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Session 1: Word List

gentle

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

synonym : mild, delicate, soft

(1) in a **gentle** voice, (2) **gentle** downward slope

Her **gentle** manner relaxed everyone there.

gulf

n. a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land

synonym : chasm, divide, abyss

(1) **gulf** war, (2) **gulf** stream

The **Gulf** of Mexico is a body of water in the southern United States.

statistics

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

shocking

adj. extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust

synonym : startling, surprising, astounding

(1) **shocking** response, (2) **shocking** revelation

The news of the accident was **shocking** and left many in

shock.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

vocabulary

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

synonym: lexicon, glossary, dictionary

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

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

Arabic

n. the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language

(1) **Arabic** cuisine, (2) **Arabic** language

I'm studying **Arabic** calligraphy as part of my art class.

medicinal

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

synonym: curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

cosmetic

adj. relating to treatment aimed at restoring or improving a person's appearance and attractiveness; (noun) a substance that you put on your face or body to enhance its appearance and make it more attractive

synonym: adorning, embellishing, ornamental

(1) minor **cosmetic** changes, (2) **cosmetic** fenders on cars
Cosmetic surgery is becoming more common in Asia due to lowering prices.

herb

n. a small plant with aromatic or flavorful leaves used for seasoning or medicinal purposes

synonym : plant, weed, shrub

(1) **herb** garden, (2) **herb** spices

Rosemary is a fragrant **herb** commonly used in cooking.

grandparent

n. a parent of one's father or mother

(1) great- **grandparent**, (2) person of **grandparent** age

She was close to her paternal **grandparents** and often spent summers with them.

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.

unprecedented

adj. never having been seen, done, or known before

synonym : novel, outstanding, unparalleled

(1) **unprecedented** boom, (2) **unprecedented** business opportunity

Unprecedented amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.

dispute

n. a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one

synonym : argument, disagreement, quarrel

(1) a legal **dispute** over the title, (2) **dispute** settlement

The **dispute** over the ownership of the land has been ongoing for years.

nevertheless

adv. in spite of that; yet

synonym : nonetheless, yet, still

(1) keep working **nevertheless**, (2) **nevertheless**, she

persevered

She was tired and hungry, but **nevertheless**, she persevered.

recruit

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

synonym: raise, enroll, enlist

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

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

council

n. a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place

synonym: board, committee, assembly

(1) other **council** members, (2) city **council** election

The city **council** voted to approve the new development project.

Muslim

n. a follower of the religion of Islam

synonym: Islamic, believer

(1) predominantly **Muslim** country, (2) **Muslim** culture

The **Muslim** community in the city is small but growing.

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.

modernize

v. to bring up to date or make contemporary in style or function; to bring modern methods or resources into an existing organization or system

synonym: develop, update, upgrade

(1) **modernize** infrastructure, (2) **modernize** agriculture

The company plans to **modernize** its outdated technology and software to improve efficiency.

empower

v. to give someone the power or authority to do something

synonym: authorize, endow, entitle

(1) **empower** my life, (2) **empower** the secretary to do the same

The company **empowered** employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

wealth

n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

synonym: affluence, assets, fortunate

(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

morph

v. to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another

synonym: alter, modify, transform

(1) **morph** into a different shape, (2) **morph** into something entirely different

This company **morphed** into an enterprise company.

mutual

adj. common to or shared by two or more parties

synonym: shared, common, joint

(1) share of a **mutual** fund, (2) **mutual** efforts

They cooperated for their **mutual** benefit.

beneficial

adj. helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being

synonym: useful, advantageous, fruitful

(1) a **beneficial** result, (2) **beneficial** to all countries

Laughing is **beneficial** to our health.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

curriculum

n. a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.

synonym: program, syllabus, course of study

(1) a **curriculum vitae**, (2) an academic **curriculum**

A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the **curriculum**.

domain

n. a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise

synonym: territory, realm, sphere

(1) **domain** of use, (2) a dependent **domain**

The company's **domain** in the market was expanding to new territories.

bandwagon

n. a popular or fashionable trend or cause that attracts a large number of people who want to be part of it, often without considering its merits or drawbacks

synonym: trend, fad, craze

(1) get on the **bandwagon**, (2) **bandwagon** effect

Many people jumped on the health food **bandwagon** after realizing its benefits.

nation

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

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

aft

adj. (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle

(1) **aft** cabin, (2) **aft** view

The **aft** section of the ship suffered significant damage after the collision with the reef.

