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Session 1: Word List

belong

v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

synonym : fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group
All the books in this section **belong** to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

demographic

n. a statistic characterizing that describes people or groups of people based on their age, sex, income, etc.

(1) **demographic** analyses, (2) **demographic** policy
Several **demographic** indicators correlate with care admission.

pat

v. to touch or tap something lightly and usually in a friendly or encouraging manner; to apply or rub lightly and repetitively

synonym : tap, stroke, caress

(1) **pat** on the back, (2) **pat** a dog
She **patted** the puppy on the head and gave it a treat.

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.

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.

reminisce

v. to recall or remember past events or experiences, often with nostalgia or fondness

synonym: remember, recall

(1) **reminisce** on old times, (2) **reminisce** with old friends

Whenever I listen to this song, I **reminisce** about my college days.

tradition

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

synonym: custom, practice, ritual

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

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

religion

n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

synonym: faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**

Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

garment

n. a piece of clothing, such as a dress, coat, or shirt

synonym: apparel, clothing, attire

(1) **garment** industry, (2) silk **garment**

She hung the wet **garment** on the clothesline to dry.

diverse

adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities;
various

synonym: manifold, various, myriad

(1) **diverse** backgrounds, (2) a person of **diverse** talents

New York is a city with a **diverse** ethnic population.

journalist

n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

synonym: reporter, newsperson, press

(1) a China-based **journalist**, (2) **journalist** on a magazine

Foreign TV crews and **journalists** can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

president

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym: leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

hinder

v. to make it difficult for someone to do something; to limit the development of something

synonym: frustrate, hamper, interfere

(1) **hinder** athletic performance, (2) **hinder** international exchanges

The pandemic **hindered** the growth of the airline industry.

infringe

v. to violate or break a rule, law, or agreement, often by trespassing or infringing on someone else's rights or property

synonym: violate, trespass, breach

(1) **infringe** a copyright, (2) **infringe** on our property

The company promised not to **infringe** on any of its

competitor's patents.

contrary

n. acting in opposition to what is expected or desired

synonym : opposing, contradictory, conflicting

(1) the clear **contrary**, (2) **contrary** evidence

The two sides argued their points, but the judge ultimately sided with the **contrary** viewpoint.

pajama

n. a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging

synonym : nightgown, nightdress

(1) care **pajama**, (2) **pajama** pants

My little sister loves to have **pajama** parties with her friends on the weekends.

sari

n. a garment worn primarily by women from the Indian subcontinent, consisting of a length of fabric that is draped and wrapped around the body in various styles

synonym : shawl, wrap, veil

(1) **sari** blouse, (2) silk **sari**

She wore a beautiful **sari** to the wedding, which was bright and colorful.

kimono

n. a traditional Japanese garment worn by women, consisting of a T-shaped robe with wide sleeves and a wraparound obi sash

synonym : robe, gown, dress

(1) silk **kimono**, (2) wear a **kimono**

She looked stunning in her traditional Japanese **kimono** dress.

reconnect

v. to connect again after a break or interruption

synonym : reopen, rejoin, link up

(1) **reconnect** a telephone, (2) **reconnect** with family

After a long period of estrangement, they **reconnected** with each other.

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.

modern

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

synonym : contemporary, stylish, current

(1) **modern** poetry, (2) pre- **modern** agricultural society

Their headquarters are in a **modern** skyscraper.

assert

v. to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true

synonym : maintain, state, declare

(1) **assert** a free society, (2) **assert** a claim for unjust enrichment

She **asserted** that she was innocent, despite the evidence against her.

heritage

n. the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations

synonym : legacy, tradition, inheritance

(1) **heritage** site, (2) historical **heritage**

The **heritage** of the city is reflected in its architecture.

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.

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.

decision

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

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

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

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

balance

n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

synonym: equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

(1) the **balance** of power, (2) asset on the company's **balance** sheet

Try to keep a **balance** between work and off.

analogy

n. a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept

synonym: metaphor, comparison, parallel

(1) draw **analogy**, (2) historical **analogy**

Some kinds of machine learning models show an **analogy** to how people learn.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

synonym: person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

prefer

v. to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another

synonym: choose, like, favor

(1) **prefer** physics to chemistry, (2) **prefer** a window seat

The birds **prefer** open water areas with reeds around them.

necessitate

v. to make something necessary or essential; to require something as a condition or consequence

synonym: require, demand, entail

(1) **necessitate** compromise, (2) **necessitate** action

The new law will **necessitate** changes in our current procedures.

