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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### persuade

*v.* to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion

*synonym*: convince, influence, sway

(1) attempt to **persuade**, (2) **persuade** enough people

She tried to **persuade** her brother to join her on the trip, but he was too busy with work.

### engagement

*n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

*synonym*: betrothal, promise, commitment

(1) a prior **engagement**, (2) break off an **engagement**

They selected a gorgeous diamond **engagement** ring.

### 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.

### profoundly

*adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply

*synonym*: deeply, greatly, completely

(1) **profoundly** insightful, (2) sleep **profoundly**

The novel affected her **profoundly**, causing her to question her beliefs and values.

## affirm

*v.* to assert that something is true or real; to state positively  
*synonym*: declare, avow, assert

(1) **affirm** old traditions, (2) **affirm** strong identity

I **affirm** that I will always stand by my beliefs.

## alcoholism

*n.* a chronic disorder characterized by dependence on alcohol and repeated excessive use of alcoholic beverages

*synonym*: alcohol dependency, alcohol addiction, drunkenness

(1) acute **alcoholism**, (2) **alcoholism** recovery

He lost everything due to his **alcoholism**.

## depression

*n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

*synonym*: recession, slump, despair

(1) the Great **Depression**, (2) the root problem of her **depression**

**Depression** symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.

## morphine

*n.* a powerful narcotic drug used to relieve pain and induce sleep

*synonym*: narcotic, painkiller, sedative

(1) **morphine** addiction, (2) synthetic **morphine**

Long-term use of **morphine** can lead to tolerance, physical dependence, and addiction.

## addiction

*n.* the inability to stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful

*synonym*: dependence

(1) alcohol **addiction**, (2) **addiction** to foreign oil

He is now fighting his **addiction** to drugs.

## comparison

*n.* the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things

*synonym*: equivalence, analogy, contrast

(1) ease of **comparison**, (2) **comparison** of foods on a caloric basis

I've included the two designs for a **comparison**.

## sibling

*n.* a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents

*synonym*: brother, sister, relative

(1) have a **sibling** quarrel, (2) play with my **siblings**

Children often copy their parents or elder **siblings**.

## 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.

## jack

*n.* a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects

*synonym*: lever, crank, wrench

(1) a **jack** of all trades, (2) a line-in **jack**

He used a **jack** to lift the car to change the tire.

## labor

*n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

*synonym*: toil, toil, donkeywork

(1) seasonal **labor**, (2) manual **labor**

In several countries, child **labor** is a serious social problem.

**torture**

*n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason

*synonym* : torment, abuse, mistreatment

(1) a **torture** chamber, (2) an instrument of **torture**

The use of **torture** is strictly prohibited under international law.

**relieve**

*v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe

*synonym* : alleviate, ease, assuage

(1) **relieve** his thirst, (2) **relieve** stress

The medicine **relieved** his headache, and he felt much better.

**relation**

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

*synonym* : association, linkage, connection

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

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

**fraught**

*adj.* causing, accompanied by, or full of anxiety, tension, or stress

*synonym* : tense, anxious, stressed

(1) become increasingly **fraught**, (2) **fraught** with danger

The negotiations were **fraught** with challenges and setbacks.

**woe**

*n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness

*synonym* : anguish, despair, suffering

(1) economic **woe**, (2) full of **woe**

Recurrent financial **woes** hampered his subsequent career.

**bond**

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

*synonym*: bind, adhesion, attachment

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

They had formed a friendship **bond**.

## pageantry

*n.* elaborate and spectacular display or ceremony, typically associated with big events and special occasions such as parades, broadcasts, or theatrical performances

*synonym*: spectacle, ceremony, parade

(1) grand **pageantry**, (2) royal **pageantry**

The **pageantry** of the parade was truly magnificent, with colorful floats and costumed performers.

## petulance

*n.* the quality of being easily irritated and childishly sulky

*synonym*: crankiness, irascibility, irritability

(1) babyish **petulance**, (2) an affectation of **petulance**

His impolite behavior incurred her **petulance**.

## bush

*n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root

*synonym*: copse, scrub, brushwood

(1) trees and **bushes**, (2) a **bush** of hair

I am going to trim this **bush** off.

## governor

*n.* the person who holds the highest executive office in a state or province

*synonym*: administrator, executive, leader

(1) **governor** general, (2) a prefectural **governor**

The state **governor** visited the affected areas and promised to aid the victims.

## gripe

*n.* a minor complaint or criticism, typically expressed in a grumbling or persistent manner; sudden, sharp pain or discomfort in the abdomen; (verb) to grumble or complain about something, often in a persistent, nagging manner

*synonym*: complaint, objection, grumble

(1) minor **gripe**, (2) **gripe** about his sore feet

One of the most common **gripes** employees have is that they are not paid enough money for their work.

## patience

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

*synonym*: forbearance, endurance, tolerance

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

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

## responsible

*adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

*synonym*: accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

## scandal

*n.* an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage

*synonym*: controversy, outrage, uproar

(1) **scandal** magazine, (2) a corruption **scandal**

The political **scandal** rocked the nation and led to the resignation of several high-ranking officials.

## messy

*adj.* disorganized and untidy

*synonym*: cluttered, disorganized, untidy

(1) **messy** data, (2) **messy** handling

His **messy** bedroom is always a source of frustration for his mother.

## divorce

*n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage

*synonym*: separation, dissolution, breakup

(1) **divorce** settlement, (2) a consensual **divorce**

The couple decided to get a **divorce** after many years of marriage.

## abide

*v.* to accept or tolerate something or to act in accordance with a rule, decision, recommendation, etc.; to remain in a particular state or condition

*synonym*: reside, dwell, live

(1) **abide** by a contract, (2) **abide** in the same place

They must **abide** by the rules set by the governing body.

## spouse

*n.* a person's husband, wife, or partner in marriage

*synonym*: partner, mate, wife

(1) **spouse** tax deduction, (2) **spouse** visa

The **spouse** of the politician was a constant presence at campaign events.

## arc

*n.* the shape of a portion of a circle or other curved line

*synonym*: turn, bow, angle

(1) the **arc** current, (2) an **arc** of a circumference

A ball flew in a big **arc**.

## define

*v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

*synonym*: characterize, depict, express

(1) **define** a word, (2) **define** my position

To advance this discussion, we must **define** "success" rigorously.

## 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.

## **fuse**

*n.* a small part in an electrical device or machinery that can interrupt the flow of electrical current when it is overloaded; (verb) to become plastic or fluid or liquefied from heat

*synonym*: (verb) melt, (verb) blend

(1) **fuse** blows, (2) **fuse** with one another

He has a short **fuse**.

## **cabinet**

*n.* a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister

*synonym*: cupboard, ministry, authority

(1) member of the **cabinet**, (2) the **cabinet** above the sink  
The prime minister decided to reshuffle his **cabinet** to regain support.

## **hotheaded**

*adj.* easily angered or excited; prone to act impulsively or rashly without thinking things through

*synonym*: hot-blooded, impulsive, rash

(1) **hotheaded** behavior, (2) **hotheaded** argument

He's known for his **hotheaded** temper and quick reactions.

## **disturb**

*v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

*synonym*: agitate, bother, intrude

(1) **disturb** the peace, (2) **disturb** his sleep

Tourists frequently **disturb** the island's delicate natural balance.

## **react**

*v.* to take action in response to something

*synonym*: respond, reply, oppose

(1) **react** at a high temperature, (2) **react** against his way of thinking

How did he **react** to your idea?

## **stalk**

*v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move



slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework

*synonym* : follow, creep up on, (noun) stem

(1) **stalk** of celery, (2) **stalk** from the room

The hunter quietly **stalked** the deer for hours before taking the shot

## administrator

*n.* a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises

*synonym* : manager, executive, supervisor

(1) school **administrator**, (2) network **administrator**

The university's **administrator** announced new policies regarding campus safety.

## freewheel

*v.* to ride or coast on a bicycle or a vehicle without using the pedals or without providing power; to move or continue freely or without effort

*synonym* : coast, glide, drift

(1) **freewheel** without any resistance, (2) **freewheel** on a bicycle

The wind was strong enough to let the kite **freewheel** across the sky without any guidance.

## corporal

*n.* a non-commissioned officer in the military, particularly in the army; a punishment administered in the military that involves physical exercise or beating

*synonym* : soldier, serviceman, private

(1) **corporal** punishment, (2) **corporal** body

As a **corporal** in the army, he was responsible for leading a small team of soldiers.

## punishment

*n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing

further wrongdoing

*synonym*: penalty, discipline, retribution

(1) **punishment** for a crime, (2) humiliating **punishment**

The judge gave severe **punishment** to the criminal who committed the heinous crime.

## lash

v. to strike or hit someone with a whip or other flexible instrument; to criticize or rebuke someone severely; to bind or tie something tightly with a cord or strap

*synonym*: whip, beat, strike

(1) **lash** the oxen, (2) **lash** a rope

The mother **lashed** out at her child for misbehaving in public.

