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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### institute

*n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

*synonym* : academy, university, college

(1) **institute** a lawsuit, (2) research **institutes**

This region has many **institutes** offering higher education.

### extraterrestrial

*adj.* relating to or existing outside of the Earth's atmosphere or planetary boundaries; pertaining to beings or phenomena that originate from beyond the Earth

*synonym* : alien, outer, otherworldly

(1) **extraterrestrial** planet, (2) **extraterrestrial** intelligence

Scientists are constantly searching for signs of **extraterrestrial** life in the universe.

### 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.

## alien

*n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere

*synonym* : foreigner, unfamiliar, unknown

(1) **alien** fungi, (2) resident **aliens**

**Alien** species have drastically altered the ecosystem in this area.

## cocktail

*n.* a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal

*synonym* : appetizer, beverage

(1) a light **cocktail**, (2) **cocktail** of chemicals

We invited some friends for a **cocktail** party.

## incredulous

*adj.* unwilling or unable to believe something; skeptical, doubtful

*synonym* : skeptical, doubtful, disbelieving

(1) **incredulous** stare, (2) voice of **incredulous** disbelief

The audience was **incredulous** at the magician's trick, trying to figure out how he did it.

## dispassionate

*adj.* not influenced by strong emotions or personal feelings; objective and impartial; characterized by rationality and objectivity rather than being driven by subjective biases or emotions

*synonym* : impartial, unbiased, neutral

(1) **dispassionate** analysis, (2) **dispassionate** observation

The judge remained **dispassionate** throughout the emotional trial.

## idealist

*n.* a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity

*synonym* : dreamer, idealizer, visionary

(1) **idealist** at heart, (2) an **idealist** perspective

As a dedicated **idealist**, she always fought for what was right, no matter the cost.

## ridiculous

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

*synonym* : absurd, fatuous, foolish

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

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

## hopeless

*adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success

*synonym* : despairing, helpless, futile

(1) **hopeless** situation, (2) **hopeless** at everything

After months of job searching, he felt **hopeless** and unsure of his future.

## privilege

*n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

*synonym* : benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership

In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the **privilege** of royalty and nobility.

## motivation

*n.* the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way

*synonym* : inspiration, incentive, reason

(1) understand his **motivation**, (2) **motivation** for a change

A significant amount of **motivation** is required to be a teacher.

## whoop

*v.* to shout or cry out loudly, often in celebration or excitement; to make an exuberant noise

*synonym* : yell, shout, cheer

(1) **whoop** with joy, (2) **whoop** it up at a party  
The winning team began to **whoop** and holler with excitement.

## valley

*n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

*synonym*: canyon, gorge, dale

(1) **valley** bottom, (2) basin-shaped **valley**

The **valley** had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

## observatory

*n.* a building designed and equipped to observe the planets, the stars, the weather, etc.

(1) space **observatory**, (2) a meteorological **observatory**

That astronomical **observatory** stands at the top of the mountain.

## thesis

*n.* a written essay, especially one submitted for a university degree, that sets out the author's findings on a particular subject

*synonym*: dissertation, argument, treatise

(1) a drift of a **thesis**, (2) master **thesis**

His **thesis** on the effects of climate change won several awards.

## tedious

*adj.* tiresome or boring because of being repetitive, dull, or too long; causing mental or physical fatigue due to its unrelenting nature

*synonym*: boring, monotonous, dull

(1) **tedious** task, (2) **tedious** routine

The work of data entry can be **tedious**, but it is important for maintaining accurate records.

## amuse

*v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh

*synonym*: entertain, delight, divert

(1) **amuse** a baby with a rattle, (2) **amuse** guests

He **amused** himself by playing video games during his free

time.

## telescope

*n.* a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects

(1) a binocular **telescope**, (2) look through a **telescope**

This facility has the largest astronomical **telescope** in the country.

## hominid

*n.* a primate of a family (Hominidae) that includes humans and their fossil ancestors

*synonym* : human, primate, ancestor

(1) large-toothed **hominid**, (2) **hominid** evolution

Scientists have discovered new fossil evidence of an ancient **hominid** species.

## acquire

*v.* to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself

*synonym* : attain, earn, catch

(1) **acquire** knowledge, (2) **acquire** a new company

Children **acquire** language at a fantastic rate.

## cosmology

*n.* the scientific study of the nature and origin of the universe

*synonym* : cosmogony

(1) physical **cosmology**, (2) modern **cosmology**

**Cosmology** evolved from people's philosophical questions about the natural world.

## expand

*v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

*synonym* : extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

## translate

*v.* to convert or change words into another language

*synonym* : convert, transcribe, render

(1) **translate** a document into English, (2) **translate** the emotion to a movement

**Translate** the text from Italian into English.

## edit

v. to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it

*synonym*: revise, modify, adjust

(1) **edit** a history book, (2) **edit** a video

I need to **edit** this document before submitting it to my boss.

## astronomer

n. a physicist who studies astronomy

*synonym*: stargazer, cosmologist, astrophysicist

(1) amateur **astronomer**, (2) solar **astronomer**

This question has fascinated solar **astronomers** for decades.

## antenna

n. an electrical device that sends or receives radio or television signals; (biology) one of one or more pairs of appendages used for sensing in insects

*synonym*: feeler, receiver

(1) **antenna** of insect, (2) extend the TV **antenna**

He had a special **antenna** for public relations

## spin

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

*synonym*: rotate, twirl, swirl

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

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

## galaxy

n. an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity

*synonym*: star cluster, nebula, star system

(1) elliptic **galaxy**, (2) a **galaxy** of famous actors

The Milky Way **galaxy** has numerous water-bearing planets.

## 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.

## romantic

*adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

*synonym*: idealistic, unrealistic, amatory

- (1) **romantic** movies, (2) **romantic** breakup

It was his first **romantic** love.

## appeal

*n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest

*synonym*: request, charm, attraction

- (1) draw out your **appeal**, (2) an **appeal** for help

He needed to resolve the problem as soon as possible, so he made an **appeal** directly.

## negative

*adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

*synonym*: minus, adverse, pessimistic

- (1) have a **negative** effect, (2) a **negative** number

The movie has received almost universally **negative** criticism.

## underneath

*adv.* under or below something else

*synonym*: below, under, beneath

- (1) **underneath** the surface of the water, (2) **underneath** the laughter

The penny fell **underneath** the piano.

## analog

*adj.* relating to or using signals or information represented by a continuous physical quantity such as spatial position, voltage, etc.

- (1) an **analog** watch, (2) digitization of **analog** sounds

Mercury thermometers are a type of **analog** sensor.

## calculate

*v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

*synonym*: compute, figure, estimate

(1) **calculate** the distance, (2) **calculate** his credit score

He couldn't **calculate** the actual value of the artwork.

## device

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

*synonym*: gadget, instrument, tool

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

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

## frank

*adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

*synonym*: candid, direct, freehearted

(1) **frank** and open discussion, (2) make a **frank** apology

Full involvement means **frank** and prompt responses.

## eavesdrop

*v.* to listen to someone else's conversation without their knowledge or permission

*synonym*: listen in, spy, overhear

(1) **eavesdrop** conversation, (2) **eavesdrop** on a secret plot

I accidentally **eavesdropped** on a confidential meeting last week.

## appealing

*adj.* attractive or exciting; evoking a positive response or desire; having qualities that are likely to encourage someone to like or enjoy something

*synonym*: attractive, alluring, captivating

(1) **appealing** design, (2) an **appealing** offer

The well-crafted plot and interesting characters made the book very **appealing** to readers



## basis

*n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

*synonym* : foundation, base, ground

(1) on an equal **basis**, (2) **basis** for calculation

This evidence will form the **basis** for our discussion.

## experiment

*n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

*synonym* : experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

## continuously

*adv.* without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly

*synonym* : constantly, frequently, always

(1) use one thing **continuously**, (2) **continuously** removed

The country's domestic coal consumption has been **continuously** declining for decades.

## 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.

## array

*n.* a large group or collection of things or people, especially one that is impressive or attractive

*synonym* : collection, display, batch

(1) a two-dimensional **array**, (2) an **array** of troops

The customer on the Internet has to choose one from a formidable **array** of products.

## electronics

*n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems

*synonym* : technology, gadgets, circuitry

(1) **electronics** industry, (2) **electronics** store

The company specializes in manufacturing and selling cutting-edge **electronics**.

## pundit

*n.* an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue

*synonym* : expert, commentator, punditry

(1) conservative **pundit**, (2) sports **pundit**

The political **pundit** provided analysis and commentary on the latest election results.

## reckon

*v.* to think or believe something

*synonym* : regard, imagine, suppose

(1) hard to **reckon**, (2) **reckon** the company as a rival

He **reckons** that corruption was rampant in the regime.

## approximately

*adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time

*synonym* : about, around, roughly

(1) **approximately** 3 feet long, (2) **approximately** same

This trail takes **approximately** 2.5 hours.

## trillion

*n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million

(1) **trillion** cubic feet, (2) many **trillions** of dollars

One light year is nearly 6 **trillion** miles.

## degree

*n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

*synonym* : level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

## improve

*v.* to make or become better

*synonym* :

enhance, ameliorate, enrich

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

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

## appreciate

*v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

*synonym* : acknowledge, admire, enjoy

(1) **appreciate** her feedback, (2) **appreciate** the value

We would **appreciate** an early reply.

## consequently

*adv.* as a result or outcome of something

*synonym* : hence, accordingly, thus

(1) **consequently** unable to start her studies,

(2) **consequently** affect the organs

**Consequently**, the company had to lay off some of its employees.

## plot

*n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal

*synonym* : scheme, plan, design

(1) **plot** twist, (2) **plot** a revolution

The **plot** of the novel centers around a group of friends who uncover a conspiracy to control the world's water supply.

## metric

*adj.* using or relating to the meter as a unit of length; a system of related measures that facilitates the quantification of some particular characteristic

*synonym* : metrical, measured

(1) **metric** units, (2) key performance **metrics**

In the **metric** system, measurements are made in meters and liters.

## needle

*n.* a thin, pointed object typically used for sewing or medical purposes; a metal or plastic instrument used for administering injections or drawing blood

*synonym* :

thorn, spike, pin

(1) **needle** prick, (2) sewing **needle**

The acupuncturist inserted **needles** into specific points on my body to alleviate my pain.

## haystack

*n.* a large mound of hay, usually stacked in a conical or cylindrical shape, used for animal feed or bedding

*synonym*: pile, heap, stack

(1) **haystack** fire, (2) lost in a **haystack**

The children played hide and seek in the **haystacks** in the barnyard.

## teaspoon

*n.* a small spoon used to stir or measure out small amounts of some ingredients, typically sugar, salt, or spices, in cooking or serving

(1) **teaspoon** measurement, (2) lick a **teaspoon**

You only need a **teaspoon** of salt to enhance the soup's flavor.

## skip

*v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

*synonym*: bounce, spring, neglect

(1) **skip** across the country, (2) **skip** breakfast

We **skipped** the topic because it was too complicated.

## 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.

## mathematics

*n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

*synonym*: arithmetic, calculation, calculus

(1) a good grounding in **mathematics**, (2) **mathematics** competition

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

## competent

*adj.* having the necessary ability, knowledge, or skill to do something successfully

*synonym*: skilled, able, capable

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

The judge ruled that the defendant was **competent** to stand trial.

## exponential

*adj.* becoming more and more rapid; of or involving mathematical exponents

(1) **exponential** growth, (2) **exponential** function

Since the 1990s, the Internet has continued to experience **exponential** growth.