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.

native

adj. connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

synonym : endemic, domestic, aboriginal

(1) **native** to Africa, (2) **native** language

The vegetation here is almost wholly **native**.

reject

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

synonym : decline, turn down, repudiate

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

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

linguistic

adj. relating to language or the study of language

synonym : lingual, verbal, lexical

(1) her major is **linguistics**, (2) **linguistic** analysis

Our naive experience undoubtedly contains a **linguistic** aspect.

genius

n. someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality

synonym : brilliance, brainiac, acumen

(1) a person of **genius**, (2) a **genius** for music

Mozart was a musical **genius**.

pursue

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

synonym : seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms

She intends to **pursue** a political career.

monolingual

adj. being able to speak or use only one language

synonym : unilingual

(1) **monolingual** policies, (2) **monolingual** country

The lack of exposure to foreign languages made her a **monolingual** speaker.

cancer

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

synonym : tumor, carcinoma, malignancy

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

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

gatekeeper

n. a person, organization, or system that controls or monitors access to something, often a website, database, or institution; a person or group that controls or regulates access to information, especially for a particular perspective or interest

synonym : guardian, watchman, custodian

(1) **gatekeeper** role, (2) information **gatekeeper**

The company's **gatekeeper screened** all incoming phone calls and emails to ensure only important ones reached the boss.

satisfy

v. to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need

synonym : please, amuse, meet

(1) **satisfy** a desire, (2) **satisfy** a user's needs

Did this response **satisfy** your request?

segment

n. a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole

synonym : section, part, division

(1) **segment** analysis, (2) market **segment**

The report divided the data into **segments** based on age, gender, and income level.

barrier

n. a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

synonym : border, barricade, fence

(1) cost **barrier**, (2) information **barrier**

The police placed a **barrier** across the street to halt traffic.

universal

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

synonym : common, broad, worldwide

(1) **universal** life, (2) principles of **universal** design

The picture earned near- **universal** acclaim from critics.

journal

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

synonym : periodical, diary, bulletin

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

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

fulfill

v. to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

synonym : satisfy, complete, accomplish

(1) **fulfill** a contract, (2) **fulfill** a lifetime dream

It was the first time for her, but she **fulfilled** the role of Priest.

prophecy

n. a statement or prediction that something will happen in the future, typically one made by a religious leader

synonym : prediction, foretelling, divination

(1) **prophecy** fulfillment, (2) **prophecy** of doom

The fortune teller's **prophecy** that I would meet my soulmate

next year has yet to come true.

requirement

n. something that is needed or wanted

synonym: prerequisite, provision, condition

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

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

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.

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.

equate

v. to consider or describe one thing as similar, equal, or analogous

synonym: associate, liken, relate

(1) **equate** mistakes with failure, (2) **equate** to legal responsibility

It isn't very reasonable to **equate** money with happiness.

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.

arbitrary

adj. based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason

synonym: autocratic, dictatorial, whimsical

(1) **arbitrary** size and shape, (2) the **arbitrary** rule of a

dictator

He collected data to avoid **arbitrary** decisions.

giant

adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

synonym : big, gigantic, huge

(1) **giant** trees, (2) **giant** tech company

The **giant** jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

intelligentsia

n. the educated and intellectual elite of society, particularly those involved in cultural or artistic pursuits

synonym : intellectuals, intelligents, savants

(1) members of **intelligentsia**, (2) artistic **intelligentsia**

The voices of the political and academic **intelligentsia** dominated the debate.

remedial

adj. intended to correct or improve a deficiency or weakness; providing basic skills and knowledge to overcome a learning or developmental difficulty

synonym : corrective, therapeutic, restorative

(1) **remedial** education, (2) **remedial** therapy

The student required **remedial** courses in math after struggling in the class.

dyslexia

n. a neurological condition that affects a person's ability to read, write, and spell, often despite normal or above-average intelligence, effective teaching, and adequate motivation, which is characterized by difficulty in the phonological coding of written words, poor phonological awareness, and poor reading fluency and decoding skills

synonym : reading disability, word blindness, dysgraphia

(1) student with **dyslexia**, (2) diagnosis of **dyslexia**

Educators need to understand how **dyslexia** affects students' reading abilities.