## batter

v. to hit something or someone repeatedly with much force; (noun, baseball) a ballplayer who is batting

*synonym*: beat, pound, strike

(1) **batter** the eggs, (2) the **batter's** box

He got so angry that he **battered** the door down.

## terrifying

*adj.* very frightening or intimidating

*synonym*: frightening, intimidating, alarming

(1) **terrifying** experience, (2) **terrifying** events

Large earthquakes often generate **terrifying** tsunamis.

## devise

v. to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination

*synonym*: create, concoct, invent

(1) **devise** a plan, (2) **devise** a literary plot

They had to **devise** a system that did not depend on fossil fuels.

## scatter

v. to cause to separate and go in different directions

*synonym*: disperse, spread, bestrew

(1) **scatter** seeds, (2) **scatter** around the internet

The hunter's approach **scattered** the geese.

- drill** *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice  
*synonym*: exercise, routine, training  
(1) the **drill** hit the well, (2) fire **drill**  
Several military **drill** programs have become popular methods of exercise.
- footstep** *n.* a step, or the sound generated by a person walking when their foot hits the ground  
*synonym*: footfall, step  
(1) **footsteps** in the corridor, (2) approaching **footsteps**  
The sound of oncoming **footsteps** grew louder, closer.
- wriggle** *v.* to twist and turn with quick, writhing motions; to move in a twisting or contorting manner  
*synonym*: squirm, jerk, twist  
(1) **wriggle** free, (2) **wriggle** in surprise  
The child started to **wriggle** out of their seatbelt during the long car ride.
- couch** *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person  
*synonym*: sofa, settee, divan  
(1) leather **couch**, (2) a **couch** potato  
I love to relax on the **couch** and watch movies on the weekends.
- dive** *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater  
*synonym*: dip, leap, plunge  
(1) **dive** into anime communities, (2) **dive** off a cliff  
The sperm whale can **dive** to 1,000 meters.
- closet** *n.* a small room or cabinet with a door used for storing things, especially clothes  
*synonym*: cabinet, cupboard, locker  
(1) **closet** full of suits, (2) walk-in **closets**

He brushed the suit before hanging it back into the **closet**.

**toy** *n.* a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children  
*synonym*: plaything, game, trinket  
(1) **toy** store, (2) **toy** box  
He gave his daughter a new **toy** for her birthday.

**capsule** *n.* a small, enclosed container often used for holding medicines or supplements or for transporting payloads in spacecraft; a small, elongated structure within the body, such as a joint or a gland  
(1) space **capsule**, (2) medical **capsule**  
The **capsule** hotel room may be small but it has all the necessary amenities.

**dare** *v.* to have the courage to do something  
*synonym*: challenge, risk, attempt  
(1) **dare** not go, (2) **dare** to take risks  
I wouldn't **dare** to speak to him like that.

**ruse** *n.* a trick or deception used to achieve a strategic or tactical advantage; a strategy or plan used to deceive or mislead someone  
*synonym*: stratagem, ploy, trick  
(1) plan a **ruse**, (2) elaborate **ruse**  
The thief used a clever **ruse** to access the bank's vault.

**squeeze** *v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness  
*synonym*: compress, crush, clamp  
(1) **squeeze** a lemon, (2) **squeeze** a confession  
She **squeezed** the toothpaste tube from the middle to get the last bit out.

## panel

*n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

*synonym*: board, commission, discussion

(1) **panel** discussion, (2) cost of solar **panels**

A **panel** of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

## screw

*v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together

*synonym*: tighten, fix, secure

(1) **screw** the cap, (2) a female **screw**

He had to **screw** the loose knob back onto the cabinet door.

## voltage

*n.* the difference in the force of an electric current between two points

(1) the **voltage** spiked, (2) low **voltage**

Connecting batteries in series increase the **voltage** of the circuit.

## primal

*adj.* of or relating to the earliest stage of development; fundamental; primitive

*synonym*: original, fundamental, basic

(1) **primal** eras, (2) **primal** fear

The **primal** instincts of the animal kicked in when it was threatened.

## appreciation

*n.* the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time

*synonym*: recognition, admiration, esteem

(1) express my **appreciation**, (2) **appreciation** for diversity

The artist received a lot of **appreciation** for his latest work.

## **brawl**

*n.* a noisy and violent fight involving a group of people; a chaotic and unruly disturbance or conflict

*synonym* : fight, scuffle, skirmish

(1) barroom **brawl**, (2) street **brawl**

The **brawl** at the nightclub resulted in several injuries and arrests.

## **loyal**

*adj.* giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;

*synonym* : dedicated, devoted, faithful

(1) a **loyal** friend, (2) become a **loyal** customer

Enemy armies are **loyal** to their monarch.

## **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.

## **strength**

*n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

*synonym* : resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**

Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

## **claim**

*v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

*synonym* : assert, declare, maintain

(1) **claim** responsibility, (2) false **claim**

He wants to **claim** ownership of the abandoned property.

## **interchange**

*n.* an exchange of one thing for another, often involving a replacement or substitution; a meeting or intersection of two or more roads or routes

*synonym* : exchange, swap, trade

(1) **interchange** station, (2) **interchange** of ideas

The highway had a dangerous **interchange** where accidents were common.

## fungible

*adj.* able to be replaced or exchanged with another identical item; uniform and interchangeable in value or use

*synonym*: interchangeable, exchangeable, tradable

(1) **fungible** securities, (2) **fungible** assets

Gold is a **fungible commodity**, meaning its value is interchangeable with other gold of the same quality and quantity.

## commodity

*n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold

*synonym*: merchandise, goods, entity

(1) **commodity** tax, (2) international **commodity**

The government announced a policy to control the rise in **commodity** prices.

## par

*n.* a state of being equal to someone or something

*synonym*: equality, standard, balance

(1) above **par** performance, (2) not up to **par**

Shares in the company finally fell below their **par** value.

## inventory

*n.* a complete list of all the items or goods held in stock by a business or organization; the act of making such a list

*synonym*: stock, supplies, goods

(1) **inventory** control, (2) annual **inventory**

The store manager took **inventory** of the products on the shelves to know what needed restocking.

## sperm

*n.* the reproductive cell produced by a man or male animal

*synonym*: seed, semen, seminal fluid

(1) man with a low **sperm** count, (2) production of **sperm**

The male **sperm** fertilizes the female egg.

## economics

*n.* the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services

*synonym* : social science, finance, business

(1) welfare **economics**, (2) **economics** professor

His class will cover an introduction to agricultural **economics**.

## arrangement

*n.* a plan or preparation for the future event; the action or process of placing things in a particular order

*synonym* : placement, configuration, account

(1) **arrangement** of the furniture, (2) **arrangement** committee

As a first **arrangement**, we agreed to meet the following Friday.

## wrestling

*n.* a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground

*synonym* : grappling, fighting, brawling

(1) **wrestling** match, (2) arm **wrestling**

He had always been interested in sumo **wrestling** and decided to try it.

## straightforward

*adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity

*synonym* : honest, candid, forthright

(1) **straightforward** manner, (2) make a **straightforward** dash

The defendant gave a **straightforward** and accurate description of the accident.

## crest

*n.* a peak or ridge, especially on a mountain or wave; a decorative tuft or topknot

*synonym* : summit, peak, pinnacle

(1) **crest** length, (2) a large textile **crest**

The surfer rode the **crest** of the wave to the shore.

## penguin

*n.* a flightless sea bird that is found in the Southern Hemisphere and is known for its distinctive black and



white coloring and its upright, waddling gait

(1) Adelie **penguin**, (2) **penguin** habitat

We took a boat tour to witness the magnificent **penguin** colony along the rugged coastline.

## nest

*n.* a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young

*synonym*: roost, perch, burrow

(1) bird's **nest**, (2) a **nest** of thieves

The female birds build a **nest** and lay their eggs in May.

## presumably

*adv.* believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof

*synonym*: likely, seemingly, supposedly

(1) **presumably** accurate, (2) **presumably** refuse the offer

The witness's testimony was **presumably** based on what he had seen and heard.

## hearty

*adj.* characterized by vigor, strength, or robustness; showing warmth or enthusiasm of feeling; large and filling (referring to a meal or portions of food)

*synonym*: wholesome, robust, healthy

(1) **hearty** meal, (2) **hearty** laughter

The **hearty** soup warmed us up on the cold winter day.

## chick

*n.* a baby bird, especially a young chicken

*synonym*: biddy, fledgling, nestling

(1) baby **chick**, (2) **chick** sorting

The majority of the **chicks** are raised on local family farms.

## shell

*n.* hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals

*synonym*: ammunition, armor, cover

(1) an egg **shell**, (2) a mollusk **shell**

The outermost electron **shell** determines the chemical

properties of an atom.

## eagle

*n.* a large predatory bird with a hooked beak and broad wings, known for its keen eyesight and powerful flight; a symbol of strength and freedom in many cultures

*synonym*: bird of prey, raptor

(1) **eagle** feathers, (2) **eagle** eyes

The bald **eagle** symbolizes freedom and strength in the United States.