## improvisation

*n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

*synonym*: spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

## overwork

*v.* to work excessively hard or too much; the condition of working excessively or beyond one's capacity, leading to fatigue, stress, and illness

*synonym*: overdo, overtax, exhaust

(1) die from **overwork**, (2) **overwork** to compensate

He **overworked** himself and ended up getting sick.

## card-carrying

*n.* referring to someone who is a recognized and active member of a particular group or organization, often implying a strong dedication or loyalty

*synonym*: active member, official supporter, loyal follower

(1) **card-carrying** feminist, (2) **card-carrying** democrat

She is a **card-carrying** member of the environmental organization, always advocating for sustainable practices.

## 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.

## planet

*n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

*synonym* : earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**

Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

## recreation

*n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place

*synonym* : amusement, entertainment, refreshment

(1) outdoor **recreation**, (2) **recreation** of the homeland

Basketball is their usual **recreation** after school.

## virtually

*adv.* almost completely

*synonym* : almost, basically, nearly

(1) **virtually** all countries, (2) **virtually** identical

**Virtually** all the parties signed the contract.

## kitten

*n.* a young cat

*synonym* : catling, kitling, puss

(1) **kitten** formula, (2) newborn **kitten**

The **kitten's** fur was so fluffy that it looked like it was always moving.

## 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**.

## accurate

*adj.* correct and exact in all details

*synonym* : exact, precise, proper

(1) provide **accurate** information, (2) **accurate** measurements

The official transcript contains **accurate** academic records.

## estimate

*v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

*synonym* : calculate, gauge, evaluate

(1) **estimate** a fair value, (2) **estimate** this chicken to weigh three pounds

We **estimated** the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

## astronomy

*n.* the scientific study of objects and matter outside the Earth's atmosphere, especially the positions, motions, and evolution of celestial bodies

*synonym* : astrophysics, stargazing, cosmology

(1) **astronomy** science, (2) a branch of **astronomy**

He had a deep passion for extragalactic **astronomy** and spent hours observing the night sky.

## worthless

*adj.* having no value or usefulness; not worth considering

*synonym* : valueless, useless, pointless

(1) **worthless** stock, (2) **worthless** coin

The product was found to be **worthless** as it failed to meet the customer's expectations.

## mercury

*n.* a heavy, silvery-white metal that is liquid at room temperature and is used in thermometers, electrical equipment, and other devices; (Mercury) the smallest planet and the nearest to the sun

*synonym* : quicksilver, hydrargyrum, Hg

(1) **mercury** poisoning, (2) **Mercury** Plan

The **mercury** in the thermometer had risen to the boiling point.

## **fraction**

*n.* a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers

*synonym* : piece, part, fragment

(1) a **fractional** share of the vote, (2) a numerator in a **fraction**

He spent only a **fraction** of his earnings.

## **suitable**

*adj.* fit or appropriate; proper; adapted

*synonym* : appropriate, fitting, proper

(1) **suitable** amount, (2) date **suitable** to both groups

The dress was **suitable** for the formal occasion.

## **pessimistic**

*adj.* tending to see the worst aspect of things or expecting the worst possible outcome

*synonym* : cynical, defeatist, despairing

(1) take a **pessimistic** view of life, (2) **pessimistic** for our survival

She was unduly **pessimistic** about her future.

## **cousin**

*n.* the child of your aunt or uncle

*synonym* : relative

(1) cross- **cousin** marriage, (2) **cousin's** family

I used to play with my younger male **cousins** when I was a little girl.

## **universe**

*n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

*synonym* : cosmos, macrocosm

(1) theory of the **universe**, (2) expansion of the **universe**

The **universe** is about 13.8 billion years old.



## occupant

*n.* a person who lives or works at a particular place for a long time or who was born there

*synonym* : denizen, dweller, resident

(1) illegal **occupant**, (2) rear seat **occupants**

He found graffiti left by a previous **occupant** of the house.

## miracle

*n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God

*synonym* : wonder, marvel, phenomenon

(1) **miracle** person, (2) economic **miracle**

The doctors said that her recovery was a **miracle**.

## vast

*adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

*synonym* : expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

## cosmos

*n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system

*synonym* : universe, macrocosm

(1) exploration of **cosmos**, (2) origin of the **cosmos**

Supercomputers enable scientists to create computational models of the **cosmos**.

## bet

*v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

*synonym* : stake, wager, gamble

(1) **bet** on a race, (2) **bet** my future

I **bet** that you know it.

## browse

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

*synonym* : look around, look through, scan

(1) **browse** a website, (2) **browse** through the text  
We **browsed** in a souvenir shop.

## aspect

*n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.  
*synonym*: characteristic, element, factor

(1) nontechnical **aspects** of the job, (2) **aspects** of social, political, and economic life

His professional experience includes all **aspects** of media production.

## suppose

*v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible  
*synonym*: guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand  
What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

## faint

*adj.* not strong, clear, or vigorous; slight or weak  
*synonym*: slight, vague, soft

(1) **faint** memory, (2) **faint** aroma of roses  
She heard a **faint**, nearly invisible scream.

## cosmic

*adj.* relating to the universe or cosmos; vast or limitless  
*synonym*: astronomical, celestial, outer-space

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

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

## consequence

*n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

*synonym*: result, impact, outcome

(1) unintended **consequences**, (2) the **consequence** of an argument

These economic activities had disastrous environmental **consequences**.

## alarm

*n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

*synonym* : notice, warning, panic

(1) give the **alarm**, (2) an **alarm** clock

The **alarm** announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.

## monitor

*v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time

*synonym* : proctor, check, observe

(1) **monitor** an exam, (2) **monitor** the data carefully

They used a special receiver to **monitor** police radio channels.

## government

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

*synonym* : administration, regime, state

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

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

## nervous

*adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves

*synonym* : neural, anxious, uneasy

(1) development of the **nervous** system, (2) get **nervous**

He suffers from **nervous** breakdowns.

## wander

*v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction

*synonym* : ramble, roam, stroll

(1) **wander** alone in a strange country, (2) **wander** far from home

I often **wander** around the park for half an hour.

## 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.

## weasel

*n.* a small carnivorous mammal with a long and slender body, short legs, and a long and narrow head, known for its ability to hunt rodents and small animals; someone who behaves in an untrustworthy, deceitful, or cunning manner

(1) **weasel** words, (2) **weasel** her way out of doing the dishes

The **weasel's** long and slender body allows it to easily navigate small spaces.

## secrecy

*n.* the state or quality of being kept hidden or private; the act of keeping something confidential or unknown to others

*synonym*: confidentiality, clandestineness, closeness

(1) government **secrecy**, (2) maintain **secrecy**

The company's **secrecy** surrounding its new product launch has created consumer excitement and anticipation.

## ruin

*v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,

*synonym*: bankrupt, demolish, destroy

(1) **ruin** the plan, (2) **ruin** the reputation

He knocked over the red wine and **ruined** the tablecloth.

## continent

*n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

*synonym*: landmass, (adjective) chaste, (adjective) pure

(1) the inland of a **continent**, (2) **continent** urinary diversion

Flight across the **continent** was a daring adventure in its day.

## predict

*v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

*synonym* : forecast, anticipate, foresee

(1) **predict** the future, (2) **predict** when she will arrive  
It's notoriously challenging to **predict** birth rates.

## advance

*v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way  
*synonym* : progress, boost, come along

(1) **advance** the technology, (2) **advance** a cooperative relationship

Scientific knowledge will **advance** significantly with the power of AI.

## transmitter

*n.* a piece of equipment used for generating and sending electronic signals, especially radio or television signals

*synonym* : sender

(1) a **transmitter** of a family line, (2) radio **transmitter**

This substance acts as a neural **transmitter** substance.

## substantially

*adv.* to a great extent or degree

*synonym* : considerably, essentially, largely

(1) the price went up **substantially**, (2) the house was **substantially** built

The proportion of female engineers has **substantially** increased.

## circuit

*n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area

*synonym* : route, course, rotation

(1) **circuit** breaker, (2) federal **circuit** courts

An intelligent battery has a voltage monitoring **circuit**.

## hyperbole

*n.* exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken used to create emphasis or to make a point

*synonym* : exaggeration, overstatement, embellishment

(1) escalate the **hyperbole**, (2) avoid **hyperbole** in writing

The marketing campaign relied heavily on **hyperbole** to sell

the product.

## nonetheless

*adv.* in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless  
*synonym* : nevertheless, regardless, still

(1) we are **nonetheless** confident, (2) love him

### **nonetheless**

They each choose **nonetheless** to battle.

## conceivable

*adj.* imaginable or possible to understand or believe in the mind

*synonym* : believable, imaginable, probable

(1) **conceivable** way, (2) **conceivable** emergency

It is challenging to defend every **conceivable** target.

## Congress

*n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

*synonym* : legislature, parliament, assembly

(1) an international **Congress**, (2) peace **Congress**

**Congress** must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

## calibrate

*v.* to measure or adjust something, typically a machine or device, to ensure accurate functioning or to match a standard or desired level of performance

*synonym* : adjust, fine-tune

(1) **calibrate** machinery, (2) **calibrate** measurements

It's important to **calibrate** the equipment regularly to ensure accurate results.

## row

*n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

*synonym* : line, sequence, layer

(1) criminal on death **row**, (2) a **row** of cherry trees

He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front **row**.

## philosophy

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

*synonym* : doctrine, attitude, creed

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

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

## profound

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

*synonym* : deep, unsounded, far-reaching

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

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

## vague

*adj.* not clearly expressed or understood

*synonym* : ambiguous, imprecise, dim

(1) **vague** idea, (2) make a **vague** answer

The **vague** rumor turned out to be false.

## 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.

## inevitably

*adv.* in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented

*synonym* : unavoidably, necessarily, surely

(1) **inevitably** decline with age, (2) **inevitably** reach the consumer

Because of his excellent performance, he will **inevitably** be promoted.

## doom

*n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

*synonym* : judgment, destiny, fate

(1) economic **doom**, (2) prophet of **doom**

Everyone was aware of the impending **doom** but was unable

to prevent it.

## destruction

*n.* the act of causing so much damage to something  
*synonym*: devastation, annihilation, ruin

(1) path of **destruction**, (2) cyclonic **destruction**

The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat **destruction**.

## survive

*v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period  
*synonym*: endure, persist, stay

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

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

## 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.

## hazy

*adj.* not clear due to a lack of recollection, comprehension, or detail; unsure or perplexed about something

*synonym*: blurred, clouded, foggy

(1) **hazy** dream, (2) **hazy** atmosphere

My memories of the holiday were **hazy**.

## detection

*n.* the act of discovering or identifying the presence of something

*synonym*: discovery, identification, recognition

(1) **detection** by the security software, (2) importance of early **detection**

This smartphone has a collision **detection** function.

## meantime

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

*synonym*: interim, meanwhile, lag

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



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

## comprehensible

*adj.* able to be understood or grasped by the mind; clear and understandable

*synonym*: understandable, intelligible, clear

(1) **comprehensible** language, (2) **comprehensible** to everyone

The textbook explanation made the difficult concept **comprehensible** to the students.

## arctic

*adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold

*synonym*: cold, frozen, polar

(1) **arctic** ice, (2) high **arctic**

Cold temperatures and long, dark winters characterize the **arctic** climate.

## nifty

*adj.* attractive and stylish; clever and ingenious; neat and handy

*synonym*: cool, clever, ingenious

(1) **nifty** gadget, (2) **nifty** idea

The car has a **nifty** feature that alerts you when you're about to veer off the road.

## frivolous

*adj.* not serious or sensible; silly or unimportant

*synonym*: silly, foolish, unimportant

(1) **frivolous** lawsuits, (2) engage in **frivolous** conversation

He was accused of being **frivolous** and not taking his responsibilities seriously.

