still in demand in many companies.

adj. operated by a machine, relating to or concerned with machinery or tools

118. The floor was made of white and black _____ arranged in a checkerboard pattern.

n. a hard crystalline metamorphic rock that has a pattern of lines going through it and takes a high polish used for sculpture and as building material; a small ball made of stone, especially one used in children's games

119. I inserted the coin into the _____ and hit the button to start the game.

n. a long, narrow opening or groove, typically one that is cut into a hard material, that is designed to receive and hold an object in place

120. She was nearly _____ due to severe diabetes.

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

ANSWERS: 114. ambient, 115. supplant, 116. monetary, 117. mechanical, 118. marble, 119. slot, 120. blind

121. She _____ that she was innocent, despite the evidence against her.

- v. to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true

ANSWERS: 121. asserted