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Session 1: Word List

deserve

v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

synonym: merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize

The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

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.

luxury

n. a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things

synonym: extravagance, indulgence, opulence

(1) get into the **luxury** car market, (2) **luxury** hotel

His anti- **luxury** practices were quite strict.

redefine

v. to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way

synonym: reconsider, reformulate, alter

(1) **redefine** customer experience, (2) **redefine** our role
The video telephony application has **redefined** the way we work.

charity

n. an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people

synonym: philanthropy, benevolence, generosity

(1) **charity** work, (2) ask **charity**

She volunteers at a local **charity** every weekend to help those in need.

prostate

n. a small gland located near the bladder (= an organ located in the lower abdomen) in males that produces fluid that becomes part of semen

synonym: gland, bladder

(1) **prostate** surgery, (2) enlarged **prostate**

Men over the age of 50 are at a higher risk for **prostate** cancer.

cancer

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

synonym: tumor, carcinoma, malignancy

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

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

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym: procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

inspire

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

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

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

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

normally

adv. usually; under normal conditions

synonym: commonly, generally, naturally

(1) complete **normally**, (2) not **normally** drink much

I don't **normally** take a vacation in the middle of summer.

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.

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.

fashion

n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

synonym: style, manner, fad

(1) go out of **fashion**, (2) new **fashion** trends

That style is no longer in **fashion**.

mustache

n. an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip

synonym: whisker

(1) a gray **mustache**, (2) big **mustache**

The actor's **mustache** has become an icon.

comeback

n. a return to popularity, success, or performance after a decline or period of inactivity; a quick, witty response to a criticism or insult

synonym: return, resurgence, revival

(1) political **comeback**, (2) career **comeback**

The musician made an impressive **comeback** with their latest album.

slang

n. informal or non-standard language that is often used within a specific group or culture and may not be considered appropriate in a professional or formal context

synonym: lingo, jargon, vernacular

(1) **slang** phrases, (2) Internet **slang**

A lot of **slang** words and phrases were popularized by hip-hop music.

rename

v. to give a new name to something; to change the name of something

synonym: rebrand, rechristen, re-label

(1) **rename** the street, (2) **rename** in plain English

The new owners **renamed** the restaurant to give it a fresh start.

shave

v. to remove body hair with a razor; to cut the price of something

synonym: trim, cut down, prune

(1) **shave** my head, (2) **shave** cheese

That supermarket tried to **shave** certain costs by saving electricity.

beard

n. hair that grows on a man's face, often around the mouth and chin

synonym: facial hair, whiskers, stubble

(1) a black **beard**, (2) shave my **beard**

He grew a thick **beard** to change his appearance.

theme

n. a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation
synonym: subject, topic, motif

(1) **theme** park, (2) central **theme**

The **theme** of the novel is the corrupting influence of power.

award

n. a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement

synonym: prize, honor, accolade

(1) **award** ceremony, (2) participation **award**

He won the **award** for best actor at the film festival.

ironic

adj. using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect

synonym: sarcastic, wry, sardonic

(1) **ironic** result, (2) an **ironic** turn of events

It was **ironic** that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.

hipster

n. a person who follows a trend or style characterized by a particular subculture, particularly one that is associated with alternative music, fashion, and lifestyle practices

synonym: trendsetter, nonconformist, bohemian

(1) **hipster** fashion, (2) **hipster** lifestyle

She is always wearing vintage clothing and listening to vinyl records, a true **hipster** at heart.

movement

n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

synonym: motion, progression, action

(1) a circular **movement**, (2) **movement** of troops

The **movement** of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

controversy

n. a lot of discussion and argument about something, often involving strong feelings of anger or disapproval

synonym : disagreement, dispute, argument

(1) **controversy** among researchers, (2) arouse

controversy

They entered into **controversy** with the member of the ruling party.

shuffle

v. to move or mix around in a casual or unorganized way; to walk with short, dragging steps

synonym : jumble, muddle, rearrange

(1) **shuffle** deck, (2) **shuffle** from side to side

She **shuffled** the cards before dealing them to the players.

celebrated

adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes

synonym : acclaimed, notable, prominent

(1) **celebrated** artist, (2) **celebrated** paper

Three **celebrated** tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

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.

breast

n. either of the two round soft parts of a woman's chest which secrete milk after childbirth

synonym : bosom, chest, bust

(1) **breast** cancer, (2) the mountain's **breast**

He grilled the **breast** meat of a chicken.

combine

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

synonym : coalesce, cohere, blend

(1) **combine** chemically with another substance,

(2) **combine** augmented reality

Hydrogen and oxygen **combine** to form water.

topic

n. a subject that is being discussed or written about
synonym: subject, theme, issue

(1) a serious **topic**, (2) the **topic** of the book

The **topic** of the discussion was the current state of the economy.

discovery

n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

equivalent

n. having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
synonym: equal, counterpart, match

(1) **equivalent** amounts, (2) **equivalent** in meaning

The European Central Bank is Europe's **equivalent** of the Federal Reserve.

diagnose

v. to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis

synonym: identify, analyze, interpret

(1) **diagnose** the problem, (2) **diagnose** with CT scans

This device is used to **diagnose** brain cancer and other tumors.

tagline

n. a memorable slogan or catchphrase used in advertising or entertainment to promote a product, cause, or idea; a brief statement or phrase that sums up the essence of something

synonym: slogan, catchphrase, motto

(1) advertising **tagline**, (2) effective **tagline**

Our marketing team is brainstorming to come up with a new

tagline for our product launch.

eloquent

adj. able to speak or write clearly and impressively

synonym : persuasive, fluent, well-spoken

(1) an **eloquent** speaker, (2) **eloquent** writing

She gave an **eloquent** speech at the graduation ceremony.

outcome

n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

synonym : result, consequence, effect

(1) improved student **outcomes**, (2) a desirable **outcome**

They awaited news of the **outcome** of the election.

achieve

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

synonym : accomplish, attain, reach

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

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

engage

v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

synonym : confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,

(2) **engage** a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.

foundation

n. the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes

synonym : base, support, groundwork

(1) **foundation** course, (2) weak **foundation**

The **foundation** of the building was cracked and needed to be repaired.

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.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym : alter, convert, change

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

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

convinced

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

synonym : confident, positive, indoctrinated

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

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

vision

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

synonym : sight, image, concept

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

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

partnership

n. the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business

synonym : alliance, participation, cooperation

(1) **partnership** across the Atlantic, (2) establish a **partnership**

The military **partnership** between the two countries created tension in the international community.

celebrate

v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

synonym : praise, glorify, honor

(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas
He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

novel

n. an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before

synonym: fiction, story, (adjective) innovative

(1) historical **novel**, (2) **novel** effect

The **novel** has largely gotten positive feedback.

conservative

adj. holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation

synonym: traditional, reactionary, cautious

(1) a **conservative** society, (2) **conservative** about production

He always makes a **conservative** estimation when predicting future sales.

persistent

adj. continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time

synonym: tenacious, steadfast, unrelenting

(1) **persistent** cough, (2) **persistent** data

Despite the setbacks, he remained **persistent** in his pursuit of his dreams.

persist

v. to continue to do and refuse to stop something despite difficulties or opposition, even if it appears unreasonable

synonym: endure, continue, carry on

(1) **persist** over time, (2) **persist** in success

Consult your doctor if the symptoms **persist**.

Don

n. a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge

(1) the **don** of the university, (2) **Don** Giovanni

He could never go against what **Don** Carlos said.

represent

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

synonym: depict, express, describe

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

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

donation

n. a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them

synonym: contribution, gift, subsidy

(1) make a **donation**, (2) political **donation**

He made a generous **donation** to the charity.

essentially

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

synonym: fundamentally, basically, virtually

(1) **essentially** correct, (2) become **essentially** same

Essentially, a society is an organism.

pivotal

adj. relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something

synonym: crucial, essential, important

(1) **pivotal** moment, (2) **pivotal** role

The CEO's decision was **pivotal** in the success of the company's expansion plans.

consume

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

synonym: absorb, ingest, use up

(1) **consume** a large of alcohol, (2) **consume** electricity

A smaller car will **consume** less fuel.

quitter

n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

synonym: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

fundraise

v. to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms

synonym: appeal, raise, solicit

(1) **fundraise** a charity fund, (2) **fundraise** for a new shelter

The school is planning to **fundraise** to purchase new books for the library.

invest

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

synonym: fund, sponsor, support

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

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

foster

v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents

synonym: nurture, nourish, cultivate

(1) **foster** a better relationship, (2) **foster** two kids

The pastor contributed to **fostering** the sense of a community embracing all classes.

brew

v. to make beer or tea by mixing a substance with hot water

synonym: make, prepare

(1) **brew** a cup of tea, (2) **brew** beer

I am going to **brew** some coffee this morning.

sponsor

v. to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising

synonym: back, fund, finance

(1) **sponsor** a contest, (2) **sponsor** a local group

Our company **sponsors** numerous disabled athletes.

consult

v. to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject

synonym: confer, consider, see

(1) regularly **consult** with a doctor, (2) **consult** my wallet
Always **consult** a lawyer before launching a business.

creative

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

synonym: imaginative, innovative, inventive

(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit

All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.

develop

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

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

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.

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.

rack

n. a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish

synonym: shelf, stand, frame

(1) clothing **rack**, (2) spice **rack**

I need to buy a new coat **rack** to organize my winter jackets.

debt

n. something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something

synonym: liability, obligation, deficit

(1) **debt** ceiling, (2) corporate **debt**

He became in **debt** after losing his job.

homeless

adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets

synonym: destitute, displaced, transient

(1) **homeless** shelter, (2) a **homeless** cat

He became **homeless** after losing his job.

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**.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym: idea, notion, vision

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

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

boardroom

n. a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets

synonym: meeting room, conference room, executive room

(1) **boardroom** meeting, (2) **boardroom** decision

The corporate **boardroom** was filled with tense silence as the CEO presented the new plan.

infinite

adj. unlimited or very great; impossible to measure

synonym : boundless, countless, limitless

(1) **infinite** appetite, (2) **infinite** in supply

The battle had an **infinite** impact on the nation.

fuel

n. a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy

synonym : energy, power, gas

(1) biomass **fuel**, (2) smokeless **fuel**

The **fuel** scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector

patient

n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

synonym : client, recipient, subject

(1) **patient** in the hospital, (2) **patient** with weight loss

The doctor carefully examined the **patient's** medical history.

bold

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

synonym : brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds

The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

lofty

adj. elevated in position, rank, or status; grand; elevated in style or language

synonym : high, elevated, grand

(1) a **lofty** peak, (2) **lofty** ambitions

His **lofty** goals were admirable but unrealistic.

achievement

n. a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability

synonym: accomplishment, attainment, triumph

(1) student **achievement**, (2) a remarkable **achievement**

This **achievement** has never been formally accepted.

ribbon

n. a long, narrow strip or band of fabric, often used for decoration or tying things together; a symbol or badge representing a particular honor or award

synonym: band, strip, sash

(1) silk **ribbon**, (2) pink **ribbon** campaign

She tied the **ribbon** around the gift box to make it look pretty.

hairy

adj. covered with hair or having a furry texture; difficult, dangerous, or complicated

synonym: furry, bushy, unkempt

(1) **hairy** situation, (2) **hairy** arms

The new rescue dog was covered in thick, **hairy** fur that kept him warm in cold weather.

ambassador

n. a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization

synonym: envoy, diplomat, representative

(1) **ambassador** for football, (2) send an **ambassador** abroad

The **ambassador** of peace met with government officials to discuss bilateral relations.

fundamental

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

synonym: basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

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.

embrace

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as
in greeting or affection

synonym: grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**
The woods **embrace** the house.

interpret

v. to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions,
etc.

synonym: decode, decipher, analyze

(1) **interpret** a graph, (2) **interpret** the question
Different people might **interpret** this news differently.

celebrity

n. someone who is well-known, particularly in the
entertainment industry

synonym: figure, star, VIP

(1) baseball **celebrity**, (2) **celebrity** known worldwide
The popularity of the show made her an instant **celebrity**.

fortunate

adj. having good luck or lucky

synonym: fortuitous, lucky, blessed

(1) **fortunate** situation, (2) less **fortunate** person
He was pretty **fortunate** to pass the exam.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the
program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's
intramural sports program.

pile

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

synonym:

accumulation, heap, stack

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

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

afford

v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

(1) **afford** to buy a new car, (2) **afford** a high travel cost

He cannot **afford** a holiday.

tribute

n. a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity

synonym: honor, accolade, recognition

(1) pay **tribute**, (2) **tribute** album

The statue was built as a **tribute** to the soldiers who died in the war.

choke

v. to prevent or obstruct the normal breathing or swallowing of someone or something

synonym: strangle, suffocate, clog

(1) **choke** with anger, (2) **choke** off the blood supply

The baby started to **choke** on a piece of apple.

appropriate

adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

synonym: fitting, suitable, proper

(1) **appropriate** behavior, (2) an **appropriate** time

It would be **appropriate** to dress nicely for the wedding.

platform

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

synonym: stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise

The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

survivor

n. a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died

synonym : subsister

(1) ovarian cancer **survivor**, (2) a single **survivor**

The shipwreck **survivor** was rescued after floating in the ocean for three days.

naturally

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

synonym : by nature, inherently, intrinsically

(1) **naturally** arising, (2) **naturally** regenerated forest

He was **naturally** gifted.

tangible

adj. real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value

synonym : palpable, real, actual

(1) **tangible** assets, (2) produce **tangible** results

A problem that has been pointed out for years finally becomes **tangible**.

thanksgiving

n. an annual holiday celebrated primarily in the United States and Canada, typically observed on the fourth Thursday in November in the U.S. and on the second Monday in October in Canada, that commemorates the giving of thanks for the blessings of the previous year

synonym : gratitude, appreciation, recognition

(1) **thanksgiving** traditions, (2) **thanksgiving** parade

My family gathers together every year for **thanksgiving** dinner.

hell

n. the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

synonym : inferno, agony, misery

(1) run like **hell**, (2) **hell** broke loose

The battlefield became **hell** on earth.

disease

n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

synonym : illness, ailment, affliction

(1) **disease** prevention, (2) **disease** control

The doctor diagnosed him with a rare **disease** that had no known cure.

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**.

institutionalize

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

synonym : formalize, establish, regularize

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

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

collaboration

n. the act or situation of working together to create or produce something

synonym : affiliation, alliance, coalition

(1) **collaboration** between companies, (2) **collaboration** platform

The partnership program requires a mutual **collaboration** between both agencies.

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.

identify

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

synonym: determine, specify, recognize

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

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

priority

n. something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first

synonym: importance, precedence, primacy

(1) **priority** call, (2) **priority** seating for elderly

Her **priority** is to be a mother.

recruit

v. to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.

synonym: raise, enroll, enlist

(1) **recruit** a good worker, (2) **recruit** a new hire

The colonial government **recruited** militia support when civil war broke out.

collaborate

v. to work with someone else to produce or achieve something

synonym: cooperate, unite, get together

(1) **collaborate** with the police, (2) **collaborate** on a press release

She agreed to **collaborate** with him in creating new artwork.

accelerate

v. to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly

synonym: speed up, quicken, rev

(1) **accelerate** a chemical reaction, (2) **accelerate** the car

The government tried to **accelerate** the commercialization of this development.

patience

n. the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry

synonym: forbearance, endurance, tolerance

(1) test my **patience**, (2) show **patience**

Healing a broken heart requires **patience**, as it takes time to heal.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. th__e park | <i>n.</i> a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation |
| 2. co____t car | <i>n.</i> an idea or principle associated with something abstract |
| 3. col_____te with the police | <i>v.</i> to work with someone else to produce or achieve something |
| 4. br___t cancer | <i>n.</i> either of the two round soft parts of a woman's chest which secrete milk after childbirth |
| 5. de____p a skill | <i>v.</i> to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created |
| 6. ins_____ize customary laws | <i>v.</i> to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.) |
| 7. less fo____te person | <i>adj.</i> having good luck or lucky |
| 8. cel_____ed artist | <i>adj.</i> renowned for possessing admirable attributes |
| 9. col_____te on a press release | <i>v.</i> to work with someone else to produce or achieve something |
| 10. acc____te the car | <i>v.</i> to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly |

ANSWERS: 1. theme, 2. concept, 3. collaborate, 4. breast, 5. develop, 6. institutionalize, 7. fortunate, 8. celebrated, 9. collaborate, 10. accelerate

11. D_n Giovanni *n.* a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge
12. ce_____te his election *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
13. sp_____r a contest *v.* to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising
14. h__l broke loose *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
15. re_____ne our role *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
16. telescopic vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
17. a leg_____te child *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
18. ch__e off the blood supply *v.* to prevent or obstruct the normal breathing or swallowing of someone or something
19. aw__d ceremony *n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
20. par_____ip across the Atlantic *n.* the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business

ANSWERS: 11. Don, 12. celebrate, 13. sponsor, 14. hell, 15. redefine, 16. vision, 17. legitimate, 18. choke, 19. award, 20. partnership

21. a man of imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
22. an ir___c turn of events *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
23. co_____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
24. a black be__d *n.* hair that grows on a man's face, often around the mouth and chin
25. ch_____y work *n.* an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people
26. get into the lu___y car market *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
27. fou_____on course *n.* the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes
28. na_____ly arising *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
29. leg_____te question *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
30. pe_____t in success *v.* to continue to do and refuse to stop something despite difficulties or opposition, even if it appears unreasonable

ANSWERS: 21. importance, 22. ironic, 23. combine, 24. beard, 25. charity, 26. luxury, 27. foundation, 28. naturally, 29. legitimate, 30. persist

31. serial qu____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
32. af____d to buy a new car *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
33. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
34. a gray mu____he *n.* an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip
35. re_____nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
36. enlarged pr____te *n.* a small gland located near the bladder (= an organ located in the lower abdomen) in males that produces fluid that becomes part of semen
37. 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
38. pi____l moment *adj.* relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something
39. a b__d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
40. co_____e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

ANSWERS: 31. quitter, 32. afford, 33. conversation, 34. mustache, 35. represent, 36. prostate, 37. brand, 38. pivotal, 39. bold, 40. consume

41. 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
42. ess_____ly correct *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
43. 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
44. become ess_____ly same *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
45. pay tr_____e *n.* a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity
46. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
47. fu_____se for a new shelter *v.* to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms
48. political do_____on *n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them
49. co_____e a large of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
50. political co_____ck *n.* a return to popularity, success, or performance after a decline or period of inactivity; a quick, witty response to a criticism or insult

ANSWERS: 41. whatnot, 42. essentially, 43. tradition, 44. essentially, 45. tribute, 46. transform, 47. fundraise, 48. donation, 49. consume, 50. comeback

51. equ_____nt amounts *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
52. en___e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
53. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
54. Internet sl__g *n.* informal or non-standard language that is often used within a specific group or culture and may not be considered appropriate in a professional or formal context
55. learn new co_____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
56. regularly co_____t with a doctor *v.* to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject
57. hi_____r lifestyle *n.* a person who follows a trend or style characterized by a particular subculture, particularly one that is associated with alternative music, fashion, and lifestyle practices
58. pe_____t over time *v.* to continue to do and refuse to stop something despite difficulties or opposition, even if it appears unreasonable
59. ch__e with anger *v.* to prevent or obstruct the normal breathing or swallowing of someone or something

ANSWERS: 51. equivalent, 52. engage, 53. inspire, 54. slang, 55. concept, 56. consult, 57. hipster, 58. persist, 59. choke

60. baseball ce_____ty *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
61. sp_____r a local group *v.* to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising
62. co_____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
63. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
64. di_____se the problem *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
65. an arrival pl_____rm *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
66. sh_____e from side to side *v.* to move or mix around in a casual or unorganized way; to walk with short, dragging steps
67. a sand p___e *n.* a collection of objects positioned one on top of another; a large sum of something, such as money
68. career co_____ck *n.* a return to popularity, success, or performance after a decline or period of inactivity; a quick, witty response to a criticism or insult
69. di_____e control *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

ANSWERS: 60. celebrity, 61. sponsor, 62. combine, 63. fundamental, 64. diagnose, 65. platform, 66. shuffle, 67. pile, 68. comeback, 69. disease

70. biomass f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
71. equ_____nt in meaning *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
72. sh__e my head *v.* to remove body hair with a razor; to cut the price of something
73. in___t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
74. fo_____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
75. effective ta_____e *n.* a memorable slogan or catchphrase used in advertising or entertainment to promote a product, cause, or idea; a brief statement or phrase that sums up the essence of something
76. the to__c of the book *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
77. make a do_____on *n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them
78. barren of cr_____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
79. ir___c result *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
80. bo_____om meeting *n.* a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets

ANSWERS: 70. fuel, 71. equivalent, 72. shave, 73. invest, 74. fortunate, 75. tagline, 76. topic, 77. donation, 78. creative, 79. ironic, 80. boardroom

81. per_____nt cough *adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time
82. pa_____t in the hospital *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
83. in____t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
84. bo_____om decision *n.* a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets
85. ta_____le assets *adj.* real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value
86. go out of fa_____n *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
87. easy qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
88. 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
89. silk ri_____n *n.* a long, narrow strip or band of fabric, often used for decoration or tying things together; a symbol or badge representing a particular honor or award

ANSWERS: 81. persistent, 82. patient, 83. invest, 84. boardroom, 85. tangible, 86. fashion, 87. quitter, 88. tradition, 89. ribbon

90. cr____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
91. em____e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
92. a remarkable ach____nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
93. a scientific di____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
94. de____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
95. ho____ss shelter *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
96. run like h__l *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
97. ha__y arms *adj.* covered with hair or having a furry texture; difficult, dangerous, or complicated
98. fu____se a charity fund *v.* to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms

ANSWERS: 90. creative, 91. embrace, 92. achievement, 93. discovery, 94. deserve, 95. homeless, 96. hell, 97. hairy, 98. fundraise

99. clothing r__k *n.* a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish
100. de__y a flight three hours *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
101. ovarian cancer su____or *n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
102. historical no__l *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
103. hi____r fashion *n.* a person who follows a trend or style characterized by a particular subculture, particularly one that is associated with alternative music, fashion, and lifestyle practices
104. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
105. student ach_____nt *n.* a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
106. co____ed criminal *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
107. a serious to__c *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about

ANSWERS: 99. rack, 100. delay, 101. survivor, 102. novel, 103. hipster, 104. nation, 105. achievement, 106. convinced, 107. topic

108. app_____te behavior *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
109. sh_____e deck *v.* to move or mix around in a casual or unorganized way; to walk with short, dragging steps
110. test my pa_____ce *n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry
111. a warm em_____e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
112. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
113. art cr_____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
114. in_____et a graph *v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
115. re_____t a new hire *v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
116. in_____te appetite *adj.* unlimited or very great; impossible to measure
117. advertising ta_____e *n.* a memorable slogan or catchphrase used in advertising or entertainment to promote a product, cause, or idea; a brief statement or phrase that sums up the essence of something

ANSWERS: 108. appropriate, 109. shuffle, 110. patience, 111. embrace, 112. inspire, 113. critic, 114. interpret, 115. recruit, 116. infinite, 117. tagline

118. ca___r diagnosis *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
119. pink ri___n campaign *n.* a long, narrow strip or band of fabric, often used for decoration or tying things together; a symbol or badge representing a particular honor or award
120. acc_____te a chemical reaction *v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
121. central th__e *n.* a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation
122. ce_____te Christmas *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
123. a ho_____ss cat *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
124. shave my be__d *n.* hair that grows on a man's face, often around the mouth and chin
125. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
126. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
127. di_____se with CT scans *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis

ANSWERS: 118. cancer, 119. ribbon, 120. accelerate, 121. theme, 122. celebrate, 123. homeless, 124. beard, 125. discovery, 126. conversation, 127. diagnose

128. na_____ly regenerated forest *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
129. participation aw__d *n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
130. id____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
131. not no_____ly drink much *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
132. con_____sy among researchers *n.* a lot of discussion and argument about something, often involving strong feelings of anger or disapproval
133. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
134. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
135. b__w a cup of tea *v.* to make beer or tea by mixing a substance with hot water
136. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
137. no__l effect *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
138. re___e the street *v.* to give a new name to something; to change the name of something
139. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 128. naturally, 129. award, 130. identify, 131. normally, 132. controversy, 133. amazing, 134. amazing, 135. brew, 136. opportune, 137. novel, 138. rename, 139. process