## 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.

- ant** *n.* a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups  
*synonym* : pismire, insect  
(1) a white **ant**, (2) **ant** bite  
We can find many large **ant** mounds in this area.
- pioneer** *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something  
*synonym* : frontiersperson, innovator, trailblazer  
(1) act as a **pioneer**, (2) early **pioneers**  
John Whitney was a computer animation **pioneer**.
- thumb** *n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger;  
(verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists  
*synonym* : digit, finger, phalange  
(1) **thumb** wrestling, (2) **thumb** a ride  
He used his right **thumb** to press the button on his phone.
- 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.
- essential** *adj.* indispensable; fundamental  
*synonym* : critical, crucial, basic  
(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life  
Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.
- survival** *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger  
*synonym* : endurance, continuity  
(1) **survival** ability, (2) **survival** food  
He evaluated his chances for **survival** rather pessimistically.

## hive

*n.* a structure for the reception and habitation of bees, either built by people or made by the bees themselves; a place swarming people

*synonym* : apiary, swarm, pack

(1) honeybees in **hives**, (2) a **hive** of activity

Bees were buzzing around the **hive**

## 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**.

## deplorable

*adj.* deserving strong condemnation or censure; shocking, shameful, or very bad

*synonym* : shameful, disgraceful, lamentable

(1) **deplorable** conditions, (2) **deplorable** behavior

The **deplorable** living conditions in the slums caused widespread disease.

## poll

*n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election

*synonym* : survey, ballot, voting

(1) a pre-election **poll**, (2) public opinion **polls**

Several **polls** show a decline in the president's approval rating.

## roughly

*adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

*synonym* : approximately, more or less, around

(1) **roughly** explain my idea, (2) **roughly** speaking

Five miles is **roughly** similar to eight kilometers.

## saucer

*n.* a small, shallow dish with a slightly raised edge or rim used for holding a cup or as a decorative object; a flying object that is often associated with UFO sightings

*synonym* : dish, plate, salver

(1) tea **saucer**, (2) flying **saucer**

She sipped her tea from a delicate **saucer**.

## occasionally

*adv.* now and then; sometimes but not often

*synonym* : periodically, sometimes, from time to time

(1) **occasionally** dine with friends, (2) **occasionally** change the routine

She still **occasionally** writes a short romance novel.

## abduct

*v.* to take someone away illegally to an undisclosed location by force, usually to extract a ransom

*synonym* : kidnap, seize, snatch

(1) **abduct** a girl, (2) **abduct** at gunpoint

The passerby witnessed the moment the boy was **abducted**.

## approve

*v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.

*synonym* : accept, authorize, agree

(1) **approve** a measures, (2) unanimously **approve** a resolution

My boss wouldn't **approve** of the plan.

## homeopathy

*n.* a system of alternative medicine based on the principle of "like cures like," in which the symptoms of an ailment are treated with highly diluted substances that are known to produce similar symptoms in healthy individuals

(1) **homeopathy** treatment, (2) **homeopathy** practitioner

The **homeopathy** course introduces the principles and practices of this alternative healing method.

## evolution

*n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things

*synonym* : elaboration, expansion, transition

(1) human **evolution**, (2) **evolution** theory

They study the **evolution** of the universe.

## crazy

*adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry

*synonym* : insane, absurd, bizarre

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

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

## validity

*n.* the state or quality of being true, correct, justified, or legally recognized

*synonym* : legitimacy, soundness, credibility

(1) **validity** check, (2) clinical **validity**

The second round of testing confirmed the **validity** of the test results.

## reputation

*n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors

*synonym* : fame, standing, esteem

(1) **reputation** risk, (2) cloud his **reputation**

She has a good **reputation** for being one of the best chefs in the city.

## basement

*n.* a room or a part of a building that is partly or entirely below ground level

*synonym* : cellar, storage, vault

(1) four **basement** floor, (2) church **basement**

Underground rivers flow over a **basement** layer that is impervious to water.

## lab

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

*synonym* : workshop, laboratory, research chamber

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

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

## 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**.

## grad

*n.* (informal for graduate) a student who has recently graduated or is about to graduate from a school, college, or university

*synonym* : graduate, alumnus, alumni

(1) high school **grad**, (2) **grad** student

He was proud to be a **grad** of the prestigious university.

## doctoral

*adj.* of or relating to doctorate (= the highest degree from a university) or the achievement of a doctorate

*synonym* : doctoral

(1) **doctoral** program, (2) **doctoral** research

She is pursuing a **doctoral** degree in psychology to become a licensed therapist.

## doubt

*n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

*synonym* : distrust, suspect, mistrust

(1) dispel **doubts**, (2) no **doubt** about the news

**Doubt** is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

## boson

*n.* a type of subatomic particle that follows Bose-Einstein statistics, which determine how identical particles with integer spins behave

*synonym* : photon, gluon, particle

(1) weak **boson**, (2) Higgs **boson**

The search for new **boson** particles is one of the most exciting areas of modern physics.

## worthwhile

*adj.* having value or benefit; sufficiently important or beneficial to be worthy of time or effort; deserving of attention or consideration

*synonym* : valuable, rewarding, significant

(1) **worthwhile** investment, (2) **worthwhile** endeavor  
Volunteering for a **worthwhile** cause is important for building a sense of community.

## franc

*n.* the currency used in some countries, including Switzerland, France, and formerly Belgium

*synonym* : currency, money

(1) **franc** area, (2) Swiss **franc**

During the colonial period, several African nations used the **franc** as their currency due to the influence of France.

## comprehend

*v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully

*synonym* : understand, grasp, apprehend

(1) **comprehend** English, (2) **comprehend** instructions

She struggled to **comprehend** complex math problems.

## technological

*adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress

*synonym* : specialized, technical

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

**Technological** advances have disrupted many industries.

## sophisticated

*adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion

*synonym* : refined, cultured, worldly

(1) **sophisticated** look, (2) a **sophisticated** lifestyle

Marketing strategies are growing more **sophisticated**.

## exciting

*adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement

*synonym* : exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

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

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

## 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.

## intelligent

*adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree

*synonym* : brilliant, clever, competent

(1) an **intelligent** person, (2) **intelligent** assisting system

**Intelligent** robots that can cooperate with humans have limited motor output for safety.

## hardwired

*adj.* built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics

*synonym* : innate, ingrained, automatic

(1) **hardwired** behavior, (2) **hardwired** connection

The instinct to protect one's offspring is **hardwired** into many animal species.

## competitor

*n.* a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business

*synonym* : opponent, contender, contestant

(1) beat **competitor** offer, (2) domestic **competitor**

The gap between the company and its **competitors** has widened.

## analogous

*adj.* similar or equivalent in some respects, typically as a result of functioning in a similar way

*synonym* : similar, comparable, equivalent

(1) **analogous** fashion, (2) entirely **analogous**

The human heart is **analogous** to a pump in a plumbing system.

## evolutionary

*adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms



*synonym* : developmental, mutative, transformative

(1) ecology and **evolutionary** biology, (2) the **evolutionary** process

**Evolutionary** algorithms can find ways to optimize that humans do not anticipate.

## practical

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

*synonym* : applicable, functional, realistic

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

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

## gerbil

*n.* a small, burrowing rodent often kept as a pet, known for its long hind legs, soft fur, and long tail

*synonym* : hamster, mouse, rat

(1) **gerbil** exercise wheel, (2) wild **gerbil**

She bought a **gerbil** cage that was spacious enough for her two pets to play and burrow.

## 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**.

## involve

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

*synonym* : implicate, include, engage

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

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

## biology

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

(1) evolutionary **biology**, (2) cell and molecular **biology**  
In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in **biology** class.

## geology

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

*synonym*: earth science

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

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

## chemistry

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

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

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

## discipline

*n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence

*synonym*: training, restraint, field

(1) break **discipline**, (2) rigid **discipline**

He quickly learned the military **discipline**.

## guise

*n.* the outward appearance or aspect of someone or something, especially in a way that is different from usual or concealing the true nature

*synonym*: appearance, pretense, masquerade

(1) in the **guise** of a woman, (2) under the **guise** of friendship

They operated an illegal business under the **guise** of an employment agency.

## policy

*n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or

individual to achieve a goal or objective

*synonym* : strategy, plan, guideline

(1) health **policy**, (2) foreign **policy**

The company's new **policy** on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

## bulb

*n.* a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball

(1) wet- **bulb** thermometer, (2) a lily **bulb**

The light **bulb** has burned out.

## anecdotal

*adj.* based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence

*synonym* : hearsay, informal, unreliable

(1) **anecdotal** evidence, (2) **anecdotal** example

My friend shared an **anecdotal** story about her experience in customer service.

## 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.

## graduate

*n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

*synonym* : alumna, alum, grad

(1) **graduate** degree program, (2) honor **graduate**

Many employers hire **graduate** trainees to train as managers.

## license

*n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the

right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service

*synonym* : permit, authorization, certificate

(1) **license** renewal, (2) software **license**

Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's **license**.

## alto

*n.* the second-highest vocal range in choral music, typically sung by the second-highest singers in a choir; a type of saxophone

*synonym* : contralto, countertenor, soprano

(1) **alto** saxophone, (2) an **alto** solo

The **alto** singer had a unique and powerful voice.

## visible

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

*synonym* : clear, observable, seeable

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

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

## hexagon

*n.* a six-sided polygon with six angles and six sides of equal length

*synonym* : hexahedron, six-sided figure, six-gon

(1) **hexagon** head bolt, (2) **hexagon** pattern

The honeycomb structure of a beehive is made up of **hexagons**.

## magnitude

*n.* the extent, level, importance, or amount of something

*synonym* : size, extent, level

(1) a star of the first **magnitude**, (2) the **magnitude** of the disaster

The **magnitude** of the earthquake was measured at 7.8 on the Richter scale.

## huff

*n.* a fit of anger, annoyance, or resentment; a state of irritation or sulking; (verb) to exhale forcefully or audibly in a show of annoyance, anger, or frustration

*synonym* :

miff, tantrum, indignation

(1) **huff** and puff upstairs, (2) give a **huff** of relief

She let out a **huff** of frustration after the difficult workout.

## instill

*v.* to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually  
*synonym*: implant, ingrain, inculcate

(1) **instill** confidence, (2) **instill** medication into my eye

The teacher attempted to **instill** the importance of hard work in her students.

