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Session 1: Word List

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.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;
synonym: alter, convert, change

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

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

broadcast

v. to send out a program or some information on radio or television
synonym: air, announce, advertise

(1) **broadcast** a concert, (2) **broadcast** a radio ad

Most of the programs are **broadcast** in this area.

commerce

n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
synonym: trade, transaction, dealings

(1) interstate **commerce**, (2) the local chamber of

commerce

This company has invested heavily in Internet **commerce**.

bush

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

synonym : copse, scrub, brushwood

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

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

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym : administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

chief

adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

synonym : essential, primary, leading

(1) **chief** accountant, (2) **chief** events of the year

Mining is a **chief** source of income for the country.

adviser

n. a person who gives advice about a particular subject

synonym : consultant, guide, expert

(1) a medical **adviser**, (2) chief **adviser**

After retiring, he continued to be an **adviser** to politicians.

Atlantic

adj. relating to or located near the Atlantic Ocean, which is the second-largest ocean on Earth, located between the continents of North and South America to the west and Europe and Africa to the east

(1) **Atlantic** breeze, (2) **Atlantic** salmon

The **Atlantic** hurricane season runs from June to November each year.

catalog

n. a complete list of items, often including technical details and prices

synonym : directory, list, register

(1) a classified **catalog**, (2) **catalog** card

She used the online **catalog** to find the perfect pair of earrings for her sister's birthday.

brain

n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

synonym : intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage

X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

association

n. a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship

synonym : affiliation, collaboration, society

(1) word **associations**, (2) a scholarship **association**

His membership in the **association** provided him with numerous benefits.

snap

v. to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands

synonym : break, crack, fracture

(1) **snap** a whip, (2) **snap** judgment

She **snapped** a quick picture of the beautiful sunset before it disappeared.

instantly

adv. immediately

synonym : immediately, right away, directly

(1) **instantly** cope with, (2) be killed **instantly**

I remembered that person **instantly** and never forgot.

structure

n. the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

synonym : construction, architecture, establishment

(1) the **structure** of a machine, (2) **structure** and function of

the brain

The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

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.

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.

meme

n. a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online

synonym: buzzword, trend

(1) pronounce **meme**, (2) religious **meme**

This cute dog's photo spread around the world as an Internet **meme**.

relate

v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

synonym: connect, link, associate

(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message

He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they

couldn't understand.

invention

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

synonym: creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**
Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

propose

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

synonym: suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes
I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

platform

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

synonym: stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise
The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

spinning

n. the act of rotating rapidly around an axis; in the context of textiles, the process of twisting fibers together to form thread or yarn

synonym: whirling, rotating, spinning wheel

(1) **spinning** machine, (2) **spinning** wheel

She took a **spinning** class at the gym to improve her cardiovascular fitness.

inspire

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

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

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

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

lab *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

synonym: workshop, laboratory, research chamber

(1) **lab** instrument, (2) medical **lab**

The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's **lab**.

augment *v.* to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it

synonym: boost, increase, expand

(1) **augment** the reality, (2) **augment** immunity

Economic factors and monetary policy **augmented** inflation.

intelligence *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

synonym: brains, brightness, cleverness

(1) an **intelligence** test, (2) field of artificial **intelligence**

In terms of **intelligence**, he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

premonition *n.* a strong feeling or sense that something is about to happen, often foreboding or unpleasant; a warning or indication of a future event or circumstance

synonym: forewarning, prognostication, presentiment

(1) **premonition** of a bad outcome, (2) **premonition** of success

His **premonition** of an impending disaster saved his family from a serious accident.

compute *v.* to make a mathematical calculation

synonym: calculate

(1) **compute** an average score, (2) **compute** the value

I tried to **compute** the efficiency of the investment.

software *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs

synonym : program, system, operating system

(1) **software** architect, (2) copyrighted **software**

The company specializes in both hardware and **software**.

joint

adj. shared, held, or made between two or more people;
(noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton

synonym : collaborative, cooperative, combined

(1) a **joint** venture, (2) the bone of a **joint**

After the summit meeting, the prime ministers issued a **joint** statement.