140. ca___r research *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
141. af___d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
142. high imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
143. big mu_____he *n.* an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip
144. pr_____ty call *n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
145. complete no_____ly *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
146. the height of a p__e *n.* a collection of objects positioned one on top of another; a large sum of something, such as money
147. el_____nt writing *adj.* able to speak or write clearly and impressively
148. per_____nt data *adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time
149. a single su_____or *n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
150. ac_____e success *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

ANSWERS: 140. cancer, 141. afford, 142. importance, 143. mustache, 144. priority, 145. normally, 146. pile, 147. eloquent, 148. persistent, 149. survivor, 150. achieve

151. weak fou_____on *n.* the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes
152. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
153. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
154. d__t ceiling *n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something
155. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
156. a lo__y peak *adj.* elevated in position, rank, or status; grand; elevated in style or language
157. smokeless f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy

ANSWERS: 151. foundation, 152. fundamental, 153. platform, 154. debt, 155. process, 156. lofty, 157. fuel

158. a circular mo____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
159. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
160. par____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
161. new fa____n trends *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
162. mo____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
163. lo__y ambitions *adj.* elevated in position, rank, or status; grand; elevated in style or language
164. ac____e milestones *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
165. spice r__k *n.* a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish
166. a prodigious vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

ANSWERS: 158. movement, 159. nation, 160. participate, 161. fashion, 162. movement, 163. lofty, 164. achieve, 165. rack, 166. vision

167. send an amb_____or abroad *n.* a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization
168. col_____ion between companies *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
169. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
170. de__y the new project *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
171. establish a par_____ip *n.* the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business
172. ce_____ty known worldwide *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
173. an el_____nt speaker *adj.* able to speak or write clearly and impressively
174. sl__g phrases *n.* informal or non-standard language that is often used within a specific group or culture and may not be considered appropriate in a professional or formal context
175. pr_____te surgery *n.* a small gland located near the bladder (= an organ located in the lower abdomen) in males that produces fluid that becomes part of semen
176. pa_____t with weight loss *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

ANSWERS: 167. ambassador, 168. collaboration, 169. participate, 170. delay, 171. partnership, 172. celebrity, 173. eloquent, 174. slang, 175. prostate, 176. patient

177. the d_n of the university *n.* a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge
178. tr_____e album *n.* a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity
179. col_____ion platform *n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
180. b__w beer *v.* to make beer or tea by mixing a substance with hot water
181. re_____ne customer experience *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
182. ha__y situation *adj.* covered with hair or having a furry texture; difficult, dangerous, or complicated
183. re___e in plain English *v.* to give a new name to something; to change the name of something
184. in_____te in supply *adj.* unlimited or very great; impossible to measure
185. show pa_____ce *n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry
186. a con_____ive society *adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation

ANSWERS: 177. Don, 178. tribute, 179. collaboration, 180. brew, 181. redefine, 182. hairy, 183. rename, 184. infinite, 185. patience, 186. conservative

187. re_____t a good worker *v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
188. arouse con_____sy *n.* a lot of discussion and argument about something, often involving strong feelings of anger or disapproval
189. lu____y hotel *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
190. pr_____ty seating for elderly *n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
191. improved student ou_____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
192. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
193. 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
194. de_____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
195. con_____ive about production *adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
196. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 187. recruit, 188. controversy, 189. luxury, 190. priority, 191. outcome, 192. opportune, 193. whatnot, 194. deserve, 195. conservative, 196. develop

197. pi_____l role *adj.* relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something
198. cel_____ed paper *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
199. fo____r a better relationship *v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
200. severe cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
201. corporate d__t *n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something
202. tha_____ing traditions *n.* an annual holiday celebrated primarily in the United States and Canada, typically observed on the fourth Thursday in November in the U.S. and on the second Monday in October in Canada, that commemorates the giving of thanks for the blessings of the previous year
203. fo____r two kids *v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
204. produce ta_____le results *adj.* real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value

ANSWERS: 197. pivotal, 198. celebrated, 199. foster, 200. critic, 201. debt, 202. thanksgiving, 203. foster, 204. tangible

205. sh__e cheese *v.* to remove body hair with a razor; to cut the price of something
206. the mountain's br___t *n.* either of the two round soft parts of a woman's chest which secrete milk after childbirth
207. an app_____te time *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
208. in_____et the question *v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
209. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
210. big, b__d piano sounds *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
211. tha_____ing parade *n.* an annual holiday celebrated primarily in the United States and Canada, typically observed on the fourth Thursday in November in the U.S. and on the second Monday in October in Canada, that commemorates the giving of thanks for the blessings of the previous year
212. ins_____ize a system *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
213. the characters that re_____nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
214. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

ANSWERS: 205. shave, 206. breast, 207. appropriate, 208. interpret, 209. transform, 210. bold, 211. thanksgiving, 212. institutionalize, 213. represent, 214. engage

215. 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
216. a desirable ou____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
217. id____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
218. co_____ed of the idea *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
219. ask ch____y *n.* an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people
220. amb_____or for football *n.* a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization
221. co_____t my wallet *v.* to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject
222. di____e prevention *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

ANSWERS: 215. brand, 216. outcome, 217. identify, 218. convinced, 219. charity, 220. ambassador, 221. consult, 222. disease

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
2. He was _____ gifted.
adv. as might be expected; by natural manners
3. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.
n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
4. The CEO's decision was _____ in the success of the company's expansion plans.
adj. relating to or acting as a pivot or central point; crucial or essential to the success or outcome of something
5. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.
n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
6. Her _____ is to be a mother.
n. something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
7. I need to buy a new coat _____ to organize my winter jackets.
n. a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish

ANSWERS: 1. engaged, 2. naturally, 3. conversation, 4. pivotal, 5. outcome, 6. priority, 7. rack

8. We _____ the payment because of an incorrect invoice.
- v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
9. The partnership program requires a mutual _____ between both agencies.
- n.* the act or situation of working together to create or produce something
10. Different people might _____ this news differently.
- v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
11. The _____ of peace met with government officials to discuss bilateral relations.
- n.* a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization
12. The _____ scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector
- n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
13. Men over the age of 50 are at a higher risk for _____ cancer.
- n.* a small gland located near the bladder (= an organ located in the lower abdomen) in males that produces fluid that becomes part of semen
14. That style is no longer in _____.
- n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
15. The musician made an impressive _____ with their latest album.
- n.* a return to popularity, success, or performance after a decline or period of inactivity; a quick, witty response to a criticism or insult

ANSWERS: 8. delayed, 9. collaboration, 10. interpret, 11. ambassador, 12. fuel, 13. prostate, 14. fashion, 15. comeback

16. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

17. _____ a society is an organism.

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

18. The doctor diagnosed him with a rare _____ that had no known cure.

n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

19. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.

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

20. She is always wearing vintage clothing and listening to vinyl records, a true _____ at heart.

n. a person who follows a trend or style characterized by a particular subculture, particularly one that is associated with alternative music, fashion, and lifestyle practices

21. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.

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

22. The _____ of the building was cracked and needed to be repaired.

n. the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes

ANSWERS: 16. opportune, 17. Essentially, 18. disease, 19. identify, 20. hipster, 21. inspired, 22. foundation

23. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.
adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
24. The _____ of the discussion was the current state of the economy.
n. a subject that is being discussed or written about
25. The new policy aims to _____ the use of renewable energy sources.
v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
26. 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
27. He could never go against what ____ Carlos said.
n. a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge
28. A problem that has been pointed out for years finally becomes _____.
adj. real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value
29. He won the _____ for best actor at the film festival.
n. a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
30. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.
n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

ANSWERS: 23. fundamental, 24. topic, 25. institutionalize, 26. nation, 27. Don, 28. tangible, 29. award, 30. vision

31. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.
- adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
32. The corporate _____ was filled with tense silence as the CEO presented the new plan.
- n.* a room where the board of directors of a company or organization meets
33. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
- v.* to take part in something
34. My father's death _____ my life completely.
- v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
35. The woods _____ the house.
- v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
36. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.
- v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
37. He cannot _____ a holiday.
- v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
38. The school is planning to _____ to purchase new books for the library.
- v.* to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms

ANSWERS: 31. creative, 32. boardroom, 33. participated, 34. transformed, 35. embrace, 36. combine, 37. afford, 38. fundraise

39. The battle had an _____ impact on the nation.

adj. unlimited or very great; impossible to measure

40. He made a generous _____ to the charity.

n. a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them

41. I will work hard to _____ my goals and realize my dreams.

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

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

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

43. 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

44. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

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

45. My family gathers together every year for _____ dinner.

n. an annual holiday celebrated primarily in the United States and Canada, typically observed on the fourth Thursday in November in the U.S. and on the second Monday in October in Canada, that commemorates the giving of thanks for the blessings of the previous year

ANSWERS: 39. infinite, 40. donation, 41. achieve, 42. importance, 43. whatnot, 44. develop, 45. thanksgiving

46. The European Central Bank is Europe's _____ of the Federal Reserve.
n. having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
47. The baby started to _____ on a piece of apple.
v. to prevent or obstruct the normal breathing or swallowing of someone or something
48. She volunteers at a local _____ every weekend to help those in need.
n. an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people
49. His _____ goals were admirable but unrealistic.
adj. elevated in position, rank, or status; grand; elevated in style or language
50. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.
v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
51. Healing a broken heart requires _____ as it takes time to heal.
n. the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry
52. The government tried to _____ the commercialization of this development.
v. to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
53. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 46. equivalent, 47. choke, 48. charity, 49. lofty, 50. consume, 51. patience, 52. accelerate, 53. movement

54. 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
55. It was _____ that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.
- adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
56. The colonial government _____ militia support when civil war broke out.
- v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
57. He always makes a _____ estimation when predicting future sales.
- adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
58. The new owners _____ the restaurant to give it a fresh start.
- v.* to give a new name to something; to change the name of something
59. Despite the setbacks, he remained _____ in his pursuit of his dreams.
- adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time
60. He _____ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.
- v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
61. The new rescue dog was covered in thick, _____ fur that kept him warm in cold weather.
- adj.* covered with hair or having a furry texture; difficult, dangerous, or complicated

ANSWERS: 54. brand, 55. ironic, 56. recruited, 57. conservative, 58. renamed, 59. persistent, 60. celebrated, 61. hairy

62. The _____ has largely gotten positive feedback.
- n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
63. Breast _____ is the most common type of cancer in women.
- n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
64. She _____ the cards before dealing them to the players.
- v.* to move or mix around in a casual or unorganized way; to walk with short, dragging steps
65. The statue was built as a _____ to the soldiers who died in the war.
- n.* a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity
66. Three _____ tenors performed during the president's inauguration.
- adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
67. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
- adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
68. He grew a thick _____ to change his appearance.
- n.* hair that grows on a man's face, often around the mouth and chin
69. She agreed to _____ with him in creating new artwork.
- v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something

ANSWERS: 62. novel, 63. cancer, 64. shuffled, 65. tribute, 66. celebrated, 67. amazing, 68. beard, 69. collaborate

70. I don't _____ take a vacation in the middle of summer.

adv. usually; under normal conditions

71. 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

72. Our company _____ numerous disabled athletes.

v. to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising

73. She gave an _____ speech at the graduation ceremony.

adj. able to speak or write clearly and impressively

74. A lot of _____ words and phrases were popularized by hip-hop music.

n. informal or non-standard language that is often used within a specific group or culture and may not be considered appropriate in a professional or formal context

75. It would be _____ to dress nicely for the wedding.

adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

76. The popularity of the show made her an instant _____.

n. someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry

77. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

ANSWERS: 70. normally, 71. tradition, 72. sponsors, 73. eloquent, 74. slang, 75. appropriate, 76. celebrity, 77. deserved

78. His anti-_____ practices were quite strict.

- n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things

79. The battlefield became _____ on earth.

- n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

80. Her research team made an important _____.

- n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

81. The video telephony application has _____ the way we work.

- v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way

82. The pastor contributed to _____ the sense of a community embracing all classes.

- v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents

83. The _____ of the novel is the corrupting influence of power.

- n.* a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation

84. He became in _____ after losing his job.

- n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something

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

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

ANSWERS: 78. luxury, 79. hell, 80. discovery, 81. redefined, 82. fostering, 83. theme, 84. debt, 85. platform

86. She tied the _____ around the gift box to make it look pretty.
n. a long, narrow strip or band of fabric, often used for decoration or tying things together; a symbol or badge representing a particular honor or award
87. This _____ has never been formally accepted.
n. a thing that someone has accomplished, primarily through their effort and ability
88. Public political demonstrations are considered _____ rights for citizens.
adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
89. The shipwreck _____ was rescued after floating in the ocean for three days.
n. a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
90. Our marketing team is brainstorming to come up with a new _____ for our product launch.
n. a memorable slogan or catchphrase used in advertising or entertainment to promote a product, cause, or idea; a brief statement or phrase that sums up the essence of something
91. He grilled the _____ meat of a chicken.
n. either of the two round soft parts of a woman's chest which secrete milk after childbirth
92. The doctor carefully examined the _____ medical history.
n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
93. Always _____ a lawyer before launching a business.
v. to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject

ANSWERS: 86. ribbon, 87. achievement, 88. legitimate, 89. survivor, 90. tagline, 91. breast, 92. patient's, 93. consult

94. The military _____ between the two countries created tension in the international community.
- n.* the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business
95. He became _____ after losing his job.
- adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
96. He was labeled as a _____ after he abandoned the project halfway.
- n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
97. I am going to _____ some coffee this morning.
- v.* to make beer or tea by mixing a substance with hot water
98. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.
- n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
99. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.
- v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
100. This device is used to _____ brain cancer and other tumors.
- v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
101. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.
- v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

ANSWERS: 94. partnership, 95. homeless, 96. quitter, 97. brew, 98. concept, 99. invest, 100. diagnose, 101. represent

102. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
103. After the party, they had to clean up _____ of dirty dishes.
n. a collection of objects positioned one on top of another; a large sum of something, such as money
104. That supermarket tried to _____ certain costs by saving electricity.
v. to remove body hair with a razor; to cut the price of something
105. The public is _____ that the prime minister has committed fraud.
adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
106. The effort to alleviate climate change needs _____ action.
adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
107. They entered into _____ with the member of the ruling party.
n. a lot of discussion and argument about something, often involving strong feelings of anger or disapproval
108. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.
n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
109. The actor's _____ has become an icon.
n. an unshaved growth of hair on the upper lip

ANSWERS: 102. process, 103. piles, 104. shave, 105. convinced, 106. bold, 107. controversy, 108. critics, 109. mustache

110. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.

adj. having good luck or lucky

111. Consult your doctor if the symptoms _____.

v. to continue to do and refuse to stop something despite difficulties or opposition, even if it appears unreasonable

ANSWERS: 110. fortunate, 111. persist