fortunate

adj. having good luck or lucky

synonym : fortuitous, lucky, blessed

(1) **fortunate** situation, (2) less **fortunate** person

He was pretty **fortunate** to pass the exam.

explode

v. to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

synonym : detonate, blast, rupture

(1) **explode** in anger, (2) **explode** in popularity

The old building **exploded** in a fiery inferno.

fee

n. a sum of money charged for a particular service

synonym : charge, cost, expense

(1) **fee** calculation, (2) service **fee**

The lawyer's **fee** for the case was \$10,000.

prohibitive

adj. tending to or effectively preventing or inhibiting an action, choice, or possibility due to being too expensive, difficult, or unreasonable; serving as a deterrent or barrier

synonym : exorbitant, expensive, obstructive

(1) **prohibitive** cost, (2) **prohibitive** regulations

The **prohibitive** import tariff made it hard for the local market to offer competitive prices.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym : directly, instantly, promptly

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

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

headline

n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

synonym : title, caption

(1) **headline** article, (2) banner **headline**

The engagement of the two golf players became **headline**

news.

divide

v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
synonym: separate, disconnect, split

(1) **divide** the cake into two pieces, (2) **divide** money equally

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

circular

adj. shaped like a circle; having a round form
synonym: round, loopy, oblique

(1) **circular** economy, (2) non- **circular** orbit

The **circular** shape of the planet makes it difficult to determine which direction is north.

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.

genetics

n. the branch of biology that studies genes, genetic variation, and heredity in organisms

(1) the science of **genetics**, (2) **genetics** discrimination

He is a specialist in the **genetics** of aging.

forelimb

n. the limb or appendage located at the front of the body, typically used for grasping, manipulation, or movement, such as the arms in humans or the wings in birds

synonym: foreleg, limb, arm

(1) broken **forelimb**, (2) **forelimb** development

Like humans, primates' **forelimbs** are specialized for tool use and complex movement.

hind

adj. situated at the back or rear; coming after, following; of, or relating to the hindquarters or hind legs of an animal

synonym: back, rear, posterior

(1) **hind** toe, (2) **hind** paw

The farmer noticed a **hind** leg injury on one of his cows and called the vet for help.

limb

n. an arm and leg of a person or animal

synonym: arm, appendage, branch

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

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

germ

n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

synonym: bacterium, microbe, pathogen

(1) antibiotic-resistant **germ**, (2) a **germ-free** environment

The **germ** of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

differentiate

v. to recognize or establish as being distinct; to distinguish between things that are compared; to calculate a derivative

synonym: discern, distinguish, separate

(1) **differentiate** between fact and fiction, (2) **differentiate** a function

The teacher asked the students to **differentiate** between the two similar species of birds.

bingo

n. a game of chance in which players match numbers on a card with randomly drawn numbers to be the first to complete a specific pattern or sequence; sudden realization, success, or achievement

synonym: lotto, raffle, sweepstakes

(1) **bingo** game, (2) online **bingo** website

They won big at **bingo** last night, taking home the grand prize.

stick

v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

synonym: pierce, adhere, stay

(1) **stick** a key in a lock, (2) fire **stick**

You **stick** a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

coop

v. a farm building or enclosure for housing poultry

synonym: birdcage, enclosure, cage

(1) fly the **coop**, (2) chicken **coop**

The farmer put a **coop** over the hens.

achieve

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

synonym: accomplish, attain, reach

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

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

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**.

grammar

n. the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words

synonym: syntax, elements

(1) **grammar** checker, (2) Latin **grammar**

Mastering **grammar** takes a lot of time for those learning a foreign language.

creditor

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

hero

n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

synonym: champion, protagonist, savior

(1) local **hero**, (2) unsung **hero**

The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national **hero**.

award

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

synonym: prize, honor, accolade

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

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

shepherd

n. a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

synonym: herder, flock-keeper, sheepdog

(1) **shepherd** boy, (2) sheep without a **shepherd**

The **shepherd's** dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.

kerosene

n. a flammable, colorless, or pale yellow liquid derived from the distillation of petroleum, used as a fuel for lamps, stoves, and heaters

synonym: fuel oil, lamp oil, coal oil

(1) **kerosene** stove, (2) burning **kerosene**

The lamp in the cabin burned **kerosene** for light.

dam

n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

synonym: barricade, barrier, embankment

(1) **dam-building** program, (2) **dam** collapsing

The break in the **dam** threatened the valley.

invention

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

synonym: creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

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.

electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

synonym: wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

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.

far-reaching

adj. having a wide or significant impact or influence

synonym: extensive, widespread, broad

(1) achieve **far-reaching** reform, (2) **far-reaching** consequences

The **far-reaching** effects of the policy change are still being felt.