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.

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

synonym: character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

revise

v. to examine and make corrections or alterations to the idea, piece of writing, etc. to improve it

synonym: alter, revamp, modify

(1) **revise** the plan, (2) **revise** his belief

The prediction method has been **revised** drastically.

institutionalize

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

synonym: formalize, establish, regularize

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

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

develop

v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve

greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

representation

n. the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting

synonym: delegacy, manifestation, expression

(1) sales **representation**, (2) binary **representation**

A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal **representation**.

phenomenon

n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

synonym: marvel, wonder, splendor

(1) natural **phenomenon**, (2) historical **phenomenon**

A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

straddle

v. to sit or stand with one leg on either side of something or someone; to adopt a position or attitude that involves a compromise or combination of two or more opposing principles, ideas, or interests

synonym: strive, sit astride, span

(1) **straddle** a fence, (2) **straddle** a motorcycle

We had to **straddle** the fallen tree to cross the river.

perceive

v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

synonym: sense, discern, feel

(1) **perceive** a threat, (2) **perceive** light

Australia is widely **perceived** as having low levels of corruption.

desert

n. arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

(1) **desert** basin, (2) oasis in the **desert**

This region is predominantly **desert**.

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.

visionary

adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

synonym: prophetic, far-sighted, imaginative

(1) **visionary** business, (2) **visionary** ideas

The **visionary** leader had a clear plan for the company's future.

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.

component

n. one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger

synonym: element, part, factor

(1) key **component**, (2) spare **components** for cars

The researchers try to discover a common **component** in all types of successful organizations.

discuss

v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

synonym: talk about, converse, debate

(1) **discuss** options, (2) **discuss** solutions

We need to **discuss** the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

chairperson

n. the officer who presides over organization meetings

synonym: director, head, leader

(1) vice **chairperson**, (2) the meeting elected a **chairperson**

The **chairperson** has the authority to approve or deny any request.

maintain

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

synonym: preserve, uphold, sustain

(1) **maintain** order, (2) **maintain** good health

I need to **maintain** my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

uproar

n. a state of loud and confused noise and excitement, especially caused by public protest or dissent

synonym: commotion, fuss, disturbance

(1) a clamorous **uproar**, (2) political **uproar**

The **uproar** caused by the announcement of the layoffs was heard throughout the office.

export

v. to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use

synonym: ship, send, transfer

(1) **export** goods, (2) **export** the data

The country **exports** a large amount of agricultural products.

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**.

engage

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

synonym: confront, employ, amuse

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

(2) **engage** a new employee

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

dialogue

n. a conversation in a book, play, or film

synonym: conversation, discussion, talk

(1) Platonic **dialogues**, (2) the form of a **dialogue**

He recorded the **dialogue** at the time of the incident.

visual

adj. relating to seeing or sight

synonym: optical, graphical, visible

(1) **visual** navigation, (2) field of **visual** arts

The building makes a remarkable **visual** impact.

photograph

n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

synonym: photo, picture, snapshot

(1) **photograph** album, (2) **photograph** memories

I found an old **photograph** of my grandparents from their

wedding day.

organic

adj. of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals

synonym : biological

(1) **organic** soils, (2) eat **organic** food

The kidney is an **organic** component of the body.

process

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

synonym : procedure, method, system

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

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

integrate

v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

synonym : mix, merge, combine

(1) **integrate** into the existing system, (2) **integrate** both businesses

He found that it is difficult to **integrate** socially.

independence

n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence

synonym : freedom, liberty, autonomy

(1) financial **independence**, (2) **independence** ceremony

There is nothing more valuable than **independence** and freedom.

fabric

n. cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

synonym : cloth, material, goods

(1) a hand-loomed **fabric**, (2) **fabric** of creation

These synthetic **fabrics** are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

extensive

adj. covering a large area; having a wide range

synonym: ample, comprehensive, vast

(1) **extensive** experience, (2) have **extensive** vocabulary

The incident attracted **extensive** media coverage throughout the world.

represent

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

synonym: depict, express, describe

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

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

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.