confer

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

synonym : consult, meet, discuss

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

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

demonstrate

v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience

synonym : show, illustrate, display

(1) **demonstrate** a difference, (2) **demonstrate** mastery

How can you **demonstrate** that the earth is a sphere?

graphics

n. images, designs, or drawings used in websites, books, magazines, etc.

synonym : drawings, illustrations, pictures

(1) computer **graphics**, (2) **graphics** engine

My dream is to become a great **graphics** designer like her.

keyboard

n. device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work

synonym : console, piano

(1) numeric **keyboard**, (2) **keyboard** instruments

Please strike the "enter" on the **keyboard**.

pound

n. the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

(1) three-fourths of a **pound**, (2) thousands of **pounds**

The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred **pounds**.

jet

n. a type of aircraft that is powered by one or more jet engines and can fly at high speeds, typically over long distances

synonym: plane, aircraft, flier

(1) private **jet**, (2) commercial **jet**

The **jet** flew over the ocean at high speed, reaching its destination in hours.

practical

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

synonym: applicable, functional, realistic

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

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

spin

v. to cause something to rotate rapidly; to cause someone to feel dizzy or disoriented

synonym: rotate, twirl, swirl

(1) **spin** a top, (2) **spin** thread out of cotton

The tornado is **spinning** across the countryside, destroying everything in its path.

owl

n. a nocturnal bird of prey with large eyes, a facial disc, and typically a loud hooting call

synonym: raptor, bird of prey, nocturnal bird

(1) a night **owl**, (2) an **owl** hooted

The snowy **owl** is a large, white bird often seen in the Arctic.

hypertext

n. a type of electronic text that links to other related information and allows non-linear reading and navigation between different text sections, commonly used in the context of the World Wide Web

synonym: hyperlink, linking, web

(1) **hypertext** document, (2) **hypertext** navigation

The Internet has **hypertext** links allowing users to navigate different web pages.

introduction

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

synonym: initiation, preamble, prologue

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

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

fuss

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

synonym: commotion, agitation, disturbance

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

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

supplement

n. something that is added to something else to make it better or complete it

synonym: complement, addendum, accessory

(1) wage **supplement**, (2) use of dietary **supplements**

Certain **supplements** may promote tumor growth.

journal

n. a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession

synonym: periodical, diary, bulletin

(1) scientific **journal**, (2) **journal** articles

The physician is reading the **journals** related to medicine

launch

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

synonym: start, initiate, begin

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

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

byte

n. a unit of digital information that consists of 8 bits, typically used to represent a single character of text or a small amount of computer code

(1) **byte** code, (2) **byte** array

The computer hard drive had plenty of storage space but was running low on available **bytes**.

develop

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

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

markup

n. an added cost or margin above the actual cost of a product or service often used to cover expenses and generate profit; a process of marking up, such as adding annotations or comments; the process of adding additional information or instructions to text or data to specify its structure, meaning, or presentation

synonym: addition, tag

(1) **markup** language, (2) **markup** on drugs

The **markup** on the product was so high that it was almost double the original production cost.

HTML

n. (abbreviation for "Hypertext Markup Language") a coding language used for creating and structuring webpages on the Internet

(1) **HTML** coding, (2) **HTML** tag

He realized there was an error in the **HTML** syntax causing the page layout to break.

pretentious

adj. attempting to impress others by pretending to be more important, innovative, or significant than is actually the case; showy or ostentatious

synonym : ostentatious, showy, pompous

(1) **pretentious** behavior, (2) **pretentious** language

The **pretentious** guest at the party talked endlessly about his expensive taste in wine.

convinced

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

synonym : confident, positive, indoctrinated

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

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

persuade

v. to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion

synonym : convince, influence, sway

(1) attempt to **persuade**, (2) **persuade** enough people

She tried to **persuade** her brother to join her on the trip, but he was too busy with work.

browse

v. to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants

synonym : look around, look through, scan

(1) **browse** a website, (2) **browse** through the text

We **browsed** in a souvenir shop.

font

n. a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen

synonym : typeface, typography, lettering

(1) **font** size, (2) script **font**

I changed the **font** on my resume to make it more visually

appealing.

layout

n. the way in which the parts of something are arranged or set out

synonym: arrangement, configuration, design

(1) a keyboard **layout**, (2) the **layout** of a book

He designed the **layout** of the office to maximize efficiency.

plain

adj. without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees

synonym: basic, straight, bare

(1) **plain** answer, (2) delta **plain**

The lowest lowland region is mostly flat **plain**.

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym: acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

reject

v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

synonym: decline, turn down, repudiate

(1) **reject** the proposal, (2) **reject** all imperfect merchandise

The company **rejected** the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.

opposition

n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

synonym: resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

keynote

n. the central theme or message of a speech, presentation, or event; the first note or tone in a musical scale used as a reference point for the performance of a piece of music

synonym: theme, focus, centerpiece

(1) **keynote** presentation, (2) **keynote** topic

The **keynote** speaker at the conference inspired us with their innovative ideas.

illustrious

adj. famous, respected, and honored

synonym: famous, renowned, distinguished

(1) an **illustrious** achievement, (2) **illustrious** figure

The **illustrious** scientist won the Nobel Prize for his groundbreaking work.

harry

v. to persistently harass, badger, or bother someone or something; to persistently attack or pursue an opposing force or target

synonym: bother, pester, annoy

(1) **harry** the ship all night, (2) **harry** a suspect

I need to **harry** my coworkers to finish the project on time.

potter

n. a person who makes pottery, objects that are made of clay and then fired in a kiln to make them hard and durable; (verb, also putter) to occupy oneself in a leisurely or casual way, often with no particular goal or aim in mind

synonym: shape, form, mold

(1) **potter's** studio, (2) **potter** around in the garden

The ancient Egyptians were skilled **potters** and left behind

many beautiful artifacts.

fortune

n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

synonym: wealth, affluence, assets

(1) ill **fortune**, (2) bit of good **fortune**

Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal **fortune**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. the bone of a jo__t
adj. shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton
2. la___h a spaceship into orbit
v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
3. be killed in_____ly
adv. immediately
4. private j_t
n. a type of aircraft that is powered by one or more jet engines and can fly at high speeds, typically over long distances
5. meet with opp_____on
n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
6. pe_____de enough people
v. to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion
7. co___r honor
v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
8. so_____re architect
n. a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
9. re_____ze talent
v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

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| 10. commercial j_t | <i>n.</i> a type of aircraft that is powered by one or more jet engines and can fly at high speeds, typically over long distances |
| 11. gov_____nt bureaucracy | <i>n.</i> the group of people with authority to control a country or state |
| 12. dem_____te mastery | <i>v.</i> to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience |
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26. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
27. sp_____ng wheel *n.* the act of rotating rapidly around an axis; in the context of textiles, the process of twisting fibers together to form thread or yarn
28. hy_____xt navigation *n.* a type of electronic text that links to other related information and allows non-linear reading and navigation between different text sections, commonly used in the context of the World Wide Web

ANSWERS: 19. premonition, 20. convinced, 21. transform, 22. HTML, 23. launch, 24. communal, 25. journal, 26. invention, 27. spinning, 28. hypertext

29. a jo__t venture *adj.* shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton
30. a b__h of hair *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
31. ill____us figure *adj.* famous, respected, and honored
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35. in____ly cope with *adv.* immediately
36. co___r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
37. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
38. in____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

ANSWERS: 29. joint, 30. bush, 31. illustrious, 32. introduction, 33. relate, 34. propose, 35. instantly, 36. confer, 37. brain, 38. inspire

39. po___r around in the garden *n.* a person who makes pottery, objects that are made of clay and then fired in a kiln to make them hard and durable; (verb, also putter) to occupy oneself in a leisurely or casual way, often with no particular goal or aim in mind
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44. s__n thread out of cotton *v.* to cause something to rotate rapidly; to cause someone to feel dizzy or disoriented
45. br_____st a radio ad *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television
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74. religious m__e *n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online
75. thousands of po__ds *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

ANSWERS: 67. absolutely, 68. inspire, 69. develop, 70. journal, 71. incapable, 72. adviser, 73. chief, 74. meme, 75. pound

76. make a f__s *n.* a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance
77. interstate co____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
78. po____r's studio *n.* a person who makes pottery, objects that are made of clay and then fired in a kiln to make them hard and durable; (verb, also putter) to occupy oneself in a leisurely or casual way, often with no particular goal or aim in mind
79. b__e code *n.* a unit of digital information that consists of 8 bits, typically used to represent a single character of text or a small amount of computer code
80. co____e the value *v.* to make a mathematical calculation
81. pl__n answer *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
82. s__p a whip *v.* to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands
83. hy____xt document *n.* a type of electronic text that links to other related information and allows non-linear reading and navigation between different text sections, commonly used in the context of the World Wide Web
84. ma____p language *n.* an added cost or margin above the actual cost of a product or service often used to cover expenses and generate profit; a process of marking up, such as adding annotations or comments; the process of adding additional information or instructions to text or data to specify its structure, meaning, or presentation

ANSWERS: 76. fuss, 77. commerce, 78. potter, 79. byte, 80. compute, 81. plain, 82. snap, 83. hypertext, 84. markup

85. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
86. the la____t of a book *n.* the way in which the parts of something are arranged or set out
87. s__p judgment *v.* to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands
88. st_____re and function of the brain *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
89. At_____ic breeze *adj.* relating to or located near the Atlantic Ocean, which is the second-largest ocean on Earth, located between the continents of North and South America to the west and Europe and Africa to the east
90. H__L tag *n.* (abbreviation for "Hypertext Markup Language") a coding language used for creating and structuring webpages on the Internet
91. attempt to pe_____de *v.* to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion
92. script f__t *n.* a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen
93. an o_l hooted *n.* a nocturnal bird of prey with large eyes, a facial disc, and typically a loud hooting call

ANSWERS: 85. government, 86. layout, 87. snap, 88. structure, 89. Atlantic, 90. HTML, 91. persuade, 92. font, 93. owl

94. l_b instrument *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
95. medical l_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
96. drunk and in_____le *adj.* unable to do, control, or achieve something
97. get into a f__s *n.* a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance
98. pr_____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
99. pr_____al English *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
100. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
101. re___t the proposal *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
102. wage sup_____nt *n.* something that is added to something else to make it better or complete it
103. s__n a top *v.* to cause something to rotate rapidly; to cause someone to feel dizzy or disoriented
104. numeric ke_____rd *n.* device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work

ANSWERS: 94. lab, 95. lab, 96. incapable, 97. fuss, 98. propose, 99. practical, 100. develop, 101. reject, 102. supplement, 103. spin, 104. keyboard

105. bit of good fo____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
106. co_____ed of the idea *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
107. computer gr_____cs *n.* images, designs, or drawings used in websites, books, magazines, etc.
108. a scholarship ass_____on *n.* a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
109. basic br__n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
110. an ill_____us achievement *adj.* famous, respected, and honored
111. delta pl__n *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
112. pre_____on of success *n.* a strong feeling or sense that something is about to happen, often foreboding or unpleasant; a warning or indication of a future event or circumstance
113. ill fo____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
114. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
115. copyrighted so_____re *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs

ANSWERS: 105. fortune, 106. convinced, 107. graphics, 108. association, 109. brain, 110. illustrious, 111. plain, 112. premonition, 113. fortune, 114. absolutely, 115. software

116. dem_____te a difference *v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
117. re___e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
118. br___e a website *v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
119. co_____e an average score *v.* to make a mathematical calculation
120. field of artificial int_____nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
121. ma___p on drugs *n.* an added cost or margin above the actual cost of a product or service often used to cover expenses and generate profit; a process of marking up, such as adding annotations or comments; the process of adding additional information or instructions to text or data to specify its structure, meaning, or presentation
122. sp_____ng machine *n.* the act of rotating rapidly around an axis; in the context of textiles, the process of twisting fibers together to form thread or yarn
123. ke_____rd instruments *n.* device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work

ANSWERS: 116. demonstrate, 117. relate, 118. browse, 119. compute, 120. intelligence, 121. markup, 122. spinning, 123. keyboard

124. ke____e presentation *n.* the central theme or message of a speech, presentation, or event; the first note or tone in a musical scale used as a reference point for the performance of a piece of music
125. ke____e topic *n.* the central theme or message of a speech, presentation, or event; the first note or tone in a musical scale used as a reference point for the performance of a piece of music
126. use of dietary sup_____nts *n.* something that is added to something else to make it better or complete it
127. gr____cs engine *n.* images, designs, or drawings used in websites, books, magazines, etc.
128. pronounce m__e *n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online
129. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
130. ha__y a suspect *v.* to persistently harass, badger, or bother someone or something; to persistently attack or pursue an opposing force or target
131. a medical ad____r *n.* a person who gives advice about a particular subject

ANSWERS: 124. keynote, 125. keynote, 126. supplement, 127. graphics, 128. meme, 129. opposition, 130. harry, 131. adviser

132. At_____ic salmon

adj. relating to or located near the Atlantic Ocean, which is the second-largest ocean on Earth, located between the continents of North and South America to the west and Europe and Africa to the east

ANSWERS: 132. Atlantic

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

2. 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

3. The _____ scientist won the Nobel Prize for his groundbreaking work.
adj. famous, respected, and honored

4. I changed the _____ on my resume to make it more visually appealing.
n. a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen

5. The ancient Egyptians were skilled _____ and left behind many beautiful artifacts.
n. a person who makes pottery, objects that are made of clay and then fired in a kiln to make them hard and durable; (verb, also putter) to occupy oneself in a leisurely or casual way, often with no particular goal or aim in mind

6. I need to _____ my coworkers to finish the project on time.
v. to persistently harass, badger, or bother someone or something; to persistently attack or pursue an opposing force or target

7. I tried to _____ the efficiency of the investment.
v. to make a mathematical calculation

ANSWERS: 1. inspired, 2. process, 3. illustrious, 4. font, 5. potters, 6. harry, 7. compute

8. Her concept is highly _____ and helpful.

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

9. The ____ flew over the ocean at high speed, reaching its destination in hours.

n. a type of aircraft that is powered by one or more jet engines and can fly at high speeds, typically over long distances

10. This cute dog's photo spread around the world as an Internet _____.

n. a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online

11. The company specializes in both hardware and _____.

n. a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs

12. The _____ on the product was so high that it was almost double the original production cost.

n. an added cost or margin above the actual cost of a product or service often used to cover expenses and generate profit; a process of marking up, such as adding annotations or comments; the process of adding additional information or instructions to text or data to specify its structure, meaning, or presentation

13. She tried to _____ her brother to join her on the trip, but he was too busy with work.

v. to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion

ANSWERS: 8. practical, 9. jet, 10. meme, 11. software, 12. markup, 13. persuade

14. The _____ hurricane season runs from June to November each year.
adj. relating to or located near the Atlantic Ocean, which is the second-largest ocean on Earth, located between the continents of North and South America to the west and Europe and Africa to the east
15. The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred _____.
n. the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
16. The company _____ the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.
v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
17. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.
adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
18. Please strike the "enter" on the _____.
n. device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work
19. The organizational _____ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.
n. the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
20. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.
v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
21. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.
v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

ANSWERS: 14. Atlantic, 15. pounds, 16. rejected, 17. absolutely, 18. keyboard, 19. structure, 20. launch, 21. recognize

22. This company has invested heavily in Internet _____.
- n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
23. There was a _____ about the broken vase, but it was quickly forgotten.
- n.* a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance
24. Most of the programs are _____ in this area.
- v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television
25. We _____ in a souvenir shop.
- v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
26. After retiring, he continued to be an _____ to politicians.
- n.* a person who gives advice about a particular subject
27. The _____ guest at the party talked endlessly about his expensive taste in wine.
- adj.* attempting to impress others by pretending to be more important, innovative, or significant than is actually the case; showy or ostentatious
28. She used the online _____ to find the perfect pair of earrings for her sister's birthday.
- n.* a complete list of items, often including technical details and prices
29. Mining is a _____ source of income for the country.
- adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

ANSWERS: 22. commerce, 23. fuss, 24. broadcast, 25. browsed, 26. adviser, 27. pretentious, 28. catalog, 29. chief

30. His membership in the _____ provided him with numerous benefits.
n. a people or groups of people who have joined in a single organization together for a particular purpose; a social or business connection or relationship
31. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
32. In terms of _____ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.
n. the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
33. After the summit meeting, the prime ministers issued a _____ statement.
adj. shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton
34. Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal _____.
n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
35. The physician is reading the _____ related to medicine
n. a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
36. He seems _____ of understanding what she says.
adj. unable to do, control, or achieve something
37. His _____ of an impending disaster saved his family from a serious accident.
n. a strong feeling or sense that something is about to happen, often foreboding or unpleasant; a warning or indication of a future event or circumstance

ANSWERS: 30. association, 31. develop, 32. intelligence, 33. joint, 34. fortune, 35. journals, 36. incapable, 37. premonition

38. He designed the _____ of the office to maximize efficiency.
n. the way in which the parts of something are arranged or set out
39. I am going to trim this _____ off.
n. a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
40. She took a _____ class at the gym to improve her cardiovascular fitness.
n. the act of rotating rapidly around an axis; in the context of textiles, the process of twisting fibers together to form thread or yarn
41. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
42. The lowest lowland region is mostly flat _____.
adj. without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
43. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
44. How can you _____ that the earth is a sphere?
v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
45. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.
v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

ANSWERS: 38. layout, 39. bush, 40. spinning, 41. opposition, 42. plain, 43. Communal, 44. demonstrate, 45. confer

46. The tornado is _____ across the countryside, destroying everything in its path.
- v.* to cause something to rotate rapidly; to cause someone to feel dizzy or disoriented
47. Certain _____ may promote tumor growth.
- n.* something that is added to something else to make it better or complete it
48. I remembered that person _____ and never forgot.
- adv.* immediately
49. The computer hard drive had plenty of storage space but was running low on available _____.
- n.* a unit of digital information that consists of 8 bits, typically used to represent a single character of text or a small amount of computer code
50. My father's death _____ my life completely.
- v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
51. Necessity is the mother of _____.
- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
52. Economic factors and monetary policy _____ inflation.
- v.* to increase the size, extent, quantity, etc. of something by adding something to it
53. He realized there was an error in the _____ syntax causing the page layout to break.
- n.* (abbreviation for "Hypertext Markup Language") a coding language used for creating and structuring webpages on the Internet

ANSWERS: 46. spinning, 47. supplements, 48. instantly, 49. bytes, 50. transformed, 51. invention, 52. augmented, 53. HTML

54. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
55. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's _____.
n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
56. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
57. The _____ speaker at the conference inspired us with their innovative ideas.
n. the central theme or message of a speech, presentation, or event; the first note or tone in a musical scale used as a reference point for the performance of a piece of music
58. She _____ a quick picture of the beautiful sunset before it disappeared.
v. to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands
59. The public is _____ that the prime minister has committed fraud.
adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
60. The snowy ____ is a large, white bird often seen in the Arctic.
n. a nocturnal bird of prey with large eyes, a facial disc, and typically a loud hooting call
61. The Internet has _____ links allowing users to navigate different web pages.
n. a type of electronic text that links to other related information and allows non-linear reading and navigation between different text sections, commonly used in the context of the World Wide Web

ANSWERS: 54. government, 55. lab, 56. relate, 57. keynote, 58. snapped, 59. convinced, 60. owl, 61. hypertext

62. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.

- n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

63. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.

- n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

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

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

65. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.

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

66. My dream is to become a great _____ designer like her.

- n.* images, designs, or drawings used in websites, books, magazines, etc.

ANSWERS: 62. brain, 63. platform, 64. propose, 65. introduction, 66. graphics