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**.

metaphor

n. a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity

synonym : conceit, analogy, symbol

(1) **metaphor** for death, (2) visual **metaphor**

She expressed her thought in an artful choice of **metaphors**.

celebrate

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

synonym : praise, glorify, honor

(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas

He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

diversity

n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

synonym : variety, multiplicity, variousness

(1) the **diversity** policy of the university, (2) lingual **diversity**

He was impressed by the range and **diversity** of the collection.

Session 2: Spelling

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28. Mu___m culture *n.* a follower of the religion of Islam

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33. keep working nev_____ess *adv.* in spite of that; yet
34. na_____ly regenerated forest *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
35. members of int_____sia *n.* the educated and intellectual elite of society, particularly those involved in cultural or artistic pursuits
36. bi__o game *n.* a game of chance in which players match numbers on a card with randomly drawn numbers to be the first to complete a specific pattern or sequence; sudden realization, success, or achievement
37. market se____t *n.* a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole
38. ke_____ne stove *n.* a flammable, colorless, or pale yellow liquid derived from the distillation of petroleum, used as a fuel for lamps, stoves, and heaters

ANSWERS: 29. award, 30. divide, 31. metaphor, 32. statistics, 33. nevertheless, 34. naturally, 35. intelligentsia, 36. bingo, 37. segment, 38. kerosene

39. co____ic fenders on cars *adj.* relating to treatment aimed at restoring or improving a person's appearance and attractiveness; (noun) a substance that you put on your face or body to enhance its appearance and make it more attractive
40. fu____l a lifetime dream *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
41. f_e calculation *n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service
42. mo____ze agriculture *v.* to bring up to date or make contemporary in style or function; to bring modern methods or resources into an existing organization or system
43. mu____l efforts *adj.* common to or shared by two or more parties
44. de____e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
45. voc____ry list *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
46. ca____r diagnosis *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
47. ge____cs discrimination *n.* the branch of biology that studies genes, genetic variation, and heredity in organisms

ANSWERS: 39. cosmetic, 40. fulfill, 41. fee, 42. modernize, 43. mutual, 44. decide, 45. vocabulary, 46. cancer, 47. genetics

48. city co_____l election *n.* a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place
49. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
50. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
51. se_____t analysis *n.* a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole
52. the cr_____or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
53. a seafaring na_____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
54. ba_____on effect *n.* a popular or fashionable trend or cause that attracts a large number of people who want to be part of it, often without considering its merits or drawbacks
55. predominantly Mu_____m country *n.* a follower of the religion of Islam
56. non-ci_____ar orbit *adj.* shaped like a circle; having a round form
57. fo_____mb development *n.* the limb or appendage located at the front of the body, typically used for grasping, manipulation, or movement, such as the arms in humans or the wings in birds
58. mo_____ze infrastructure *v.* to bring up to date or make contemporary in style or function; to bring modern methods or resources into an existing organization or system

ANSWERS: 48. council, 49. immediately, 50. massive, 51. segment, 52. creditor, 53. nation, 54. bandwagon, 55. Muslim, 56. circular, 57. forelimb, 58. modernize

59. na___e to Africa *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
60. mon_____al policies *adj.* being able to speak or use only one language
61. broken fo_____mb *n.* the limb or appendage located at the front of the body, typically used for grasping, manipulation, or movement, such as the arms in humans or the wings in birds
62. di___e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
63. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
64. pro_____ve regulations *adj.* tending to or effectively preventing or inhibiting an action, choice, or possibility due to being too expensive, difficult, or unreasonable; serving as a deterrent or barrier
65. person of gra_____nt age *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
66. a_t view *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
67. students at all gr__e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
68. fo_____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky

ANSWERS: 59. native, 60. monolingual, 61. forelimb, 62. divide, 63. invention, 64. prohibitive, 65. grandparent, 66. aft, 67. grade, 68. fortunate

