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Session 1: Word List

conduct

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

synonym: behave, lead, carry on

(1) **conduct** a background check, (2) **conduct** research
Police will **conduct** random breath testing for drunk driving.

parachute

n. a device used to slow the motion of people or objects through an atmosphere consisting of a large piece of thin cloth that is attached to them and opens out in the air

(1) **parachute** troops, (2) golden **parachute**
This training includes emergency escape drills with **parachutes**.

fort

n. a military structure designed to be defended from attack

synonym: stronghold, bastion, fortress

(1) an isolated **fort**, (2) **fort** gate
The stone **fort** was built to protect the city from invading forces.

routine

n. a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program

synonym: habit, custom, procedure

(1) **routine** business, (2) a built-in diagnostic **routine**

She studies gardening on a **routine** basis.

paratrooper

n. an individual soldier trained to be dropped by parachute from an aircraft into an area of operation, which is part of airborne units and is trained for rapid deployment and assault operations

synonym : sky soldier, airborne soldier, jumper

(1) **paratrooper** gear, (2) veteran **paratrooper**

He went through rigorous **paratrooper** training to be part of the airborne unit.

buddy

n. a close friend; a partner, especially one of a pair or team

synonym : mate, peer, associate

(1) my golf **buddy**, (2) **buddy** movie

He was the first **buddy** in the military training camp.

strap

n. a long, narrow strip or belt of leather, fabric, or another material used for binding, fastening, or supporting something or someone; a band or string that attaches one object to another, often used to secure items during transport

synonym : band, belt, sling

(1) leather **strap**, (2) camera **strap**

The athlete tightened the **strap** on his running shoes before the race.

reserve

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

synonym : keep, hold, preserve

(1) **reserve** the right, (2) **reserve** a concert ticket

You can easily **reserve** seats over the telephone.

rucksack

n. a type of backpack or knapsack that is typically used for hiking, camping, or other outdoor activities, which has shoulder straps and a compartment for storing gear or personal items

synonym :

backpack, knapsack, pack

(1) **rucksack** straps, (2) hiking **rucksack**

I packed my clothes and supplies into my **rucksack** for the camping trip.

grab

v. to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way

synonym: clutch, snatch, grasp

(1) **grab** an audience, (2) **grab** an opportunity

Shall we **grab** a bite to eat?

adjust

v. to make a minor modification to something to make it more suited for a new set of conditions or to make it function better.

synonym: adapt, alter, acclimate

(1) **adjust** a schedule, (2) **adjust** the rearview mirror

You have to **adjust** your content to the age of the audience.

tight

adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

synonym: closed, secured, cramped

(1) a **tight** game, (2) student on a **tight** budget

The national election was held amid **tight** security.

crush

v. to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller

synonym: destroy, demolish, pulverize

(1) **crush** coffee beans, (2) **crush** a revolt

The car was completely **crushed** in the accident.

octave

n. a musical interval encompassing eight diatonic scale degrees, such as the interval from C to the next C in a C major scale

synonym: eighth, interval, range

(1) **octave** key, (2) **octave** range

The singer's range was impressive, covering three **octaves** with ease.

aircraft

n. any vehicle that can fly and carry things or passengers, such as a plane or helicopter

synonym : airplane, plane, airliner

(1) an **aircraft** landing, (2) **aircraft** control system

The marine **aircraft** manufacturer demonstrated their newest hydroplane.

lumber

n. wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily

synonym : timber, wood, logs

(1) **lumber** industry, (2) rough **lumber**

The **lumber** yard had a wide selection of wood for building and construction.

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.

command

n. authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something

synonym : control, authority, leadership

(1) **command** and control, (2) **command** a battery

The general gave a **command** to his troops to prepare for battle.

warn

v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

synonym : alert, caution, admonish

(1) **warn** a reckless driver, (2) **warned** me of the plan

I attempted to **warn** him, but he ignored me.

boost

v. to improve, raise, or increase something

synonym : raise, advance, promote

(1) **boost** the economy, (2) **boost** flexibility

The new service helped **boost** net income by 10%.

confidence

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

synonym : self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

scared

adj. afraid or frightened

synonym : frightened, fearful, dreading

(1) **scared** all the time, (2) **scared** dog

I'm **scared** of insects.

outboard

n. a detachable engine or motor that is mounted outside the hull of a boat typically used for propulsion;
(adjective) located or situated on the outside or exterior, especially of a vehicle or vessel; (adverb) away from or toward the outside or exterior of a ship or an aircraft

synonym : engine, motor, propeller

(1) **outboard** propeller, (2) **outboard** boat

He attached the **outboard** motor to the back of his boat before heading out onto the lake.

personnel

n. a group of people who are employed in an organization or one of the armed forces; the department responsible for hiring, training, and placing employees

synonym : workforce, staff, labor force

(1) competent **personnel**, (2) **personnel** evaluation

Please forward the resumes to the **personnel** department.

inboard

adj. located or positioned inside or closer to the center or hull of a ship, aircraft, or vehicle; relating to or involving the internal parts or components of a machine or system

synonym : internal, onboard, built-in

(1) **inboard** motor, (2) **inboard** navigation system

The boat's **inboard** engine provided extra power and control while navigating rough waters.

hook

n. a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook

synonym: buckle, pin, curve

(1) a hat **hook**, (2) the curved shape of a **hook**

Please hang your towel on a **hook**.

static

adj. not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing

synonym: immobile, unchanging, fixed

(1) **static** electricity, (2) **static** website

The **static** image on the screen took a lot of work to make out.

addition

n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

synonym: accumulation, expansion, addendum

(1) chemical **addition**, (2) **addition** of vectors

In **addition**, private corporations provide healthcare services.

misnomer

n. a name or term that is inaccurate or misleading, often because it does not accurately describe the thing it is naming

synonym: misnaming, misapplication, inaccuracy

(1) a **misnomer** for the term, (2) technical **misnomer**

The name "killer whale" is a **misnomer** as they rarely attack humans.

stream

n. a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.

synonym: flow, current, brook

(1) the **stream** of time, (2) an endless **stream** of cars

Jet **streams** are the common name for air currents that form high in the atmosphere.

extended

adj. longer than usual or anticipated

synonym : extensive, prolonged, elongated

(1) **extended** vacation, (2) **extended** payment

The **extended** airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

airborne

adj. moved or conveyed by or through the air; in the air

synonym : flying, aerial, floating

(1) **airborne** troop, (2) **airborne** particles

The amount of **airborne** pollen this year is higher than usual.

sergeant

n. a rank of non-commissioned officer in the armed forces, typically above corporal but below staff sergeant or sergeant first class

synonym : officer, serjeant, noncommissioned officer

(1) police **sergeant**, (2) army **sergeant**

The fire department **sergeant** instructed the firefighters on how to tackle the blaze.

hypothesis

n. a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate

synonym : assumption, conjecture, theory

(1) test my **hypothesis**, (2) a bold **hypothesis**

This evidence supports the big-bang **hypothesis**.

shock

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

synonym : amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**

He got an electric **shock** at work.

typical

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

synonym : characteristic, usual, distinctive

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

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

thrill

n. a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

synonym : exhilaration, delight, rush

(1) the **thrill** of speed, (2) incredible **thrill**

Skydiving is an overwhelming **thrill** for many people.

boom

n. a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound

synonym : roaring, prosperity, boost

(1) **boom** in sales, (2) a sonic **boom**

The high-technology industry is enjoying a **boom**.

canopy

n. a covering, typically of fabric, supported on poles or suspended above a bed, throne, or other object, used to shelter or screen the person or object below it

synonym : cover, top, shade

(1) **canopy** layer, (2) under a **canopy** of smoke

The forest's **canopy** provides shade and protection for the plants and animals below.

inevitable

adj. certain to happen and unavoidable

synonym : inescapable, unavoidable, sure

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

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

delay

v. to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected

synonym : block, adjourn, detain

(1) **delay** a flight three hours, (2) **delay** the new project

We **delayed** the payment because of an incorrect invoice.

decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

synonym: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

pretension

n. the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

synonym: presumption, pretense, affectation

(1) **pretension** to authority, (2) baseless **pretension**

His **pretensions** of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

steer

v. to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone

synonym: guide, direct, control

(1) **steer** a steady course, (2) **steer** a conversation

The captain told him to **steer** the ship north.

landing

n. the act of coming to rest on the ground or another surface after being in flight or jumping; a platform or area of ground where a plane or spacecraft can come to rest

synonym: touchdown, arrival, descent

(1) **landing** gear, (2) emergency **landing**

The plane made a rough **landing**, and everyone clapped once we came to a stop.