## payoff

*n.* the outcome or result of an action or series of actions;  
the return or reward gained from an investment, effort,  
or risk

*synonym*: reward, compensation, return

(1) financial **payoff**, (2) emotional **payoff**

The **payoff** for all my hard work was finally getting a promotion.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|--------------------------------------|---|
| 1. lick a te_____on                  | <i>n.</i> a small spoon used to stir or measure out small amounts of some ingredients, typically sugar, salt, or spices, in cooking or serving  |
| 2. pr_____t when she will arrive     | <i>v.</i> to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience   |
| 3. a rid_____us suggestion           | <i>adj.</i> very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at   |
| 4. va____y bottom                    | <i>n.</i> a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river  |
| 5. dis_____ate observation           | <i>adj.</i> not influenced by strong emotions or personal feelings; objective and impartial; characterized by rationality and objectivity rather than being driven by subjective biases or emotions |
| 6. mot_____on for a change           | <i>n.</i> the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way   |
| 7. professor of ch_____ry            | <i>n.</i> the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions  |
| 8. use one thing con_____sly         | <i>adv.</i> without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly   |
| 9. unanimously ap_____e a resolution | <i>v.</i> to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.   |

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27. complete no\_\_\_\_\_ly     *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
28. fr\_\_c area     *n.* the currency used in some countries, including Switzerland, France, and formerly Belgium

ANSWERS: 18. detection, 19. visible, 20. kitten, 21. anecdotal, 22. telescope, 23. ruin, 24. arctic, 25. doubt, 26. doctoral, 27. normally, 28. franc



29. a ne\_\_\_\_ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
30. nontechnical as\_\_\_\_ts of the job *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
31. con\_\_\_\_le emergency *adj.* imaginable or possible to understand or believe in the mind
32. ov\_\_\_\_rk to compensate *v.* to work excessively hard or too much; the condition of working excessively or beyond one's capacity, leading to fatigue, stress, and illness
33. es\_\_\_\_te a fair value *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
34. outdoor rec\_\_\_\_on *n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place
35. an ap\_\_\_\_l for help *n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
36. boys in the twelfth gr\_\_e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
37. provide ac\_\_\_\_te information *adj.* correct and exact in all details
38. id\_\_\_\_st at heart *n.* a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity

ANSWERS: 29. negative, 30. aspect, 31. conceivable, 32. overwork, 33. estimate, 34. recreation, 35. appeal, 36. grade, 37. accurate, 38. idealist

39. eq\_\_p an army      *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
40. r\_\_n the reputation      *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
41. app\_\_\_\_\_te her feedback      *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
42. su\_\_\_\_\_le amount      *adj.* fit or appropriate; proper; adapted
43. int\_\_\_\_\_nt assisting system      *adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
44. a r\_w of cherry trees      *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
45. foreign po\_\_\_y      *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
46. ar\_\_\_c ice      *adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold
47. imp\_\_\_\_\_ion on stage      *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
48. Higgs bo\_\_n      *n.* a type of subatomic particle that follows Bose-Einstein statistics, which determine how identical particles with integer spins behave

ANSWERS: 39. equip, 40. ruin, 41. appreciate, 42. suitable, 43. intelligent, 44. row, 45. policy, 46. arctic, 47. improvisation, 48. boson

49. co\_\_\_\_\_nt urinary diversion *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
50. pos\_\_\_\_\_ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
51. ro\_\_\_\_\_y explain my idea *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
52. car\_\_\_\_\_ing feminist *n.* referring to someone who is a recognized and active member of a particular group or organization, often implying a strong dedication or loyalty
53. tec\_\_\_\_\_cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
54. four ba\_\_\_\_\_nt floor *n.* a room or a part of a building that is partly or entirely below ground level
55. und\_\_\_\_\_th the surface of the water *adv.* under or below something else
56. an ap\_\_\_\_\_ng offer *adj.* attractive or exciting; evoking a positive response or desire; having qualities that are likely to encourage someone to like or enjoy something
57. make a fr\_\_k apology *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
58. for the me\_\_\_\_\_me *n.* the interval or period of time between two events; the interim or temporary time period between two actions or stages of something else
59. 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

ANSWERS: 49. continent, 50. possibility, 51. roughly, 52. card-carrying, 53. technological, 54. basement, 55. underneath, 56. appealing, 57. frank, 58. meantime, 59. discovery

60. prophet of d\_\_m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
61. honor gr\_\_\_\_te *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
62. al\_\_n fungi *n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere
63. ex\_\_\_d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
64. illegal oc\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a person who lives or works at a particular place for a long time or who was born there
65. a binocular te\_\_\_\_\_pe *n.* a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects
66. ap\_\_\_\_\_e a measures *v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.
67. es\_\_\_\_\_al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
68. com\_\_\_\_\_te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
69. Me\_\_\_\_\_y Plan *n.* a heavy, silvery-white metal that is liquid at room temperature and is used in thermometers, electrical equipment, and other devices; (Mercury) the smallest planet and the nearest to the sun

ANSWERS: 60. doom, 61. graduate, 62. alien, 63. expand, 64. occupant, 65. telescope, 66. approve, 67. essential, 68. communicate, 69. mercury

70. tea sa\_\_\_r
- n.* a small, shallow dish with a slightly raised edge or rim used for holding a cup or as a decorative object; a flying object that is often associated with UFO sightings
71. in\_\_\_\_\_te a lawsuit
- n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
72. in\_\_\_\_\_l confidence
- v.* to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually
73. importance of early de\_\_\_\_\_on
- n.* the act of discovering or identifying the presence of something
74. ext\_\_\_\_\_ial planet
- adj.* relating to or existing outside of the Earth's atmosphere or planetary boundaries; pertaining to beings or phenomena that originate from beyond the Earth
75. te\_\_\_\_\_s routine
- adj.* tiresome or boring because of being repetitive, dull, or too long; causing mental or physical fatigue due to its unrelenting nature
76. ki\_\_\_n formula
- n.* a young cat
77. s\_\_p breakfast
- v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

ANSWERS: 70. saucer, 71. institute, 72. instill, 73. detection, 74. extraterrestrial, 75. tedious, 76. kitten, 77. skip

78. im\_\_\_\_e the test score      *v.* to make or become better
79. unintended con\_\_\_\_\_ces      *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
80. give the al\_\_m      *n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger
81. co\_\_\_\_\_il of chemicals      *n.* a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal
82. fa\_\_t aroma of roses      *adj.* not strong, clear, or vigorous; slight or weak
83. ro\_\_\_\_\_ic movies      *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
84. he\_\_\_\_\_n head bolt      *n.* a six-sided polygon with six angles and six sides of equal length
85. e\_\_t a history book      *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
86. co\_\_\_n's family      *n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
87. rear seat oc\_\_\_\_\_nts      *n.* a person who lives or works at a particular place for a long time or who was born there
88. peace co\_\_\_\_\_ss      *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

ANSWERS: 78. improve, 79. consequence, 80. alarm, 81. cocktail, 82. faint, 83. romantic, 84. hexagon, 85. edit, 86. cousin, 87. occupant, 88. congress

89. gr\_\_\_\_te degree program *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
90. 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
91. ad\_\_\_\_e a cooperative relationship *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
92. save the pl\_\_\_\_t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
93. ab\_\_\_\_t at gunpoint *v.* to take someone away illegally to an undisclosed location by force, usually to extract a ransom
94. an al\_\_m clock *n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger
95. wh\_\_p with joy *v.* to shout or cry out loudly, often in celebration or excitement; to make an exuberant noise
96. su\_\_\_\_e a plane crash *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
97. ci\_\_\_\_t breaker *n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area

ANSWERS: 89. graduate, 90. hook, 91. advance, 92. planet, 93. abduct, 94. alarm, 95. whoop, 96. survive, 97. circuit

98. dis\_\_\_\_\_ate analysis *adj.* not influenced by strong emotions or personal feelings; objective and impartial; characterized by rationality and objectivity rather than being driven by subjective biases or emotions
99. a light co\_\_\_\_\_il *n.* a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal
100. wor\_\_\_\_\_le investment *adj.* having value or benefit; sufficiently important or beneficial to be worthy of time or effort; deserving of attention or consideration
101. cross-co\_\_\_\_n marriage *n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
102. ca\_\_\_\_\_te the distance *v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics
103. hom\_\_\_\_\_hy practitioner *n.* a system of alternative medicine based on the principle of "like cures like," in which the symptoms of an ailment are treated with highly diluted substances that are known to produce similar symptoms in healthy individuals
104. com\_\_\_\_\_nd instructions *v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
105. a white a\_t *n.* a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups

ANSWERS: 98. dispassionate, 99. cocktail, 100. worthwhile, 101. cousin, 102. calculate, 103. homeopathy, 104. comprehend, 105. ant



106. in the gu\_\_e of a woman *n.* the outward appearance or aspect of someone or something, especially in a way that is different from usual or concealing the true nature
107. p\_\_t a revolution *n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal
108. pr\_\_\_\_\_ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
109. es\_\_\_\_\_al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
110. na\_\_\_\_\_ly regenerated forest *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
111. resident al\_\_ns *n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere
112. 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
113. in\_\_\_\_\_e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
114. es\_\_\_\_\_te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
115. vi\_\_\_\_\_ly identical *adv.* almost completely

ANSWERS: 106. guise, 107. plot, 108. privilege, 109. essential, 110. naturally, 111. alien, 112. wipe, 113. involve, 114. estimate, 115. virtually

116. ex\_\_\_\_ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
117. th\_\_b a ride *n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
118. large-toothed ho\_\_\_\_d *n.* a primate of a family (Hominidae) that includes humans and their fossil ancestors
119. ne\_\_\_e prick *n.* a thin, pointed object typically used for sewing or medical purposes; a metal or plastic instrument used for administering injections or drawing blood
120. flying sa\_\_\_\_r *n.* a small, shallow dish with a slightly raised edge or rim used for holding a cup or as a decorative object; a flying object that is often associated with UFO sightings
121. pl\_\_\_\_t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
122. in\_\_\_\_e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
123. exp\_\_\_\_al growth *adj.* becoming more and more rapid; of or involving mathematical exponents
124. pes\_\_\_\_ic for our survival *adj.* tending to see the worst aspect of things or expecting the worst possible outcome

ANSWERS: 116. exciting, 117. thumb, 118. hominid, 119. needle, 120. saucer, 121. planet, 122. involve, 123. exponential, 124. pessimistic

125. ni\_\_y gadget *adj.* attractive and stylish; clever and ingenious; neat and handy
126. ab\_\_\_t a girl *v.* to take someone away illegally to an undisclosed location by force, usually to extract a ransom
127. conservative pu\_\_\_t *n.* an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue
128. th\_\_b wrestling *n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
129. early pi\_\_\_\_rs *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
130. the pr\_\_\_\_nd depths of the sea *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
131. path of des\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
132. me\_\_\_\_y poisoning *n.* a heavy, silvery-white metal that is liquid at room temperature and is used in thermometers, electrical equipment, and other devices; (Mercury) the smallest planet and the nearest to the sun
133. pos\_\_\_\_\_ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
134. a numerator in a fr\_\_\_\_on *n.* a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers

ANSWERS: 125. nifty, 126. abduct, 127. pundit, 128. thumb, 129. pioneer, 130. profound, 131. destruction, 132. mercury, 133. possibility, 134. fraction

135. federal ci\_\_\_\_t courts *n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
136. a cr\_\_y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
137. im\_\_\_\_\_e a process *v.* to make or become better
138. a\_\_o saxophone *n.* the second-highest vocal range in choral music, typically sung by the second-highest singers in a choir; a type of saxophone
139. break dis\_\_\_\_\_ne *n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence
140. on an equal ba\_\_s *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
141. we\_\_\_l her way out of doing the dishes *n.* a small carnivorous mammal with a long and slender body, short legs, and a long and narrow head, known for its ability to hunt rodents and small animals; someone who behaves in an untrustworthy, deceitful, or cunning manner
142. honeybees in h\_\_es *n.* a structure for the reception and habitation of bees, either built by people or made by the bees themselves; a place swarming people

ANSWERS: 135. circuit, 136. crazy, 137. improve, 138. alto, 139. discipline, 140. basis, 141. weasel, 142. hive

143. s\_\_p across the country      *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do
144. die from ov\_\_\_\_rk      *v.* to work excessively hard or too much; the condition of working excessively or beyond one's capacity, leading to fatigue, stress, and illness
145. exploration of co\_\_\_s      *n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system
146. a ga\_\_\_y of famous actors      *n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity
147. app\_\_\_\_\_ely same      *adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
148. in\_\_\_\_l medication into my eye      *v.* to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually
149. con\_\_\_\_\_tly affect the organs      *adv.* as a result or outcome of something
150. car\_\_\_\_\_ing democrat      *n.* referring to someone who is a recognized and active member of a particular group or organization, often implying a strong dedication or loyalty
151. government se\_\_\_\_y      *n.* the state or quality of being kept hidden or private; the act of keeping something confidential or unknown to others
152. ele\_\_\_\_\_cs industry      *n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems

ANSWERS: 143. skip, 144. overwork, 145. cosmos, 146. galaxy, 147. approximately, 148. instill, 149. consequently, 150. card-carrying, 151. secrecy, 152. electronics

153. co\_\_\_\_\_nt authority *adj.* having the necessary ability, knowledge, or skill to do something successfully
154. physical co\_\_\_\_\_gy *n.* the scientific study of the nature and origin of the universe
155. ele\_\_\_\_\_cs store *n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems
156. bureau of ge\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks
157. su\_\_\_\_\_e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
158. ea\_\_\_\_\_op on a secret plot *v.* to listen to someone else's conversation without their knowledge or permission
159. pr\_\_\_\_\_t the future *v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
160. ca\_\_\_\_\_te machinery *v.* to measure or adjust something, typically a machine or device, to ensure accurate functioning or to match a standard or desired level of performance
161. co\_\_\_c background radiation *adj.* relating to the universe or cosmos; vast or limitless
162. p\_\_t twist *n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal

ANSWERS: 153. competent, 154. cosmology, 155. electronics, 156. geology, 157. survive, 158. eavesdrop, 159. predict, 160. calibrate, 161. cosmic, 162. plot

163. ho\_\_\_\_ss at everything *adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success
164. am\_\_e guests *v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh
165. h\_\_y dream *adj.* not clear due to a lack of recollection, comprehension, or detail; unsure or perplexed about something
166. a bu\_\_h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
167. economic mi\_\_\_\_e *n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
168. ni\_\_y idea *adj.* attractive and stylish; clever and ingenious; neat and handy
169. his conclusion was ob\_\_\_\_s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
170. a pr\_\_\_\_nd book *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
171. occ\_\_\_\_lly dine with friends *adv.* now and then; sometimes but not often
172. app\_\_\_\_te the value *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
173. te\_\_\_\_s task *adj.* tiresome or boring because of being repetitive, dull, or too long; causing mental or physical fatigue due to its unrelenting nature
174. art cr\_\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

ANSWERS: 163. hopeless, 164. amuse, 165. hazy, 166. bunch, 167. miracle, 168. nifty, 169. obvious, 170. profound, 171. occasionally, 172. appreciate, 173. tedious, 174. critic

175. draw out your ap\_\_\_l *n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
176. do\_\_\_\_al research *adj.* of or relating to doctorate (= the highest degree from a university) or the achievement of a doctorate
177. many tr\_\_\_\_ons of dollars *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
178. con\_\_\_\_\_le way *adj.* imaginable or possible to understand or believe in the mind
179. de\_\_\_e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
180. ac\_\_\_\_e knowledge *v.* to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself
181. economic d\_\_m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
182. voice of inc\_\_\_\_\_us disbelief *adj.* unwilling or unable to believe something; skeptical, doubtful
183. space obs\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* a building designed and equipped to observe the planets, the stars, the weather, etc.
184. ext\_\_\_\_\_ial intelligence *adj.* relating to or existing outside of the Earth's atmosphere or planetary boundaries; pertaining to beings or phenomena that originate from beyond the Earth

ANSWERS: 175. appeal, 176. doctoral, 177. trillion, 178. conceivable, 179. degree, 180. acquire, 181. doom, 182. incredulous, 183. observatory, 184. extraterrestrial



185. act as a pi\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
186. a star of the first ma\_\_\_\_\_de *n.* the extent, level, importance, or amount of something
187. expansion of the un\_\_\_\_\_se *n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy
188. va\_\_\_\_\_ty check *n.* the state or quality of being true, correct, justified, or legally recognized
189. have a ne\_\_\_\_\_ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
190. com\_\_\_\_\_ble to everyone *adj.* able to be understood or grasped by the mind; clear and understandable
191. ecology and evo\_\_\_\_\_ary biology *adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms
192. tracking de\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
193. an a\_\_o solo *n.* the second-highest vocal range in choral music, typically sung by the second-highest singers in a choir; a type of saxophone
194. avoid hy\_\_\_\_\_le in writing *n.* exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken used to create emphasis or to make a point
195. wo\_\_\_\_\_ss coin *adj.* having no value or usefulness; not worth considering

ANSWERS: 185. pioneer, 186. magnitude, 187. universe, 188. validity, 189. negative, 190. comprehensible, 191. evolutionary, 192. device, 193. alto, 194. hyperbole, 195. worthless

196. co\_\_\_\_\_us of having succeeded *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
197. ev\_\_\_\_\_on theory *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
198. op\_\_\_\_\_ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
199. ho\_\_\_\_\_ss situation *adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success
200. hard to re\_\_\_n *v.* to think or believe something
201. amateur ast\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a physicist who studies astronomy
202. evolutionary bi\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
203. tec\_\_\_\_\_cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
204. electronic de\_\_\_e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
205. co\_\_\_\_\_us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
206. mi\_\_\_\_\_e person *n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
207. 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

ANSWERS: 196. conscious, 197. evolution, 198. opportune, 199. hopeless, 200. reckon, 201. astronomer, 202. biology, 203. technological, 204. device, 205. conscious, 206. miracle, 207. hook

208. re___n the company as a rival	<i>v.</i>	to think or believe something
209. a breach of pr_____ge	<i>n.</i>	a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
210. me_____me report	<i>n.</i>	the interval or period of time between two events; the interim or temporary time period between two actions or stages of something else
211. ad_____e the technology	<i>v.</i>	to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
212. the house was sub_____lly built	<i>adv.</i>	to a great extent or degree
213. an ar__y of troops	<i>n.</i>	a large group or collection of things or people, especially one that is impressive or attractive
214. g__d student	<i>n.</i>	(informal for graduate) a student who has recently graduated or is about to graduate from a school, college, or university
215. v__t majority	<i>adj.</i>	enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
216. a meteorological obs_____ry	<i>n.</i>	a building designed and equipped to observe the planets, the stars, the weather, etc.
217. clinical va_____ty	<i>n.</i>	the state or quality of being true, correct, justified, or legally recognized
218. master th___s	<i>n.</i>	a written essay, especially one submitted for a university degree, that sets out the author's findings on a particular subject

ANSWERS: 208. reckon, 209. privilege, 210. meantime, 211. advance, 212. substantially, 213. array, 214. grad, 215. vast, 216. observatory, 217. validity, 218. thesis

219. ob\_\_\_\_s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
220. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
221. radio tra\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a piece of equipment used for generating and sending electronic signals, especially radio or television signals
222. understand his mot\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way
223. ine\_\_\_\_\_ly reach the consumer *adv.* in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented
224. h\_\_y atmosphere *adj.* not clear due to a lack of recollection, comprehension, or detail; unsure or perplexed about something
225. h\_\_f and puff upstairs *n.* a fit of anger, annoyance, or resentment; a state of irritation or sulking; (verb) to exhale forcefully or audibly in a show of annoyance, anger, or frustration
226. take a pes\_\_\_\_\_ic view of life *adj.* tending to see the worst aspect of things or expecting the worst possible outcome
227. ex\_\_\_d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
228. te\_\_\_\_\_on measurement *n.* a small spoon used to stir or measure out small amounts of some ingredients, typically sugar, salt, or spices, in cooking or serving

ANSWERS: 219. obvious, 220. opportune, 221. transmitter, 222. motivation, 223. inevitably, 224. hazy, 225. huff, 226. pessimistic, 227. expand, 228. teaspoon

229. an int\_\_\_\_\_nt person *adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
230. exp\_\_\_\_\_nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
231. li\_\_\_\_\_e renewal *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
232. escalate the hy\_\_\_\_\_le *n.* exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken used to create emphasis or to make a point
233. the inland of a co\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
234. severe cr\_\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
235. rep\_\_\_\_\_on risk *n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
236. date su\_\_\_\_\_le to both groups *adj.* fit or appropriate; proper; adapted
237. get ne\_\_\_\_\_s *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
238. ex\_\_\_\_\_ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
239. criminal on death r\_w *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

ANSWERS: 229. intelligent, 230. experiment, 231. license, 232. hyperbole, 233. continent, 234. critic, 235. reputation, 236. suitable, 237. nervous, 238. exciting, 239. row

240. su\_\_\_\_al ability *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
241. inc\_\_\_\_us stare *adj.* unwilling or unable to believe something; skeptical, doubtful
242. give a h\_\_f of relief *n.* a fit of anger, annoyance, or resentment; a state of irritation or sulking; (verb) to exhale forcefully or audibly in a show of annoyance, anger, or frustration
243. Swiss fr\_\_c *n.* the currency used in some countries, including Switzerland, France, and formerly Belgium
244. public opinion p\_\_ls *n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
245. phi\_\_\_\_hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
246. an an\_\_\_\_g watch *adj.* relating to or using signals or information represented by a continuous physical quantity such as spatial position, voltage, etc.
247. as\_\_\_\_ts of social, political, and economic life *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
248. maintain se\_\_\_\_y *n.* the state or quality of being kept hidden or private; the act of keeping something confidential or unknown to others

ANSWERS: 240. survival, 241. incredulous, 242. huff, 243. franc, 244. poll, 245. philosophy, 246. analog, 247. aspect, 248. secrecy

249. s\_\_n a top *v.* to cause something to rotate rapidly; to cause someone to feel dizzy or disoriented
250. com\_\_\_\_\_nd English *v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
251. as\_\_\_\_\_my science *n.* the scientific study of objects and matter outside the Earth's atmosphere, especially the positions, motions, and evolution of celestial bodies
252. su\_\_\_\_\_e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
253. financial pa\_\_\_\_f *n.* the outcome or result of an action or series of actions; the return or reward gained from an investment, effort, or risk
254. e\_\_t a video *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
255. field of artificial int\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
256. an id\_\_\_\_\_st perspective *n.* a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity
257. app\_\_\_\_\_ely 3 feet long *adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time

ANSWERS: 249. spin, 250. comprehend, 251. astronomy, 252. suppose, 253. payoff, 254. edit, 255. intelligence, 256. idealist, 257. approximately

258. medical l\_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
259. su\_\_\_\_\_al food *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
260. cloud his rep\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
261. a good grounding in mat\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
262. ea\_\_\_\_\_op conversation *v.* to listen to someone else's conversation without their knowledge or permission
263. students at all gr\_\_e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
264. wild ge\_\_\_l *n.* a small, burrowing rodent often kept as a pet, known for its long hind legs, soft fur, and long tail
265. s\_\_n thread out of cotton *v.* to cause something to rotate rapidly; to cause someone to feel dizzy or disoriented
266. digitization of an\_\_\_g sounds *adj.* relating to or using signals or information represented by a continuous physical quantity such as spatial position, voltage, etc.
267. love him non\_\_\_\_\_ss *adv.* in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless
268. exp\_\_\_\_\_al function *adj.* becoming more and more rapid; of or involving mathematical exponents

ANSWERS: 258. lab, 259. survival, 260. reputation, 261. mathematics, 262. eavesdrop, 263. grade, 264. gerbil, 265. spin, 266. analog, 267. nonetheless, 268. exponential



269. he_____n pattern	<i>n.</i> a six-sided polygon with six angles and six sides of equal length
270. ap_____ng design	<i>adj.</i> attractive or exciting; evoking a positive response or desire; having qualities that are likely to encourage someone to like or enjoy something
271. fr_____us lawsuits	<i>adj.</i> not serious or sensible; silly or unimportant
272. gov_____nt bureaucracy	<i>n.</i> the group of people with authority to control a country or state
273. basin-shaped va____y	<i>n.</i> a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
274. we are non_____ss confident	<i>adv.</i> in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless
275. dep_____le behavior	<i>adj.</i> deserving strong condemnation or censure; shocking, shameful, or very bad
276. theory of the un_____se	<i>n.</i> everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy
277. tr_____te a document into English	<i>v.</i> to convert or change words into another language
278. engage in fr_____us conversation	<i>adj.</i> not serious or sensible; silly or unimportant
279. con_____sly removed	<i>adv.</i> without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly
280. wa____r alone in a strange country	<i>v.</i> to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction

ANSWERS: 269. hexagon, 270. appealing, 271. frivolous, 272. government, 273. valley, 274. nonetheless, 275. deplorable, 276. universe, 277. translate, 278. frivolous, 279. continuously, 280. wander

281. the evo\_\_\_\_\_ary process      *adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms
282. not no\_\_\_\_\_ly drink much      *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
283. an\_\_\_\_\_al evidence      *adj.* based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence
284. a h\_\_e of activity      *n.* a structure for the reception and habitation of bees, either built by people or made by the bees themselves; a place swarming people
285. b\_t on a race      *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
286. the price went up sub\_\_\_\_\_lly      *adv.* to a great extent or degree
287. hom\_\_\_\_\_hy treatment      *n.* a system of alternative medicine based on the principle of "like cures like," in which the symptoms of an ailment are treated with highly diluted substances that are known to produce similar symptoms in healthy individuals
288. fr\_\_k and open discussion      *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
289. a fr\_\_\_\_\_onal share of the vote      *n.* a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers

ANSWERS: 281. evolutionary, 282. normally, 283. anecdotal, 284. hive, 285. bet, 286. substantially, 287. homeopathy, 288. frank, 289. fraction

290. extend the TV an\_\_\_\_\_a  
*n.* an electrical device that sends or receives radio or television signals; (biology) one of one or more pairs of appendages used for sensing in insects
291. a drift of a th\_\_\_\_s  
*n.* a written essay, especially one submitted for a university degree, that sets out the author's findings on a particular subject
292. rec\_\_\_\_\_on of the homeland  
*n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place
293. an international co\_\_\_\_\_ss  
*n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
294. elliptic ga\_\_\_\_y  
*n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity
295. jazz imp\_\_\_\_\_ion  
*n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
296. western phi\_\_\_\_\_hy  
*n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
297. ine\_\_\_\_\_ly decline with age  
*adv.* in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented
298. con\_\_\_\_\_tly unable to start her studies  
*adv.* as a result or outcome of something

ANSWERS: 290. antenna, 291. thesis, 292. recreation, 293. congress, 294. galaxy, 295. improvisation, 296. philosophy, 297. inevitably, 298. consequently

299. br\_\_\_e through the text *v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
300. an\_\_\_\_\_us fashion *adj.* similar or equivalent in some respects, typically as a result of functioning in a similar way
301. ha\_\_\_\_\_ck fire *n.* a large mound of hay, usually stacked in a conical or cylindrical shape, used for animal feed or bedding
302. pr\_\_\_\_\_al English *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
303. com\_\_\_\_\_ble language *adj.* able to be understood or grasped by the mind; clear and understandable
304. wh\_\_p it up at a party *v.* to shout or cry out loudly, often in celebration or excitement; to make an exuberant noise
305. ca\_\_\_\_\_te his credit score *v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics
306. va\_\_e idea *adj.* not clearly expressed or understood
307. lost in a ha\_\_\_\_\_ck *n.* a large mound of hay, usually stacked in a conical or cylindrical shape, used for animal feed or bedding
308. solar ast\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a physicist who studies astronomy
309. l\_b instrument *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

ANSWERS: 299. browse, 300. analogous, 301. haystack, 302. practical, 303. comprehensible, 304. whoop, 305. calculate, 306. vague, 307. haystack, 308. astronomer, 309. lab

310. und\_\_\_\_\_th the laughter *adv.* under or below something else
311. a sop\_\_\_\_\_ted lifestyle *adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
312. modern co\_\_\_\_\_gy *n.* the scientific study of the nature and origin of the universe
313. a bu\_\_h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
314. ba\_\_s for calculation *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
315. cell and molecular bi\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
316. no do\_\_t about the news *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
317. a branch of as\_\_\_\_\_my *n.* the scientific study of objects and matter outside the Earth's atmosphere, especially the positions, motions, and evolution of celestial bodies
318. occ\_\_\_\_\_lly change the routine *adv.* now and then; sometimes but not often
319. su\_\_\_\_\_e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
320. an int\_\_\_\_\_nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
321. a pre-election p\_\_l *n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election

ANSWERS: 310. underneath, 311. sophisticated, 312. cosmology, 313. bunch, 314. basis, 315. biology, 316. doubt, 317. astronomy, 318. occasionally, 319. suppose, 320. intelligence, 321. poll

322. second co\_\_\_c velocity *adj.* relating to the universe or cosmos; vast or limitless
323. sop\_\_\_\_\_ted look *adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
324. domestic com\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business
325. ge\_\_\_l exercise wheel *n.* a small, burrowing rodent often kept as a pet, known for its long hind legs, soft fur, and long tail
326. sewing ne\_\_\_e *n.* a thin, pointed object typically used for sewing or medical purposes; a metal or plastic instrument used for administering injections or drawing blood
327. am\_\_e a baby with a rattle *v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh
328. sports pu\_\_\_t *n.* an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue
329. the ma\_\_\_\_\_de of the disaster *n.* the extent, level, importance, or amount of something
330. high school g\_\_d *n.* (informal for graduate) a student who has recently graduated or is about to graduate from a school, college, or university

ANSWERS: 322. cosmic, 323. sophisticated, 324. competitor, 325. gerbil, 326. needle, 327. amuse, 328. pundit, 329. magnitude, 330. grad

331. weak bo\_\_n *n.* a type of subatomic particle that follows Bose-Einstein statistics, which determine how identical particles with integer spins behave
332. gov\_\_\_\_\_nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
333. series of exp\_\_\_\_\_nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
334. vi\_\_\_\_\_e stars *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
335. ro\_\_\_\_\_y speaking *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
336. local ge\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks
337. na\_\_\_\_\_ly arising *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
338. ha\_\_\_\_\_ed connection *adj.* built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics
339. key performance me\_\_\_\_cs *adj.* using or relating to the meter as a unit of length; a system of related measures that facilitates the quantification of some particular characteristic
340. a lily b\_\_b *n.* a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball

ANSWERS: 331. boson, 332. government, 333. experiment, 334. visible, 335. roughly, 336. geology, 337. naturally, 338. hardwired, 339. metric, 340. bulb

341. br\_\_\_e a website      *v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
342. 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
343. development of the ne\_\_\_\_\_s system      *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
344. ro\_\_\_\_\_ic breakup      *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
345. a\_t bite      *n.* a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups
346. the ch\_\_\_\_\_ry of soil      *n.* the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions
347. wo\_\_\_\_\_ss stock      *adj.* having no value or usefulness; not worth considering
348. v\_\_t desert      *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
349. mo\_\_\_\_\_r the data carefully      *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
350. 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

ANSWERS: 341. browse, 342. communicate, 343. nervous, 344. romantic, 345. ant, 346. chemistry, 347. worthless, 348. vast, 349. monitor, 350. wipe



351. origin of the co\_\_\_s *n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system
352. cr\_\_y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
353. a tra\_\_\_\_\_er of a family line *n.* a piece of equipment used for generating and sending electronic signals, especially radio or television signals
354. rigid dis\_\_\_\_\_ne *n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence
355. tr\_\_\_\_\_te the emotion to a movement *v.* to convert or change words into another language
356. 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
357. bachelor's de\_\_\_e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
358. co\_\_\_\_\_nt personnel *adj.* having the necessary ability, knowledge, or skill to do something successfully
359. gain pr\_\_\_\_\_al experience *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas

ANSWERS: 351. cosmos, 352. crazy, 353. transmitter, 354. discipline, 355. translate, 356. digital, 357. degree, 358. competent, 359. practical

360. human ev\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
361. an\_\_\_\_\_a of insect      *n.* an electrical device that sends or receives radio or television signals; (biology) one of one or more pairs of appendages used for sensing in insects
362. me\_\_\_\_c units      *adj.* using or relating to the meter as a unit of length; a system of related measures that facilitates the quantification of some particular characteristic
363. vi\_\_\_\_\_ly all countries      *adv.* almost completely
364. ca\_\_\_\_\_te measurements      *v.* to measure or adjust something, typically a machine or device, to ensure accurate functioning or to match a standard or desired level of performance
365. wa\_\_\_\_r far from home      *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
366. ha\_\_\_\_\_ed behavior      *adj.* built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics
367. a rid\_\_\_\_\_us amount of money      *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
368. we\_\_\_\_l words      *n.* a small carnivorous mammal with a long and slender body, short legs, and a long and narrow head, known for its ability to hunt rodents and small animals; someone who behaves in an untrustworthy, deceitful, or cunning manner

ANSWERS: 360. evolution, 361. antenna, 362. metric, 363. virtually, 364. calibrate, 365. wander, 366. hardwired, 367. ridiculous, 368. weasel

369. ac\_\_\_\_te measurements *adj.* correct and exact in all details
370. b\_t my future *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
371. ho\_\_\_\_d evolution *n.* a primate of a family (Hominidae) that includes humans and their fossil ancestors
372. mo\_\_\_\_r an exam *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
373. cyclonic des\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
374. fa\_\_t memory *adj.* not strong, clear, or vigorous; slight or weak
375. a two-dimensional ar\_\_y *n.* a large group or collection of things or people, especially one that is impressive or attractive
376. under the gu\_\_e of friendship *n.* the outward appearance or aspect of someone or something, especially in a way that is different from usual or concealing the true nature
377. 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
378. research in\_\_\_\_tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

ANSWERS: 369. accurate, 370. bet, 371. hominid, 372. monitor, 373. destruction, 374. faint, 375. array, 376. guise, 377. discovery, 378. institute

379. beat com\_\_\_\_\_or offer *n.* a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business
380. mat\_\_\_\_\_cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
381. wor\_\_\_\_\_le endeavor *adj.* having value or benefit; sufficiently important or beneficial to be worthy of time or effort; deserving of attention or consideration
382. ac\_\_\_\_\_e a new company *v.* to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself
383. dep\_\_\_\_\_le conditions *adj.* deserving strong condemnation or censure; shocking, shameful, or very bad
384. 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
385. 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
386. emotional pa\_\_\_\_f *n.* the outcome or result of an action or series of actions; the return or reward gained from an investment, effort, or risk

ANSWERS: 379. competitor, 380. mathematics, 381. worthwhile, 382. acquire, 383. deplorable, 384. digital, 385. equip, 386. payoff

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He was a visiting \_\_\_\_\_ professor at the University of Tokyo.  
*n.* a science that deals with the history of the earth as recorded in rocks
2. The human heart is \_\_\_\_\_ to a pump in a plumbing system.  
*adj.* similar or equivalent in some respects, typically as a result of functioning in a similar way
3. The judge remained \_\_\_\_\_ throughout the emotional trial.  
*adj.* not influenced by strong emotions or personal feelings; objective and impartial; characterized by rationality and objectivity rather than being driven by subjective biases or emotions
4. We \_\_\_\_\_ the topic because it was too complicated.  
*v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do
5. You only need a \_\_\_\_\_ of salt to enhance the soup's flavor.  
*n.* a small spoon used to stir or measure out small amounts of some ingredients, typically sugar, salt, or spices, in cooking or serving
6. The findings of the experiment were both \_\_\_\_\_ and unexpected.  
*adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
7. She sipped her tea from a delicate \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a small, shallow dish with a slightly raised edge or rim used for holding a cup or as a decorative object; a flying object that is often associated with UFO sightings

ANSWERS: 1. geology, 2. analogous, 3. dispassionate, 4. skipped, 5. teaspoon, 6. exciting, 7. saucer

8. My mother's illness had a \_\_\_\_\_ impact on us all.

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

9. This evidence will form the \_\_\_\_\_ for our discussion.

*n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

10. The winning team began to \_\_\_\_\_ and holler with excitement.

*v.* to shout or cry out loudly, often in celebration or excitement; to make an exuberant noise

11. This region has many \_\_\_\_\_ offering higher education.

*n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

12. The \_\_\_\_\_ fur was so fluffy that it looked like it was always moving.

*n.* a young cat

13. The customer on the Internet has to choose one from a formidable \_\_\_\_\_ of products.

*n.* a large group or collection of things or people, especially one that is impressive or attractive

14. The instinct to protect one's offspring is \_\_\_\_\_ into many animal species.

*adj.* built-in or innate, often referring to behavior or traits that are instinctive or automatic, as if pre-programmed in the brain or genetics

15. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the novel centers around a group of friends who uncover a conspiracy to control the world's water supply.