69. majority of his we___h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
70. re_____al education *adj.* intended to correct or improve a deficiency or weakness; providing basic skills and knowledge to overcome a learning or developmental difficulty
71. scientific jo_____l *n.* a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
72. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
73. ce_____te his election *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
74. ce_____te Christmas *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
75. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
76. nev_____ess, she persevered *adv.* in spite of that; yet
77. an int_____nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
78. l__b amputation *n.* an arm and leg of a person or animal
79. di_____e settlement *n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one

ANSWERS: 69. wealth, 70. remedial, 71. journal, 72. electrify, 73. celebrate, 74. celebrate, 75. consequence, 76. nevertheless, 77. intelligence, 78. limb, 79. dispute

80. lin_____ic analysis *adj.* relating to language or the study of language
81. re_____t a new hire *v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
82. h__d paw *adj.* situated at the back or rear; coming after, following; of, or relating to the hindquarters or hind legs of an animal
83. a_t cabin *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
84. gi__t tech company *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
85. mon_____al country *adj.* being able to speak or use only one language
86. fly the c__p *v.* a farm building or enclosure for housing poultry
87. in a ge___e voice *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
88. a prosthetic l__b *n.* an arm and leg of a person or animal
89. re_____al therapy *adj.* intended to correct or improve a deficiency or weakness; providing basic skills and knowledge to overcome a learning or developmental difficulty
90. fire st__k *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

ANSWERS: 80. linguistic, 81. recruit, 82. hind, 83. aft, 84. giant, 85. monolingual, 86. coop, 87. gentle, 88. limb, 89. remedial, 90. stick

91. ex_____e in anger *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
92. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
93. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
94. sh_____ng response *adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust
95. eq_____e to legal responsibility *v.* to consider or describe one thing as similar, equal, or analogous
96. series of exp_____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
97. a cur_____um vitae *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
98. Latin gr_____r *n.* the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words
99. he_____ne article *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
100. pu_____e a goal *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
101. na_____ly arising *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
102. minor co_____ic changes *adj.* relating to treatment aimed at restoring or improving a person's appearance and attractiveness; (noun) a substance that you put on your face or body to enhance its appearance and make it more attractive

ANSWERS: 91. explode, 92. invention, 93. government, 94. shocking, 95. equate, 96. experiment, 97. curriculum, 98. grammar, 99. headline, 100. pursue, 101. naturally,

102. cosmetic

103. tr_____te a document into English *v.* to convert or change words into another language
104. get on the ba_____on *n.* a popular or fashionable trend or cause that attracts a large number of people who want to be part of it, often without considering its merits or drawbacks
105. ac_____e milestones *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
106. fu_____l a contract *v.* to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize
107. a legal di_____e over the title *n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one
108. traditional me_____al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
109. school req_____nt *n.* something that is needed or wanted
110. a ben_____al result *adj.* helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being
111. academic voc_____ry *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
112. h__b spices *n.* a small plant with aromatic or flavorful leaves used for seasoning or medicinal purposes
113. local h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

ANSWERS: 103. translate, 104. bandwagon, 105. achieve, 106. fulfill, 107. dispute, 108. medicinal, 109. requirement, 110. beneficial, 111. vocabulary, 112. herb, 113. hero

114. a person of ge___s *n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
115. diagnosis of dy____ia *n.* a neurological condition that affects a person's ability to read, write, and spell, often despite normal or above-average intelligence, effective teaching, and adequate motivation, which is characterized by difficulty in the phonological coding of written words, poor phonological awareness, and poor reading fluency and decoding skills
116. na___e language *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
117. the di_____ty policy of the university *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
118. 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
119. em_____r my life *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
120. online bi__o website *n.* a game of chance in which players match numbers on a card with randomly drawn numbers to be the first to complete a specific pattern or sequence; sudden realization, success, or achievement

ANSWERS: 114. genius, 115. dyslexia, 116. native, 117. diversity, 118. continent, 119. empower, 120. bingo

121. me_____al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
122. antibiotic-resistant g__m *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
123. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
124. un_____al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
125. do___n of use *n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
126. a good grounding in mat_____cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
127. the science of ge_____cs *n.* the branch of biology that studies genes, genetic variation, and heredity in organisms
128. cost ba_____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
129. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
130. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state

ANSWERS: 121. medicinal, 122. germ, 123. communicate, 124. universal, 125. domain, 126. mathematics, 127. genetics, 128. barrier, 129. consequence, 130. government