## hatch

*v.* to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage

*synonym*: incubate, breed, produce

(1) **hatch** a plan, (2) **hatch** a baby chick

The eggs began to **hatch**, and the small chicks emerged.

## typical

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

*synonym*: characteristic, usual, distinctive

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

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

## rip

*v.* to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly

*synonym*: tear, cut, slit

(1) **rip** a notebook apart, (2) **rip** a hole in the roof

During transit, the stuff may **rip** off the luggage tag.

## ribbon

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

*synonym*: band, strip, sash

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

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

## settle

*v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement

*synonym*: inhabit, occupy, decide

(1) **settle** a dispute, (2) **settle** down in the town  
I don't want to **settle** for second best.

## **piglet**

*n.* a young or small pig  
*synonym*: shoat, piggy, shote

(1) **piglet** racing, (2) hungry **piglet**

The farmer found a cute newborn **piglet** wandering in the field.

## **outward**

*adj.* relating to the external appearance or surface of something; visible

*synonym*: external, surface, exterior

(1) an **outward** journey, (2) **outward** cheerfulness

The **outward** appearance of the building was impressive, but the inside was in dire need of repairs.

## **jab**

*v.* to poke or prod someone or something quickly and forcefully with a pointed object or part of the body; to make a sudden or quick thrusting movement; (noun) the act of administering a vaccination or injection with a needle

*synonym*: poke, prod, thrust

(1) **jab** a finger, (2) booster **jab**

The nurse had to **jab** the patient with a needle to give them the medicine.

## **compete**

*v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

*synonym*: contend, contest, vie

(1) **compete** against a friend, (2) **compete** fiercely

You must **compete** with others to obtain this position.

## **nurse**

*n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

*synonym*: healthcare worker, caregiver, medic

(1) **nurse** practitioner, (2) a volunteer **nurse**

The night shift **nurse** checked my vital signs before administering the medication.

## spot

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

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

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

## 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.

## temperamental

*adj.* relating to a person's temperament or disposition; subject to changes in mood or behavior; unpredictable  
*synonym*: moody, unpredictable, volatile

(1) **temperamental** artist, (2) **temperamental** player

The project's success largely depends on the **temperamental** weather in the region.

## exert

*v.* to put forth effort; to put into action; to bring into play  
*synonym*: exert, apply, use

(1) **exert** control, (2) **exert** influence

He **exerted** himself to lift the heavyweight.

## gravity

*n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

*synonym*: heaviness, attraction, weight

(1) the attraction of **gravity**, (2) preserve my **gravity**

The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of **gravity**.

## humming

*adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee

*synonym* : buzzing, droning, vibrating

(1) **humming** sound, (2) **humming** bird

The **humming** of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.

## 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.

## determinant

*n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

*synonym* : cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

## ferocious

*adj.* very fierce, savage, or cruel

*synonym* : savage, fierce, brutal

(1) **ferocious** beast, (2) **ferocious** predator

The lion's **ferocious** roar could be heard from miles away.

## athlete

*n.* a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance

*synonym* : player, contestant, jock

(1) become a professional **athlete**, (2) high school **athletes**

His dream is to become an Olympic **athlete**.

## identification

*n.* the act or process of recognizing, proving, or designating someone or something

*synonym* : recognition, designation, label

(1) an **identification** tag for children, (2) personal **identification** number

Eye movements complicate **identification** by retinal scanning.

## applause

*n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together

*synonym*: clapping, cheering, acclaim

(1) round of **applause**, (2) earn **applause**

The **applause** burst from the audience.

## 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.

## contaminate

*v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture

*synonym*: defile, pollute, adulterate

(1) **contaminate** with a disease, (2) **contaminate** his ego

We strive not to **contaminate** the environment when demolishing petroleum plants.

## 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.

## 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.

## subtly

*adv.* in a way that is so small or delicate as to be difficult to notice or describe

*synonym* : elegantly, exquisitely, finely

(1) **subtly** change, (2) **subtly** point out

Government policy has already been revised **subtly**.

## accomplishment

*n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training

*synonym* : success, achievement, complete

(1) proud of his **accomplishments**, (2) the

**accomplishment** of a social goal

Graduating from college was a major **accomplishment** for her.

## applaud

*v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands

*synonym* : clap, celebrate, praise

(1) **applaud** his courage, (2) **applaud** the orchestra

I enthusiastically **applaud** my rival's achievement.

## athletics

*n.* the physical activities or sports that involve physical exertion and competition, such as running, jumping, throwing, or walking

*synonym* : sports, physical activity, exercise

(1) high school **athletics**, (2) professional **athletics**

She excelled in **athletics** during high school and went on to compete at the collegiate level.

## din

*n.* a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket

*synonym* : noise, racket, clamor

(1) **din** of traffic, (2) mighty **din**

The **din** of the city was overwhelming.

### scrawny

*adj.* excessively thin or skinny, often in an unattractive or unhealthy way

*synonym*: thin, skinny, emaciated

(1) **scrawny** cat, (2) **scrawny** appearance

He was always insecure about his **scrawny** physique.

### firstborn

*adj.* the first child born to a mother

*synonym*: eldest, older, primary

(1) **firstborn** female child, (2) **firstborn** grandchild

The **firstborn** child is often the parents' favorite.

### peril

*n.* serious and great danger or risk

*synonym*: hazard, danger, threat

(1) the **peril** of the sea, (2) environmental **peril**

Due to hunger, the lives of the refugees were in **peril**.

### engaging

*adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming

*synonym*: alluring, interesting, engrossing

(1) **engaging** story, (2) an **engaging** smile

She was disbarred for her **engaging** in fraud.

### collision

*n.* an instance of two or more objects or entities crashing into each other, usually resulting in damage, impact, or conflict

*synonym*: crash, impact, smash

(1) **collision** detection, (2) come into **collision** with my friend

The **collision** of tectonic plates can result in new mountain ranges, such as the Himalayas or the Alps.

### stitch

*n.* one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn

(1) a **stitch** in a garment, (2) pattern **stitch**

The wound was so deep that it needed a surgical procedure



and **stitches**.

## essentially

*adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything  
*synonym*: fundamentally, basically, virtually

(1) **essentially** correct, (2) become **essentially** same  
**Essentially**, a society is an organism.

## exacerbate

*v.* to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse  
*synonym*: worsen, aggravate, escalate

(1) **exacerbate** the situation, (2) **exacerbate** symptoms  
The heat wave **exacerbated** the drought conditions.

## exhibit

*v.* to show something in public for people to enjoy or to provide them with information  
*synonym*: display, expose, show

(1) **exhibit** a bad attitude, (2) **exhibit** a great talent  
Other technology industries **exhibit** similarly explosive growth.

## favoritism

*n.* the act of giving one person or group unfair support by someone in authority  
*synonym*: bias, partiality, discrimination

(1) national **favoritism**, (2) act of **favoritism**  
Their company survives due to political **favoritism**.

## overwhelming

*adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it  
*synonym*: overpowering, astounding, amazing

(1) **overwhelming** majority, (2) an **overwhelming** victory  
He has shown signs of uneasiness and **overwhelming** worry.

## cite

*v.* to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened  
*synonym*: quote, mention, note

(1) **cite** various authorities, (2) **cite** a fact as evidence  
The devil can **cite** Scripture for his purpose.

## preference

*n.* a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person

*synonym*: taste, choice, affection

(1) his meal **preferences**, (2) a particular **preference** for Chinese art

Her **preference** is comfortable clothing over fashionable ones.

## conceal

*v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered

*synonym*: hide, keep secret, camouflage

(1) **conceal** my identity, (2) **conceal** a close relationship

Despite the intense verbal abuse, she **concealed** her anger well.

## harbor

*n.* an area of water next to the coast where ships and boats are protected from rough water by piers, jetties, and other artificial structures; (verb) keep in one's possession

*synonym*: port, dock, pier

(1) a sheltered **harbor**, (2) **harbor** a resentment

The tsunami swamped every boat in the **harbor**.

## familial

*adj.* of or relating to a family or families; having the qualities of a family

*synonym*: family, relative, hereditary

(1) **familial** relationships, (2) **familial** traits

**Familial** ties are often strong and enduring.

## assembly

*n.* a group of people who have been elected, especially one that meets regularly and makes decisions or laws for a specific region or country

*synonym*: crowd, gathering, mass

(1) **assembly** line, (2) **assembly** hall

This company's **assembly** plant is an enormous facility.

## invest

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

*synonym*: fund, sponsor, support

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

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

## calorie

*n.* unit of heat defined as the quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of 1 gram of water by 1 degree Celsius at atmospheric pressure, used by nutritionists to measure how much energy food will produce

(1) **calorie** calculation, (2) reduce my **calorie** intake

It would be best if you burned off **calories** through vigorous exercise.

## corporation

*n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

*synonym*: business, company, enterprise

(1) a public **corporation**, (2) **corporation** assets

Four companies were amalgamated into a single **corporation**.

## sink

*v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

*synonym*: descend, drop, plummet

(1) **sink** a lot of capital, (2) **sink** a buzzer-beater

The abandoned ship slowly began to **sink** into the murky waters of the harbor.

## disinvestment

*n.* the act of reducing or withdrawing the amount of money you have provided in a particular area or sector

*synonym*: divestment, withdrawal, pullout

(1) **disinvestment** strategy, (2) **disinvestment** plan

The company's decision to engage in **disinvestment** led to a reduction in its overall portfolio.

## launch

*v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

*synonym*: start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

## lean

*adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture

*synonym*: skinny, slender, (verb) slant

(1) a **lean** horse, (2) **lean** athletic figure

**Lean** operational improvements often lead to better environmental performance.

## improbable

*adj.* not likely to happen or be true; unlikely; having a low probability or chance of occurring

*synonym*: unlikely, doubtful, implausible

(1) **improbable** story, (2) **improbable** event

It is **improbable** that we will find a solution to this problem overnight.

## wrap

*v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

*synonym*: surround, cover, bandage

(1) **wrap** a fish in foil, (2) **wrap** up a meeting

**Wrap** the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

## definitely

*adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

*synonym*: absolutely, certainly, indeed

(1) **definitely** become a problem, (2) say **definitely**

The paper is **definitely** worth reading thoroughly.

## reproductive

*adj.* connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants

*synonym* : procreative, generative

(1) **reproductive** ability, (2) during **reproductive** period

This documentary deals with the **reproductive** biology of the buffalo.

## narcissist

*n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements

*synonym* : egotist, boaster, braggart

(1) relationship with a **narcissist**, (2) somatic **narcissist**

He thinks she is a high **narcissist** because she always talks about herself and her accomplishments.

## opposition

*n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

*synonym* : resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

## gender

*n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

*synonym* : sexuality

(1) **gender-blind** policies, (2) dual **gender**

Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

## resemble

*v.* to look like or be similar to someone or something

*synonym* : look like, be similar to

(1) **resemble** each other, (2) **resemble** her mother

The brothers **resemble** each other in the hobby.

## businessperson

*n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive

*synonym* : entrepreneur, executive

(1) a young **businessperson**, (2) **businessperson** network  
He was a successful **businessperson** and had much experience in the field.

## **melt**

*v.* to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating

*synonym*: disintegrate, soften, disappear

(1) **melt** the ice, (2) **melt** down gold

Her resistance **melted** under his persuasion.

## **tough-as-nails**

*adj.* describing someone or something that is exceptionally resilient, strong, and unyielding in the face of challenges or adversity

*synonym*: resilient, robust, rugged

(1) **tough-as-nails** attitude, (2) **tough-as-nails** negotiator

The **tough-as-nails** coach drilled the team rigorously, ensuring they were prepared for the championship game.

## **worldview**

*n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world

*synonym*: perspective, position, viewpoint

(1) mainstream **worldview**, (2) the **worldview** of the ancient civilization

The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing **worldviews**.

## **sensitive**

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

*synonym*: exposed, susceptible, keen

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

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

## **goo**

*n.* a sticky or slimy substance, often of indeterminate or unknown composition; a slang term used to describe something messy, chaotic, or confusing

*synonym*: slime, muck, gunk

(1) oozing **goo**, (2) slime **goo**

The science experiment involved mixing various liquids to create a bubbling **goo**.

## poet

*n.* a person who writes poetry

*synonym*: versifier, rhymmer, writer

(1) a court **poet**, (2) a **poet** of sorts

She is a talented **poet** who has been recognized for her work.

## topic

*n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about

*synonym*: subject, theme, issue

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

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

## template

*n.* a pre-designed file or document used as a starting point for a particular application so that the format does not have to be created from scratch

*synonym*: pattern, model, blueprint

(1) **template** file, (2) **template** design

The **template** format provided a useful guide for creating the budget.

## associate

*v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

*synonym*: tie in, link, consociate

(1) **associate** alcohol with gambling, (2) **associate** with people widely

The majority of consumers **associate** this brand with quality.

## rank

*n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others

*synonym*: position, status, standing

(1) **rank** amateur, (2) high **rank**

He was promoted to the **rank** of captain in the military.

## strive

*v.* to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something  
*synonym* : preserve, endure, persist

(1) **strive** hard to get, (2) **strive** for excellence

They **strived** to make their dream come true.

## thicket

*n.* a dense group of trees, shrubs, or other plants, often forming an impenetrable barrier; a tangle or cluster of something that obstructs or impedes progress or movement

*synonym* : thorn patch, bramble, copse

(1) dense **thicket**, (2) **thicket** of bushes

The hikers had to cut through the **thicket** to descend the mountain.

## crack

*v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

*synonym* : snap, burst, break

(1) **crack** an eggshell, (2) a **crack** in a board

He that would eat the kernel must **crack** the nut.

## scarce

*adj.* not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain

*synonym* : rare, limited, sparse

(1) **scarce** resources, (2) capital- **scarce** country

Fresh water is becoming increasingly **scarce** in many parts of the world.

## vaccinate

*v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease

*synonym* : immunize, inject, inoculate

(1) **vaccinate** against scarlet fever, (2) **vaccinate** every year

The nurse **vaccinated** the children in the school.

## reliable

*adj.* worthy of being relied on; trustworthy

*synonym* : dependable, trustworthy, dedicated



(1) **reliable** access, (2) guarantee **reliable** delivery  
Trains are **reliable**, inexpensive, and ideal for long-distance travel.

## advantage

*n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

*synonym*: benefit, edge, asset

(1) score an **advantage**, (2) take **advantage** of his weak points

One of the main **advantages** of the new product is its increased efficiency.

## exclusive

*adj.* not divided or shared with others

*synonym*: sole, deluxe, limited

(1) **exclusive** authority, (2) **exclusive** clubs

The condo offers **exclusive** access to the beach.

## mentor

*n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school

*synonym*: adviser, coach, tutor

(1) **mentor** for life, (2) fashion **mentor**

As a **mentor**, he helped me realize my career.

## senator

*n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate

*synonym*: legislator, politician, representative

(1) junior **senator**, (2) **senator** term

The hawkish **senator** gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.

## astronaut

*n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere

*synonym*: spaceman, cosmonaut

(1) **astronaut** mission, (2) **astronaut** in training

The shuttle **astronaut** trained for months before embarking

on the space mission.

**cub** *n.* a young of certain carnivorous mammals such as lion, bear, wolf, etc.; an awkward, rude, and inexperienced boy  
*synonym*: young, male child, boy  
(1) a tiger **cub**, (2) the arrival of a **cub**  
The **cub** reporter covered the murder case for the first time.

**den** *n.* a wild animal's lair or hiding places, such as a fox or bear  
*synonym*: lair, burrow, nest  
(1) gambling **den**, (2) bear **den**  
The fox had dug a **den** in the side of the hill, where it could rest and hide from predators.

**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.

**charm** *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people  
*synonym*: allure, appeal, beauty  
(1) masculine **charm**, (2) **charm** against bad luck  
These are significantly more exquisite than typical **charm** bracelets.

**disarm** *v.* to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary  
*synonym*: demilitarize, neutralize  
(1) **disarm** opponents, (2) **disarm** a bomb

The police were able to **disarm** the suspect without any violence.

## intuit

*v.* to understand or know something instinctively or without conscious reasoning; to perceive or apprehend something immediately or intuitively

*synonym*: perceive, sense, grasp

(1) **intuit** the motive, (2) **intuit** a solution

From her experience with similar projects, she could **intuit** the most efficient way to complete the task.

## punch

*v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something

*synonym*: hit, strike, slap

(1) **punch** out numbers, (2) **punch** a ticket

He **punched** the wall in anger.

## flat-out

*adj.* at the highest or maximum level of speed, effort, or intensity; unequivocal or without hesitation or qualification; (adverb) at full speed or maximum effort

*synonym*: outright, absolute, complete

(1) **flat-out** pace, (2) **flat-out** refused

She gave a **flat-out** refusal to participate in the project.

## handy

*adj.* valuable and convenient; easy or ready to reach or use

*synonym*: clever, accessible, available

(1) a **handy-sized** bag, (2) **handy** tool

They found a **handy** place to play catch.

## slug

*n.* a common name for any terrestrial gastropod mollusk that appears to lack a shell with soft and black or brown color; a bullet, a shot of alcoholic drink

(1) lazy **slug**, (2) reduce **slug** damage

I spotted a giant **slug** in the rain garden.

## coincidence

*n.* an occasion when two or more similar things happen at the same time by chance, in a surprising way

*synonym* : co-occurrence, concurrency, accident

(1) the **coincidence** of an opinion, (2) by a strange **coincidence**

It was a pure **coincidence** that we met her in the library.

## satirist

*n.* a writer or artist who uses humor, irony, or exaggeration to expose and criticize people's stupidity or vices, often in the form of satire

*synonym* : ironist, humorist, caricaturist

(1) famous **satirist**, (2) political **satirist**

The **satirist's** biting commentary on corporate greed made him a hero among activists.

## swift

*adj.* happening, moving, or capable of moving quickly

*synonym* : quick, speedy, brisk

(1) take **swift** action, (2) a **swift** current of a river

Her voice was **swift**, yet even the last words fell lingeringly.

## flyover

*n.* a region or area of a country that is often flown over by planes and not typically visited or considered by travelers; a flight that passes over a specific area without stopping

*synonym* : overpass, bridge, flypast

(1) **flyover** zone, (2) **flyover** construction

The city's new **flyover** allows traffic to bypass the busy intersection below.

## recognition

*n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal

*synonym* : acknowledgement, identification, credit

(1) **recognition** award, (2) joint **recognition**

He was given **recognition** for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.

## esteem

*n.* great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone

*synonym* : respect, admiration, regard

(1) **esteem** for the other person, (2) boost my self- **esteem**  
He is our loyal customer who should be held in high **esteem**.

## notwithstanding

*adv.* despite anything to the contrary; nevertheless;  
(preposition) despite or in spite of

*synonym* : although, however, (preposition) in spite of

(1) **notwithstanding** the preceding provisions,

(2) **notwithstanding** my protests

**Notwithstanding** his disapproval, the decree was passed.

## upside

*n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something

*synonym* : advantage, benefit, top

(1) have no **upside**, (2) market **upside**

Many people see the **upside** of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.

## dense

*adj.* containing a large number of people or something with little space between them

*synonym* : heavy, thick, idiotic

(1) nutrient- **dense** foods, (2) **dense** forests

The entire mountain is covered in **dense** rainforest.

## disadvantage

*n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position

*synonym* : detriment, drawback, (verb) disfavor

(1) the **disadvantage** of a plan, (2) **disadvantage** small businesses

A lack of education can be a significant **disadvantage** in today's job market.

## feud

*n.* a bitter argument between two parties, causing a lot of anger or violence

*synonym* : argument, conflict, dispute

(1) family **feud**, (2) carry out a **feud**

The retired politician resolved the **feud** between groups through mediation.

## unrelenting

*adj.* not easing or slackening in intensity; persistent and unwavering in pursuit of a goal

*synonym* : relentless, persistent, unyielding

(1) **unrelenting** pressure, (2) **unrelenting** pursuit

The **unrelenting** heat made it difficult to sleep.

## extraordinary

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

*synonym* : exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

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

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

## discrete

*adj.* separate and distinct; not continuous; individually distinguishable

*synonym* : separate, distinct, individual

(1) **discrete** metric space, (2) **discrete** variable

The company divided the tasks into **discrete** segments to increase efficiency.

## dyad

*n.* a group of two individuals or entities considered as a unit; a pair, or couple; a social group consisting of two members

*synonym* : pair, couple, duo

(1) **dyad** relationship, (2) social **dyad**

In psychotherapy, the therapeutic **dyad** consists of the therapist and the patient, and their relationship is crucial to the therapeutic process.

## marital

*adj.* of or relating to marriage

*synonym* : wedded, connubial, matrimonial

(1) **marital** fidelity, (2) affect **marital** relations

More and more people are utilizing counselors to help resolve their **marital** problems.

## formula

*n.* a group of symbols, letters, or numbers that represent a rule, law, or mathematical statement

*synonym*: expression, recipe, procedure

(1) structural **formula**, (2) a binomial **formula**

The teacher told the students to memorize the math **formula**.

## chilly

*adj.* unpleasantly cool or cold; giving a feeling of coldness; lacking warmth or friendliness in manner

*synonym*: cool, frigid, icy

(1) **chilly** atmosphere, (2) **chilly** response

I must bundle up in a warm coat and scarf to bear the **chilly** winter weather.

## bunch

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

*synonym*: group, assemblage, bundle

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

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

## whopping

*adj.* extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock

*synonym*: enormous, gigantic, massive

(1) **whopping** price, (2) **whopping** success

The new smartphone has a **whopping** 1TB of storage space.

## overpopulation

*n.* a situation in which the number of people or living organisms in a particular area or environment exceeds the carrying capacity or resources of that area or environment

*synonym*: population explosion, demographic burden, overcrowding

(1) **overpopulation** problem, (2) **overpopulation** crisis

Many animal species are at risk of extinction due to human **overpopulation** and habitat destruction.

## unavoidable

*adj.* impossible to avoid or evade; inevitable

*synonym*: inevitable, inescapable, certain

(1) an **unavoidable** accident, (2) under **unavoidable** circumstances

There are now fears that war is **unavoidable**.

## trigger

*v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function  
*synonym*: activate, spark, drive

(1) **trigger** a biochemical response, (2) **trigger** inflation

The incident **triggered** a political controversy.

## property

*n.* a thing or things that belong to someone  
*synonym*: belongings, possessions, equity

(1) a man of **property**, (2) chemical **property**

He stood to inherit a million-dollar **property**.

## noisy

*adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound

*synonym*: loud, cacophonous, clamorous

(1) **noisy** neighbor, (2) **noisy** party

The construction outside was creating a **noisy** distraction from my work.

## absolutely

*adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly  
*synonym*: completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

## utterly

*adv.* completely or absolutely

*synonym*: absolutely, completely, perfectly

(1) **utterly** changed, (2) **utterly** ignorant

We are **utterly** opposed to any form of terrorism.

## helpless

*adj.* unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help

*synonym*: defenseless, powerless, susceptible



(1) **helpless** baby, (2) **helpless** victims  
I feel so **helpless** without you.

## erase

*v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it  
*synonym*: wipe out, delete, obliterate

(1) **erase** a memory, (2) **erased** the files  
He attempted to **erase** the misspelled word.

## casus

*n.* (a Latin term meaning "case" or "occasion,") a specific situation, event, or problem, often used in legal, grammatical, or philosophical contexts

*synonym*: incident, event, occurrence

(1) **casus** omissus, (2) legal **casus**  
Historians often debate the true **casus** belli of many ancient wars, as the reasons might be multifaceted.

## unfair

*adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception

*synonym*: wrongful, biased, dishonest

(1) **unfair** employment practices, (2) have an **unfair** advantage

In a democracy, it is necessary to monitor the judiciary to see if it is making **unfair** decisions.

## encode

*v.* to convert information into a code or format suitable for storage or transmission

*synonym*: transcribe, convert

(1) **encode** data, (2) **encode** information

The software can **encode** and decode encrypted messages.

## genome

*n.* the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things

(1) sequencing of the human **genome**, (2) **genome** analyses

The human **genome** contains approximately three billion chemical base pairs.

## 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**.

## lobe

*n.* a rounded projection or division, especially of the brain, lung, or liver

*synonym* : part, section, division

(1) **lobe** of the liver, (2) frontal **lobe**

The lungs are divided into five **lobes**.

## brain

*n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

*synonym* : intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage

X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

## disgust

*n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval

*synonym* : nauseate, hate, dislike

(1) public **disgust**, (2) show **disgust** at his actions

He was filled with **disgust** and fear for the threat of war.

## cheat

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

*synonym* : deceive, swindle, defraud

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

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

## putrefaction

*n.* the process of decay or decomposition in organic matter, especially due to the action of bacteria and other microorganisms; the state of being rotten or decomposed

*synonym* : decay, rot, decomposition

(1) advanced **putrefaction**, (2) accelerated **putrefaction**

The smell of **putrefaction** coming from the garbage can was unbearable.

## **fellow**

*adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

*synonym* : buddy, mate, affiliate

(1) junior **fellow**, (2) nice **fellow**

He is the kind of **fellow** who only works for his success.

## **unpopular**

*adj.* not liked, supported, or approved by many people; having an unfavorable reputation

*synonym* : disliked, unloved, unsupported

(1) **unpopular** decision, (2) an **unpopular** opinion

The politician's stance on controversial issues made him an **unpopular** candidate for many voters.

## **drama**

*n.* a play in a theatre, television, or radio, or performance on a stage

*synonym* : acting, play, theater

(1) secular **drama**, (2) upcoming crime **drama**

She had an audition for **drama** school.

## **immersion**

*n.* the act of putting someone or something into a liquid completely; the state of being completely involved in a subject or activity

*synonym* : submergence, involvement, engagement

(1) baptism by **immersion**, (2) **immersion** in acid

I felt like I was in a different world because of the **immersion** experience of virtual reality.

## **conflict**

*n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

*synonym* : clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

## **resolution**

*n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or

conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display

*synonym* : determination, decision, settlement

(1) **resolution** of a conflict, (2) display **resolution**

He made a New Year's **resolution** to exercise more and eat healthier.

## loyalty

*n.* the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something

*synonym* : faithfulness, devotion, allegiance

(1) **loyalty** program, (2) earn his **loyalty**

He has always shown great **loyalty** to his friends and family.

## honesty

*n.* the quality of being truthful, sincere, and morally upright; adherence to moral and ethical principles

*synonym* : sincerity, integrity, truthfulness

(1) **honesty** policy, (2) **honesty** box

A culture of **honesty** in the workplace leads to better communication and productivity.

## compromise

*v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

*synonym* : agree, settle, negotiate

(1) **compromise** the matter, (2) cannot **compromise** anymore

They never **compromised** on development despite the lack of funds.