*n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal

ANSWERS: 8. profound, 9. basis, 10. whoop, 11. institutes, 12. kitten's, 13. array, 14. hardwired, 15. plot

16. He couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ the actual value of the artwork.

*v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

17. The audience was \_\_\_\_\_ at the magician's trick, trying to figure out how he did it.

*adj.* unwilling or unable to believe something; skeptical, doubtful

18. \_\_\_\_\_ evolved from people's philosophical questions about the natural world.

*n.* the scientific study of the nature and origin of the universe

19. The children played hide and seek in the \_\_\_\_\_ in the barnyard.

*n.* a large mound of hay, usually stacked in a conical or cylindrical shape, used for animal feed or bedding

20. Scientists are constantly searching for signs of \_\_\_\_\_ life in the universe.

*adj.* relating to or existing outside of the Earth's atmosphere or planetary boundaries; pertaining to beings or phenomena that originate from beyond the Earth

21. She has a good \_\_\_\_\_ for being one of the best chefs in the city.

*n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors

22. He had a special \_\_\_\_\_ for public relations

*n.* an electrical device that sends or receives radio or television signals; (biology) one of one or more pairs of appendages used for sensing in insects

23. Marketing strategies are growing more \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion

ANSWERS: 16. calculate, 17. incredulous, 18. Cosmology, 19. haystacks, 20. extraterrestrial, 21. reputation, 22. antenna, 23. sophisticated

24. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the earthquake was measured at 7.8 on the Richter scale.  
*n.* the extent, level, importance, or amount of something
25. Mercury thermometers are a type of \_\_\_\_\_ sensor.  
*adj.* relating to or using signals or information represented by a continuous physical quantity such as spatial position, voltage, etc.
26. In the \_\_\_\_\_ system, measurements are made in meters and liters.  
*adj.* using or relating to the meter as a unit of length; a system of related measures that facilitates the quantification of some particular characteristic
27. She struggled to \_\_\_\_\_ complex math problems.  
*v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
28. A significant amount of \_\_\_\_\_ is required to be a teacher.  
*n.* the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way
29. \_\_\_\_\_ species have drastically altered the ecosystem in this area.  
*n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere
30. The car has a \_\_\_\_\_ feature that alerts you when you're about to veer off the road.  
*adj.* attractive and stylish; clever and ingenious; neat and handy
31. This trail takes \_\_\_\_\_ 2.5 hours.  
*adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
32. We want to \_\_\_\_\_ ties between our two countries.  
*v.* to make or become better

ANSWERS: 24. magnitude, 25. analog, 26. metric, 27. comprehend, 28. motivation, 29. Alien, 30. nifty, 31. approximately, 32. improve



33. Her concept is highly \_\_\_\_\_ and helpful.

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

34. I \_\_\_\_ that you know it.

*v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

35. He was accused of being \_\_\_\_\_ and not taking his responsibilities seriously.

*adj.* not serious or sensible; silly or unimportant

36. My boss wouldn't \_\_\_\_\_ of the plan.

*v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.

37. Trial and error is an \_\_\_\_\_ part of education.

*adj.* indispensable; fundamental

38. They each choose \_\_\_\_\_ to battle.

*adv.* in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless

39. The Milky Way \_\_\_\_\_ has numerous water-bearing planets.

*n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity

40. He found graffiti left by a previous \_\_\_\_\_ of the house.

*n.* a person who lives or works at a particular place for a long time or who was born there

ANSWERS: 33. practical, 34. bet, 35. frivolous, 36. approve, 37. essential, 38. nonetheless, 39. galaxy, 40. occupant

41. He has a flair for \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

42. She is pursuing a \_\_\_\_\_ degree in psychology to become a licensed therapist.

- adj.* of or relating to doctorate (= the highest degree from a university) or the achievement of a doctorate

43. My memories of the holiday were \_\_\_\_\_.

- adj.* not clear due to a lack of recollection, comprehension, or detail; unsure or perplexed about something

44. This substance acts as a neural \_\_\_\_\_ substance.

- n.* a piece of equipment used for generating and sending electronic signals, especially radio or television signals

45. The \_\_\_\_\_ is about 13.8 billion years old.

- n.* everything that exists, especially all physical matter, including planets, stars, galaxies, and all other forms of matter and energy

46. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their \_\_\_\_\_.

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

47. 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

48. An intelligent battery has a voltage monitoring \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area

ANSWERS: 41. mathematics, 42. doctoral, 43. hazy, 44. transmitter, 45. universe, 46. critics, 47. intelligence, 48. circuit

49. Several \_\_\_\_\_ show a decline in the president's approval rating.
- n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
50. She is a \_\_\_\_\_ member of the environmental organization, always advocating for sustainable practices.
- n.* referring to someone who is a recognized and active member of a particular group or organization, often implying a strong dedication or loyalty
51. He spent only a \_\_\_\_\_ of his earnings.
- n.* a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers
52. They operated an illegal business under the \_\_\_\_\_ of an employment agency.
- n.* the outward appearance or aspect of someone or something, especially in a way that is different from usual or concealing the true nature
53. She let out a \_\_\_\_\_ of frustration after the difficult workout.
- n.* a fit of anger, annoyance, or resentment; a state of irritation or sulking; (verb) to exhale forcefully or audibly in a show of annoyance, anger, or frustration
54. \_\_\_\_\_ robots that can cooperate with humans have limited motor output for safety.
- adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
55. One light year is nearly 6 \_\_\_\_\_ miles.
- n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
56. He became \_\_\_\_\_ that he was being followed.
- adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

ANSWERS: 49. polls, 50. card-carrying, 51. fraction, 52. guise, 53. huff, 54. Intelligent, 55. trillion, 56. conscious

57. 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

58. He created a beautiful piece of music using only \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

59. We \_\_\_\_\_ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

- v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

60. This facility has the largest astronomical \_\_\_\_\_ in the country.

- n.* a device like a tube in shape containing lenses used to magnify and observe distant objects

61. The \_\_\_\_\_ of getting the disease will drastically increase.

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

62. She bought a \_\_\_\_\_ cage that was spacious enough for her two pets to play and burrow.

- n.* a small, burrowing rodent often kept as a pet, known for its long hind legs, soft fur, and long tail

63. There are \_\_\_\_\_ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

- adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

64. I accidentally \_\_\_\_\_ on a confidential meeting last week.

- v.* to listen to someone else's conversation without their knowledge or permission

ANSWERS: 57. equipped, 58. improvisation, 59. estimated, 60. telescope, 61. possibility, 62. gerbil, 63. obvious, 64. eavesdropped

65. The official transcript contains \_\_\_\_\_ academic records.

*adj.* correct and exact in all details

66. We would \_\_\_\_\_ an early reply.

*v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

67. He suffers from \_\_\_\_\_ breakdowns.

*adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves

68. The company's \_\_\_\_\_ surrounding its new product launch has created consumer excitement and anticipation.

*n.* the state or quality of being kept hidden or private; the act of keeping something confidential or unknown to others

69. The product was found to be \_\_\_\_\_ as it failed to meet the customer's expectations.

*adj.* having no value or usefulness; not worth considering

70. He knocked over the red wine and \_\_\_\_\_ the tablecloth.

*v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,

71. He \_\_\_\_\_ himself by playing video games during his free time.

*v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh

72. Bees were buzzing around the \_\_\_\_\_

*n.* a structure for the reception and habitation of bees, either built by people or made by the bees themselves; a place swarming people

ANSWERS: 65. accurate, 66. appreciate, 67. nervous, 68. secrecy, 69. worthless, 70. ruined, 71. amused, 72. hive

73. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the \_\_\_\_\_ of royalty and nobility.

- n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

74. Supercomputers enable scientists to create computational models of the \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* another name for the universe, mainly used when it is thought of as an ordered system

75. It is challenging to defend every \_\_\_\_\_ target.

- adj.* imaginable or possible to understand or believe in the mind

76. The rain and thunder are \_\_\_\_\_ today.

- adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry

77. 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

78. Many employers hire \_\_\_\_\_ trainees to train as managers.

- n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

79. These economic activities had disastrous environmental \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

80. We \_\_\_\_\_ in a souvenir shop.

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

ANSWERS: 73. privilege, 74. cosmos, 75. conceivable, 76. crazy, 77. communicate, 78. graduate, 79. consequences, 80. browsed

81. Since the 1990s, the Internet has continued to experience \_\_\_\_\_ growth.  
*adj.* becoming more and more rapid; of or involving mathematical exponents
82. It's important to \_\_\_\_\_ the equipment regularly to ensure accurate results.  
*v.* to measure or adjust something, typically a machine or device, to ensure accurate functioning or to match a standard or desired level of performance
83. The federal \_\_\_\_\_ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.  
*n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
84. \_\_\_\_\_ must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.  
*n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
85. He was \_\_\_\_\_ gifted.  
*adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
86. \_\_\_\_\_ is the start, not the end, of intelligence.  
*n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
87. Ethics is a branch of \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
88. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
89. The passerby witnessed the moment the boy was \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to take someone away illegally to an undisclosed location by force, usually to extract a ransom

ANSWERS: 81. exponential, 82. calibrate, 83. government, 84. Congress, 85. naturally, 86. Doubt, 87. philosophy, 88. lab, 89. abducted

90. 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

91. The dress was \_\_\_\_\_ for the formal occasion.

*adj.* fit or appropriate; proper; adapted

92. They used a special receiver to \_\_\_\_\_ police radio channels.

*v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time

93. Departments may set requirements for a higher \_\_\_\_\_ point average.

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

94. He \_\_\_\_\_ himself and ended up getting sick.

*v.* to work excessively hard or too much; the condition of working excessively or beyond one's capacity, leading to fatigue, stress, and illness

95. My home is easily \_\_\_\_\_ from the shore.

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

96. He was proud to be a \_\_\_\_\_ of the prestigious university.

*n.* (informal for graduate) a student who has recently graduated or is about to graduate from a school, college, or university

97. The movie has received almost universally \_\_\_\_\_ criticism.

*adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

ANSWERS: 90. digital, 91. suitable, 92. monitor, 93. grade, 94. overworked, 95. visible, 96. grad, 97. negative



98. The light \_\_\_\_\_ has burned out.

- n.* a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball

99. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in \_\_\_\_\_ class.

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

100. The second round of testing confirmed the \_\_\_\_\_ of the test results.

- n.* the state or quality of being true, correct, justified, or legally recognized

101. \_\_\_\_\_ all the parties signed the contract.