131. ac____e success *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
132. other co____l members *n.* a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place
133. lingual di____ty *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
134. sh____rd boy *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
135. h__d toe *adj.* situated at the back or rear; coming after, following; of, or relating to the hindquarters or hind legs of an animal
136. mo__h into a different shape *v.* to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another
137. sheep without a sh____rd *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
138. chicken c__p *v.* a farm building or enclosure for housing poultry
139. a dependent do____n *n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
140. em____r the secretary to do the same *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something

ANSWERS: 131. achieve, 132. council, 133. diversity, 134. shepherd, 135. hind, 136. morph, 137. shepherd, 138. coop, 139. domain, 140. empower

141. Ar___c cuisine *n.* the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language
142. tr_____te the emotion to a movement *v.* to convert or change words into another language
143. st__k a key in a lock *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
144. bankrupt cr_____or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
145. principles of un_____al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
146. far_____ing consequences *adj.* having a wide or significant impact or influence
147. dif_____ate a function *v.* to recognize or establish as being distinct; to distinguish between things that are compared; to calculate a derivative
148. mat_____cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
149. achieve far_____ing reform *adj.* having a wide or significant impact or influence
150. her major is lin_____ics *adj.* relating to language or the study of language

ANSWERS: 141. Arabic, 142. translate, 143. stick, 144. creditor, 145. universal, 146. far-reaching, 147. differentiate, 148. mathematics, 149. far-reaching, 150. linguistic

151. meet req_____nt *n.* something that is needed or wanted
152. share of a mu___l fund *adj.* common to or shared by two or more parties
153. unsung h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
154. me_____or for death *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
155. ro_____ic movies *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
156. ar_____ry size and shape *adj.* based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason
157. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
158. jo_____l articles *n.* a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
159. sh_____ng revelation *adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust
160. g__f stream *n.* a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land
161. banner he_____ne *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

ANSWERS: 151. requirement, 152. mutual, 153. hero, 154. metaphor, 155. romantic, 156. arbitrary, 157. decide, 158. journal, 159. shocking, 160. gulf, 161. headline

162. d_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
163. artistic int _____ sia *n.* the educated and intellectual elite of society, particularly those involved in cultural or artistic pursuits
164. ge ___ e downward slope *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
165. re _____ t a good worker *v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
166. ex _____ e in popularity *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
167. great-gra _____ nt *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
168. unpre _____ ted boom *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
169. less fo _____ te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
170. field of artificial int _____ nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
171. 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
172. official sta _____ cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
173. ca ___ r research *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

ANSWERS: 162. dam, 163. intelligentsia, 164. gentle, 165. recruit, 166. explode, 167. grandparent, 168. unprecedented, 169. fortunate, 170. intelligence, 171. communicate, 172. statistics, 173. cancer

174. g__f war *n.* a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land
175. sa_____y a desire *v.* to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need
176. student with dy_____ia *n.* a neurological condition that affects a person's ability to read, write, and spell, often despite normal or above-average intelligence, effective teaching, and adequate motivation, which is characterized by difficulty in the phonological coding of written words, poor phonological awareness, and poor reading fluency and decoding skills
177. re___t all imperfect merchandise *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
178. co_____nt urinary diversion *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
179. h__b garden *n.* a small plant with aromatic or flavorful leaves used for seasoning or medicinal purposes
180. ro_____ic breakup *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
181. a ge___s for music *n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
182. sa_____y a user's needs *v.* to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need
183. service f_e *n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service

ANSWERS: 174. gulf, 175. satisfy, 176. dyslexia, 177. reject, 178. continent, 179. herb, 180. romantic, 181. genius, 182. satisfy, 183. fee

184. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
185. burning ke_____ne *n.* a flammable, colorless, or pale yellow liquid derived from the distillation of petroleum, used as a fuel for lamps, stoves, and heaters
186. mo__h into something entirely different *v.* to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another

ANSWERS: 184. nation, 185. kerosene, 186. morph

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Laughing is _____ to our health.
adj. helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being
2. It was his first _____ love.
adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
3. The company's _____ all incoming phone calls and emails to ensure only important ones reached the boss.
n. a person, organization, or system that controls or monitors access to something, often a website, database, or institution; a person or group that controls or regulates access to information, especially for a particular perspective or interest
4. 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
5. The picture earned near-_____ acclaim from critics.
adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
6. What is the entry _____ for this course?
n. something that is needed or wanted
7. The _____ import tariff made it hard for the local market to offer competitive prices.
adj. tending to or effectively preventing or inhibiting an action, choice, or possibility due to being too expensive, difficult, or unreasonable; serving as a deterrent or barrier

ANSWERS: 1. beneficial, 2. romantic, 3. gatekeeper screened, 4. intelligence, 5. universal, 6. requirement, 7. prohibitive

8. Her _____ manner relaxed everyone there.

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

9. They won big at _____ last night, taking home the grand prize.

n. a game of chance in which players match numbers on a card with randomly drawn numbers to be the first to complete a specific pattern or sequence; sudden realization, success, or achievement

10. The vegetation here is almost wholly _____.

adj. connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

11. You _____ a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

12. The company _____ the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.

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

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

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

14. The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national _____.

n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

ANSWERS: 8. gentle, 9. bingo, 10. native, 11. stick, 12. rejected, 13. decide, 14. hero

15. The voices of the political and academic _____ dominated the debate.
- n.* the educated and intellectual elite of society, particularly those involved in cultural or artistic pursuits
16. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.
- n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
17. The _____ shape of the planet makes it difficult to determine which direction is north.
- adj.* shaped like a circle; having a round form
18. He is a specialist in the _____ of aging.
- n.* the branch of biology that studies genes, genetic variation, and heredity in organisms
19. This company _____ into an enterprise company.
- v.* to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another
20. Rosemary is a fragrant _____ commonly used in cooking.
- n.* a small plant with aromatic or flavorful leaves used for seasoning or medicinal purposes
21. It isn't very reasonable to _____ money with happiness.
- v.* to consider or describe one thing as similar, equal, or analogous
22. Like humans, primates' _____ are specialized for tool use and complex movement.
- n.* the limb or appendage located at the front of the body, typically used for grasping, manipulation, or movement, such as the arms in humans or the wings in birds

ANSWERS: 15. intelligentsia, 16. grade, 17. circular, 18. genetics, 19. morphed, 20. herb, 21. equate, 22. forelimbs

23. The _____ over the ownership of the land has been ongoing for years.
n. a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one
24. The _____ community in the city is small but growing.
n. a follower of the religion of Islam
25. He _____ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.
v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
26. The company plans to _____ its outdated technology and software to improve efficiency.
v. to bring up to date or make contemporary in style or function; to bring modern methods or resources into an existing organization or system
27. I'm studying _____ calligraphy as part of my art class.
n. the Semitic language of the Arab people, widely spoken throughout the Middle East and North Africa; of or relating to Arab peoples, culture, or language
28. The police placed a _____ across the street to halt traffic.
n. a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
29. She was close to her paternal _____ and often spent summers with them.
n. a parent of one's father or mother
30. _____ surgery is becoming more common in Asia due to lowering prices.
adj. relating to treatment aimed at restoring or improving a person's appearance and attractiveness; (noun) a substance that you put on your face or body to enhance its appearance and make it more attractive

ANSWERS: 23. dispute, 24. Muslim, 25. celebrated, 26. modernize, 27. Arabic, 28. barrier, 29. grandparents, 30. Cosmetic

31. The _____ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

32. The city _____ voted to approve the new development project.

n. a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place

33. The _____ effects of the policy change are still being felt.

adj. having a wide or significant impact or influence

34. The engagement of the two golf players became _____ news.

n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

35. He was _____ gifted.

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

36. The _____ section of the ship suffered significant damage after the collision with the reef.

adj. (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle

37. The product developed through years of research continues to _____ the market.

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

38. 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

ANSWERS: 31. germ, 32. council, 33. far-reaching, 34. headline, 35. naturally, 36. aft, 37. electrify, 38. government

39. The fortune teller's _____ that I would meet my soulmate next year has yet to come true.
- n.* a statement or prediction that something will happen in the future, typically one made by a religious leader
40. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
41. Mozart was a musical _____.
- n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
42. His _____ showed highly positive results.
- n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
43. The student required _____ courses in math after struggling in the class.
- adj.* intended to correct or improve a deficiency or weakness; providing basic skills and knowledge to overcome a learning or developmental difficulty
44. Many people jumped on the health food _____ after realizing its benefits.
- n.* a popular or fashionable trend or cause that attracts a large number of people who want to be part of it, often without considering its merits or drawbacks
45. She intends to _____ a political career.
- v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
46. The break in the ____ threatened the valley.
- n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

ANSWERS: 39. prophecy, 40. nation, 41. genius, 42. experiments, 43. remedial, 44. bandwagon, 45. pursue, 46. dam

47. The company _____ employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.
- v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
48. The news of the accident was _____ and left many in shock.
- adj.* extremely or surprisingly bad, or causing a strong emotional response such as surprise or disgust
49. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?
- v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
50. Did this response _____ your request?
- v.* to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need
51. He won the _____ for best actor at the film festival.
- n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
52. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.
- n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
53. The company's _____ in the market was expanding to new territories.
- n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
54. The report divided the data into _____ based on age, gender, and income level.
- n.* a part or section of something; a distinct group within a larger whole

ANSWERS: 47. empowered, 48. shocking, 49. divide, 50. satisfy, 51. award, 52. wealth, 53. domain, 54. segments

55. Our naive experience undoubtedly contains a _____ aspect.

adj. relating to language or the study of language

56. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

57. She expressed her thought in an artful choice of _____.

n. a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity

58. He has a flair for _____.

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

59. The teacher asked the students to _____ between the two similar species of birds.

v. to recognize or establish as being distinct; to distinguish between things that are compared; to calculate a derivative

60. Necessity is the mother of _____.

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

61. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

62. The _____ dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.

n. a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

ANSWERS: 55. linguistic, 56. statistics, 57. metaphors, 58. mathematics, 59. differentiate, 60. invention, 61. massive, 62. shepherd's

63. The farmer noticed a _____ leg injury on one of his cows and called the vet for help.
adj. situated at the back or rear; coming after, following; of, or relating to the hindquarters or hind legs of an animal
64. He was impressed by the range and _____ of the collection.
n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
65. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.
n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
66. He collected data to avoid _____ decisions.
adj. based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason
67. The lack of exposure to foreign languages made her a _____ speaker.
adj. being able to speak or use only one language
68. Educators need to understand how _____ affects students' reading abilities.
n. a neurological condition that affects a person's ability to read, write, and spell, often despite normal or above-average intelligence, effective teaching, and adequate motivation, which is characterized by difficulty in the phonological coding of written words, poor phonological awareness, and poor reading fluency and decoding skills
69. I will work hard to _____ my goals and realize my dreams.
v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
70. The colonial government _____ militia support when civil war broke out.
v. to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.

ANSWERS: 63. hind, 64. diversity, 65. consequences, 66. arbitrary, 67. monolingual, 68. dyslexia, 69. achieve, 70. recruited

71. You should wrap the bandage carefully and firmly around the injured _____.
n. an arm and leg of a person or animal
72. Mastering _____ takes a lot of time for those learning a foreign language.
n. the set of structural constraints on speakers' or writers' composition of clauses, phrases, and words
73. A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the _____.
n. a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
74. The _____ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.
adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
75. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.
adv. now or without delay
76. The physician is reading the _____ related to medicine
n. a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
77. The lawyer's ____ for the case was \$10,000.
n. a sum of money charged for a particular service
78. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.
adj. having good luck or lucky
79. Using proper _____ is essential for writing a good essay.
n. the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses

ANSWERS: 71. limb, 72. grammar, 73. curriculum, 74. giant, 75. immediately, 76. journals, 77. fee, 78. fortunate, 79. vocabulary

80. She was tired and hungry, but _____ she persevered.

adv. in spite of that; yet

81. The lamp in the cabin burned _____ for light.

n. a flammable, colorless, or pale yellow liquid derived from the distillation of petroleum, used as a fuel for lamps, stoves, and heaters

82. The _____ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

83. _____ the text from Italian into English.

v. to convert or change words into another language

84. I asked the lawyer to initiate _____ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

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

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

86. They cooperated for their _____ benefit.

adj. common to or shared by two or more parties

87. The old building _____ in a fiery inferno.

v. to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

ANSWERS: 80. nevertheless, 81. kerosene, 82. medicinal, 83. Translate, 84. creditor, 85. cancer, 86. mutual, 87. exploded

88. It was the first time for her, but she _____ the role of Priest.

v. to meet the requirements or expectations; to achieve or realize

89. _____ amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.

adj. never having been seen, done, or known before

90. The ____ of Mexico is a body of water in the southern United States.

n. a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land

91. The farmer put a ____ over the hens.

v. a farm building or enclosure for housing poultry

92. 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

93. 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

ANSWERS: 88. fulfilled, 89. Unprecedented, 90. Gulf, 91. coop, 92. continent, 93. communicate