## disclosure

*n.* the act of making something known or revealing information that was previously hidden or secret, often used in legal or financial contexts

*synonym* : announcement, revelation, exposure

(1) **disclosure** agreement, (2) public **disclosure**

The company's **disclosure** of its financial records led to a better understanding of its operations.

## confidence

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

*synonym* : self-trust, certainty, belief

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

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

## 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.

## intervene

*v.* to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse

*synonym* : interfere, mediate, intercede

(1) **intervene** in a dispute, (2) **intervene** between quarreling parties

Following international law, our country does not **intervene** in the internal affairs of our neighbors.

## conversation

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

*synonym* : chat, discussion, dialogue

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

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

## constant

*adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time

*synonym* : ceaseless, stable, unchanging

(1) a **constant** wind, (2) a **constant** temperature

**Constant** dropping wears away the stone.

## permanent

*adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change

*synonym* : lasting, ceaseless, endless

(1) literature of **permanent** value, (2) **permanent** life insurance

She is searching for a **permanent** residence.

## companion

*n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel

*synonym*: affiliate, fellow, mate

(1) a working **companion**, (2) drinking **companions**

Her dog is her excellent **companion**.

## broth

*n.* a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews

*synonym*: bouillon, consomme, soup

(1) chicken **broth**, (2) remains of **broth**

I always add a bit of **broth** to my soup to give it more flavor.

## sin

*n.* the offense against a religious or moral law or against God

*synonym*: misdeed, guilt, wrong

(1) forgive a **sin**, (2) **sin** of omission

Some overzealous environmentalists claim celebrities are committing carbon dioxide **sins**.

## abandon

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

*synonym*: relinquish, leave behind, disregard

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

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

## sanity

*n.* the state of being mentally sound, healthy, and rational

*synonym*: mental health, rationality, soundness

(1) **sanity** check, (2) have a **sanity** hearing

Her job's long hours and high pressure started affecting her **sanity**.

## involve

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

*synonym*: implicate, include, engage

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

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

### creative

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

*synonym* : imaginative, innovative, inventive

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

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

### brilliantly

*adv.* in an intelligent, graceful, or skillful manner; very brightly or effectively

*synonym* : brightly, radiantly, excellently

(1) **brilliantly** executed, (2) **brilliantly** lit

He played the piano **brilliantly** at the concert.

### comrade

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

*synonym* : ally, friend, mate

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

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

### cousin

*n.* the child of your aunt or uncle

*synonym* : relative

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

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

### folly

*n.* a lack of good sense or judgment; foolishness or absurdity; specifically, a costly, useless, or pointless building or project that has been created or undertaken for no practical purpose or benefit

*synonym* : absurdity, foolishness, irrationality

(1) economic **folly**, (2) act of **folly**

It was **folly** for the hiker to climb the dangerous mountain alone.

**acre**

*n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)

(1) half- **acre** parcel, (2) an **acre** of forest

The farm covers over 200 **acres** of land.

**fertile**

*adj.* capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive

*synonym*: fruitful, productive, rich

(1) **fertile** ground, (2) **fertile** market

Herbs require **fertile** soil in a sunny, sheltered location.

**farmland**

*n.* land used for farming or agricultural purposes

*synonym*: agriculture, cropland

(1) **farmland** acreage, (2) fertile **farmland**

The government is encouraging farmers to expand their **farmland** to increase food production.

**fallow**

*adj.* describing land that is unplanted or uncultivated; describing a period of rest or inactivity, particularly about land being left to rest

*synonym*: uncultivated, dormant, idle

(1) **fallow** period, (2) **fallow** ground

The **fallow** field was left unplanted to allow the soil to regain nutrients.

**finite**

*adj.* having a limit or restriction of size, time, etc.

*synonym*: delimited, defined, limited

(1) **finite** resources, (2) **finite** decimal

Human beings have a **finite** lifespan, so we yearn for the idea of immortality.



## harvest

*n.* yields of plants in a single growing season; the period of the year when gathering occurs on a farm

*synonym*: crop, reaping, yield

(1) a scanty **harvest**, (2) reap a **harvest**

During **harvest**, farmers are incredibly busy.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. se\_\_\_\_\_ve documents *adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do
2. beauty s\_\_t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
3. literature of pe\_\_\_\_\_nt value *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
4. str\_\_\_\_\_ard manner *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
5. tou\_\_\_\_\_ils negotiator *adj.* describing someone or something that is exceptionally resilient, strong, and unyielding in the face of challenges or adversity
6. at\_\_\_\_\_t customers *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
7. ut\_\_\_\_\_y changed *adv.* completely or absolutely
8. en\_\_\_\_\_e information *v.* to convert information into a code or format suitable for storage or transmission
9. dispel do\_\_ts *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

ANSWERS: 1. sensitive, 2. spot, 3. permanent, 4. straightforward, 5. tough-as-nails, 6. attract, 7. utterly, 8. encode, 9. doubt

10. ove\_\_\_\_\_ion crisis      *n.* a situation in which the number of people or living organisms in a particular area or environment exceeds the carrying capacity or resources of that area or environment
11. not up to p\_r      *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
12. forgive a s\_n      *n.* the offense against a religious or moral law or against God
13. become ess\_\_\_\_\_ly same      *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
14. as\_\_\_\_\_ly hall      *n.* a group of people who have been elected, especially one that meets regularly and makes decisions or laws for a specific region or country
15. a b\_\_h of hair      *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
16. pa\_\_l discussion      *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
17. as\_\_\_\_\_ut mission      *n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere
18. ha\_\_h a baby chick      *v.* to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage

ANSWERS: 10. overpopulation, 11. par, 12. sin, 13. essentially, 14. assembly, 15. bush, 16. panel, 17. astronaut, 18. hatch

19. ca\_\_\_\_e calculation *n.* unit of heat defined as the quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of 1 gram of water by 1 degree Celsius at atmospheric pressure, used by nutritionists to measure how much energy food will produce
20. a serious to\_\_c *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
21. nu\_\_e practitioner *n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury
22. an en\_\_\_\_ng smile *adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
23. co\_\_\_\_e in arms *n.* a close associate, friend, or companion, especially one who shares one's interests, beliefs, or political convictions; a fellow member of an organization, especially a military or political group, who shares a common cause or objective
24. di\_\_\_\_b his sleep *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
25. b\_\_d as a family *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
26. cross-co\_\_\_\_n marriage *n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
27. con\_\_\_\_\_\_te his ego *v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture

ANSWERS: 19. calorie, 20. topic, 21. nurse, 22. engaging, 23. comrade, 24. disturb, 25. bond, 26. cousin, 27. contaminate

28. social d\_\_d *n.* a group of two individuals or entities considered as a unit; a pair, or couple; a social group consisting of two members
29. a bu\_\_h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
30. personal ide\_\_\_\_\_ion number *n.* the act or process of recognizing, proving, or designating someone or something
31. environmental pe\_\_l *n.* serious and great danger or risk
32. the vo\_\_\_\_\_e spiked *n.* the difference in the force of an electric current between two points
33. w\_\_p a fish in foil *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
34. acute alc\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a chronic disorder characterized by dependence on alcohol and repeated excessive use of alcoholic beverages
35. co\_\_\_\_\_l a close relationship *v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered
36. wr\_\_\_\_\_e free *v.* to twist and turn with quick, writhing motions; to move in a twisting or contorting manner
37. pi\_\_\_t racing *n.* a young or small pig
38. in\_\_\_t the motive *v.* to understand or know something instinctively or without conscious reasoning; to perceive or apprehend something immediately or intuitively
39. fa\_\_\_\_\_al relationships *adj.* of or relating to a family or families; having the qualities of a family

ANSWERS: 28. dyad, 29. bunch, 30. identification, 31. peril, 32. voltage, 33. wrap, 34. alcoholism, 35. conceal, 36. wriggle, 37. piglet, 38. intuit, 39. familial

40. a det\_\_\_\_\_nt of crop yields      *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
41. in\_\_\_\_t in stocks      *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
42. fl\_\_\_\_\_ut refused      *adj.* at the highest or maximum level of speed, effort, or intensity; unequivocal or without hesitation or qualification; (adverb) at full speed or maximum effort
43. the to\_\_c of the book      *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
44. 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
45. junior fe\_\_\_\_w      *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
46. fi\_\_\_\_e decimal      *adj.* having a limit or restriction of size, time, etc.
47. fl\_\_\_\_\_r zone      *n.* a region or area of a country that is often flown over by planes and not typically visited or considered by travelers; a flight that passes over a specific area without stopping
48. re\_\_t against his way of thinking      *v.* to take action in response to something
49. tr\_\_\_\_\_r a biochemical response      *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

ANSWERS: 40. determinant, 41. invest, 42. flat-out, 43. topic, 44. council, 45. fellow, 46. finite, 47. flyover, 48. react, 49. trigger

50. oozing g\_o *n.* a sticky or slimy substance, often of indeterminate or unknown composition; a slang term used to describe something messy, chaotic, or confusing
51. the attraction of gr\_\_\_\_y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
52. res\_\_\_\_\_le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
53. an egg sh\_\_l *n.* hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals
54. ou\_\_\_\_d cheerfulness *adj.* relating to the external appearance or surface of something; visible
55. ec\_\_\_\_\_cs professor *n.* the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services
56. under una\_\_\_\_\_le circumstances *adj.* impossible to avoid or evade; inevitable
57. a court p\_\_t *n.* a person who writes poetry
58. alc\_\_\_\_\_sm recovery *n.* a chronic disorder characterized by dependence on alcohol and repeated excessive use of alcoholic beverages
59. con\_\_\_\_\_te with a disease *v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture
60. cor\_\_\_\_\_on assets *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

ANSWERS: 50. goo, 51. gravity, 52. responsible, 53. shell, 54. outward, 55. economics, 56. unavoidable, 57. poet, 58. alcoholism, 59. contaminate, 60. corporation

61. en\_\_\_\_ng story *adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
62. di\_\_\_m a bomb *v.* to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary
63. ut\_\_\_\_y ignorant *adv.* completely or absolutely
64. national fav\_\_\_\_sm *n.* the act of giving one person or group unfair support by someone in authority
65. fashion me\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
66. ter\_\_\_\_ng events *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
67. have no up\_\_\_\_e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
68. a tiger c\_b *n.* a young of certain carnivorous mammals such as lion, bear, wolf, etc.; an awkward, rude, and inexperienced boy
69. imp\_\_\_\_le event *adj.* not likely to happen or be true; unlikely; having a low probability or chance of occurring
70. the ca\_\_\_\_t above the sink *n.* a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister

ANSWERS: 61. engaging, 62. disarm, 63. utterly, 64. favoritism, 65. mentor, 66. terrifying, 67. upside, 68. cub, 69. improbable, 70. cabinet



71. fu\_\_\_\_le assets *adj.* able to be replaced or exchanged with another identical item; uniform and interchangeable in value or use
72. member of the ca\_\_\_\_t *n.* a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister
73. display res\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display
74. guarantee re\_\_\_\_le delivery *adj.* worthy of being relied on; trustworthy
75. a prior eng\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
76. the coi\_\_\_\_\_ce of an opinion *n.* an occasion when two or more similar things happen at the same time by chance, in a surprising way
77. fa\_\_\_\_al traits *adj.* of or relating to a family or families; having the qualities of a family
78. re\_\_t at a high temperature *v.* to take action in response to something
79. the acc\_\_\_\_\_ent of a social goal *n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
80. d\_\_e to take risks *v.* to have the courage to do something

ANSWERS: 71. fungible, 72. cabinet, 73. resolution, 74. reliable, 75. engagement, 76. coincidence, 77. familial, 78. react, 79. accomplishment, 80. dare

81. come into co\_\_\_\_\_on with my friend     *n.* an instance of two or more objects or entities crashing into each other, usually resulting in damage, impact, or conflict
82. go\_\_\_\_\_or general     *n.* the person who holds the highest executive office in a state or province
83. he\_\_\_\_y laughter     *adj.* characterized by vigor, strength, or robustness; showing warmth or enthusiasm of feeling; large and filling (referring to a meal or portions of food)
84. the ba\_\_\_\_r's box     *v.* to hit something or someone repeatedly with much force; (noun, baseball) a ballplayer who is batting
85. gambling d\_n     *n.* a wild animal's lair or hiding places, such as a fox or bear
86. above p\_r performance     *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
87. dis\_\_\_\_\_age small businesses     *n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
88. re\_\_\_\_\_le access     *adj.* worthy of being relied on; trustworthy
89. slime g\_o     *n.* a sticky or slimy substance, often of indeterminate or unknown composition; a slang term used to describe something messy, chaotic, or confusing
90. production of sp\_\_m     *n.* the reproductive cell produced by a man or male animal
91. a working co\_\_\_\_\_on     *n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel

ANSWERS: 81. collision, 82. governor, 83. hearty, 84. batter, 85. den, 86. par, 87. disadvantage, 88. reliable, 89. goo, 90. sperm, 91. companion

92. nutrient-de\_\_e foods *adj.* containing a large number of people or something with little space between them
93. sc\_\_\_\_\_r around the internet *v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions
94. 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
95. market up\_\_\_e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
96. the arrival of a c\_b *n.* a young of certain carnivorous mammals such as lion, bear, wolf, etc.; an awkward, rude, and inexperienced boy
97. political sa\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a writer or artist who uses humor, irony, or exaggeration to expose and criticize people's stupidity or vices, often in the form of satire
98. m\_\_t down gold *v.* to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating
99. trusted co\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a close associate, friend, or companion, especially one who shares one's interests, beliefs, or political convictions; a fellow member of an organization, especially a military or political group, who shares a common cause or objective

ANSWERS: 92. dense, 93. scatter, 94. process, 95. upside, 96. cub, 97. satirist, 98. melt, 99. comrade

100. dis_____ent strategy	<i>n.</i> the act of reducing or withdrawing the amount of money you have provided in a particular area or sector
101. ext_____ary ability	<i>adj.</i> exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
102. humiliating pun_____nt	<i>n.</i> a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
103. ex__t control	<i>v.</i> to put forth effort; to put into action; to bring into play
104. babyish pe_____ce	<i>n.</i> the quality of being easily irritated and childishly sulky
105. a man of pr_____ty	<i>n.</i> a thing or things that belong to someone
106. become increasingly fr_____t	<i>adj.</i> causing, accompanied by, or full of anxiety, tension, or stress
107. make a str_____ard dash	<i>adj.</i> easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
108. pre_____ly refuse the offer	<i>adv.</i> believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof
109. global b__d market	<i>n.</i> a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
110. the pe__l of the sea	<i>n.</i> serious and great danger or risk
111. accelerated put_____ion	<i>n.</i> the process of decay or decomposition in organic matter, especially due to the action of bacteria and other microorganisms; the state of being rotten or decomposed

ANSWERS: 100. disinvestment, 101. extraordinary, 102. punishment, 103. exert, 104. petulance, 105. property, 106. fraught, 107. straightforward, 108. presumably, 109. bond, 110. peril, 111. putrefaction

112. as\_\_\_\_ly line *n.* a group of people who have been elected, especially one that meets regularly and makes decisions or laws for a specific region or country
113. leather co\_\_h *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
114. cr\_\_t length *n.* a peak or ridge, especially on a mountain or wave; a decorative tuft or topknot
115. me\_\_\_\_r for life *n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
116. w\_\_p up a meeting *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
117. abs\_\_\_\_ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
118. royal pa\_\_\_\_ry *n.* elaborate and spectacular display or ceremony, typically associated with big events and special occasions such as parades, broadcasts, or theatrical performances
119. de\_\_\_\_e a literary plot *v.* to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination
120. baby with se\_\_\_\_ve skin *adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do

ANSWERS: 112. assembly, 113. couch, 114. crest, 115. mentor, 116. wrap, 117. absolutely, 118. pageantry, 119. devise, 120. sensitive

121. rec\_\_\_\_\_on award *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
122. the Great Dep\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
123. synthetic mo\_\_\_\_\_ne *n.* a powerful narcotic drug used to relieve pain and induce sleep
124. wr\_\_\_\_\_e in surprise *v.* to twist and turn with quick, writhing motions; to move in a twisting or contorting manner
125. an ove\_\_\_\_\_ing victory *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
126. pe\_\_\_\_\_n habitat *n.* a flightless sea bird that is found in the Southern Hemisphere and is known for its distinctive black and white coloring and its upright, waddling gait
127. bus\_\_\_\_\_son network *n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive
128. have a si\_\_\_\_\_g quarrel *n.* a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents
129. ho\_\_\_\_\_ed behavior *adj.* easily angered or excited; prone to act impulsively or rashly without thinking things through
130. es\_\_\_\_\_m for the other person *n.* great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone
131. d\_\_e off a cliff *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

ANSWERS: 121. recognition, 122. depression, 123. morphine, 124. wriggle, 125. overwhelming, 126. penguin, 127. businessperson, 128. sibling, 129. hotheaded, 130. esteem, 131. dive

132. score an ad\_\_\_\_\_ge *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
133. def\_\_\_\_\_ly become a problem *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
134. ab\_\_\_\_\_n the practice *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
135. boost my self-es\_\_\_m *n.* great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone
136. not\_\_\_\_\_ing the preceding provisions *adv.* despite anything to the contrary; nevertheless; (preposition) despite or in spite of
137. a public cor\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
138. ge\_\_\_e analyses *n.* the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things
139. ab\_\_e by a contract *v.* to accept or tolerate something or to act in accordance with a rule, decision, recommendation, etc.; to remain in a particular state or condition
140. a co\_\_h potato *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
141. booster j\_b *v.* to poke or prod someone or something quickly and forcefully with a pointed object or part of the body; to make a sudden or quick thrusting movement; (noun) the act of administering a vaccination or injection with a needle

ANSWERS: 132. advantage, 133. definitely, 134. abandon, 135. esteem, 136. notwithstanding, 137. corporation, 138. genome, 139. abide, 140. couch, 141. jab