- adv.* almost completely

102. He used his right \_\_\_\_\_ to press the button on his phone.

- n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists

103. The textbook explanation made the difficult concept \_\_\_\_\_ to the students.

- adj.* able to be understood or grasped by the mind; clear and understandable

104. It was his first \_\_\_\_\_ love.

- adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

105. It's notoriously challenging to \_\_\_\_\_ birth rates.

- v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

ANSWERS: 98. bulb, 99. biology, 100. validity, 101. Virtually, 102. thumb, 103. comprehensible, 104. romantic, 105. predict

106. What do you \_\_\_\_\_ the culprit's motive was?
- v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
107. The \_\_\_\_\_ course introduces the principles and practices of this alternative healing method.
- n.* a system of alternative medicine based on the principle of "like cures like," in which the symptoms of an ailment are treated with highly diluted substances that are known to produce similar symptoms in healthy individuals
108. The teacher attempted to \_\_\_\_\_ the importance of hard work in her students.
- v.* to impart, introduce, or cause to be absorbed gradually
109. The well-crafted plot and interesting characters made the book very \_\_\_\_\_ to readers
- adj.* attractive or exciting; evoking a positive response or desire; having qualities that are likely to encourage someone to like or enjoy something
110. The gap between the company and its \_\_\_\_\_ has widened.
- n.* a person who participates in a sporting contest; a person or organization that competes with others, particularly in business
111. One bad apple spoils the whole \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
112. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ this document before submitting it to my boss.
- v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
113. The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the act of causing so much damage to something

ANSWERS: 106. suppose, 107. homeopathy, 108. instill, 109. appealing, 110. competitors, 111. bunch, 112. edit, 113. destruction

114. John Whitney was a computer animation \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
115. The \_\_\_\_\_ long and slender body allows it to easily navigate small spaces.
- n.* a small carnivorous mammal with a long and slender body, short legs, and a long and narrow head, known for its ability to hunt rodents and small animals; someone who behaves in an untrustworthy, deceitful, or cunning manner
116. I often \_\_\_\_\_ around the park for half an hour.
- v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
117. He evaluated his chances for \_\_\_\_\_ rather pessimistically.
- n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
118. \_\_\_\_\_ rays are high-energy particles that originate from outside the solar system.
- adj.* relating to the universe or cosmos; vast or limitless
119. During the colonial period, several African nations used the \_\_\_\_\_ as their currency due to the influence of France.
- n.* the currency used in some countries, including Switzerland, France, and formerly Belgium
120. After months of job searching, he felt \_\_\_\_\_ and unsure of his future.
- adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success
121. The work of data entry can be \_\_\_\_\_ but it is important for maintaining accurate records.
- adj.* tiresome or boring because of being repetitive, dull, or too long; causing mental or physical fatigue due to its unrelenting nature

ANSWERS: 114. pioneer, 115. weasel's, 116. wander, 117. survival, 118. Cosmic, 119. franc, 120. hopeless, 121. tedious,

122. A \_\_\_\_\_ audience viewed the broadcast.

*adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

123. My friend shared an \_\_\_\_\_ story about her experience in customer service.

*adj.* based on personal accounts or stories that may not be verifiable or representative of a larger population; characterized by anecdotes or casual observations rather than scientific data or empirical evidence

124. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the thermometer had risen to the boiling point.

*n.* a heavy, silvery-white metal that is liquid at room temperature and is used in thermometers, electrical equipment, and other devices; (Mercury) the smallest planet and the nearest to the sun

125. She still \_\_\_\_\_ writes a short romance novel.

*adv.* now and then; sometimes but not often

126. These birds can only \_\_\_\_\_ in temperate climates.

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

127. The \_\_\_\_\_ rumor turned out to be false.

*adj.* not clearly expressed or understood

128. His \_\_\_\_\_ showed highly positive results.

*n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

129. The political \_\_\_\_\_ provided analysis and commentary on the latest election results.

*n.* an expert, authority, or knowledgeable commentator who frequently expresses opinions or gives analysis on a particular subject or issue

ANSWERS: 122. vast, 123. anecdotal, 124. mercury, 125. occasionally, 126. survive, 127. vague, 128. experiments, 129. pundit

130. The \_\_\_\_\_ announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.

*n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

131. As a dedicated \_\_\_\_\_ she always fought for what was right, no matter the cost.

*n.* a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity

132. 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

133. She heard a \_\_\_\_\_ nearly invisible scream.

*adj.* not strong, clear, or vigorous; slight or weak

134. The phone rang at the most \_\_\_\_\_ time.

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

135. Children \_\_\_\_\_ language at a fantastic rate.

*v.* to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself

136. He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

ANSWERS: 130. alarm, 131. idealist, 132. discovery, 133. faint, 134. opportune, 135. acquire, 136. row

137. Basketball is their usual \_\_\_\_\_ after school.

- n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place

138. Five miles is \_\_\_\_\_ similar to eight kilometers.

- adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

139. The acupuncturist inserted \_\_\_\_\_ into specific points on my body to alleviate my pain.

- n.* a thin, pointed object typically used for sewing or medical purposes; a metal or plastic instrument used for administering injections or drawing blood

140. This smartphone has a collision \_\_\_\_\_ function.

- n.* the act of discovering or identifying the presence of something

141. His professional experience includes all \_\_\_\_\_ of media production.

- n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

142. He needed to resolve the problem as soon as possible, so he made an \_\_\_\_\_ directly.

- n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest

143. Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as \_\_\_\_\_ but was later proven correct.

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

144. His \_\_\_\_\_ on the effects of climate change won several awards.

- n.* a written essay, especially one submitted for a university degree, that sets out the author's findings on a particular subject

ANSWERS: 137. recreation, 138. roughly, 139. needles, 140. detection, 141. aspects, 142. appeal, 143. ridiculous, 144. thesis

145. I always carry a backup \_\_\_\_\_ in case my phone runs out of battery.

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

146. He is familiar with \_\_\_\_\_ and biology.

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

147. We can find many large \_\_\_\_ mounds in this area.

*n.* a very small insect that lives under the ground or in a mound in highly organized groups

148. \_\_\_\_\_ the company had to lay off some of its employees.

*adv.* as a result or outcome of something

149. 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

150. The company's new \_\_\_\_\_ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

*n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

151. The judge ruled that the defendant was \_\_\_\_\_ to stand trial.

*adj.* having the necessary ability, knowledge, or skill to do something successfully

152. In the \_\_\_\_\_ while we wait for the results, let's start working on the next project.

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

ANSWERS: 145. device, 146. chemistry, 147. ant, 148. Consequently, 149. hook, 150. policy, 151. competent, 152. meantime,

153. The investigation \_\_\_\_\_ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.
- v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
154. The company specializes in manufacturing and selling cutting-edge \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems
155. She received her \_\_\_\_\_ in psychology from the university.
- n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
156. We invited some friends for a \_\_\_\_\_ party.
- n.* a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal
157. She was unduly \_\_\_\_\_ about her future.
- adj.* tending to see the worst aspect of things or expecting the worst possible outcome
158. The marketing campaign relied heavily on \_\_\_\_\_ to sell the product.
- n.* exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken used to create emphasis or to make a point
159. The proportion of female engineers has \_\_\_\_\_ increased.
- adv.* to a great extent or degree
160. \_\_\_\_\_ advances have disrupted many industries.
- adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress

ANSWERS: 153. involves, 154. electronics, 155. degree, 156. cocktail, 157. pessimistic, 158. hyperbole, 159. substantially, 160. Technological



161. They study the \_\_\_\_\_ of the universe.

*n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things

162. Cold temperatures and long, dark winters characterize the \_\_\_\_\_ climate.

*adj.* of or relating to the region around the North Pole or the Arctic Ocean; very cold

163. That astronomical \_\_\_\_\_ stands at the top of the mountain.

*n.* a building designed and equipped to observe the planets, the stars, the weather, etc.

164. He quickly learned the military \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence

165. \_\_\_\_\_ algorithms can find ways to optimize that humans do not anticipate.

*adj.* relating to or denoting how living things develop or change from earlier forms

166. The tornado is \_\_\_\_\_ across the countryside, destroying everything in its path.

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

167. Underground rivers flow over a \_\_\_\_\_ layer that is impervious to water.

*n.* a room or a part of a building that is partly or entirely below ground level

168. \_\_\_\_\_ the text from Italian into English.

*v.* to convert or change words into another language

ANSWERS: 161. evolution, 162. arctic, 163. observatory, 164. discipline, 165. Evolutionary, 166. spinning, 167. basement, 168. Translate

169. The \_\_\_\_\_ had received a mild snowfall the previous week.  
*n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
170. The search for new \_\_\_\_\_ particles is one of the most exciting areas of modern physics.  
*n.* a type of subatomic particle that follows Bose-Einstein statistics, which determine how identical particles with integer spins behave
171. I used to play with my younger male \_\_\_\_\_ when I was a little girl.  
*n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
172. They hope to \_\_\_\_\_ their business worldwide.  
*v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
173. Scientists have discovered new fossil evidence of an ancient \_\_\_\_\_ species.  
*n.* a primate of a family (Hominidae) that includes humans and their fossil ancestors
174. The penny fell \_\_\_\_\_ the piano.  
*adv.* under or below something else
175. The \_\_\_\_\_ living conditions in the slums caused widespread disease.  
*adj.* deserving strong condemnation or censure; shocking, shameful, or very bad
176. The doctors said that her recovery was a \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
177. Volunteering for a \_\_\_\_\_ cause is important for building a sense of community.  
*adj.* having value or benefit; sufficiently important or beneficial to be worthy of time or effort; deserving of attention or consideration

ANSWERS: 169. valley, 170. boson, 171. cousins, 172. expand, 173. hominid, 174. underneath, 175. deplorable, 176. miracle, 177. worthwhile

178. 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

179. Scientific knowledge will \_\_\_\_\_ significantly with the power of AI.

- v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

180. Because of his excellent performance, he will \_\_\_\_\_ be promoted.

- adv.* in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented

181. I don't \_\_\_\_\_ take a vacation in the middle of summer.

- adv.* usually; under normal conditions

182. He had a deep passion for extragalactic \_\_\_\_\_ and spent hours observing the night sky.

- n.* the scientific study of objects and matter outside the Earth's atmosphere, especially the positions, motions, and evolution of celestial bodies

183. Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service

184. This question has fascinated solar \_\_\_\_\_ for decades.

- n.* a physicist who studies astronomy

185. Full involvement means \_\_\_\_\_ and prompt responses.

- adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

ANSWERS: 178. wipe, 179. advance, 180. inevitably, 181. normally, 182. astronomy, 183. license, 184. astronomers, 185. frank

186. Mercury is the closest \_\_\_\_\_ to the sun.

- n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

187. Everyone was aware of the impending \_\_\_\_\_ but was unable to prevent it.

- n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

188. The \_\_\_\_\_ singer had a unique and powerful voice.

- n.* the second-highest vocal range in choral music, typically sung by the second-highest singers in a choir; a type of saxophone

189. The honeycomb structure of a beehive is made up of \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a six-sided polygon with six angles and six sides of equal length

190. Flight across the \_\_\_\_\_ was a daring adventure in its day.

- n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

191. He \_\_\_\_\_ that corruption was rampant in the regime.

- v.* to think or believe something

192. The country's domestic coal consumption has been \_\_\_\_\_ declining for decades.

- adv.* without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly

193. The \_\_\_\_\_ for all my hard work was finally getting a promotion.

- n.* the outcome or result of an action or series of actions; the return or reward gained from an investment, effort, or risk

ANSWERS: 186. planet, 187. doom, 188. alto, 189. hexagons, 190. continent, 191. reckons, 192. continuously, 193. payoff

ANSWERS: