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Session 1: Word List

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.

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.

geeky

adj. characterized by an intense interest or expertise in a particular subject or hobby, sometimes to the detriment of social skills or other interests

synonym : nerdy, dorky

(1) **geeky** gadgets, (2) **geeky** interests

He had a **geeky** sense of humor and loved to make puns.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym : completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

background

n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

synonym: ground, experience, backdrop

(1) a **background** color, (2) a criminal **background**

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's **background**.

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.

chemistry

n. the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions

(1) professor of **chemistry**, (2) the **chemistry** of soil

He is familiar with **chemistry** and biology.

engineer

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

synonym: architect, creator, builder

(1) a civil **engineer**, (2) **engineer** shortage

The **engineer** will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

biomedical

adj. relating to the application of the natural sciences, especially biology, and physiology, to clinical medicine and healthcare

synonym: medical, clinical, health-related

(1) **biomedical** assay, (2) cutting-edge **biomedical**

Biomedical engineering focuses on developing new medical technologies and innovations to improve patient health outcomes.

meantime

n. the interval or period of time between two events; the interim or temporary time period between two actions or stages of something else

synonym : interim, meanwhile, lag

(1) **meantime** report, (2) for the **meantime**

In the **meantime**, while we wait for the results, let's start working on the next project.

identical

adj. being the exact same one

synonym : duplicate, exact, analogous

(1) pair of **identical** twins, (2) an **identical** equation

Infant formulas are nutritionally almost **identical** to a mother's breast milk.

downside

n. the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure

synonym : drawback, negative, disadvantage

(1) major **downside**, (2) **downside** of globalization

The **downside** of the new policy was that it would be more expensive for customers.

impersonal

adj. lacking personal warmth or feeling; not influenced by personal feelings or individual characteristics; relating to an object or concept rather than a specific person

synonym : detached, unemotional

(1) **impersonal** communication, (2) **impersonal** treatment

The high-rise office building had an **impersonal** atmosphere, making it feel corporate and uninviting.

aim

v. to try or plan to get or achieve something

synonym : aspire, direct, target

(1) **aim** at a specific target, (2) **aim** to be a nurse

We **aim** for an overseas expansion.

demographic

n. a statistic characterizing that describes people or groups of people based on their age, sex, income, etc.

(1) **demographic** analyses, (2) **demographic** policy

Several **demographic** indicators correlate with care admission.

requirement

n. something that is needed or wanted

synonym : prerequisite, provision, condition

(1) meet **requirement**, (2) school **requirement**

What is the entry **requirement** for this course?

dishearten

v. to cause someone to lose hope, confidence, or enthusiasm; to discourage or demoralize

synonym : discourage, dismay, demoralize

(1) **dishearten** employees, (2) **dishearten** the hopeful job applicant

The team's loss in the semifinals did not **dishearten** their determination to return stronger next season.

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.

rethink

v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

synonym : reexplore, review, reconsider

(1) **rethink** a marketing plan, (2) **rethink** the role of the manager

We have to **rethink** our company's product lineup for further growth.

redesign

v. to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again

synonym : revamp, rework, remodel

(1) **redesign** project, (2) **redesign** of lifestyle

The company is planning to **redesign** its website.

inspiration

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

synonym : motivation, drive, encouragement

(1) source of **inspiration**, (2) get **inspiration** from nature

He found **inspiration** in the works of his favorite authors.

tattoo

n. a form of body modification made by inserting ink, dyes, or pigments, either permanent or temporary, into the skin to form a design

synonym : emblem, symbol

(1) a **tattoo** artist, (2) a person who has a **tattoo**

Any activity on the Internet will be stored as a digital **tattoo** for life.

hint

n. an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something

synonym : clue, indication, suggestion

(1) **hint** of trouble, (2) helpful **hints**

There was no **hint** of a problem.

bionic

adj. relating to or using technology or devices that enhance or replace biological functions, typically in a way that mimics or improves upon the original

(1) **bionic** exoskeleton, (2) **bionic** technology

The soldier was fitted with a **bionic** arm after losing him in combat.

polyester

n. a synthetic fabric consisting of polymers typically derived from petroleum, characterized by its durability, wrinkle resistance, and easy-care properties

synonym : synthetic fabric, nylon, rayon

(1) **polyester** fabric, (2) **polyester** blend

The jacket's exterior was made of **polyester**, while the interior was lined with warm and cozy fleece.

clad

adj. dressed or covered in a particular way; provided or protected with a particular material or substance

synonym: dressed, covered, attired

(1) **clad** completely in black, (2) **clad** in armor

The athlete was **clad** in a tight-fitting suit designed to reduce drag and improve performance.

takeaway

n. a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information

synonym: conclusion, message, insight

(1) **takeaway** pizza, (2) **takeaway** message

The main **takeaway** from the meeting was the need for better communication.

settle

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

synonym: inhabit, occupy, decide

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

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

functional

adj. designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service

synonym: applicable, practical, usable

(1) field of **functional** medicine, (2) **functional** deafness

The mobile phone was still **functional** even after being dropped.

reward

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

synonym: compensation, gratuity, bonus

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

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

fringe

n. a decorative border or edge on a piece of clothing; a group of people or things that are not considered to be part of the main group

synonym : border, edging, trim

(1) **fringe** benefit, (2) on the **fringe** of the city

The dress had a **fringe** of beads along the hem.

nail

n. a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes

synonym : pin, tack, fastener

(1) rusty **nail**, (2) **nail** clipper

He used a hammer and round **nail** to fix the loose board on the fence.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym : enhance, ameliorate, enrich

(1) **improve** a process, (2) **improve** the test score

We want to **improve** ties between our two countries.

distill

v. to purify or refine; to extract the essential elements

synonym : extract, condense, purify

(1) **distill** a liquid, (2) **distill** information

She decided to **distill** her thoughts into a more manageable list.

philosophy

n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

synonym : doctrine, attitude, creed

(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

infuse

v. to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue

synonym : instill, fill, permeate

(1) **infuse** with spirit, (2) **infuse** life with meaning

She **infused** fresh herbs into the soup for added flavor.

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.

profound

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

synonym: deep, unsounded, far-reaching

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

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

prosthetic

adj. of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant

(1) have **prosthetic** arms, (2) **prosthetic** limbs

New **prosthetic** joints are less prone to metal poisoning.

limb

n. an arm and leg of a person or animal

synonym: arm, appendage, branch

(1) a prosthetic **limb**, (2) **limb** amputation

You should wrap the bandage carefully and firmly around the injured **limb**.

brilliance

n. the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining

synonym: splendor, glory, luster

(1) **brilliance** of diamond, (2) economic **brilliance**

The scientist's **brilliance** led to many groundbreaking discoveries in his field.

amazing

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

synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

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

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

vantage

n. a position or place that provides a commanding or advantageous view or perspective; a favorable position or advantage

synonym : advantage, benefit, edge

(1) strategic **vantage**, (2) gain a **vantage**

From our **vantage** point, we could see the whole city skyline.

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.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

synonym : person, being, self

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

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

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

synonym : luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance

The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

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.

utilitarian

adj. designed to be practical and functional rather than decorative or luxurious

synonym : functional, practical, pragmatic

(1) **utilitarian** design, (2) **utilitarian** economics

The kitchen is designed with a **utilitarian** approach, focusing on practicality rather than aesthetics.

device

n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

synonym : gadget, instrument, tool

(1) electronic **device**, (2) tracking **device**

I always carry a backup **device** in case my phone runs out of battery.

bubble

n. a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses

synonym : blob, balloon, mania

(1) **bubble** in the champagne glass, (2) economic **bubble**

Many people worry that the current real estate market is a **bubble** that could burst soon.

wrap

v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

synonym : surround, cover, bandage

(1) **wrap** a fish in foil, (2) **wrap** up a meeting

Wrap the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

duct

n. a tube, pipe, or channel for conveying air, water, or other substances

synonym : tube, pipe, channel

(1) breast **duct**, (2) **duct** tape

The air **ducts** in the building needed to be cleaned to improve the air quality.

- tap** v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
synonym: knock, exploit, use
(1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger
To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.
- approximate** *adj.* nearly accurate or correct, but not completely so
synonym: rough, close, near
(1) linear **approximate** equation, (2) **approximate** time
The **approximate** cost of the project was estimated to be around \$500,000.
- gym** *n.* a place equipped for exercise and other physical training
synonym: fitness center, athletic club
(1) **gym** membership, (2) a **gym** suit
She went to the fully equipped **gym** to work out every day.
- recreate** v. to make something that existed previously happen or appear to exist again
synonym: renovate, vivify, revive
(1) **recreate** a single country, (2) **recreate** the feeling of the 1920s
She **recreated** the atmosphere of the pre-war age with her stage setting.
- thrive** v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
synonym: bloom, flourish, prosper
(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure
Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.
- entity** *n.* something that exists independently and has its own identity
synonym: body, object, existent
(1) legal **entity**, (2) government **entity**
A company is a distinct legal **entity**.

kinematics

n. the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of objects without considering the forces that cause the motion; the study of the geometric and algebraic properties of motion, such as displacement, velocity, and acceleration

synonym: movement, motion, mechanics

(1) **kinematics** analysis, (2) rotational **kinematics**

The **kinematics** equations he used accurately predicted the object's future position.

canvas

n. the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

(1) blank **canvas**, (2) oil on **canvas**

Life is a vast **canvas**; you should put as much paint on it as possible.

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.

physicality

n. the physical nature or characteristics of something, especially the human body or movement; the state of being full of energy and force

synonym: corporeality, animalism, embodiment

(1) **physicality** of dance, (2) express **physicality**

The athlete's success was largely due to her **physicality** and dedication to fitness.

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym: abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

curve

n. a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape

synonym : bend, arc, turn

(1) learning **curve**, (2) yield **curve**

The **curve** in the road was so sharp that I had to slow down to navigate it safely.

geometry

n. the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces

(1) Euclidean **geometry**, (2) spherical **geometry**

The mathematician pioneered fractal **geometry**.

constrain

v. to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something

synonym : restrict, limit, confine

(1) **constrain** his freedom, (2) **constrain** information flow

The political situation **constrained** the country's economic growth and foreign relations.

individualize

v. to make something personal or more personal to suit the needs of a particular person, place, etc.

synonym : personalize, differentiate

(1) **individualize** each patient, (2) **individualize** dosages

Our schools offer **individualized** education by excellent teachers.

scrap

n. a small piece or amount of something, especially leftover from a larger whole

synonym : fragment, piece, remnant

(1) **scrap** metal, (2) a broken piece of **scrap**

She made a collage from **scraps** of paper and fabric from the art supply store.

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.

scan

v. to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

synonym: look over, scrutinize, browse

(1) **scan** the face of the man, (2) **scan** a document into PDF

She stood on the podium and **scanned** an audience.

survive

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

synonym: endure, persist, stay

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

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

symmetry

n. balance or proportion in design or structure, with elements arranged evenly on either side of an axis

synonym: balance, proportion, harmoniousness

(1) bilateral **symmetry**, (2) axial **symmetry**

The building had a **symmetry** pattern that was pleasing to the eye.

achieve

v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

synonym: accomplish, attain, reach

(1) **achieve** success, (2) **achieve** milestones

I will work hard to **achieve** my goals and realize my dreams.

fingerprint

n. a unique pattern of ridges and valleys on the surface of a finger that can be used to identify a person

synonym: print, mark, impression

(1) **fingerprint** at a crime scene, (2) **fingerprint** identification

The police used a **fingerprint** scanner to identify the suspect.

incapable

adj. unable to do, control, or achieve something

synonym: unable, incompetent, unskilled

(1) drunk and **incapable**, (2) **incapable** of being resisted

He seems **incapable** of understanding what she says.

panel

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

synonym: board, commission, discussion

(1) **panel** discussion, (2) cost of solar **panels**

A **panel** of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

motorcycle

n. a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals

synonym: bike, motor

(1) **motorcycle** gangster, (2) electric **motorcycle**

He had his **motorcycle** license revoked for drunken driving.

sculptural

adj. relating to or resembling sculpture (= a three-dimensional work of art); having a three-dimensional quality or appearance

synonym: sculpted, carved, modeled

(1) **sculptural** masterpiece, (2) **sculptural** design

The **sculptural** details on the building's facade were simply stunning.

competitive

adj. involving competition or competitiveness

synonym: aggressive, ambitious, militant

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

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

cancer

n. abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized

by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
synonym : tumor, carcinoma, malignancy

(1) **cancer** diagnosis, (2) **cancer** research

Breast **cancer** is the most common type of cancer in women.

tricky

adj. requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with

synonym : thorny, problematic, crafty

(1) **tricky** problem, (2) a **tricky** recipe to follow

We have discussed the entirety of this **tricky** problem.

titanic

adj. of or having a great size, power, or influence; of or relating to Titanium (= a light, strong grey, lustrous, corrosion-resistant metallic element)

synonym : colossal, massive, immense

(1) **titanic** battle, (2) **titanic** compound

The **titanic** ship sank on its maiden voyage.

deliberately

adv. done in an intentional or slow and careful manner

synonym : intentionally, knowingly, willfully

(1) **deliberately** amateurish, (2) commit a crime

deliberately

He **deliberately** misleads others.

aesthetic

adj. connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty

synonym : beautiful, artistic, esthetic

(1) **aesthetic** value, (2) **aesthetic** feeling

My **aesthetic** standards are quite different from hers.

gear

n. a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose

synonym : equipment, tools, apparatus

(1) sports **gear**, (2) a **gear** change lever

She checked her **gear** before embarking on the hike.

regard

v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

synonym: consider, see, reckon

(1) **regard** him as an enemy, (2) **regard** the situation as unfortunate

Frugality and industry are still **regarded** as virtues.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym: abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

amputee

n. a person who has had an arm or a leg cut off

(1) quadruple **amputee**, (2) **amputee** runner

Amputees often experience an illusion of a phantom limb.

focal

adj. relating to an important or central point or area; sharp or precise in focus or detail

synonym: central, main, primary

(1) **focal** neurological deficit, (2) **focal** length

The photographer adjusted the camera to focus on the image's **focal** point.

forearm

n. the part of a person's arm between the elbow and the wrist; (verb) to arm in advance of a confrontation

(1) **forearm** bone, (2) several veins of the **forearm**

The accident left him with numbness in his left **forearm**.

calf

n. a young cow, bull, or other domestic bovine animals

synonym: baby cow, heifer, yearling

(1) baby **calf**, (2) a **calf** elephant

The newborn **calf** stood on wobbly legs, trying to find its mother's milk.

morphology

n. the study of the form and structure of plants, animals, and other organisms; the study of the alteration of word forms as they change from one part of speech to

another

synonym : structure, form, anatomy

(1) **morphology** of a language, (2) cellular **morphology**

The **morphology** of rocks can reveal clues about their geological history.

glance

v. to give a quick or brief look; to hit something at an angle

synonym : glimpse, peek, flash

(1) **glance** around nervously, (2) **glance** at him miserably
I casually **glanced** into the small hut.

chimera

n. (in Greek mythology) a fire-breathing creature with a lion's head, a goat's body, and a snake's tail; a thing that is illusory or impossible to achieve

synonym : delusion, illusion, figment

(1) **chimera** mouse, (2) interspecies **chimera**

Animal **chimeras** are created by combining multiple fertilized eggs.

hybrid

adj. composed of different elements or mixed characters

synonym : blended, mixed, combined

(1) new **hybrid** system, (2) an interspecific **hybrid**

The mule is a **hybrid** between a male donkey and a female horse.

apologetic

adj. feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something

synonym : sorry, regretful, remorseful

(1) **apologetic** tone, (2) **apologetic** letter

He was **apologetic** for being late to the meeting.

human-made

adj. created or produced by humans; artificial

synonym : artificial, unnatural, manufactured

(1) **human-made** climate change, (2) the worst **human-made** disaster

The bridge is a **human-made** structure and was built to span the river.

lace

n. a delicate fabric made of interlacing thread or other material; a cord used to fasten or adorn clothing, often with a pattern of holes or spaces; a decorative netting or interlaced design

synonym : cord, string, ribbon

(1) **lace** curtains, (2) **lace** trim

She wore a beautiful dress with delicate **lace** detailing.

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.

contour

n. the outline of its shape or form; a line drawn on a map connecting points of equal height

synonym : outline, silhouette, shape

(1) the **contour** of the earth's surface, (2) **contour** lines

The **contour** of the Atlantic coast of America is very complicated.

daylight

n. the natural light produced by the sun during the day, especially in contrast to artificial light or darkness

synonym : sunlight, daytime, day

(1) **daylight** hours, (2) natural **daylight**

The view of the city skyline from the top of the building looked amazing in the **daylight**.

bearing

n. the way in which one comports oneself; a posture or stance, especially one indicative of confidence or authority; the horizontal direction or position of a place, object, or person relative to another

synonym : demeanor, posture, manner

(1) a thrust **bearing**, (2) a military **bearing**

The pilot had to adjust the plane's **bearing** to stay on course.

carbon

n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

(1) **carbon** dioxide, (2) **carbon** emission

Trees absorb **carbon** dioxide and give off oxygen.

component

n. one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger

synonym: element, part, factor

(1) key **component**, (2) spare **components** for cars

The researchers try to discover a common **component** in all types of successful organizations.

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.

laser

n. a device that emits powerful and narrow light that can be used as a tool to cut metal through a process of optical amplification

synonym: beam, bar, ray

(1) **laser** printer, (2) pulse **laser**

The company holds patents on core components of **laser** jet printers.

leather

n. a material made from the skin of an animal, typically by tanning, and used for clothing, shoes, furniture, and other items

synonym: hide, skin, suede

(1) enameled **leather**, (2) **leather** boots

The **leather** jacket was worn in but still comfortable.

capture

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

synonym : catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts

I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

classic

adj. judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type

synonym : definitive, traditional, typical

(1) a **classic** experiment, (2) Chinese **classic** literature

He displayed the **classic** symptoms of depression.

timeless

adj. not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion

synonym : dateless, everlasting, imperishable

(1) **timeless** masterpiece, (2) **timeless** topic

There is a **timeless** aspect to his most remarkable work.

herringbone

n. a distinctive V-shaped pattern created by arranging rectangles or parallelograms in an alternating slanted fashion, resembling the skeleton of a herring fish, commonly used in textiles, flooring, and masonry

synonym : chevron, zigzag, twill

(1) **herringbone** flooring, (2) **herringbone** weave

The fashion designer showcased a stunning **herringbone** pattern on the runway.

tweed

n. a rough, woolen fabric often woven in a twill pattern, commonly used for making suits, jackets, and coats

synonym : twill, fabric, cloth

(1) **tweed** jacket, (2) **tweed** fabric

She wore a stylish **tweed** coat, perfect for the chilly weather.

polish

n. a substance used to smooth or shine a surface; the act of smoothing or shining a surface

synonym : shine, buff, gloss

(1) **polish** finishing, (2) surface **polish**

I used a special **polish** to make my car's paint shine.

nickel

n. a silver-white metallic element with the symbol Ni, used in many alloys and as a coin; a United States coin worth one-twentieth of a dollar

synonym: metal, coin, alloy

(1) **nickel** ore, (2) **nickel** plate

The **nickel** in my pocket jingled as I walked.

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym: exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

(1) **exciting** football player, (2) **exciting** news

The findings of the experiment were both **exciting** and unexpected.

combination

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

synonym: blend, hybrid, compounding

(1) genic **combinations**, (2) **combination** number

The **combination** to the safe was a secret.

attitude

n. the way you think and feel about someone or something

synonym: mindset, perspective, philosophy

(1) **attitude** toward mistakes, (2) **attitude** control

She had the **attitude** that work was fun.

bling

n. a slang term that refers to flashy, showy, or ostentatious jewelry, often characterized by its high cost or precious materials

synonym: jewelry, accessories, ornaments

(1) flashy **bling**, (2) **bling** jewelry

She loves to accessorize with lots of **bling**, but I prefer a different style.

complexity

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory

The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym: idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

precede

v. to happen or go before something or someone in time or space

synonym: lead, forego, antecede

(1) men often **precede** women when walking, (2) **precede** any discussion

Agricultural development generally **precedes** economic growth.

trivial

adj. of little value or importance

synonym: insignificant, minor, unimportant

(1) a **trivial** man, (2) for **trivial** reasons

The problem seemed **trivial** initially, but it became a significant issue.

footprint

n. a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

synonym: footmark, imprint, impression

(1) **footprints** in the snow, (2) the **footprints** of an earlier civilization

We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon **footprint**.

curb

v. to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk

synonym: restrain, limit, control

(1) **curb** appetite, (2) **curb** anxiety

He tried to **curb** his anger during the argument with his

friend.

recyclability

n. the degree to which a material or product can be reused or repurposed after it has served its original function, without requiring significant modifications or environmental harm

synonym: reusability, sustainability, renewability

(1) **recyclability** rate, (2) low **recyclability** problem

The **recyclability** of electronic devices is a significant challenge due to the complexity of their components.

dishwasher

n. a machine or device used for washing dishes typically found in a kitchen; a person who washes dishes as a profession, often in a restaurant or catering setting

synonym: dish machine, dish cleaner

(1) **dishwasher** installation, (2) commercial **dishwasher**

The **dishwasher** detergent cleans the dishes more effectively than regular dish soap.

laptop

n. a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap

(1) bring my **laptop**, (2) thin-and-light **laptop**

I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my **laptop** all day.

proof

n. a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists

synonym: testimony, evidence, assurance

(1) documentary **proof**, (2) a geometric **proof**

Proof is better than argument.

fiance

n. a person who is engaged to be married

synonym: groom-to-be, betrothed, intended

(1) **fiance** visa, (2) meeting with the **fiance's** family

My **fiance** and I are looking for a new apartment after our wedding.

dialogue

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

synonym: conversation, discussion, talk

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

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

relinquish

v. to give up power, control, or possession

synonym: surrender, give up, abandon

(1) **relinquish** control, (2) **relinquish** all hope

She decided to **relinquish** her role as the leader of the group.

curator

n. a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.

synonym: conservator, custodian, administrator

(1) **curator** of a library, (2) interim **curator**

The museum **curator** conserved the ancient manuscripts.

evaluate

v. to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something

synonym: assess, estimate, consider

(1) **evaluate** the grant proposal, (2) **evaluate** a situation

The meeting aims to **evaluate** possible choices.

Session 2: Spelling

1. a thrust be ____g
n. the way in which one comports oneself; a posture or stance, especially one indicative of confidence or authority; the horizontal direction or position of a place, object, or person relative to another
2. bi___c technology
adj. relating to or using technology or devices that enhance or replace biological functions, typically in a way that mimics or improves upon the original
3. a g_m suit
n. a place equipped for exercise and other physical training
4. ind_____al freedom
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
5. strategic va_____e
n. a position or place that provides a commanding or advantageous view or perspective; a favorable position or advantage
6. cellular mor_____gy
n. the study of the form and structure of plants, animals, and other organisms; the study of the alteration of word forms as they change from one part of speech to another
7. major do_____de
n. the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure

ANSWERS: 1. bearing, 2. bionic, 3. gym, 4. individual, 5. vantage, 6. morphology, 7. downside

8. rusty n__l *n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes
9. blank ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
10. helpful h__ts *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
11. commit a crime del_____ely *adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner
12. ca_____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
13. de___e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
14. oil on ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
15. at_____de toward mistakes *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
16. l__e trim *n.* a delicate fabric made of interlacing thread or other material; a cord used to fasten or adorn clothing, often with a pattern of holes or spaces; a decorative netting or interlaced design
17. interspecies ch_____a *n.* (in Greek mythology) a fire-breathing creature with a lion's head, a goat's body, and a snake's tail; a thing that is illusory or impossible to achieve

ANSWERS: 8. nail, 9. canvas, 10. hint, 11. deliberately, 12. capture, 13. define, 14. canvas, 15. attitude, 16. lace, 17. chimera

18. ti____c compound *adj.* of or having a great size, power, or influence; of or relating to Titanium (= a light, strong grey, lustrous, corrosion-resistant metallic element)
19. electronic de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
20. uti____an design *adj.* designed to be practical and functional rather than decorative or luxurious
21. a military be____g *n.* the way in which one comports oneself; a posture or stance, especially one indicative of confidence or authority; the horizontal direction or position of a place, object, or person relative to another
22. new hy___d system *adj.* composed of different elements or mixed characters
23. c__d in armor *adj.* dressed or covered in a particular way; provided or protected with a particular material or substance
24. at____de control *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
25. dis____en the hopeful job applicant *v.* to cause someone to lose hope, confidence, or enthusiasm; to discourage or demoralize
26. app____te time *adj.* nearly accurate or correct, but not completely so
27. gl___e at him miserably *v.* to give a quick or brief look; to hit something at an angle

ANSWERS: 18. titanic, 19. device, 20. utilitarian, 21. bearing, 22. hybrid, 23. clad, 24. attitude, 25. dishearten, 26. approximate, 27. glance

28. government en___y *n.* something that exists independently and has its own identity
29. the co____r of the earth's surface *n.* the outline of its shape or form; a line drawn on a map connecting points of equal height
30. su____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
31. fo____m bone *n.* the part of a person's arm between the elbow and the wrist; (verb) to arm in advance of a confrontation
32. do____de of globalization *n.* the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure
33. the influence of mec____al action *adj.* operated by a machine, relating to or concerned with machinery or tools
34. tr___y problem *adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with
35. cell and molecular bi____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
36. have pro____ic arms *adj.* of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant
37. a civil en____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
38. documentary pr__f *n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists
39. po___h finishing *n.* a substance used to smooth or shine a surface; the act of smoothing or shining a surface

ANSWERS: 28. entity, 29. contour, 30. surround, 31. forearm, 32. downside, 33. mechanical, 34. tricky, 35. biology, 36. prosthetic, 37. engineer, 38. proof, 39. polish

40. vi____e stars *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
41. th___e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
42. co____r lines *n.* the outline of its shape or form; a line drawn on a map connecting points of equal height
43. re____k a marketing plan *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
44. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
45. del____ely amateurish *adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner
46. interim cu____r *n.* a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.
47. hum____de climate change *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
48. a stone wall su____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
49. fun____al deafness *adj.* designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service
50. learn new co____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
51. ge__y gadgets *adj.* characterized by an intense interest or expertise in a particular subject or hobby, sometimes to the detriment of social skills or other interests

ANSWERS: 40. visible, 41. thrive, 42. contour, 43. rethink, 44. amazing, 45. deliberately, 46. curator, 47. human-made, 48. surround, 49. functional, 50. concept, 51. geeky

52. mor_____gy of a language *n.* the study of the form and structure of plants, animals, and other organisms; the study of the alteration of word forms as they change from one part of speech to another
53. the re____d for good works *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
54. l__e curtains *n.* a delicate fabric made of interlacing thread or other material; a cord used to fasten or adorn clothing, often with a pattern of holes or spaces; a decorative netting or interlaced design
55. economic bri_____ce *n.* the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining
56. ev_____te the grant proposal *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
57. a cl_____c experiment *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
58. key co_____nt *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
59. school req_____nt *n.* something that is needed or wanted
60. la__r printer *n.* a device that emits powerful and narrow light that can be used as a tool to cut metal through a process of optical amplification

ANSWERS: 52. morphology, 53. reward, 54. lace, 55. brilliance, 56. evaluate, 57. classic, 58. component, 59. requirement, 60. laser

61. ex____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
62. ti____c battle *adj.* of or having a great size, power, or influence; of or relating to Titanium (= a light, strong grey, lustrous, corrosion-resistant metallic element)
63. w__p a fish in foil *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
64. apo____ic tone *adj.* feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something
65. the ch____ry of soil *n.* the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions
66. se___e a dispute *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
67. Chinese cl____c literature *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
68. several veins of the fo____m *n.* the part of a person's arm between the elbow and the wrist; (verb) to arm in advance of a confrontation
69. 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

ANSWERS: 61. exciting, 62. titanic, 63. wrap, 64. apologetic, 65. chemistry, 66. settle, 67. classic, 68. forearm, 69. process

70. shopping re___ds cards *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
71. rec_____ity rate *n.* the degree to which a material or product can be reused or repurposed after it has served its original function, without requiring significant modifications or environmental harm
72. enameled le____r *n.* a material made from the skin of an animal, typically by tanning, and used for clothing, shoes, furniture, and other items
73. me_____me report *n.* the interval or period of time between two events; the interim or temporary time period between two actions or stages of something else
74. po_____er blend *n.* a synthetic fabric consisting of polymers typically derived from petroleum, characterized by its durability, wrinkle resistance, and easy-care properties
75. critical m___s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
76. co_____in information flow *v.* to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
77. field of fun_____al medicine *adj.* designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service
78. axial sy_____ry *n.* balance or proportion in design or structure, with elements arranged evenly on either side of an axis

ANSWERS: 70. reward, 71. recyclability, 72. leather, 73. meantime, 74. polyester, 75. mass, 76. constrain, 77. functional, 78. symmetry

79. sc__p metal *n.* a small piece or amount of something, especially leftover from a larger whole
80. bilateral sy____ry *n.* balance or proportion in design or structure, with elements arranged evenly on either side of an axis
81. genic com_____ons *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
82. di_____l information *v.* to purify or refine; to extract the essential elements
83. dem_____ic policy *n.* a statistic characterizing that describes people or groups of people based on their age, sex, income, etc.
84. re_____te a single country *v.* to make something that existed previously happen or appear to exist again
85. fin_____nt at a crime scene *n.* a unique pattern of ridges and valleys on the surface of a finger that can be used to identify a person
86. uti_____an economics *adj.* designed to be practical and functional rather than decorative or luxurious
87. drunk and in_____le *adj.* unable to do, control, or achieve something
88. ta_____ay message *n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information
89. ind_____ize dosages *v.* to make something personal or more personal to suit the needs of a particular person, place, etc.

ANSWERS: 79. scrap, 80. symmetry, 81. combination, 82. distill, 83. demographic, 84. recreate, 85. fingerprint, 86. utilitarian, 87. incapable, 88. takeaway, 89. individualize

90. yield cu__e *n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
91. ind_____ize each patient *v.* to make something personal or more personal to suit the needs of a particular person, place, etc.
92. pulse la__r *n.* a device that emits powerful and narrow light that can be used as a tool to cut metal through a process of optical amplification
93. dis_____er installation *n.* a machine or device used for washing dishes typically found in a kitchen; a person who washes dishes as a profession, often in a restaurant or catering setting
94. music st___o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
95. n__l clipper *n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes
96. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
97. c__b anxiety *v.* to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something
n. undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk

ANSWERS: 90. curve, 91. individualize, 92. laser, 93. dishwasher, 94. studio, 95. nail, 96. define, 97. curb

98. ge__y interests *adj.* characterized by an intense interest or expertise in a particular subject or hobby, sometimes to the detriment of social skills or other interests
99. re____k the role of the manager *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
100. her_____ne flooring *n.* a distinctive V-shaped pattern created by arranging rectangles or parallelograms in an alternating slanted fashion, resembling the skeleton of a herring fish, commonly used in textiles, flooring, and masonry
101. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
102. ti_____ss masterpiece *adj.* not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion
103. pair of id_____al twins *adj.* being the exact same one
104. the pr_____nd depths of the sea *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
105. ev_____te a situation *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
106. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

ANSWERS: 98. geeky, 99. rethink, 100. herringbone, 101. engineer, 102. timeless, 103. identical, 104. profound, 105. evaluate, 106. background

107. ac____e milestones *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
108. gl____e around nervously *v.* to give a quick or brief look; to hit something at an angle
109. rel____sh control *v.* to give up power, control, or possession
110. spare co____nts for cars *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
111. bu____e in the champagne glass *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
112. cost of solar pa__ls *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
113. commercial dis____er *n.* a machine or device used for washing dishes typically found in a kitchen; a person who washes dishes as a profession, often in a restaurant or catering setting
114. im____e a process *v.* to make or become better
115. in____le of being resisted *adj.* unable to do, control, or achieve something
116. the crosswise di____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

ANSWERS: 107. achieve, 108. glance, 109. relinquish, 110. component, 111. bubble, 112. panel, 113. dishwasher, 114. improve, 115. incapable, 116. dimension

117. a photo st___o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
118. ca_____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
119. beginning of the ind_____al revolution *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
120. a person who has a ta___o *n.* a form of body modification made by inserting ink, dyes, or pigments, either permanent or temporary, into the skin to form a design
121. h__t of trouble *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
122. co_____in his freedom *v.* to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
123. phi_____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
124. ac_____e success *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
125. a prosthetic l__b *n.* an arm and leg of a person or animal
126. scu_____al masterpiece *adj.* relating to or resembling sculpture (= a three-dimensional work of art); having a three-dimensional quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 117. studio, 118. capture, 119. industrial, 120. tattoo, 121. hint, 122. constrain, 123. philosophy, 124. achieve, 125. limb, 126. sculptural

127. learning cu__e *n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
128. phy_____ty of dance *n.* the physical nature or characteristics of something, especially the human body or movement; the state of being full of energy and force
129. 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
130. a g__r change lever *n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
131. the worst hum_____de disaster *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
132. evolutionary bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
133. l__b amputation *n.* an arm and leg of a person or animal
134. a geometric pr__f *n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists
135. scu_____al design *adj.* relating to or resembling sculpture (= a three-dimensional work of art); having a three-dimensional quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 127. curve, 128. physicality, 129. sculpture, 130. gear, 131. human-made, 132. biology, 133. limb, 134. proof, 135. sculptural

136. tw__d jacket *n.* a rough, woolen fabric often woven in a twill pattern, commonly used for making suits, jackets, and coats
137. a mec_____al style of writing *adj.* operated by a machine, relating to or concerned with machinery or tools
138. bl__g jewelry *n.* a slang term that refers to flashy, showy, or ostentatious jewelry, often characterized by its high cost or precious materials
139. on the fr___e of the city *n.* a decorative border or edge on a piece of clothing; a group of people or things that are not considered to be part of the main group
140. su_____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
141. sports g__r *n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
142. ta_____ay pizza *n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information
143. men often pr_____e women when walking *v.* to happen or go before something or someone in time or space
144. fin_____nt identification *n.* a unique pattern of ridges and valleys on the surface of a finger that can be used to identify a person
145. pa__l discussion *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

ANSWERS: 136. tweed, 137. mechanical, 138. bling, 139. fringe, 140. survive, 141. gear, 142. takeaway, 143. precede, 144. fingerprint, 145. panel

146. com_____on number *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
147. bri_____ce of diamond *n.* the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining
148. po_____er fabric *n.* a synthetic fabric consisting of polymers typically derived from petroleum, characterized by its durability, wrinkle resistance, and easy-care properties
149. ca____n emission *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
150. re____d the situation as unfortunate *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
151. a tr_____l man *adj.* of little value or importance
152. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
153. her_____ne weave *n.* a distinctive V-shaped pattern created by arranging rectangles or parallelograms in an alternating slanted fashion, resembling the skeleton of a herring fish, commonly used in textiles, flooring, and masonry
154. electric mot_____le *n.* a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals
155. quadruple am_____e *n.* a person who has had an arm or a leg cut off

ANSWERS: 146. combination, 147. brilliance, 148. polyester, 149. carbon, 150. regard, 151. trivial, 152. complexity, 153. herringbone, 154. motorcycle, 155. amputee

156. th___e on pressure *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
157. apo_____ic letter *adj.* feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something
158. a tr___y recipe to follow *adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with
159. com_____ve position *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
160. bio_____al assay *adj.* relating to the application of the natural sciences, especially biology, and physiology, to clinical medicine and healthcare
161. fi___e visa *n.* a person who is engaged to be married
162. w__p up a meeting *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
163. am_____e runner *n.* a person who has had an arm or a leg cut off
164. professor of ch_____ry *n.* the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions
165. pr_____e any discussion *v.* to happen or go before something or someone in time or space
166. br_____nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
167. ni___l plate *n.* a silver-white metallic element with the symbol Ni, used in many alloys and as a coin; a United States coin worth one-twentieth of a dollar

ANSWERS: 156. thrive, 157. apologetic, 158. tricky, 159. competitive, 160. biomedical, 161. fiance, 162. wrap, 163. amputee, 164. chemistry, 165. precede, 166. brilliant, 167. nickel

168. a broken piece of sc__p *n.* a small piece or amount of something, especially leftover from a larger whole
169. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
170. a criminal bac_____nd *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
171. cutting-edge bio_____al *adj.* relating to the application of the natural sciences, especially biology, and physiology, to clinical medicine and healthcare
172. linear app_____te equation *adj.* nearly accurate or correct, but not completely so
173. western phi_____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
174. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
175. c__d completely in black *adj.* dressed or covered in a particular way; provided or protected with a particular material or substance

ANSWERS: 168. scrap, 169. mass, 170. background, 171. biomedical, 172. approximate, 173. philosophy, 174. process, 175. clad

176. an id_____al equation *adj.* being the exact same one
177. a pr_____nd book *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
178. the characters that re_____nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
179. bi____c exoskeleton *adj.* relating to or using technology or devices that enhance or replace biological functions, typically in a way that mimics or improves upon the original
180. re_____gn project *v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
181. source of ins_____on *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
182. le_____r boots *n.* a material made from the skin of an animal, typically by tanning, and used for clothing, shoes, furniture, and other items
183. new di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
184. im_____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
185. fo__l length *adj.* relating to an important or central point or area; sharp or precise in focus or detail

ANSWERS: 176. identical, 177. profound, 178. represent, 179. bionic, 180. redesign, 181. inspiration, 182. leather, 183. dimension, 184. improve, 185. focal

186. se___e down in the town *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
187. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
188. a ta___o artist *n.* a form of body modification made by inserting ink, dyes, or pigments, either permanent or temporary, into the skin to form a design
189. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
190. meet req_____nt *n.* something that is needed or wanted
191. s__n the face of the man *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
192. imp_____al communication *adj.* lacking personal warmth or feeling; not influenced by personal feelings or individual characteristics; relating to an object or concept rather than a specific person
193. breast d__t *n.* a tube, pipe, or channel for conveying air, water, or other substances
194. natural da_____ht *n.* the natural light produced by the sun during the day, especially in contrast to artificial light or darkness
195. die su_____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
196. t_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

ANSWERS: 186. settle, 187. individual, 188. tattoo, 189. complexity, 190. requirement, 191. scan, 192. impersonal, 193. duct, 194. daylight, 195. suddenly, 196. tap

197. ch_____a mouse *n.* (in Greek mythology) a fire-breathing creature with a lion's head, a goat's body, and a snake's tail; a thing that is illusory or impossible to achieve
198. br_____nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
199. the form of a di_____ue *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
200. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
201. express phy_____ty *n.* the physical nature or characteristics of something, especially the human body or movement; the state of being full of energy and force
202. mot_____le gangster *n.* a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals
203. ca____r research *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
204. dis_____en employees *v.* to cause someone to lose hope, confidence, or enthusiasm; to discourage or demoralize
205. fo__l neurological deficit *adj.* relating to an important or central point or area; sharp or precise in focus or detail
206. kin_____cs analysis *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of objects without considering the forces that cause the motion; the study of the geometric and algebraic properties of motion, such as displacement, velocity, and acceleration

ANSWERS: 197. chimera, 198. brilliant, 199. dialogue, 200. absolutely, 201. physicality, 202. motorcycle, 203. cancer, 204. dishearten, 205. focal, 206. kinematics

207. tw__d fabric *n.* a rough, woolen fabric often woven in a twill pattern, commonly used for making suits, jackets, and coats
208. get ins_____on from nature *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
209. low rec_____ity problem *n.* the degree to which a material or product can be reused or repurposed after it has served its original function, without requiring significant modifications or environmental harm
210. bring my la___p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
211. imp_____al treatment *adj.* lacking personal warmth or feeling; not influenced by personal feelings or individual characteristics; relating to an object or concept rather than a specific person
212. the fo_____nts of an earlier civilization *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
213. in___e with spirit *v.* to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
214. an interspecific hy___d *adj.* composed of different elements or mixed characters
215. Euclidean ge_____ry *n.* the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces

ANSWERS: 207. tweed, 208. inspiration, 209. recyclability, 210. laptop, 211. impersonal, 212. footprint, 213. infuse, 214. hybrid, 215. geometry

216. tracking de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
217. fo_____nts in the snow *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
218. ae_____ic value *adj.* connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty
219. ni___l ore *n.* a silver-white metallic element with the symbol Ni, used in many alloys and as a coin; a United States coin worth one-twentieth of a dollar
220. dem_____ic analyses *n.* a statistic characterizing that describes people or groups of people based on their age, sex, income, etc.
221. a com_____ve price *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
222. ind_____al alcohol *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
223. di___l a liquid *v.* to purify or refine; to extract the essential elements
224. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
225. 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
226. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

ANSWERS: 216. device, 217. footprint, 218. aesthetic, 219. nickel, 220. demographic, 221. competitive, 222. industrial, 223. distill, 224. amazing, 225. sculpture, 226. absolutely

227. ti____ss topic *adj.* not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion
228. su____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
229. s__n a document into PDF *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
230. d__t tape *n.* a tube, pipe, or channel for conveying air, water, or other substances
231. ae_____ic feeling *adj.* connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty
232. re_____gn of lifestyle *v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
233. in____e life with meaning *v.* to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
234. g_m membership *n.* a place equipped for exercise and other physical training
235. re___d him as an enemy *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
236. co_____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
237. surface po___h *n.* a substance used to smooth or shine a surface; the act of smoothing or shining a surface
238. baby c__f *n.* a young cow, bull, or other domestic bovine animals
239. legal en___y *n.* something that exists independently and has its own identity

ANSWERS: 227. timeless, 228. suddenly, 229. scan, 230. duct, 231. aesthetic, 232. redesign, 233. infuse, 234. gym, 235. regard, 236. concept, 237. polish, 238. calf, 239. entity

240. spherical ge____ry *n.* the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces
241. a_m at a specific target *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
242. rotational kin_____cs *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of objects without considering the forces that cause the motion; the study of the geometric and algebraic properties of motion, such as displacement, velocity, and acceleration
243. fr___e benefit *n.* a decorative border or edge on a piece of clothing; a group of people or things that are not considered to be part of the main group
244. rel_____sh all hope *v.* to give up power, control, or possession
245. vi_____e by X-ray *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
246. re_____nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
247. for the me_____me *n.* the interval or period of time between two events; the interim or temporary time period between two actions or stages of something else
248. gain a va_____e *n.* a position or place that provides a commanding or advantageous view or perspective; a favorable position or advantage

ANSWERS: 240. geometry, 241. aim, 242. kinematics, 243. fringe, 244. relinquish, 245. visible, 246. represent, 247. meantime, 248. vantage

249. t_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
250. ex_____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
251. su_____e a plane crash *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
252. thin-and-light la____p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
253. pro_____ic limbs *adj.* of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant
254. Platonic di_____ues *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
255. a c__f elephant *n.* a young cow, bull, or other domestic bovine animals
256. re_____te the feeling of the 1920s *v.* to make something that existed previously happen or appear to exist again
257. meeting with the fi____e's family *n.* a person who is engaged to be married
258. flashy bl____g *n.* a slang term that refers to flashy, showy, or ostentatious jewelry, often characterized by its high cost or precious materials
259. economic bu____e *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses

ANSWERS: 249. tap, 250. exciting, 251. survive, 252. laptop, 253. prosthetic, 254. dialogue, 255. calf, 256. recreate, 257. fiance, 258. bling, 259. bubble

260. for tr____l reasons *adj.* of little value or importance
261. cu____r of a library *n.* a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.
262. ca____n dioxide *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
263. da____ht hours *n.* the natural light produced by the sun during the day, especially in contrast to artificial light or darkness
264. c__b appetite *v.* to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk
265. a_m to be a nurse *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
266. ca____r diagnosis *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

ANSWERS: 260. trivial, 261. curator, 262. carbon, 263. daylight, 264. curb, 265. aim, 266. cancer

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The athlete's success was largely due to her _____ and dedication to fitness.
 - n.* the physical nature or characteristics of something, especially the human body or movement; the state of being full of energy and force

2. 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

3. She decided to _____ her thoughts into a more manageable list.
 - v.* to purify or refine; to extract the essential elements

4. There is a _____ aspect to his most remarkable work.
 - adj.* not seeming to be altered by the passage of time or changes in fashion

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

6. She _____ fresh herbs into the soup for added flavor.
 - v.* to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue

7. He used a hammer and round _____ to fix the loose board on the fence.
 - n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes

8. We have discussed the entirety of this _____ problem.
 - adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with

ANSWERS: 1. physicality, 2. studio, 3. distill, 4. timeless, 5. survive, 6. infused, 7. nail, 8. tricky

9. What is the entry _____ for this course?
n. something that is needed or wanted
10. The problem seemed _____ initially, but it became a significant issue.
adj. of little value or importance
11. He displayed the _____ symptoms of depression.
adj. judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
12. The team's loss in the semifinals did not _____ their determination to return stronger next season.
v. to cause someone to lose hope, confidence, or enthusiasm; to discourage or demoralize
13. Who answers _____ knows little.
adv. quickly and unexpectedly
14. The dress had a _____ of beads along the hem.
n. a decorative border or edge on a piece of clothing; a group of people or things that are not considered to be part of the main group
15. She checked her _____ before embarking on the hike.
n. a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
16. The _____ equations he used accurately predicted the object's future position.
n. the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of objects without considering the forces that cause the motion; the study of the geometric and algebraic properties of motion, such as displacement, velocity, and acceleration

ANSWERS: 9. requirement, 10. trivial, 11. classic, 12. dishearten, 13. suddenly, 14. fringe, 15. gear, 16. kinematics

17. He had a _____ sense of humor and loved to make puns.

adj. characterized by an intense interest or expertise in a particular subject or hobby, sometimes to the detriment of social skills or other interests

18. The mobile phone was still _____ even after being dropped.

adj. designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service

19. There was no _____ of a problem.

n. an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something

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

adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry

21. Breast _____ is the most common type of cancer in women.

n. abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

22. She had the _____ that work was fun.

n. the way you think and feel about someone or something

23. She stood on the podium and _____ an audience.

v. to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

24. Any activity on the Internet will be stored as a digital _____ for life.

n. a form of body modification made by inserting ink, dyes, or pigments, either permanent or temporary, into the skin to form a design

ANSWERS: 17. geeky, 18. functional, 19. hint, 20. Industrial, 21. cancer, 22. attitude, 23. scanned, 24. tattoo

25. We have to _____ our company's product lineup for further growth.
v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
26. She loves to accessorize with lots of _____ but I prefer a different style.
n. a slang term that refers to flashy, showy, or ostentatious jewelry, often characterized by its high cost or precious materials
27. She _____ the atmosphere of the pre-war age with her stage setting.
v. to make something that existed previously happen or appear to exist again
28. I don't want to _____ for second best.
v. to reach an agreement of disagreement
29. The _____ in my pocket jingled as I walked.
n. a silver-white metallic element with the symbol Ni, used in many alloys and as a coin; a United States coin worth one-twentieth of a dollar
30. The building had a _____ pattern that was pleasing to the eye.
n. balance or proportion in design or structure, with elements arranged evenly on either side of an axis
31. Many people worry that the current real estate market is a _____ that could burst soon.
n. a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
32. He was _____ for being late to the meeting.
adj. feeling or expressing regret, remorse, or sorrow for one's actions; making an apology or expressing an excuse for something

ANSWERS: 25. rethink, 26. bling, 27. recreated, 28. settle, 29. nickel, 30. symmetry, 31. bubble, 32. apologetic

33. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.
adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement
34. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.
v. to be all around something or somebody
35. The _____ of the new policy was that it would be more expensive for customers.
n. the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure
36. _____ engineering focuses on developing new medical technologies and innovations to improve patient health outcomes.
adj. relating to the application of the natural sciences, especially biology, and physiology, to clinical medicine and healthcare
37. 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
38. The photographer adjusted the camera to focus on the image's _____ point.
adj. relating to an important or central point or area; sharp or precise in focus or detail
39. The researchers try to discover a common _____ in all types of successful organizations.
n. one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger

ANSWERS: 33. exciting, 34. surround, 35. downside, 36. Biomedical, 37. sculptures, 38. focal, 39. component

40. Overall _____ are approximately 400x200mm.

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

41. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

42. I casually _____ into the small hut.

v. to give a quick or brief look; to hit something at an angle

43. 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

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

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

45. The _____ to the safe was a secret.

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

46. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

47. The air _____ in the building needed to be cleaned to improve the air quality.

n. a tube, pipe, or channel for conveying air, water, or other substances

48. The mobile application industry is a _____ one.

adj. involving competition or competitiveness

ANSWERS: 40. dimensions, 41. absolutely, 42. glanced, 43. biology, 44. dialogue, 45. combination, 46. engineer, 47. ducts, 48. competitive

49. Frugality and industry are still _____ as virtues.
- v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
50. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's _____.
- n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
51. Our schools offer _____ education by excellent teachers.
- v.* to make something personal or more personal to suit the needs of a particular person, place, etc.
52. A company is a distinct legal _____.
- n.* something that exists independently and has its own identity
53. Ethics is a branch of _____.
- n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
54. The _____ of rocks can reveal clues about their geological history.
- n.* the study of the form and structure of plants, animals, and other organisms; the study of the alteration of word forms as they change from one part of speech to another
55. The _____ detergent cleans the dishes more effectively than regular dish soap.
- n.* a machine or device used for washing dishes typically found in a kitchen; a person who washes dishes as a profession, often in a restaurant or catering setting

ANSWERS: 49. regarded, 50. background, 51. individualized, 52. entity, 53. philosophy, 54. morphology, 55. dishwasher

56. He seems _____ of understanding what she says.

adj. unable to do, control, or achieve something

57. _____ often experience an illusion of a phantom limb.

n. a person who has had an arm or a leg cut off

58. He found _____ in the works of his favorite authors.

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

59. The kitchen is designed with a _____ approach, focusing on practicality rather than aesthetics.

adj. designed to be practical and functional rather than decorative or luxurious

60. I used a special _____ to make my car's paint shine.

n. a substance used to smooth or shine a surface; the act of smoothing or shining a surface

61. The company is planning to _____ its website.

v. to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again

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

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

63. The accident left him with numbness in his left _____.

n. the part of a person's arm between the elbow and the wrist; (verb) to arm in advance of a confrontation

ANSWERS: 56. incapable, 57. Amputees, 58. inspiration, 59. utilitarian, 60. polish, 61. redesign, 62. mechanical, 63. forearm

64. Infant formulas are nutritionally almost _____ to a mother's breast milk.
adj. being the exact same one
65. The _____ ship sank on its maiden voyage.
adj. of or having a great size, power, or influence; of or relating to Titanium (= a light, strong grey, lustrous, corrosion-resistant metallic element)
66. The meeting aims to _____ possible choices.
v. to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
67. The view of the city skyline from the top of the building looked amazing in the _____.
n. the natural light produced by the sun during the day, especially in contrast to artificial light or darkness
68. The mathematician pioneered fractal _____.
n. the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces
69. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.
n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract
70. You should wrap the bandage carefully and firmly around the injured _____.
n. an arm and leg of a person or animal
71. The bridge is a _____ structure and was built to span the river.
adj. created or produced by humans; artificial
72. I always carry a backup _____ in case my phone runs out of battery.
n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

ANSWERS: 64. identical, 65. titanic, 66. evaluate, 67. daylight, 68. geometry, 69. concept, 70. limb, 71. human-made, 72. device

73. My mother's illness had a _____ impact on us all.

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

74. The police used a _____ scanner to identify the suspect.

n. a unique pattern of ridges and valleys on the surface of a finger that can be used to identify a person

75. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.

v. to make or become better

76. The jacket's exterior was made of _____ while the interior was lined with warm and cozy fleece.

n. a synthetic fabric consisting of polymers typically derived from petroleum, characterized by its durability, wrinkle resistance, and easy-care properties

77. She wore a stylish _____ coat, perfect for the chilly weather.

n. a rough, woolen fabric often woven in a twill pattern, commonly used for making suits, jackets, and coats

78. The main _____ from the meeting was the need for better communication.

n. a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information

79. Agricultural development generally _____ economic growth.

v. to happen or go before something or someone in time or space

80. From our _____ point, we could see the whole city skyline.

n. a position or place that provides a commanding or advantageous view or perspective; a favorable position or advantage

ANSWERS: 73. profound, 74. fingerprint, 75. improve, 76. polyester, 77. tweed, 78. takeaway, 79. precedes, 80. vantage

81. I was able to _____ the moment on film.

- v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

82. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

- adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

83. New _____ joints are less prone to metal poisoning.

- adj.* of or relating to an artificial part of the body, such as a limb, a heart, or a breast implant

84. Life is a vast _____ you should put as much paint on it as possible.

- n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

85. He had his _____ license revoked for drunken driving.

- n.* a two-wheeled vehicle that is driven by an engine and has no pedals

86. She wore a beautiful dress with delicate _____ detailing.

- n.* a delicate fabric made of interlacing thread or other material; a cord used to fasten or adorn clothing, often with a pattern of holes or spaces; a decorative netting or interlaced design

87. I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my _____ all day.

- n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap

88. In the _____ while we wait for the results, let's start working on the next project.

- n.* the interval or period of time between two events; the interim or temporary time period between two actions or stages of something else

ANSWERS: 81. capture, 82. brilliant, 83. prosthetic, 84. canvas;, 85. motorcycle, 86. lace, 87. laptop, 88. meantime,

89. My home is easily _____ from the shore.

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

90. The _____ of the Atlantic coast of America is very complicated.

n. the outline of its shape or form; a line drawn on a map connecting points of equal height

91. The high-rise office building had an _____ atmosphere, making it feel corporate and uninviting.

adj. lacking personal warmth or feeling; not influenced by personal feelings or individual characteristics; relating to an object or concept rather than a specific person

92. The scientist's _____ led to many groundbreaking discoveries in his field.

n. the quality of being very clever or talented; the quality of being very bright or shining

93. She went to the fully equipped ____ to work out every day.

n. a place equipped for exercise and other physical training

94. The _____ of electronic devices is a significant challenge due to the complexity of their components.

n. the degree to which a material or product can be reused or repurposed after it has served its original function, without requiring significant modifications or environmental harm

95. The _____ details on the building's facade were simply stunning.

adj. relating to or resembling sculpture (= a three-dimensional work of art); having a three-dimensional quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 89. visible, 90. contour, 91. impersonal, 92. brilliance, 93. gym, 94. recyclability, 95. sculptural

96. The soldier was fitted with a _____ arm after losing him in combat.
adj. relating to or using technology or devices that enhance or replace biological functions, typically in a way that mimics or improves upon the original
97. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.
v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
98. The company holds patents on core components of _____ jet printers.
n. a device that emits powerful and narrow light that can be used as a tool to cut metal through a process of optical amplification
99. 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
100. We ___ for an overseas expansion.
v. to try or plan to get or achieve something
101. She made a collage from _____ of paper and fabric from the art supply store.
n. a small piece or amount of something, especially leftover from a larger whole
102. The _____ jacket was worn in but still comfortable.
n. a material made from the skin of an animal, typically by tanning, and used for clothing, shoes, furniture, and other items
103. She decided to _____ her role as the leader of the group.
v. to give up power, control, or possession
104. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

ANSWERS: 96. bionic, 97. define, 98. laser, 99. represent, 100. aim, 101. scraps, 102. leather, 103. relinquish, 104. amazing

105. Trees absorb _____ dioxide and give off oxygen.

n. a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

106. _____ is better than argument.

n. a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists

107. He _____ misleads others.

adv. done in an intentional or slow and careful manner

108. We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon _____.

n. a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

109. My _____ standards are quite different from hers.

adj. connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty

110. Animal _____ are created by combining multiple fertilized eggs.

n. (in Greek mythology) a fire-breathing creature with a lion's head, a goat's body, and a snake's tail; a thing that is illusory or impossible to achieve

111. Several _____ indicators correlate with care admission.

n. a statistic characterizing that describes people or groups of people based on their age, sex, income, etc.

112. The pilot had to adjust the plane's _____ to stay on course.

n. the way in which one comports oneself; a posture or stance, especially one indicative of confidence or authority; the horizontal direction or position of a place, object, or person relative to another

ANSWERS: 105. carbon, 106. Proof, 107. deliberately, 108. footprint, 109. aesthetic, 110. chimeras, 111. demographic, 112. bearing

113. My _____ and I are looking for a new apartment after our wedding.
n. a person who is engaged to be married
114. 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
115. Without investment, a business cannot _____.
v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
116. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
117. The fashion designer showcased a stunning _____ pattern on the runway.
n. a distinctive V-shaped pattern created by arranging rectangles or parallelograms in an alternating slanted fashion, resembling the skeleton of a herring fish, commonly used in textiles, flooring, and masonry
118. _____ the bandage tightly around the injured arm.
v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
119. The mule is a _____ between a male donkey and a female horse.
adj. composed of different elements or mixed characters
120. I will work hard to _____ my goals and realize my dreams.
v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

ANSWERS: 113. fiance, 114. process, 115. thrive, 116. mass, 117. herringbone, 118. Wrap, 119. hybrid, 120. achieve

121. A _____ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

- n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

122. The museum _____ conserved the ancient manuscripts.

- n.* a person whose job is to manage the objects or artworks in a museum, art gallery, etc.

123. He is familiar with _____ and biology.

- n.* the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions

124. Night fishing has a lot of _____.

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

125. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

- n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

126. He tried to ____ his anger during the argument with his friend.

- v.* to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk

127. To expand the company, we must ____ new human resources.

- v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

ANSWERS: 121. panel, 122. curator, 123. chemistry, 124. rewards, 125. individual, 126. curb, 127. tap

128. The _____ in the road was so sharp that I had to slow down to navigate it safely.
n. a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
129. The athlete was _____ in a tight-fitting suit designed to reduce drag and improve performance.
adj. dressed or covered in a particular way; provided or protected with a particular material or substance
130. The political situation _____ the country's economic growth and foreign relations.
v. to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
131. The newborn _____ stood on wobbly legs, trying to find its mother's milk.
n. a young cow, bull, or other domestic bovine animals
132. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
133. The _____ cost of the project was estimated to be around \$500,000.
adj. nearly accurate or correct, but not completely so

ANSWERS: 128. curve, 129. clad, 130. constrained, 131. calf, 132. complexity, 133. approximate