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.

studio

n. a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

synonym: workshop, atelier, room

(1) a photo **studio**, (2) music **studio**

She works at a recording **studio** in Los Angeles.

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**.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym : regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**

The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

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.

filmmaking

n. the process or art of making movies

synonym : movie-making, film production, cinema

(1) **filmmaking** industry, (2) retire from **filmmaking**

The history of **filmmaking** dates back to the late 19th century when motion pictures were first shown to audiences.

filmmaker

n. a person who makes films, typically as a profession

synonym : director, producer, cinematographer

(1) non-fiction **filmmaker**, (2) a successful **filmmaker**

The renowned **filmmaker** won several awards for his latest film.

educated

adj. having received a high standard of education

synonym : knowledgeable, erudite, enlightened

(1) **educated** adult, (2) **educated** speech

Excellent speech is a characteristic of an **educated** man.

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.

headscarf

n. a piece of cloth worn on the head, often for religious or cultural reasons

synonym : hijab, shawl, veil

(1) traditional **headscarf**, (2) **headscarf** cloth

Some women choose to wear a **headscarf** as a symbol of their cultural identity and religious beliefs.

upset

adj. causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

synonym : disturbed, bothered, resentful

(1) get **upset**, (2) have an **upset** stomach

He was awfully **upset** by the news.

useless

adj. not serving any useful purpose; having no practical result

synonym : ineffectual, unhelpful, worthless

(1) **useless** information, (2) **useless** in the kitchen

The old, rusty tools were now **useless** and had to be thrown away.

festival

n. a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works

synonym : fair, holiday, celebration

(1) **festival** attendee, (2) international film **festival**

The music **festival** attracts visitors from all over the world.

- hub** *n.* the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes
synonym : center, junction, focal point
(1) a **hub** of commerce, (2) education **hub**
This airport has taken the first step to become an international **hub** airport.
- attract** *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
synonym : lure, entice, draw in
(1) **attract** attention, (2) **attract** customers
The government is eager to **attract** international investment.
- showcase** *n.* a display or exhibition of something, typically as a way of promoting it
synonym : exhibit, display, presentation
(1) museum **showcase**, (2) **showcase** of innovation
The museum's new exhibition is a **showcase** of contemporary art.
- cosmopolitan** *adj.* having a wide-ranging perspective and interests, embracing diverse cultures, and having the experience of living in or being familiar with many different countries
synonym : worldly, multicultural, urbane
(1) **cosmopolitan** city, (2) **cosmopolitan** lifestyle
The city was known for its **cosmopolitan** culture and diverse population.
- inviting** *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
synonym : attractive, tempting, alluring
(1) **inviting** scent, (2) **inviting** atmosphere
The **inviting** aroma of freshly baked bread drew me into the bakery.

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.

ignorance

n. lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact

synonym: unintelligence, inexperience, unawareness

(1) **ignorance** of the law, (2) **ignorance** is bliss

His **ignorance** of the situation led him to make a poor decision.

underestimate

v. to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is

synonym: underrate, misjudge, miscalculate

(1) **underestimate** an enemy, (2) **underestimate** the probability

They frequently **underestimated** their abilities and felt inferior.

expression

n. the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood

synonym: statement, utterance, remark

(1) artistic **expression**, (2) **expression** of interest

His facial **expression** showed a mix of surprise and confusion.

realization

n. the act or process of understanding or becoming aware of something; the act of achieving or completing something that was planned or desired; the act of making something real or tangible

synonym: achievement, attainment, understanding

(1) **realization** of a concept, (2) harsh **realization**

Her sudden **realization** of her mistake caused her great regret.

pretension

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

synonym : presumption, pretense, affectation

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

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

familiarity

n. a state of being well-known or closely acquainted with someone or something; the quality of being easily recognized or understood; a feeling of comfort or ease in a particular environment or with a certain situation

synonym : acquaintance, knowledge, intimacy

(1) casual **familiarity**, (2) sense of **familiarity**

The tourist's **familiarity** with the city's layout allowed them to navigate easily.

destroy

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

synonym : demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

trump

n. a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games

(1) **trump** card, (2) choose **trump**

The **trump** suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.

Session 2: Spelling

1. software li____e
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
2. pho____ph memories
n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
3. re___e his belief
v. to examine and make corrections or alterations to the idea, piece of writing, etc. to improve it
4. jou____st on a magazine
n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
5. make a fr__k apology
adj. honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
6. the ba____e of power
n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
7. s__i blouse
n. a garment worn primarily by women from the Indian subcontinent, consisting of a length of fabric that is draped and wrapped around the body in various styles

ANSWERS: 1. license, 2. photograph, 3. revise, 4. journalist, 5. frank, 6. balance, 7. sari

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| 16. sh_____se of innovation | <i>n.</i> | a display or exhibition of something, typically as a way of promoting it |
| 17. care pa____a | <i>n.</i> | a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging |
| 18. us_____s in the kitchen | <i>adj.</i> | not serving any useful purpose; having no practical result |
| 19. financial ind_____nce | <i>n.</i> | freedom from another's or others' control or influence |
| 20. re_____ct with family | <i>v.</i> | to connect again after a break or interruption |
| 21. retire from fil_____ng | <i>n.</i> | the process or art of making movies |
| 22. di_____s solutions | <i>v.</i> | to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic |
| 23. ins_____ize a system | <i>v.</i> | to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.) |
| 24. a h_b of commerce | <i>n.</i> | the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes |
| 25. ma_____in order | <i>v.</i> | to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true |
| 26. ig_____ce of the law | <i>n.</i> | lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact |
| 27. de____t basin | <i>n.</i> | arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks |

ANSWERS: 16. showcase, 17. pajama, 18. useless, 19. independence, 20. reconnect, 21. filmmaking, 22. discuss, 23. institutionalize, 24. hub, 25. maintain, 26. ignorance, 27. desert

28. museum sh____se *n.* a display or exhibition of something, typically as a way of promoting it
29. pho____ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
30. pr____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
31. ind____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
32. vi____ry ideas *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
33. historical he____ge *n.* the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations
34. 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
35. a clamorous up____r *n.* a state of loud and confused noise and excitement, especially caused by public protest or dissent
36. ig____ce is bliss *n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact

ANSWERS: 28. showcase, 29. photograph, 30. president, 31. individual, 32. visionary, 33. heritage, 34. license, 35. uproar, 36. ignorance

37. pe____ve light *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
38. oasis in the de____t *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
39. education h_b *n.* the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes
40. international film fe____al *n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works
41. pe____ve a threat *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
42. have an up__t stomach *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
43. re____nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
44. spare co____nts for cars *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
45. ex__t goods *v.* to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use
46. against tr____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

ANSWERS: 37. perceive, 38. desert, 39. hub, 40. festival, 41. perceive, 42. upset, 43. represent, 44. component, 45. export, 46. tradition

47. a hand-loomed fa___c *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
48. have ex_____ve vocabulary *adj.* covering a large area; having a wide range
49. 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
50. eat or_____c food *adj.* of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals
51. ed_____ed speech *adj.* having received a high standard of education
52. wear a ki___o *n.* a traditional Japanese garment worn by women, consisting of a T-shaped robe with wide sleeves and a wraparound obi sash
53. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
54. tr__p card *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
55. re___e the plan *v.* to examine and make corrections or alterations to the idea, piece of writing, etc. to improve it
56. in_____ng scent *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate

ANSWERS: 47. fabric, 48. extensive, 49. modernize, 50. organic, 51. educated, 52. kimono, 53. engage, 54. trump, 55. revise, 56. inviting

57. de____y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
58. 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
59. st_____le a motorcycle *v.* to sit or stand with one leg on either side of something or someone; to adopt a position or attitude that involves a compromise or combination of two or more opposing principles, ideas, or interests
60. pre_____on to authority *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
61. natural phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
62. de_____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
63. choose tr__p *n.* a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
64. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 57. destroy, 58. discovery, 59. straddle, 60. pretension, 61. phenomenon, 62. destroy, 63. trump, 64. process

65. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
66. pa___a pants *n.* a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging
67. a China-based jou_____st *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
68. ma_____in good health *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
69. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
70. nec_____te compromise *v.* to make something necessary or essential; to require something as a condition or consequence
71. as___t a claim for unjust enrichment *v.* to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true
72. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 65. tradition, 66. pajama, 67. journalist, 68. maintain, 69. government, 70. necessitate, 71. assert, 72. process

73. or____c soils *adj.* of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals
74. vi____l navigation *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
75. less fo____te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
76. st____le a fence *v.* to sit or stand with one leg on either side of something or someone; to adopt a position or attitude that involves a compromise or combination of two or more opposing principles, ideas, or interests
77. rea____on of a concept *n.* the act or process of understanding or becoming aware of something; the act of achieving or completing something that was planned or desired; the act of making something real or tangible
78. ex____ve experience *adj.* covering a large area; having a wide range
79. de____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
80. ins____ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
81. even more unf____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily

ANSWERS: 73. organic, 74. visual, 75. fortunate, 76. straddle, 77. realization, 78. extensive, 79. develop, 80. institutionalize, 81. unfortunately

82. non-fiction fi_____er *n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession
83. Platonic di_____ues *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
84. fr__k and open discussion *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
85. fo_____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
86. dispel do__ts *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
87. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
88. harsh rea_____on *n.* the act or process of understanding or becoming aware of something; the act of achieving or completing something that was planned or desired; the act of making something real or tangible
89. the meeting elected a cha_____on *n.* the officer who presides over organization meetings
90. no do__t about the news *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
91. 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
92. us_____s information *adj.* not serving any useful purpose; having no practical result

ANSWERS: 82. filmmaker, 83. dialogue, 84. frank, 85. fortunate, 86. doubt, 87. decision, 88. realization, 89. chairperson, 90. doubt, 91. modernize, 92. useless

93. historical phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
94. in_____te both businesses *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
95. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
96. pr____r a window seat *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
97. baseless pre_____on *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
98. dem_____ic analyses *n.* a statistic characterizing that describes people or groups of people based on their age, sex, income, etc.
99. pr____r physics to chemistry *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
100. traditional he_____rf *n.* a piece of cloth worn on the head, often for religious or cultural reasons
101. co_____ry evidence *n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
102. asset on the company's ba_____e sheet *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
103. use one thing con_____sly *adv.* without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly

ANSWERS: 93. phenomenon, 94. integrate, 95. communal, 96. prefer, 97. pretension, 98. demographic, 99. prefer, 100. headscarf, 101. contrary, 102. balance, 103. continuously

104. ex___t the data *v.* to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use
105. at_____t customers *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
106. fil_____ng industry *n.* the process or art of making movies
107. political up___r *n.* a state of loud and confused noise and excitement, especially caused by public protest or dissent
108. principles of un_____al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
109. as___t a free society *v.* to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true
110. hi___r international exchanges *v.* to make it difficult for someone to do something; to limit the development of something
111. vice cha_____on *n.* the officer who presides over organization meetings
112. the characters that re_____nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
113. silk s__i *n.* a garment worn primarily by women from the Indian subcontinent, consisting of a length of fabric that is draped and wrapped around the body in various styles

ANSWERS: 104. export, 105. attract, 106. filmmaking, 107. uproar, 108. universal, 109. assert, 110. hinder, 111. chairperson, 112. represent, 113. sari

114. he_____rf cloth *n.* a piece of cloth worn on the head, often for religious or cultural reasons
115. re_____ct a telephone *v.* to connect again after a break or interruption
116. un_____al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
117. cos_____tan city *adj.* having a wide-ranging perspective and interests, embracing diverse cultures, and having the experience of living in or being familiar with many different countries
118. he_____ge site *n.* the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations
119. hi____r athletic performance *v.* to make it difficult for someone to do something; to limit the development of something
120. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
121. draw an_____y *n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept
122. the clear co_____ry *n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
123. a successful fi_____er *n.* a person who makes films, typically as a profession
124. pre-mo____n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times