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.

thigh

n. the part of the human leg between the hip and the knee; in animals, the corresponding upper part of the hind leg

synonym: thigh-bone, femur, upper leg

(1) **thigh** muscle, (2) chicken **thigh**

The marathon runner felt a cramp in her **thigh** at the 20th mile.

buttock

n. either of two fleshy masses at the lower end of the human trunk, formed mainly by the gluteal muscles and used for sitting and walking; the hindquarters of an animal

synonym: cheek, rear end, behind

(1) **buttock** muscles, (2) painful **buttock**

I fell and bruised my **buttock** on the hard pavement.

push-ups

n. a type of exercise that involves placing one's hands palms-down on the ground shoulder-width apart, lowering the body, and pushing up again repeatedly, typically used to build strength in the upper body and arms

synonym: press-ups, floor exercises

(1) military **push-ups**, (2) wide-arm **push-ups**

She does forty **push-ups** every morning as part of her workout routine.

twist

v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape

synonym: wrench, turn, twirl

(1) **twist** around to the left, (2) **twist** a wet towel

He **twisted** pieces of rope out of straw.

roll

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

synonym: spin, swirl, wheel

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

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

watermelon

n. a large, juicy fruit with a green rind and pink or red flesh, typically eaten in slices in the summer months

(1) **watermelon** slice, (2) **watermelon** seeds

I love to eat juicy **watermelon** on a hot summer day.

eternal

adj. being without beginning or end; lasting forever

synonym: endless, everlasting, undying

(1) the hope of **eternal** life, (2) **eternal** quarreling

In every civilization, rulers have tried everything possible to obtain **eternal** life.

equip

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

synonym: prepare, furnish, provide

(1) **equip** an army, (2) **equip** our children with some special skills

The construction company **equipped** the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

hooked

adj. being caught or caught up in something; curved down like an eagle's beak

synonym: caught, captivated, addicted

(1) **hooked** hair, (2) **hooked** on drugs

My son was **hooked** on the Internet.

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

synonym: significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**

I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

zone

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

synonym: area, region, territory

(1) time **zone**, (2) **zone** defense

He was reluctant to leave his comfort **zone** and try something

new.

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

synonym : chance, prospect, likelihood

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

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

theoretical

adj. relating to the concepts and principles upon which a particular topic is founded, rather than practice and experience

synonym : conceptual, conjectural, ideal

(1) **theoretical** models, (2) **theoretical** physicist

Absolute zero is the lowest **theoretical** temperature.

brigadier

n. a military rank above colonel and below major general; a high-ranking officer in the armed forces, usually responsible for overseeing a brigade

synonym : general, commander, officer

(1) retired **brigadier**, (2) military **brigadier**

The **brigadier's** orders were clear and had to be executed without delay.

tradition

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

synonym : custom, practice, ritual

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

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

lee

n. the side or part that is sheltered or facing away from the wind or the direction from which the wind is blowing; a position or location protected from the full force or effects of something, particularly the wind

synonym : shelter, refuge, hideout

(1) a natural **lee**, (2) the **lee** of the building

The hiker found a calm spot in the **lee** of the mountain to set up camp.

brave

adj. showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

synonym: courageous, valiant, heroic

(1) **brave** soldier, (2) **brave** decision

The **brave** firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.

faithful

adj. loyal, constant, and steadfast in affection or allegiance

synonym: loyal, devoted, true

(1) **faithful** friend, (2) totally **faithful**

He remained **faithful** to his wife throughout their marriage.

cheat

v. to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws

synonym: deceive, swindle, defraud

(1) **cheat** on my taxes, (2) **cheat** in a game

Even though he knew it was wrong, he **cheated** on the exam.

abandon

v. to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

synonym: relinquish, leave behind, disregard

(1) **abandon** a friend, (2) **abandon** the practice

The castle was **abandoned** several years later.

comrade

n. a close associate, friend, or companion, especially one who shares one's interests, beliefs, or political convictions; a fellow member of an organization, especially a military or political group, who shares a common cause or objective

synonym: ally, friend, mate

(1) **comrade** in arms, (2) trusted **comrade**

We worked together as **comrades** to finish the project on

time.

bunch

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

synonym: group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls

One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

battalion

n. a large, organized military unit composed of several companies, typically commanded by a lieutenant colonel or a major

synonym: unit, regiment, squad

(1) infantry **battalion**, (2) armored **battalion**

The enemy forces were no match for the well-trained **battalion**.

commander

n. a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force

synonym: leader, captain, officer

(1) **commander** in chief, (2) police **commander**

The military **commander** led their troops into battle with precision and strategic planning.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

march

v. to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

synonym: parade

(1) **march** against the war, (2) **march** east

The troops **marched** shoulder-to-shoulder.

chew

v. to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it

synonym : masticate, crush, grind

(1) **chew** each word, (2) **chew** a stick of gum

My dog loves to **chew** on bones.

interaction

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

synonym : dealings, exchange, relations

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

(2) **interaction** among human beings

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

nation

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

synonym : country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

dawn

n. the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky

synonym : daybreak, sunrise, advent

(1) the wan light of **dawn**, (2) crack of **dawn**

Missile assaults on the capital continued around **dawn**.

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.

departure

n. the act of leaving, especially to start a journey

synonym : leaving, exit, flight

(1) **departure** from tradition, (2) **departure** from the

company

The **departure** time for the flight is 6:00 am.

wipe

v. to clean or dry something by rubbing with a piece of cloth or paper or one's hand and removing dirt, food, or liquid

synonym: clean, brush, swab

(1) **Wipe** off dirt, (2) **wipe** with water

Please **wipe** your sweat with this towel.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym: directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer **immediately**

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

sweat

n. the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress

synonym: perspiration, steam, hardwork

(1) all in a **sweat**, (2) **sweat** bath

She wiped the **sweat** off her forehead with a towel.

humiliation

n. the feeling of being made to feel ashamed or foolish

synonym: mortification, degradation, embarrassment

(1) an intolerable **humiliation**, (2) a taste of **humiliation**

His public **humiliation** resulted from a cruel prank played by his colleagues.

belly

n. the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft

synonym: stomach, abdomen, gut

(1) the **belly** of the ship, (2) with an empty **belly**

She had a tattoo just above her **belly** button.

wagon

n. a four-wheeled vehicle used for transporting goods or people, often pulled by horses, oxen, or other animals; a

compartment or container used for storage or transportation, such as a shopping cart or trolley

synonym : cart, buggy, chariot

(1) **wagon** wheel, (2) station **wagon**

The circus **wagon** was brightly painted with pictures of the animals inside.

rut

n. a long track or groove worn into the ground, typically by the repeated passage of wheels or other heavy objects; a fixed, boring or monotonous routine or course of action

synonym : groove, track, estrus

(1) falling into a **rut**, (2) boring routine **rut**

The company seems stuck in a **rut** and needs to try something new.

apologize

v. to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem

synonym : excuse, justify, atone

(1) **apologize** for being late, (2) **apologize** ahead of time

I **apologize** for neglecting your email.

lift

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

synonym : raise, elevate, move up

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

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

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

environment

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

synonym :

atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

scrutiny

n. careful and detailed examination

synonym: examination, analysis, inspection

(1) additional **scrutiny**, (2) public **scrutiny**

All products produced by our factory undergo rigorous **scrutiny**.

sensitivity

n. the ability to perceive or respond to subtle differences or changes; the ability to understand and respond to the needs and feelings of others

synonym: alertness, attentiveness, sympathy

(1) **sensitivity** analysis, (2) become full of **sensitivity**

The instrument has a high **sensitivity** to temperature changes.

evolve

v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

synonym: develop, mature, grow

(1) **evolve**, (2) **evolve** over the past decade

Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

context

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

synonym: background, setting, environment

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

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

decision

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

synonym:

choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

disperse

v. to spread out or distribute over a broad region, or to cause something to do so

synonym: dissipate, spread, scatter

(1) **disperse** false information, (2) **disperse** the protesters

Before authorities **dispersed** the protesters, they yelled slogans.

technique

n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

synonym: approach, procedure, strategy

(1) a **technique** in martial arts, (2) the **technique** applied to construction

Jockey's superior **technique** brought him victory.

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.

communicate

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

synonym: convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,

(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

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.

vice

n. wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person

synonym: corruption, depravity, evil

(1) virtue and **vice**, (2) **vice-chair** of the committee

Cats hate dogs and **vice versa**.

faith

n. complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

synonym: belief, trust, confidence

(1) religious **faith**, (2) **faith** in government

He kept his robust **faith** in his company.

coordinate

v. to bring the different parts of the activity and the people into an organized, ordered, or efficient relationship; (adjective) of equal importance, rank, or degree

synonym: organize, harmonize, ordinate

(1) **coordinate** a special project, (2) a **coordinate** clause

We want to **coordinate** a schedule for the investigation.

locate

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

synonym: discover, find, place

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

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

emerging

adj. starting to exist, mature, or become well-known

synonym: arising, occurring, state-of-the-art

(1) **emerging** country, (2) **emerging** technologies

Emerging technologies have dramatically improved productivity in various industries.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym : suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

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.

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.

sensitive

adj. able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do

synonym : exposed, susceptible, keen

(1) **sensitive** documents, (2) baby with **sensitive** skin

The teacher is very **sensitive** to children's feelings.

chain

n. a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

synonym : series, string, link

(1) **chain** reaction, (2) supply **chain**

The **chain** on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

convince

v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

synonym : persuade, win over, convert

(1) **convince** her to go with us, (2) **convince** an opponent

I am considering what I should do to **convince** him.

electron

n. a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
synonym : negatron

(1) flow of **electrons**, (2) beam of **electrons**

The outermost **electron** shell determines the chemical properties of an atom.

medium

adj. of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

synonym : average, intermediate, (noun) channel

(1) **medium** color, (2) an advertising **medium**

The **medium** size shirt fits him perfectly.

rebuild

v. to build again or anew

synonym : reconstruct, renovate, restore

(1) **rebuild** a company, (2) **rebuild** communities

They are planning to **rebuild** the house after the fire.

entirely

adv. completely

synonym : completely, fully, totally

(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame

Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

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?

steel

n. a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure

synonym : iron

(1) magnetic **steel**, (2) **steel** beam

This bridge is the third largest **steel** bridge in the world.

commando

n. a member of a special military unit or elite force specializing in unconventional warfare or covert operations; a style of clothing or undergarments without a waistband or fabric covering the legs

synonym : ranger, soldier, warrior

(1) special forces **commando**, (2) navy **commando**

The fearless **commando** completed the mission successfully, undetected by the enemy.

knuckle

n. one of the joint-like parts of the fingers and toes, especially of the hand

synonym : joint, finger joint, finger knob

(1) **knuckle** sandwich, (2) bare- **knuckle** boxer

He cracked his **knuckles** nervously before the presentation.

fist

n. a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist

synonym : clenched hand, knuckles, mitt

(1) tight **fist**, (2) raise a **fist**

The boxer clenched his **fist** before throwing a punch.

exotic

adj. originating from or characteristic of a foreign country or culture; strikingly unusual, uncommon, or intriguing

synonym : foreign, alien, unfamiliar

(1) **exotic** species, (2) **exotic** vacation

I love trying **exotic** foods from different cultures.

military

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

synonym : armed, martial, warlike

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

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

handshake

n. a greeting or form of introduction in which two people grasp each other's hands and briefly grip and shake

them; (of computer science) a process by which two devices or software applications establish a connection and exchange information to ensure that they can communicate effectively

synonym : greeting, handclasp, welcome

(1) **handshake** protocol, (2) virtual **handshake**

The two business partners sealed the deal with a **handshake**.

consensus

n. general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole

synonym : agreement, accord, harmony

(1) a public **consensus**, (2) **consensus** among scientists

The two parties have reached a **consensus**.

probable

adj. likely to happen or likely to be true

synonym : likely, possible, potential

(1) **probable** outcome, (2) **probable** cause of a fire

It seems **probable** that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.

platoon

n. a subdivision of a military company consisting of a small group of soldiers, usually about 30, that operates as a unit within a larger military unit; a group of individuals or things that work together or share a common purpose

synonym : squad, unit

(1) **platoon** leader, (2) **platoon** sergeant

The **platoon** of soldiers marched in perfect formation during the parade.

grenade

n. a hand-held explosive device designed to be thrown or projected toward a target and detonate upon impact or after a specified time

synonym : bomb, explosive, shrapnel

(1) **grenade** explosion, (2) smoke **grenade**

The soldier threw a **grenade** to destroy the enemy's bunker.

tousled

adj. describing hair or one's appearance in a disheveled or untidy manner; untamed or slightly messy in appearance, often as a result of being casually arranged or purposely styled to have a natural, effortless look

synonym : messy, untidy, disheveled

(1) **tousled** hair, (2) **tousled** appearance

Her hair was **tousled** from the strong wind as she walked along the beach.

grade

n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

synonym : score, rate, degree

(1) boys in the twelfth **grade**, (2) students at all **grade** levels

Departments may set requirements for a higher **grade** point average.

conscious

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

synonym : aware, cognizant, deliberate

(1) **conscious** effort, (2) **conscious** of having succeeded

He became **conscious** that he was being followed.

vocabulary

n. the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses

synonym : lexicon, glossary, dictionary

(1) **vocabulary** list, (2) academic **vocabulary**

Using proper **vocabulary** is essential for writing a good essay.

digital

adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

synonym : numerical, computerized, cyber

(1) a **digital** watch, (2) **digital** electronic signature

Sensors convert physical phenomena into **digital** signals.

inversion

n. the action or fact of inverting something, or the state of being inverted; the reversal of the normal order or arrangement of things

synonym : reversal, upside-down, turnaround

(1) temperature **inversion**, (2) **inversion** layer

The **inversion** of the mortgage market led to a decrease in home values.

tactics

n. the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports

synonym : strategy, maneuvers, plan

(1) blitz **tactics**, (2) political **tactics**

The marketing team developed new **tactics** to boost sales.

whatnot

n. unspecified or unimportant objects, things, or details; miscellaneous items or things; a small, open shelving unit or stand used for displaying various objects or curios

synonym : odds and ends, gizmos, etcetera

(1) books and **whatnot**, (2) clothes and **whatnot**

I need to pick up some groceries, toiletries, and **whatnot** at the store.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym : abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

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

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

credible

adj. capable of being trusted or believed

synonym : reasonable, believable, plausible

(1) **credible** source, (2) a **credible** story

They didn't have any **credible** evidence of his innocence.

legitimate

adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful

synonym : lawful, honest, fair

(1) a **legitimate** child, (2) **legitimate** question

Public political demonstrations are considered **legitimate** rights for citizens.

brand

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

synonym: trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car

There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

transparent

adj. easy to perceive, detect, or understand; (of a material or article) permitting light to pass through freely

synonym: translucent, evident, diaphanous

(1) a **transparent** lie, (2) **transparent** crystal

The focus of these initiatives is to make the financial system more **transparent**.

reverse

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

synonym: overturn, shift, switch

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

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

reset

v. to set again or differently; to return to a previous state or condition

synonym: restart, reinitialize, set anew

(1) **reset** password, (2) **reset** my brain

She **reset** the computer to fix the problem.

recharge

v. to restore the energy or power of something by supplying it with more energy or power; to refresh or renew oneself by rest or sleep

synonym: renew, refresh, replenish

(1) **recharge** brain and body, (2) **recharge** energy

He needed to **recharge** his phone before the meeting.

battery

n. a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them

synonym : electric cell, array, batch

(1) a dry **battery**, (2) **battery** charging

The engine did not start because the **battery** was flat.

firefight

n. a struggle to extinguish a fire; a military engagement in which small arms and other weapons are used

synonym : battle, conflict, fight

(1) killed in a **firefight**, (2) turn into a **firefight**

The platoon experienced a full-scale **firefight**.

relation

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

synonym : association, linkage, connection

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

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

sinew

n. a tough, fibrous tissue that connects muscles to bones, allowing for movement and strength; a source of strength, energy, or resilience

synonym : tendon, ligament, muscle fiber

(1) flexible **sinews**, (2) **sinew** injury

The hunter aimed at the animal's **sinew**, knowing it would be a fatal shot.

regiment

n. a large military unit, usually consisting of several battalions and commanded by a colonel or higher-ranking officer; a strict or organized system or routine

synonym : unit, brigade, battalion

(1) logistics **regiment**, (2) marching **regiment**

The army **regiment** marched in perfect unison during the parade.

stanza

n. a group of lines of poetry that form a unit; a division of a poem consisting of a series of lines arranged together, usually with a recurring pattern of meter and rhyme

synonym : verse, division, section

(1) poetic **stanza**, (2) opening **stanza**

The poem was divided into three **stanzas**, each with its unique message and rhythm.

creed

n. a system of beliefs or principles

synonym : doctrine, belief, principle

(1) political **creed**, (2) **creed** of faith

The **creed** of the organization emphasized hard work and dedication.

mindless

adj. lacking in awareness, thought, or attention; done without thinking or consideration; pointless or empty-headed

synonym : senseless, thoughtless, irresponsible

(1) **mindless** task, (2) **mindless** entertainment

Mindless scrolling on social media can be a time waster.

mantra

n. a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation

synonym : hymn, chant, phrase

(1) campaign **mantra**, (2) chant the **mantra** of structural reform

She repeated her personal **mantra** to herself to stay motivated.

poem

n. a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery

synonym : ballad, lyric, verse

(1) a narrative **poem**, (2) **poem** to the dead

A great **poem** is a fountain forever overflowing with the waters of wisdom and delight.

extraordinary

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

synonym : exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

(1) **extraordinary** ability, (2) **extraordinary** weather

He narrated the **extraordinary** story of his adventure.

vow

v. to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn

synonym : promise, pledge, swear

(1) **vow** allegiance to the new king, (2) **vow** never to give up

They **vowed** to love and support each other for the rest of their lives.

bond

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

synonym : bind, adhesion, attachment

(1) **bond** as a family, (2) global **bond** market

They had formed a friendship **bond**.

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.

godfather

n. a male godparent who witnesses a child's baptism and accepts a spiritual responsibility for their upbringing; a trusted mentor or advisor who has significant influence and offers support and guidance in personal or professional matters

synonym : sponsor, mentor, protector

(1) political **godfather**, (2) be my **godfather** at my christening

The wealthy businessman acted as a **godfather** to his protege, helping him to succeed in his career.

envelop

v. to surround and cover completely; to encase

synonym : wrap, cover, surround

(1) **envelop** the whole world, (2) **envelop** her in a bear hug

The fog **enveloped** the city, making it difficult to see.

grant

v. to agree to give or allow somebody

synonym : allocate, authorize, give

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

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

spot

n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

synonym : dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

critic

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

synonym : pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

scar

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

synonym : blemish, imperfection, blotch

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

1. em____ng technologies *adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
2. re____e the trend *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
3. political cr__d *n.* a system of beliefs or principles
4. ho____d on drugs *adj.* being caught or caught up in something; curved down like an eagle's beak
5. ine____le result *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
6. temperature in____on *n.* the action or fact of inverting something, or the state of being inverted; the reversal of the normal order or arrangement of things
7. baseless pre____on *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
8. the wan light of d__n *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
9. public sc____ny *n.* careful and detailed examination
10. sc____d dog *adj.* afraid or frightened
11. par____er gear *n.* an individual soldier trained to be dropped by parachute from an aircraft into an area of operation, which is part of airborne units and is trained for rapid deployment and assault operations

ANSWERS: 1. emerging, 2. reverse, 3. creed, 4. hooked, 5. inevitable, 6. inversion, 7. pretension, 8. dawn, 9. scrutiny, 10. scared, 11. paratrooper

12. the int_____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
13. smoke gr_____e *n.* a hand-held explosive device designed to be thrown or projected toward a target and detonate upon impact or after a specified time
14. di_____l electronic signature *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
15. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
16. co_____er in chief *n.* a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force
17. the be__y of the ship *n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
18. si__w injury *n.* a tough, fibrous tissue that connects muscles to bones, allowing for movement and strength; a source of strength, energy, or resilience
19. an intolerable hum_____on *n.* the feeling of being made to feel ashamed or foolish

ANSWERS: 12. interaction, 13. grenade, 14. digital, 15. relation, 16. commander, 17. belly, 18. sinew, 19. humiliation

20. oc___e key *n.* a musical interval encompassing eight diatonic scale degrees, such as the interval from C to the next C in a C major scale
21. pl_____n leader *n.* a subdivision of a military company consisting of a small group of soldiers, usually about 30, that operates as a unit within a larger military unit; a group of individuals or things that work together or share a common purpose
22. se_____ve documents *adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do
23. ch__t on my taxes *v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws
24. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
25. a bold hyp_____is *n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
26. ap_____ze ahead of time *v.* to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem
27. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
28. severe cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
29. W__e off dirt *v.* to clean or dry something by rubbing with a piece of cloth or paper or one's hand and removing dirt, food, or liquid

ANSWERS: 20. octave, 21. platoon, 22. sensitive, 23. cheat, 24. immediately, 25. hypothesis, 26. apologize, 27. amazing, 28. critic, 29. wipe

30. technical mi_____er *n.* a name or term that is inaccurate or misleading, often because it does not accurately describe the thing it is naming
31. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
32. chant the ma____a of structural reform *n.* a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation
33. co_____us among scientists *n.* general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole
34. re__t my brain *v.* to set again or differently; to return to a previous state or condition
35. falling into a r_t *n.* a long track or groove worn into the ground, typically by the repeated passage of wheels or other heavy objects; a fixed, boring or monotonous routine or course of action
36. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
37. pr_____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
38. a c__f elephant *n.* a young cow, bull, or other domestic bovine animals
39. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

ANSWERS: 30. misnomer, 31. context, 32. mantra, 33. consensus, 34. reset, 35. rut, 36. tradition, 37. probable, 38. calf, 39. conversation

40. ad___t a schedule *v.* to make a minor modification to something to make it more suited for a new set of conditions or to make it function better.
41. to_____d hair *adj.* describing hair or one's appearance in a disheveled or untidy manner; untamed or slightly messy in appearance, often as a result of being casually arranged or purposely styled to have a natural, effortless look
42. ca___y layer *n.* a covering, typically of fabric, supported on poles or suspended above a bed, throne, or other object, used to shelter or screen the person or object below it
43. ine_____le changes of the seasons *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
44. bare-kn_____e boxer *n.* one of the joint-like parts of the fingers and toes, especially of the hand
45. re_____e the right *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
46. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
47. clothes and wh_____t *n.* unspecified or unimportant objects, things, or details; miscellaneous items or things; a small, open shelving unit or stand used for displaying various objects or curios

ANSWERS: 40. adjust, 41. tousled, 42. canopy, 43. inevitable, 44. knuckle, 45. reserve, 46. decision, 47. whatnot

48. di_____se the protesters *v.* to spread out or distribute over a broad region, or to cause something to do so
49. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
50. bu_____k muscles *n.* either of two fleshy masses at the lower end of the human trunk, formed mainly by the gluteal muscles and used for sitting and walking; the hindquarters of an animal
51. retired br_____er *n.* a military rank above colonel and below major general; a high-ranking officer in the armed forces, usually responsible for overseeing a brigade
52. tw__t a wet towel *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
53. co_____t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
54. lu_____r industry *n.* wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily
55. student on a ti__t budget *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
56. co_____ce her to go with us *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
57. wa__n wheel *n.* a four-wheeled vehicle used for transporting goods or people, often pulled by horses, oxen, or other animals; a compartment or container used for storage or transportation, such as a shopping cart or trolley

ANSWERS: 48. disperse, 49. complexity, 50. buttock, 51. brigadier, 52. twist, 53. conduct, 54. lumber, 55. tight, 56. convince, 57. wagon

58. the st___m of time *n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
59. all in a sw___t *n.* the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress
60. pa_____te troops *n.* a device used to slow the motion of people or objects through an atmosphere consisting of a large piece of thin cloth that is attached to them and opens out in the air
61. ma___h against the war *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
62. ou_____rd propeller *n.* a detachable engine or motor that is mounted outside the hull of a boat typically used for propulsion; (adjective) located or situated on the outside or exterior, especially of a vehicle or vessel; (adverb) away from or toward the outside or exterior of a ship or an aircraft
63. de_____re from the company *n.* the act of leaving, especially to start a journey
64. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
65. me___m color *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information
66. chemical ad_____on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

ANSWERS: 58. stream, 59. sweat, 60. parachute, 61. march, 62. outboard, 63. departure, 64. locate, 65. medium, 66. addition

67. a mi_____ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
68. di_____se false information *v.* to spread out or distribute over a broad region, or to cause something to do so
69. sen_____ty analysis *n.* the ability to perceive or respond to subtle differences or changes; the ability to understand and respond to the needs and feelings of others
70. painful bu_____k *n.* either of two fleshy masses at the lower end of the human trunk, formed mainly by the gluteal muscles and used for sitting and walking; the hindquarters of an animal
71. wat_____on slice *n.* a large, juicy fruit with a green rind and pink or red flesh, typically eaten in slices in the summer months
72. campaign ma____a *n.* a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation
73. r__l down his cheeks *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
74. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
75. mi_____ss entertainment *adj.* lacking in awareness, thought, or attention; done without thinking or consideration; pointless or empty-headed

ANSWERS: 67. military, 68. disperse, 69. sensitivity, 70. buttock, 71. watermelon, 72. mantra, 73. roll, 74. environment, 75. mindless

76. incredible th___l *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
77. special forces co_____do *n.* a member of a special military unit or elite force specializing in unconventional warfare or covert operations; a style of clothing or undergarments without a waistband or fabric covering the legs
78. pre_____on to authority *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
79. re__t password *v.* to set again or differently; to return to a previous state or condition
80. cr__h a revolt *v.* to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller
81. co_____d a battery *n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something
82. gr__t a land *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
83. chicken th__h *n.* the part of the human leg between the hip and the knee; in animals, the corresponding upper part of the hind leg

ANSWERS: 76. thrill, 77. commando, 78. pretension, 79. reset, 80. crush, 81. command, 82. grant, 83. thigh

84. ev___e over the past decade *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
85. en_____p her in a bear hug *v.* to surround and cover completely; to encase
86. ch__t in a game *v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws
87. p__m to the dead *n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery
88. su_____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
89. opening st___a *n.* a group of lines of poetry that form a unit; a division of a poem consisting of a series of lines arranged together, usually with a recurring pattern of meter and rhyme
90. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
91. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
92. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
93. re_____e the order *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

ANSWERS: 84. evolve, 85. envelop, 86. cheat, 87. poem, 88. suddenly, 89. stanza, 90. decision, 91. possibility, 92. communicate, 93. reverse

94. political go_____er *n.* a male godparent who witnesses a child's baptism and accepts a spiritual responsibility for their upbringing; a trusted mentor or advisor who has significant influence and offers support and guidance in personal or professional matters
95. ba_____y charging *n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them
96. the th____l of speed *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
97. g__b an opportunity *v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
98. imm_____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
99. g__b an audience *v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
100. to_____d appearance *adj.* describing hair or one's appearance in a disheveled or untidy manner; untamed or slightly messy in appearance, often as a result of being casually arranged or purposely styled to have a natural, effortless look
101. ch__n reaction *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

ANSWERS: 94. godfather, 95. battery, 96. thrill, 97. grab, 98. immediately, 99. grab, 100. tousled, 101. chain

102. a hat h__k *n.* a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook
103. political ta____s *n.* the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports
104. with an empty be__y *n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
105. b__d as a family *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
106. supply ch__n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
107. marching re____nt *n.* a large military unit, usually consisting of several battalions and commanded by a colonel or higher-ranking officer; a strict or organized system or routine
108. totally fa____ul *adj.* loyal, constant, and steadfast in affection or allegiance
109. ab____n the practice *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
110. ev___e *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

ANSWERS: 102. hook, 103. tactics, 104. belly, 105. bond, 106. chain, 107. regiment, 108. faithful, 109. abandon, 110. evolve

111. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
112. students at all gr___e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
113. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
114. become full of sen_____ty *n.* the ability to perceive or respond to subtle differences or changes; the ability to understand and respond to the needs and feelings of others
115. burn s___r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
116. boring routine r_t *n.* a long track or groove worn into the ground, typically by the repeated passage of wheels or other heavy objects; a fixed, boring or monotonous routine or course of action
117. re_____e a concert ticket *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
118. a dry ba_____y *n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them
119. he was en_____ly to blame *adv.* completely
120. ex___c vacation *adj.* originating from or characteristic of a foreign country or culture; strikingly unusual, uncommon, or intriguing

ANSWERS: 111. decide, 112. grade, 113. relation, 114. sensitivity, 115. scar, 116. rut, 117. reserve, 118. battery, 119. entirely, 120. exotic

121. em____ng country *adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
122. st__r a conversation *v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone
123. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
124. global b__d market *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
125. in____d motor *adj.* located or positioned inside or closer to the center or hull of a ship, aircraft, or vehicle; relating to or involving the internal parts or components of a machine or system
126. con_____ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
127. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
128. 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
129. de__y the new project *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected

ANSWERS: 121. emerging, 122. steer, 123. extraordinary, 124. bond, 125. inboard, 126. confidence, 127. communicate, 128. classic, 129. delay

130. sw__t bath *n.* the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress
131. c__w a stick of gum *v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
132. cr__d of faith *n.* a system of beliefs or principles
133. create a br__d logo *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
134. time z__e *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
135. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
136. boys in the twelfth gr__e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
137. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
138. blitz ta_____s *n.* the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports
139. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
140. virtual ha_____ke *n.* a greeting or form of introduction in which two people grasp each other's hands and briefly grip and shake them; (of computer science) a process by which two devices or software applications establish a connection and exchange information to ensure that they can communicate effectively

ANSWERS: 130. sweat, 131. chew, 132. creed, 133. brand, 134. zone, 135. opportune, 136. grade, 137. extraordinary, 138. tactics, 139. context, 140. handshake

141. a man of imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
142. coo_____te a special project *v.* to bring the different parts of the activity and the people into an organized, ordered, or efficient relationship; (adjective) of equal importance, rank, or degree
143. co_____t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
144. a sonic b__m *n.* a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
145. l__t a ban on alcohol *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
146. boost my con_____ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
147. camera st__p *n.* a long, narrow strip or belt of leather, fabric, or another material used for binding, fastening, or supporting something or someone; a band or string that attaches one object to another, often used to secure items during transport
148. st__r a steady course *v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone

ANSWERS: 141. importance, 142. coordinate, 143. conduct, 144. boom, 145. lift, 146. confidence, 147. strap, 148. steer

149. eq__p our children with some special skills *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
150. fa____ul friend *adj.* loyal, constant, and steadfast in affection or allegiance
151. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
152. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
153. blank ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
154. killed in a fi_____ht *n.* a struggle to extinguish a fire; a military engagement in which small arms and other weapons are used
155. eq__p an army *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
156. bo__t flexibility *v.* to improve, raise, or increase something
157. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
158. a bu__h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
159. a coo_____te clause *v.* to bring the different parts of the activity and the people into an organized, ordered, or efficient relationship; (adjective) of equal importance, rank, or degree

ANSWERS: 149. equip, 150. faithful, 151. individual, 152. decide, 153. canvas, 154. firefight, 155. equip, 156. boost, 157. interaction, 158. bunch, 159. coordinate

160. gr__t a new license *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
161. bu__y movie *n.* a close friend; a partner, especially one of a pair or team
162. poetic st___a *n.* a group of lines of poetry that form a unit; a division of a poem consisting of a series of lines arranged together, usually with a recurring pattern of meter and rhyme
163. the br__d of the new car *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
164. voc_____ry list *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
165. magnetic st__l *n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure
166. gr_____e explosion *n.* a hand-held explosive device designed to be thrown or projected toward a target and detonate upon impact or after a specified time
167. a narrative p__m *n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery

ANSWERS: 160. grant, 161. buddy, 162. stanza, 163. brand, 164. vocabulary, 165. steel, 166. grenade, 167. poem

168. police se_____nt *n.* a rank of non-commissioned officer in the armed forces, typically above corporal but below staff sergeant or sergeant first class
169. be my go_____er at my christening *n.* a male godparent who witnesses a child's baptism and accepts a spiritual responsibility for their upbringing; a trusted mentor or advisor who has significant influence and offers support and guidance in personal or professional matters
170. an advertising me____m *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information
171. r__l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
172. la_____g gear *n.* the act of coming to rest on the ground or another surface after being in flight or jumping; a platform or area of ground where a plane or spacecraft can come to rest
173. the te_____ue applied to construction *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
174. tw__t around to the left *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
175. ap_____ze for being late *v.* to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem

ANSWERS: 168. sergeant, 169. godfather, 170. medium, 171. roll, 172. landing, 173. technique, 174. twist, 175. apologize

176. beam of el_____ons *n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
177. army se_____nt *n.* a rank of non-commissioned officer in the armed forces, typically above corporal but below staff sergeant or sergeant first class
178. rough lu____r *n.* wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily
179. a natural l_e *n.* the side or part that is sheltered or facing away from the wind or the direction from which the wind is blowing; a position or location protected from the full force or effects of something, particularly the wind
180. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
181. station wa__n *n.* a four-wheeled vehicle used for transporting goods or people, often pulled by horses, oxen, or other animals; a compartment or container used for storage or transportation, such as a shopping cart or trolley
182. in_____on layer *n.* the action or fact of inverting something, or the state of being inverted; the reversal of the normal order or arrangement of things
183. sc____d all the time *adj.* afraid or frightened

ANSWERS: 176. electron, 177. sergeant, 178. lumber, 179. lee, 180. environment, 181. wagon, 182. inversion, 183. scared

184. pr____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
185. co_____us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
186. re_____ge brain and body *v.* to restore the energy or power of something by supplying it with more energy or power; to refresh or renew oneself by rest or sleep
187. en_____ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely
188. de_____re from tradition *n.* the act of leaving, especially to start a journey
189. co____r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
190. a te_____ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
191. cr_____le source *adj.* capable of being trusted or believed
192. military pu_____ps *n.* a type of exercise that involves placing one's hands palms-down on the ground shoulder-width apart, lowering the body, and pushing up again repeatedly, typically used to build strength in the upper body and arms
193. th__h muscle *n.* the part of the human leg between the hip and the knee; in animals, the corresponding upper part of the hind leg
194. a taste of hum_____on *n.* the feeling of being made to feel ashamed or foolish
195. an endless st____m of cars *n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.

ANSWERS: 184. probable, 185. conscious, 186. recharge, 187. entirely, 188. departure, 189. confer, 190. technique, 191. credible, 192. push-ups, 193. thigh, 194. humiliation, 195. stream

196. trusted co____e *n.* a close associate, friend, or companion, especially one who shares one's interests, beliefs, or political convictions; a fellow member of an organization, especially a military or political group, who shares a common cause or objective
197. emergency la____g *n.* the act of coming to rest on the ground or another surface after being in flight or jumping; a platform or area of ground where a plane or spacecraft can come to rest
198. 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
199. raise a f__t *n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist
200. wat_____on seeds *n.* a large, juicy fruit with a green rind and pink or red flesh, typically eaten in slices in the summer months
201. a bu__h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
202. w__e with water *v.* to clean or dry something by rubbing with a piece of cloth or paper or one's hand and removing dirt, food, or liquid
203. st__l beam *n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure

ANSWERS: 196. comrade, 197. landing, 198. classic, 199. fist, 200. watermelon, 201. bunch, 202. wipe, 203. steel

204. co_____us of having succeeded *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
205. golden pa_____te *n.* a device used to slow the motion of people or objects through an atmosphere consisting of a large piece of thin cloth that is attached to them and opens out in the air
206. the_____al physicist *adj.* relating to the concepts and principles upon which a particular topic is founded, rather than practice and experience
207. logistics re_____nt *n.* a large military unit, usually consisting of several battalions and commanded by a colonel or higher-ranking officer; a strict or organized system or routine
208. lo___e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
209. w___n a reckless driver *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
210. fa___h in government *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
211. co_____d and control *n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something

ANSWERS: 204. conscious, 205. parachute, 206. theoretical, 207. regiment, 208. locate, 209. warn, 210. faith, 211. command

212. wide-arm pu____ps *n.* a type of exercise that involves placing one's hands palms-down on the ground shoulder-width apart, lowering the body, and pushing up again repeatedly, typically used to build strength in the upper body and arms
213. mi____ss task *adj.* lacking in awareness, thought, or attention; done without thinking or consideration; pointless or empty-headed
214. police co____er *n.* a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force
215. an isolated f__t *n.* a military structure designed to be defended from attack
216. leg____te question *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
217. ha____ke protocol *n.* a greeting or form of introduction in which two people grasp each other's hands and briefly grip and shake them; (of computer science) a process by which two devices or software applications establish a connection and exchange information to ensure that they can communicate effectively
218. a s__t on his honor *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

ANSWERS: 212. push-ups, 213. mindless, 214. commander, 215. fort, 216. legitimate, 217. handshake, 218. spot

219. school req_____nt *n.* something that is needed or wanted
220. kn_____e sandwich *n.* one of the joint-like parts of the fingers and toes, especially of the hand
221. co_____ce an opponent *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
222. ad____t the rearview mirror *v.* to make a minor modification to something to make it more suited for a new set of conditions or to make it function better.
223. armored ba_____on *n.* a large, organized military unit composed of several companies, typically commanded by a lieutenant colonel or a major
224. death from sh__k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
225. re_____ge energy *v.* to restore the energy or power of something by supplying it with more energy or power; to refresh or renew oneself by rest or sleep
226. an int_____nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
227. a di_____l watch *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

ANSWERS: 219. requirement, 220. knuckle, 221. convince, 222. adjust, 223. battalion, 224. shock, 225. recharge, 226. intelligence, 227. digital

228. l__t sagging skin *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
229. a mi_____er for the term *n.* a name or term that is inaccurate or misleading, often because it does not accurately describe the thing it is naming
230. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
231. f__t gate *n.* a military structure designed to be defended from attack
232. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
233. ru_____ck straps *n.* a type of backpack or knapsack that is typically used for hiking, camping, or other outdoor activities, which has shoulder straps and a compartment for storing gear or personal items
234. oil on ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
235. meet req_____nt *n.* something that is needed or wanted
236. flow of el_____ons *n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
237. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
238. veteran par_____er *n.* an individual soldier trained to be dropped by parachute from an aircraft into an area of operation, which is part of airborne units and is trained for rapid deployment and assault operations

ANSWERS: 228. lift, 229. misnomer, 230. opportune, 231. fort, 232. individual, 233. rucksack, 234. canvas, 235. requirement, 236. electron, 237. obvious, 238. paratrooper

239. in____d navigation system *adj.* located or positioned inside or closer to the center or hull of a ship, aircraft, or vehicle; relating to or involving the internal parts or components of a machine or system
240. the l_e of the building *n.* the side or part that is sheltered or facing away from the wind or the direction from which the wind is blowing; a position or location protected from the full force or effects of something, particularly the wind
241. am____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
242. art cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
243. under a ca____y of smoke *n.* a covering, typically of fabric, supported on poles or suspended above a bed, throne, or other object, used to shelter or screen the person or object below it
244. sh__k-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
245. ai____ft control system *n.* any vehicle that can fly and carry things or passengers, such as a plane or helicopter
246. a cr____le story *adj.* capable of being trusted or believed
247. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

ANSWERS: 239. inboard, 240. lee, 241. amazing, 242. critic, 243. canopy, 244. shock, 245. aircraft, 246. credible, 247. nation

248. high imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
249. oc___e range *n.* a musical interval encompassing eight diatonic scale degrees, such as the interval from C to the next C in a C major scale
250. a tra_____nt lie *adj.* easy to perceive, detect, or understand; (of a material or article) permitting light to pass through freely
251. tra_____nt crystal *adj.* easy to perceive, detect, or understand; (of a material or article) permitting light to pass through freely
252. ab_____n a friend *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
253. ex___c species *adj.* originating from or characteristic of a foreign country or culture; strikingly unusual, uncommon, or intriguing
254. competent pe_____el *n.* a group of people who are employed in an organization or one of the armed forces; the department responsible for hiring, training, and placing employees
255. die su_____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
256. ad_____on of vectors *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
257. military br_____er *n.* a military rank above colonel and below major general; a high-ranking officer in the armed forces, usually responsible for overseeing a brigade

ANSWERS: 248. importance, 249. octave, 250. transparent, 251. transparent, 252. abandon, 253. exotic, 254. personnel, 255. suddenly, 256. addition, 257. brigadier

258. cr__h coffee beans *v.* to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller
259. st___c electricity *adj.* not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing
260. an ai_____ft landing *n.* any vehicle that can fly and carry things or passengers, such as a plane or helicopter
261. pl_____n sergeant *n.* a subdivision of a military company consisting of a small group of soldiers, usually about 30, that operates as a unit within a larger military unit; a group of individuals or things that work together or share a common purpose
262. infantry ba_____on *n.* a large, organized military unit composed of several companies, typically commanded by a lieutenant colonel or a major
263. books and wh_____t *n.* unspecified or unimportant objects, things, or details; miscellaneous items or things; a small, open shelving unit or stand used for displaying various objects or curios
264. v__e-chair of the committee *n.* wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person
265. the_____al models *adj.* relating to the concepts and principles upon which a particular topic is founded, rather than practice and experience

ANSWERS: 258. crush, 259. static, 260. aircraft, 261. platoon, 262. battalion, 263. whatnot, 264. vice, 265. theoretical

266. ai____ne troop *adj.* moved or conveyed by or through the air; in the air
267. st___c website *adj.* not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing
268. the curved shape of a h__k *n.* a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook
269. pe_____el evaluation *n.* a group of people who are employed in an organization or one of the armed forces; the department responsible for hiring, training, and placing employees
270. baby c__f *n.* a young cow, bull, or other domestic bovine animals
271. virtue and v__e *n.* wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person
272. flexible si__ws *n.* a tough, fibrous tissue that connects muscles to bones, allowing for movement and strength; a source of strength, energy, or resilience
273. de__y a flight three hours *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
274. ty_____l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
275. ro_____e business *n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program

ANSWERS: 266. airborne, 267. static, 268. hook, 269. personnel, 270. calf, 271. vice, 272. sinew, 273. delay, 274. typical, 275. routine

276. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
277. co_____e in arms *n.* a close associate, friend, or companion, especially one who shares one's interests, beliefs, or political convictions; a fellow member of an organization, especially a military or political group, who shares a common cause or objective
278. field of artificial int_____nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
279. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
280. co____r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
281. en_____p the whole world *v.* to surround and cover completely; to encase
282. test my hyp_____is *n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
283. leather st__p *n.* a long, narrow strip or belt of leather, fabric, or another material used for binding, fastening, or supporting something or someone; a band or string that attaches one object to another, often used to secure items during transport

ANSWERS: 276. complexity, 277. comrade, 278. intelligence, 279. conversation, 280. confer, 281. envelop, 282. hypothesis, 283. strap

284. additional sc____ny *n.* careful and detailed examination
285. religious fa__h *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
286. a mi____ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
287. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
288. academic voc____ry *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
289. bo__t the economy *v.* to improve, raise, or increase something
290. navy co____do *n.* a member of a special military unit or elite force specializing in unconventional warfare or covert operations; a style of clothing or undergarments without a waistband or fabric covering the legs
291. tight f__t *n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist
292. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
293. turn into a fi____ht *n.* a struggle to extinguish a fire; a military engagement in which small arms and other weapons are used

ANSWERS: 284. scrutiny, 285. faith, 286. military, 287. obvious, 288. vocabulary, 289. boost, 290. commando, 291. fist, 292. nation, 293. firefight

294. a leg_____te child *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
295. ho___d hair *adj.* being caught or caught up in something; curved down like an eagle's beak
296. carry a s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
297. ou_____rd boat *n.* a detachable engine or motor that is mounted outside the hull of a boat typically used for propulsion; (adjective) located or situated on the outside or exterior, especially of a vehicle or vessel; (adverb) away from or toward the outside or exterior of a ship or an aircraft
298. z__e defense *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
299. a public co_____us *n.* general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole
300. et_____l quarreling *adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
301. re_____d a company *v.* to build again or anew
302. ai_____ne particles *adj.* moved or conveyed by or through the air; in the air
303. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
304. v_w allegiance to the new king *v.* to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn

ANSWERS: 294. legitimate, 295. hooked, 296. scar, 297. outboard, 298. zone, 299. consensus, 300. eternal, 301. rebuild, 302. airborne, 303. tradition, 304. vow

305. crack of d__n *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
306. hiking ru____ck *n.* a type of backpack or knapsack that is typically used for hiking, camping, or other outdoor activities, which has shoulder straps and a compartment for storing gear or personal items
307. w__ned me of the plan *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
308. a ti__t game *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
309. re____d communities *v.* to build again or anew
310. baby with se_____ve skin *adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do
311. b__m in sales *n.* a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
312. ex____ed payment *adj.* longer than usual or anticipated
313. ma__h east *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
314. br__e decision *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
315. ex____ed vacation *adj.* longer than usual or anticipated
316. my golf bu__y *n.* a close friend; a partner, especially one of a pair or team

ANSWERS: 305. dawn, 306. rucksack, 307. warn, 308. tight, 309. rebuild, 310. sensitive, 311. boom, 312. extended, 313. march, 314. brave, 315. extended, 316. buddy

317. the hope of et____l life *adj.* being without beginning or end; lasting forever
318. c__w each word *v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
319. a built-in diagnostic ro____e *n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program
320. v_w never to give up *v.* to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn
321. pos____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
322. beauty s__t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
323. br__e soldier *adj.* showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity
324. fairly ty____l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

ANSWERS: 317. eternal, 318. chew, 319. routine, 320. vow, 321. possibility, 322. spot, 323. brave, 324. typical

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Absolute zero is the lowest _____ temperature.
adj. relating to the concepts and principles upon which a particular topic is founded, rather than practice and experience
2. It seems _____ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.
adj. likely to happen or likely to be true
3. The outermost _____ shell determines the chemical properties of an atom.
n. a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
4. The construction company _____ the building with an earthquake-resistant device.
v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
5. The _____ yard had a wide selection of wood for building and construction.
n. wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily
6. He remained _____ to his wife throughout their marriage.
adj. loyal, constant, and steadfast in affection or allegiance
7. The _____ of soldiers marched in perfect formation during the parade.
n. a subdivision of a military company consisting of a small group of soldiers, usually about 30, that operates as a unit within a larger military unit; a group of individuals or things that work together or share a common purpose

ANSWERS: 1. theoretical, 2. probable, 3. electron, 4. equipped, 5. lumber, 6. faithful, 7. platoon

8. The fire department _____ instructed the firefighters on how to tackle the blaze.
- n.* a rank of non-commissioned officer in the armed forces, typically above corporal but below staff sergeant or sergeant first class
9. The car was completely _____ in the accident.
- v.* to press it firmly, usually with your hands or a tool, so that it becomes flat or smaller
10. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.
- n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
11. The teacher is very _____ to children's feelings.
- adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do
12. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.
- n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
13. The fearless _____ completed the mission successfully, undetected by the enemy.
- n.* a member of a special military unit or elite force specializing in unconventional warfare or covert operations; a style of clothing or undergarments without a waistband or fabric covering the legs
14. The boxer clenched his _____ before throwing a punch.
- n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist

ANSWERS: 8. sergeant, 9. crushed, 10. addition, 11. sensitive, 12. bunch, 13. commando, 14. fist

15. My son was _____ on the Internet.

adj. being caught or caught up in something; curved down like an eagle's beak

16. The _____ size shirt fits him perfectly.

adj. of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

17. The platoon experienced a full-scale _____.

n. a struggle to extinguish a fire; a military engagement in which small arms and other weapons are used

18. The plane made a rough _____ and everyone clapped once we came to a stop.

n. the act of coming to rest on the ground or another surface after being in flight or jumping; a platform or area of ground where a plane or spacecraft can come to rest

19. They _____ to love and support each other for the rest of their lives.

v. to make a promise or commitment, usually formal and solemn

20. The general gave a _____ to his troops to prepare for battle.

n. authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something

21. He needed to _____ his phone before the meeting.

v. to restore the energy or power of something by supplying it with more energy or power; to refresh or renew oneself by rest or sleep

ANSWERS: 15. hooked, 16. medium, 17. firefight, 18. landing, 19. vowed, 20. command, 21. recharge

22. My dog loves to _____ on bones.

v. to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it

23. 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

24. His _____ of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

n. the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

25. He cracked his _____ nervously before the presentation.

n. one of the joint-like parts of the fingers and toes, especially of the hand

26. They had formed a friendship _____.

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

27. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

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

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

29. The _____ firefighter rescued the family from the burning building.

adj. showing courage or fearlessness in the face of danger, difficulty, or adversity

30. A great _____ is a fountain forever overflowing with the waters of wisdom and delight.

n. a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery

ANSWERS: 22. chew, 23. complexity, 24. pretensions, 25. knuckles, 26. bond, 27. decision, 28. calf, 29. brave, 30. poem

31. Sensors convert physical phenomena into _____ signals.

adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

32. The national election was held amid _____ security.

adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

33. The _____ of the organization emphasized hard work and dedication.

n. a system of beliefs or principles

34. I love trying _____ foods from different cultures.

adj. originating from or characteristic of a foreign country or culture; strikingly unusual, uncommon, or intriguing

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

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

36. I need to pick up some groceries, toiletries, and _____ at the store.

n. unspecified or unimportant objects, things, or details; miscellaneous items or things; a small, open shelving unit or stand used for displaying various objects or curios

37. The _____ of the mortgage market led to a decrease in home values.

n. the action or fact of inverting something, or the state of being inverted; the reversal of the normal order or arrangement of things

38. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

ANSWERS: 31. digital, 32. tight, 33. creed, 34. exotic, 35. scar, 36. whatnot, 37. inversion, 38. nation

39. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
- n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
40. We worked together as _____ to finish the project on time.
- n.* a close associate, friend, or companion, especially one who shares one's interests, beliefs, or political convictions; a fellow member of an organization, especially a military or political group, who shares a common cause or objective
41. She _____ the computer to fix the problem.
- v.* to set again or differently; to return to a previous state or condition
42. He was exhausted and _____ into bed as soon as he got home.
- v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
43. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
- v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
44. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.
- n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
45. The boat's _____ engine provided extra power and control while navigating rough waters.
- adj.* located or positioned inside or closer to the center or hull of a ship, aircraft, or vehicle; relating to or involving the internal parts or components of a machine or system
46. The marathon runner felt a cramp in her _____ at the 20th mile.
- n.* the part of the human leg between the hip and the knee; in animals, the corresponding upper part of the hind leg

ANSWERS: 39. context, 40. comrades, 41. reset, 42. rolled, 43. locate, 44. grade, 45. inboard, 46. thigh

47. The _____ orders were clear and had to be executed without delay.
n. a military rank above colonel and below major general; a high-ranking officer in the armed forces, usually responsible for overseeing a brigade
48. The amount of _____ pollen this year is higher than usual.
adj. moved or conveyed by or through the air; in the air
49. She had a tattoo just above her _____ button.
n. the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
50. The poem was divided into three _____ each with its unique message and rhythm.
n. a group of lines of poetry that form a unit; a division of a poem consisting of a series of lines arranged together, usually with a recurring pattern of meter and rhyme
51. The fog _____ the city, making it difficult to see.
v. to surround and cover completely; to encase
52. This evidence supports the big-bang _____.
n. a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
53. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
54. The _____ time for the flight is 6:00 am.
n. the act of leaving, especially to start a journey

ANSWERS: 47. brigadier's, 48. airborne, 49. belly, 50. stanzas, 51. enveloped, 52. hypothesis, 53. tradition, 54. departure

55. Using proper _____ is essential for writing a good essay.
- n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
56. I am considering what I should do to _____ him.
- v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
57. Jet _____ are the common name for air currents that form high in the atmosphere.
- n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
58. The singer's range was impressive, covering three _____ with ease.
- n.* a musical interval encompassing eight diatonic scale degrees, such as the interval from C to the next C in a C major scale
59. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.
- v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
60. The wealthy businessman acted as a _____ to his protege, helping him to succeed in his career.
- n.* a male godparent who witnesses a child's baptism and accepts a spiritual responsibility for their upbringing; a trusted mentor or advisor who has significant influence and offers support and guidance in personal or professional matters
61. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.
- adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

ANSWERS: 55. vocabulary, 56. convince, 57. streams, 58. octaves, 59. evolved, 60. godfather, 61. extraordinary

62. He _____ pieces of rope out of straw.

v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape

63. The forest's _____ provides shade and protection for the plants and animals below.

n. a covering, typically of fabric, supported on poles or suspended above a bed, throne, or other object, used to shelter or screen the person or object below it

64. The marketing team developed new _____ to boost sales.

n. the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports

65. They are planning to _____ the house after the fire.

v. to build again or anew

66. The instrument has a high _____ to temperature changes.

n. the ability to perceive or respond to subtle differences or changes; the ability to understand and respond to the needs and feelings of others

67. In every civilization, rulers have tried everything possible to obtain _____ life.

adj. being without beginning or end; lasting forever

68. The captain told him to _____ the ship north.

v. to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone

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

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

ANSWERS: 62. twisted, 63. canopy, 64. tactics, 65. rebuild, 66. sensitivity, 67. eternal, 68. steer, 69. relations

70. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.
- n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
71. I attempted to _____ him, but he ignored me.
- v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
72. The company seems stuck in a _____ and needs to try something new.
- n.* a long track or groove worn into the ground, typically by the repeated passage of wheels or other heavy objects; a fixed, boring or monotonous routine or course of action
73. All products produced by our factory undergo rigorous _____.
- n.* careful and detailed examination
74. _____ technologies have dramatically improved productivity in various industries.
- adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
75. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
- adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
76. He was reluctant to leave his comfort _____ and try something new.
- n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
77. He became _____ that he was being followed.
- adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

ANSWERS: 70. interaction, 71. warn, 72. rut, 73. scrutiny, 74. Emerging, 75. obvious, 76. zone, 77. conscious

78. He got an electric _____ at work.

- n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

79. This training includes emergency escape drills with _____.

- n.* a device used to slow the motion of people or objects through an atmosphere consisting of a large piece of thin cloth that is attached to them and opens out in the air

80. The focus of these initiatives is to make the financial system more _____.

- adj.* easy to perceive, detect, or understand; (of a material or article) permitting light to pass through freely

81. This bridge is the third largest _____ bridge in the world.

- n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure

82. The high-technology industry is enjoying a _____.

- n.* a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound

83. Please hang your towel on a _____.

- n.* a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook

84. This remote _____ is rarely visited.

- n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

85. The soldier threw a _____ to destroy the enemy's bunker.

- n.* a hand-held explosive device designed to be thrown or projected toward a target and detonate upon impact or after a specified time

ANSWERS: 78. shock, 79. parachutes, 80. transparent, 81. steel, 82. boom, 83. hook, 84. spot, 85. grenade

86. The stone _____ was built to protect the city from invading forces.
n. a military structure designed to be defended from attack
87. I packed my clothes and supplies into my _____ for the camping trip.
n. a type of backpack or knapsack that is typically used for hiking, camping, or other outdoor activities, which has shoulder straps and a compartment for storing gear or personal items
88. _____ scrolling on social media can be a time waster.
adj. lacking in awareness, thought, or attention; done without thinking or consideration; pointless or empty-headed
89. The drought _____ the prices of grain globally.
v. to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
90. 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
91. The new service helped _____ net income by 10%.
v. to improve, raise, or increase something
92. I'm _____ of insects.
adj. afraid or frightened
93. His public _____ resulted from a cruel prank played by his colleagues.
n. the feeling of being made to feel ashamed or foolish

ANSWERS: 86. fort, 87. rucksack, 88. Mindless, 89. lifted, 90. canvas;, 91. boost, 92. scared, 93. humiliation

94. She wiped the _____ off her forehead with a towel.

n. the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress

95. They didn't have any _____ evidence of his innocence.

adj. capable of being trusted or believed

96. Her hair was _____ from the strong wind as she walked along the beach.

adj. describing hair or one's appearance in a disheveled or untidy manner; untamed or slightly messy in appearance, often as a result of being casually arranged or purposely styled to have a natural, effortless look

97. The _____ image on the screen took a lot of work to make out.

adj. not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing

98. The hiker found a calm spot in the ____ of the mountain to set up camp.

n. the side or part that is sheltered or facing away from the wind or the direction from which the wind is blowing; a position or location protected from the full force or effects of something, particularly the wind

99. The marine _____ manufacturer demonstrated their newest hydroplane.

n. any vehicle that can fly and carry things or passengers, such as a plane or helicopter

100. He attached the _____ motor to the back of his boat before heading out onto the lake.

n. a detachable engine or motor that is mounted outside the hull of a boat typically used for propulsion; (adjective) located or situated on the outside or exterior, especially of a vehicle or vessel; (adverb) away from or toward the outside or exterior of a ship or an aircraft

ANSWERS: 94. sweat, 95. credible, 96. tousled, 97. static, 98. lee, 99. aircraft, 100. outboard

101. We want to _____ a schedule for the investigation.

- v.* to bring the different parts of the activity and the people into an organized, ordered, or efficient relationship; (adjective) of equal importance, rank, or degree

102. I fell and bruised my _____ on the hard pavement.

- n.* either of two fleshy masses at the lower end of the human trunk, formed mainly by the gluteal muscles and used for sitting and walking; the hindquarters of an animal

103. Even though he knew it was wrong, he _____ on the exam.

- v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws

104. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of _____.

- n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note

105. 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

106. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.

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

107. The athlete tightened the _____ on his running shoes before the race.

- n.* a long, narrow strip or belt of leather, fabric, or another material used for binding, fastening, or supporting something or someone; a band or string that attaches one object to another, often used to secure items during transport

ANSWERS: 101. coordinate, 102. buttock, 103. cheated, 104. importance, 105. confer, 106. environment, 107. strap

108. Later, his claim was found to be _____ false.

adv. completely

109. The _____ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

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

110. The troops _____ shoulder-to-shoulder.

v. to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

111. She does forty _____ every morning as part of her workout routine.

n. a type of exercise that involves placing one's hands palms-down on the ground shoulder-width apart, lowering the body, and pushing up again repeatedly, typically used to build strength in the upper body and arms

112. He went through rigorous _____ training to be part of the airborne unit.

n. an individual soldier trained to be dropped by parachute from an aircraft into an area of operation, which is part of airborne units and is trained for rapid deployment and assault operations

113. We _____ the payment because of an incorrect invoice.

v. to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected

114. The chairperson _____ him the right to speak.

v. to agree to give or allow somebody

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

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

ANSWERS: 108. entirely, 109. military, 110. marched, 111. push-ups, 112. paratrooper, 113. delayed, 114. granted, 115. possibility

116. The two parties have reached a _____.

- n.* general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole

117. The _____ airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

- adj.* longer than usual or anticipated

118. You have to _____ your content to the age of the audience.

- v.* to make a minor modification to something to make it more suited for a new set of conditions or to make it function better.

119. She repeated her personal _____ to herself to stay motivated.

- n.* a word or phrase, often repeated, that is used as a focus for the mind during meditation

120. Skydiving is an overwhelming _____ for many people.

- n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

121. Police will _____ random breath testing for drunk driving.

- v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity

122. The castle was _____ several years later.

- v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

123. Jockey's superior _____ brought him victory.

- n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

ANSWERS: 116. consensus, 117. extended, 118. adjust, 119. mantra, 120. thrill, 121. conduct, 122. abandoned, 123. technique

124. I love to eat juicy _____ on a hot summer day.

- n.* a large, juicy fruit with a green rind and pink or red flesh, typically eaten in slices in the summer months

125. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.

- v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

126. There's a new _____ of hero in the movies now.

- n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

127. The _____ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

- n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

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

- adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable

129. You can easily _____ seats over the telephone.

- v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

130. Who answers _____ knows little.

- adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

131. The name "killer whale" is a _____ as they rarely attack humans.

- n.* a name or term that is inaccurate or misleading, often because it does not accurately describe the thing it is naming

ANSWERS: 124. watermelon, 125. communicate, 126. brand, 127. chain, 128. inevitable, 129. reserve, 130. suddenly, 131. misnomer

132. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

- v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

133. Please forward the resumes to the _____ department.

- n.* a group of people who are employed in an organization or one of the armed forces; the department responsible for hiring, training, and placing employees

134. The engine did not start because the _____ was flat.

- n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them

135. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.

- adv.* now or without delay

136. Shall we _____ a bite to eat?

- v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way

137. He kept his robust _____ in his company.

- n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

138. 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

139. Cats hate dogs and _____ versa.

- n.* wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person

ANSWERS: 132. decide, 133. personnel, 134. battery, 135. immediately, 136. grab, 137. faith, 138. intelligence, 139. vice

140. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

141. Before authorities _____ the protesters, they yelled slogans.

v. to spread out or distribute over a broad region, or to cause something to do so

142. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

143. The hunter aimed at the animal's _____ knowing it would be a fatal shot.

n. a tough, fibrous tissue that connects muscles to bones, allowing for movement and strength; a source of strength, energy, or resilience

144. Skill and _____ are an unconquered army.

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

145. The two business partners sealed the deal with a _____.

n. a greeting or form of introduction in which two people grasp each other's hands and briefly grip and shake them; (of computer science) a process by which two devices or software applications establish a connection and exchange information to ensure that they can communicate effectively

146. The enemy forces were no match for the well-trained _____.

n. a large, organized military unit composed of several companies, typically commanded by a lieutenant colonel or a major

147. This artwork is _____ of her work.

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

ANSWERS: 140. opportune, 141. dispersed, 142. conversation, 143. sinew, 144. confidence, 145. handshake, 146. battalion, 147. typical

148. She studies gardening on a _____ basis.

n. a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program

149. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

150. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

151. 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

152. Public political demonstrations are considered _____ rights for citizens.

adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful

153. What is the entry _____ for this course?

n. something that is needed or wanted

154. The army _____ marched in perfect unison during the parade.

n. a large military unit, usually consisting of several battalions and commanded by a colonel or higher-ranking officer; a strict or organized system or routine

155. Please _____ your sweat with this towel.

v. to clean or dry something by rubbing with a piece of cloth or paper or one's hand and removing dirt, food, or liquid

156. The circus _____ was brightly painted with pictures of the animals inside.

n. a four-wheeled vehicle used for transporting goods or people, often pulled by horses, oxen, or other animals; a compartment or container used for storage or transportation, such as a shopping cart or trolley

ANSWERS: 148. routine, 149. amazing, 150. critics, 151. classic, 152. legitimate, 153. requirement, 154. regiment, 155. wipe, 156. wagon

157. Missile assaults on the capital continued around _____.

n. the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky

158. I _____ for neglecting your email.

v. to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem

159. The restaurant _____ a ban on smoking.

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

160. He was the first _____ in the military training camp.

n. a close friend; a partner, especially one of a pair or team

161. The military _____ led their troops into battle with precision and strategic planning.

n. a person who holds authority or control over a group or organization, particularly in a military, naval, or aerospace context; an official in charge of a particular aspect of operations, such as a commander of a ship or a commander of the air force

162. 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

ANSWERS: 157. dawn, 158. apologize, 159. reversed, 160. buddy, 161. commander, 162. individual,