ANSWERS: 114. headscarf, 115. reconnect, 116. universal, 117. cosmopolitan, 118. heritage, 119. hinder, 120. decision, 121. analogy, 122. contrary, 123. filmmaker, 124. modern

125. ed____ed adult *adj.* having received a high standard of education
126. p_t a dog *v.* to touch or tap something lightly and usually in a friendly or encouraging manner; to apply or rub lightly and repetitively
127. co____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
128. at____t attention *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
129. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
130. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
131. exp____on of interest *n.* the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood
132. in____te into the existing system *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
133. be____g to a group *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

ANSWERS: 125. educated, 126. pat, 127. communal, 128. attract, 129. nation, 130. nation, 131. expression, 132. integrate, 133. belong

134. cos_____tan lifestyle *adj.* having a wide-ranging perspective and interests, embracing diverse cultures, and having the experience of living in or being familiar with many different countries
135. 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
136. di_____e backgrounds *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
137. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
138. a photo st___o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
139. the form of a di_____ue *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
140. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
141. key co_____nt *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
142. con_____sly removed *adv.* without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly
143. fa___c of creation *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
144. mo___n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times

ANSWERS: 134. cosmopolitan, 135. discovery, 136. diverse, 137. statistics, 138. studio, 139. dialogue, 140. religion, 141. component, 142. continuously, 143. fabric, 144. modern

145. dem_____ic policy *n.* a statistic characterizing that describes people or groups of people based on their age, sex, income, etc.
146. vi_____ry business *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
147. in_____ge on our property *v.* to violate or break a rule, law, or agreement, often by trespassing or infringing on someone else's rights or property
148. und_____ate an enemy *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
149. artistic exp_____on *n.* the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood
150. ind_____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
151. re_____ce with old friends *v.* to recall or remember past events or experiences, often with nostalgia or fondness
152. 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
153. co_____us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

ANSWERS: 145. demographic, 146. visionary, 147. infringe, 148. underestimate, 149. expression, 150. independence, 151. reminisce, 152. institute, 153. conscious

154. p_t on the back *v.* to touch or tap something lightly and usually in a friendly or encouraging manner; to apply or rub lightly and repetitively
155. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
156. g__f war *n.* a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land
157. sales rep_____ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
158. field of vi___l arts *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
159. binary rep_____ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
160. ga_____t industry *n.* a piece of clothing, such as a dress, coat, or shirt
161. e__t a video *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
162. und_____ate the probability *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
163. historical an_____y *n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept
164. music st___o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

ANSWERS: 154. pat, 155. government, 156. gulf, 157. representation, 158. visual, 159. representation, 160. garment, 161. edit, 162. underestimate, 163. analogy, 164. studio

165. a person of di_____e talents *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
166. be___g to different species *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
167. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
168. di_____s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
169. silk ga_____t *n.* a piece of clothing, such as a dress, coat, or shirt
170. co_____us of having succeeded *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
171. get up__t *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
172. e__t a history book *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
173. in_____ng atmosphere *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
174. re_____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
175. sense of fam_____ty *n.* a state of being well-known or closely acquainted with someone or something; the quality of being easily recognized or understood; a feeling of comfort or ease in a particular environment or with a certain situation

ANSWERS: 165. diverse, 166. belong, 167. unfortunately, 168. discuss, 169. garment, 170. conscious, 171. upset, 172. edit, 173. inviting, 174. religion, 175.

familiarity

176. 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
177. casual fam_____ty *n.* a state of being well-known or closely acquainted with someone or something; the quality of being easily recognized or understood; a feeling of comfort or ease in a particular environment or with a certain situation
178. fe_____al attendee *n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works
179. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
180. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
181. silk ki____o *n.* a traditional Japanese garment worn by women, consisting of a T-shaped robe with wide sleeves and a wraparound obi sash
182. g__f stream *n.* a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land

ANSWERS: 176. institute, 177. familiarity, 178. festival, 179. individual, 180. president, 181. kimono, 182. gulf

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. She looked stunning in her traditional Japanese _____ dress.
n. a traditional Japanese garment worn by women, consisting of a T-shaped robe with wide sleeves and a wraparound obi sash

2. The museum's new exhibition is a _____ of contemporary art.
n. a display or exhibition of something, typically as a way of promoting it

3. The new policy aims to _____ the use of renewable energy sources.
v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

4. 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

5. The tourist's _____ with the city's layout allowed them to navigate easily.
n. a state of being well-known or closely acquainted with someone or something; the quality of being easily recognized or understood; a feeling of comfort or ease in a particular environment or with a certain situation

6. Some women choose to wear a _____ as a symbol of their cultural identity and religious beliefs.
n. a piece of cloth worn on the head, often for religious or cultural reasons

7. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

ANSWERS: 1. kimono, 2. showcase, 3. institutionalize, 4. license, 5. familiarity, 6. headscarf, 7. individual,

8. A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal _____.
- n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
9. His _____ of the situation led him to make a poor decision.
- n.* lack of knowledge or information about a particular subject or fact
10. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.
- n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
11. The pandemic _____ the growth of the airline industry.
- v.* to make it difficult for someone to do something; to limit the development of something
12. Try to keep a _____ between work and off.
- n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
13. The kidney is an _____ component of the body.
- adj.* of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals
14. The building makes a remarkable _____ impact.
- adj.* relating to seeing or sight
15. The researchers try to discover a common _____ in all types of successful organizations.
- n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger

ANSWERS: 8. representation, 9. ignorance, 10. independence, 11. hindered, 12. balance, 13. organic, 14. visual, 15. component

16. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

17. All the books in this section _____ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

18. He became _____ that he was being followed.

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

19. The prediction method has been _____ drastically.

v. to examine and make corrections or alterations to the idea, piece of writing, etc. to improve it

20. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

21. The company promised not to _____ on any of its competitor's patents.

v. to violate or break a rule, law, or agreement, often by trespassing or infringing on someone else's rights or property

22. She works at a recording _____ in Los Angeles.

n. a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

23. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

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

ANSWERS: 16. Communal, 17. belong, 18. conscious, 19. revised, 20. religion, 21. infringe, 22. studio, 23. process

24. This airport has taken the first step to become an international ____ airport.
n. the central or main part of a particular place, activity, network, etc.; the central part of a car wheel, fan, propeller, etc., through which the shaft or axle passes
25. 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
26. Excellent speech is a characteristic of an _____ man.
adj. having received a high standard of education
27. The old, rusty tools were now _____ and had to be thrown away.
adj. not serving any useful purpose; having no practical result
28. Several _____ indicators correlate with care admission.
n. a statistic characterizing that describes people or groups of people based on their age, sex, income, etc.
29. His _____ of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.
n. the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
30. This region is predominantly _____.
n. arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
31. The two sides argued their points, but the judge ultimately sided with the _____ viewpoint.
n. acting in opposition to what is expected or desired

ANSWERS: 24. hub, 25. government, 26. educated, 27. useless, 28. demographic, 29. pretensions, 30. desert, 31. contrary

32. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
33. She _____ the puppy on the head and gave it a treat.
- v.* to touch or tap something lightly and usually in a friendly or encouraging manner; to apply or rub lightly and repetitively
34. My little sister loves to have _____ parties with her friends on the weekends.
- n.* a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging
35. He found that it is difficult to _____ socially.
- v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
36. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.
- adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
37. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.
- adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
38. The country's domestic coal consumption has been _____ declining for decades.
- adv.* without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly
39. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 32. statistics, 33. patted, 34. pajama, 35. integrate, 36. unfortunately, 37. modern, 38. continuously, 39. develop

40. The _____ has the authority to approve or deny any request.
n. the officer who presides over organization meetings
41. I need to _____ my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.
v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
42. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
43. Foreign TV crews and _____ can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.
n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
44. The picture earned near-_____ acclaim from critics.
adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
45. After a long period of estrangement, they _____ with each other.
v. to connect again after a break or interruption
46. They frequently _____ their abilities and felt inferior.
v. to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
47. I found an old _____ of my grandparents from their wedding day.
n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

ANSWERS: 40. chairperson, 41. maintain, 42. engaged, 43. journalists, 44. universal, 45. reconnected, 46. underestimated, 47. photograph

48. Australia is widely _____ as having low levels of corruption.
v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
49. 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
50. The _____ aroma of freshly baked bread drew me into the bakery.
adj. having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
51. The _____ suit in the game of bridge is determined at the beginning of each hand.
n. a playing card with a picture of a trumpeter on it, used in certain card games
52. A rainbow is a natural _____.
n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
53. Full involvement means _____ and prompt responses.
adj. honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
54. The city was known for its _____ culture and diverse population.
adj. having a wide-ranging perspective and interests, embracing diverse cultures, and having the experience of living in or being familiar with many different countries
55. The country _____ a large amount of agricultural products.
v. to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use

ANSWERS: 48. perceived, 49. modernize, 50. inviting, 51. trump, 52. phenomenon, 53. frank, 54. cosmopolitan, 55. exports

56. He recorded the _____ at the time of the incident.

n. a conversation in a book, play, or film

57. The club _____ does not have absolute power.

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

58. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.

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

59. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.

adj. having good luck or lucky

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

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

61. The new law will _____ changes in our current procedures.

v. to make something necessary or essential; to require something as a condition or consequence

62. The music _____ attracts visitors from all over the world.

n. a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works

63. The _____ leader had a clear plan for the company's future.

adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

ANSWERS: 56. dialogue, 57. president, 58. represent, 59. fortunate, 60. tradition, 61. necessitate, 62. festival, 63. visionary

64. He was awfully _____ by the news.

adj. causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

65. The renowned _____ won several awards for his latest film.

n. a person who makes films, typically as a profession

66. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

67. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

68. 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

69. 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

70. The _____ of the city is reflected in its architecture.

n. the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations

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

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

ANSWERS: 64. upset, 65. filmmaker, 66. identity, 67. discuss, 68. Gulf, 69. nation, 70. heritage, 71. decision

72. We had to _____ the fallen tree to cross the river.

- v.* to sit or stand with one leg on either side of something or someone; to adopt a position or attitude that involves a compromise or combination of two or more opposing principles, ideas, or interests

73. These synthetic _____ are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

- n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

74. The history of _____ dates back to the late 19th century when motion pictures were first shown to audiences.

- n.* the process or art of making movies

75. The _____ caused by the announcement of the layoffs was heard throughout the office.

- n.* a state of loud and confused noise and excitement, especially caused by public protest or dissent

76. Whenever I listen to this song, I _____ about my college days.

- v.* to recall or remember past events or experiences, often with nostalgia or fondness

77. 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

78. _____ is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

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

ANSWERS: 72. straddle, 73. fabrics, 74. filmmaking, 75. uproar, 76. reminisce, 77. edit, 78. Doubt

79. She wore a beautiful _____ to the wedding, which was bright and colorful.
- n.* a garment worn primarily by women from the Indian subcontinent, consisting of a length of fabric that is draped and wrapped around the body in various styles
80. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.
- v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
81. 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
82. New York is a city with a _____ ethnic population.
- adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
83. 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
84. The government is eager to _____ international investment.
- v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
85. Her sudden _____ of her mistake caused her great regret.
- n.* the act or process of understanding or becoming aware of something; the act of achieving or completing something that was planned or desired; the act of making something real or tangible
86. The birds _____ open water areas with reeds around them.
- v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another

ANSWERS: 79. sari, 80. destroyed, 81. discovery, 82. diverse, 83. institutes, 84. attract, 85. realization, 86. prefer

87. The incident attracted _____ media coverage throughout the world.

adj. covering a large area; having a wide range

88. Some kinds of machine learning models show an _____ to how people learn.

n. a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept

89. She _____ that she was innocent, despite the evidence against her.

v. to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true

90. His facial _____ showed a mix of surprise and confusion.

n. the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood

91. She hung the wet _____ on the clothesline to dry.

n. a piece of clothing, such as a dress, coat, or shirt

ANSWERS: 87. extensive, 88. analogy, 89. asserted, 90. expression, 91. garment