142. com\_\_\_\_\_se the matter      *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
143. manual la\_\_r      *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
144. fe\_\_\_\_\_us predator      *adj.* very fierce, savage, or cruel
145. hu\_\_\_\_\_g bird      *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
146. silk ri\_\_\_\_n      *n.* a long, narrow strip or band of fabric, often used for decoration or tying things together; a symbol or badge representing a particular honor or award
147. fi\_\_\_\_e resources      *adj.* having a limit or restriction of size, time, etc.
148. he\_\_\_\_y meal      *adj.* characterized by vigor, strength, or robustness; showing warmth or enthusiasm of feeling; large and filling (referring to a meal or portions of food)
149. trees and b\_\_hes      *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
150. half-a\_\_e parcel      *n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)
151. a bu\_\_h of schoolgirls      *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

ANSWERS: 142. compromise, 143. labor, 144. ferocious, 145. humming, 146. ribbon, 147. finite, 148. hearty, 149. bush, 150. acre, 151. bunch



152. er\_\_ed the files *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
153. seasonal la\_\_r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
154. de\_\_\_e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
155. re\_\_\_\_\_e stress *v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe
156. a young bus\_\_\_\_\_son *n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive
157. no\_\_y party *adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound
158. t\_y box *n.* a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children
159. 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
160. ex\_\_\_\_\_t a bad attitude *v.* to show something in public for people to enjoy or to provide them with information
161. r\_p a hole in the roof *v.* to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly
162. s\_\_k a lot of capital *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

ANSWERS: 152. erase, 153. labor, 154. define, 155. relieve, 156. businessperson, 157. noisy, 158. toy, 159. decide, 160. exhibit, 161. rip, 162. sink

163. carry out a f\_\_d *n.* a bitter argument between two parties, causing a lot of anger or violence
164. va\_\_\_\_\_te every year *v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease
165. proud of his acc\_\_\_\_\_ents *n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
166. somatic nar\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements
167. public di\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
168. walk-in cl\_\_\_\_\_ts *n.* a small room or cabinet with a door used for storing things, especially clothes
169. a\_t cabin *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
170. in\_\_\_\_\_e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
171. sp\_\_\_\_\_e visa *n.* a person's husband, wife, or partner in marriage
172. er\_\_\_e a memory *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
173. sc\_\_\_\_\_y appearance *adj.* excessively thin or skinny, often in an unattractive or unhealthy way
174. pr\_\_\_l fear *adj.* of or relating to the earliest stage of development; fundamental; primitive

ANSWERS: 163. feud, 164. vaccinate, 165. accomplishment, 166. narcissist, 167. disgust, 168. closet, 169. aft, 170. involve, 171. spouse, 172. erase, 173. scrawny, 174. primal

175. chemical pr\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
176. the wo\_\_\_\_\_ew of the ancient civilization *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
177. by a strange coi\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* an occasion when two or more similar things happen at the same time by chance, in a surprising way
178. ho\_\_\_\_\_y policy *n.* the quality of being truthful, sincere, and morally upright; adherence to moral and ethical principles
179. a p\_\_t of sorts *n.* a person who writes poetry
180. chicken br\_\_h *n.* a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews
181. false cl\_\_m *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
182. as\_\_\_\_\_ut in training *n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere
183. res\_\_\_\_\_le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
184. a l\_\_n horse *adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture

ANSWERS: 175. property, 176. worldview, 177. coincidence, 178. honesty, 179. poet, 180. broth, 181. claim, 182. astronaut, 183. responsible, 184. lean

185. welfare ec\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services
186. com\_\_\_\_\_te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
187. junior se\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
188. su\_\_\_\_y point out *adv.* in a way that is so small or delicate as to be difficult to notice or describe
189. l\_\_h a rope *v.* to strike or hit someone with a whip or other flexible instrument; to criticize or rebuke someone severely; to bind or tie something tightly with a cord or strap
190. re\_\_\_\_\_le each other *v.* to look like or be similar to someone or something
191. dis\_\_\_\_\_re agreement *n.* the act of making something known or revealing information that was previously hidden or secret, often used in legal or financial contexts
192. an affectation of pe\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the quality of being easily irritated and childishly sulky
193. family f\_\_d *n.* a bitter argument between two parties, causing a lot of anger or violence
194. he\_\_\_\_\_ss victims *adj.* unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help
195. ex\_\_\_\_\_ve authority *adj.* not divided or shared with others
196. in\_\_\_\_t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

ANSWERS: 185. economics, 186. communicate, 187. senator, 188. subtly, 189. lash, 190. resemble, 191. disclosure, 192. petulance, 193. feud, 194. helpless, 195. exclusive, 196. invest

197. af\_\_\_m old traditions      *v.* to assert that something is true or real; to state positively
198. sc\_\_\_\_r seeds      *v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions
199. a co\_\_\_\_nt wind      *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
200. tem\_\_\_\_\_tal artist      *adj.* relating to a person's temperament or disposition; subject to changes in mood or behavior; unpredictable
201. de\_\_\_\_p a strategy      *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
202. l\_\_n athletic figure      *adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
203. during rep\_\_\_\_\_ive period      *adj.* connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants
204. alcohol ad\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the inability to stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
205. preserve my gr\_\_\_\_y      *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
206. a line-in j\_\_k      *n.* a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects

ANSWERS: 197. affirm, 198. scatter, 199. constant, 200. temperamental, 201. develop, 202. lean, 203. reproductive, 204. addiction, 205. gravity, 206. jack

207. structural fo\_\_\_\_a *n.* a group of symbols, letters, or numbers that represent a rule, law, or mathematical statement
208. meet with opp\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
209. sq\_\_\_\_\_e a lemon *v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness
210. de\_\_\_e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
211. 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
212. ea\_\_e eyes *n.* a large predatory bird with a hooked beak and broad wings, known for its keen eyesight and powerful flight; a symbol of strength and freedom in many cultures
213. in\_\_\_t a solution *v.* to understand or know something instinctively or without conscious reasoning; to perceive or apprehend something immediately or intuitively
214. con\_\_\_\_\_ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
215. network adm\_\_\_\_\_tor *n.* a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises

ANSWERS: 207. formula, 208. opposition, 209. squeeze, 210. decide, 211. council, 212. eagle, 213. intuit, 214. conversation, 215. administrator

216. ba\_\_\_r the eggs *v.* to hit something or someone repeatedly with much force; (noun, baseball) a ballplayer who is batting
217. act of fav\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* the act of giving one person or group unfair support by someone in authority
218. en\_\_\_e data *v.* to convert information into a code or format suitable for storage or transmission
219. international co\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
220. la\_\_\_h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
221. te\_\_\_\_\_te design *n.* a pre-designed file or document used as a starting point for a particular application so that the format does not have to be created from scratch
222. professional at\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the physical activities or sports that involve physical exertion and competition, such as running, jumping, throwing, or walking
223. sp\_\_\_e tax deduction *n.* a person's husband, wife, or partner in marriage
224. ch\_\_\_y response *adj.* unpleasantly cool or cold; giving a feeling of coldness; lacking warmth or friendliness in manner
225. drinking co\_\_\_\_\_ons *n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel

ANSWERS: 216. batter, 217. favoritism, 218. encode, 219. commodity, 220. launch, 221. template, 222. athletics, 223. spouse, 224. chilly, 225. companion

226. pr\_\_\_l eras *adj.* of or relating to the earliest stage of development; fundamental; primitive
227. ch\_\_m against bad luck *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
228. the longstanding co\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
229. cannot com\_\_\_\_\_se anymore *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
230. arm wr\_\_\_\_\_ng *n.* a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground
231. break off an eng\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
232. a friendly con\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
233. st\_\_k of celery *v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework
234. co\_\_\_\_\_ty tax *n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
235. basic br\_\_n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

ANSWERS: 226. primal, 227. charm, 228. conflict, 229. compromise, 230. wrestling, 231. engagement, 232. conversation, 233. stalk, 234. commodity, 235. brain



236. round of ap\_\_\_\_se *n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
237. ma\_\_\_\_l fidelity *adj.* of or relating to marriage
238. bri\_\_\_\_ly executed *adv.* in an intelligent, graceful, or skillful manner; very brightly or effectively
239. bri\_\_\_\_ly lit *adv.* in an intelligent, graceful, or skillful manner; very brightly or effectively
240. legal ca\_\_s *n.* (a Latin term meaning "case" or "occasion,") a specific situation, event, or problem, often used in legal, grammatical, or philosophical contexts
241. fe\_\_\_\_e market *adj.* capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive
242. a lo\_\_l friend *adj.* giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;
243. fertile fa\_\_\_\_nd *n.* land used for farming or agricultural purposes
244. sc\_\_w the cap *v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together
245. va\_\_\_\_te against scarlet fever *v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease
246. mighty d\_n *n.* a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket

ANSWERS: 236. applause, 237. marital, 238. brilliantly, 239. brilliantly, 240. casus, 241. fertile, 242. loyal, 243. farmland, 244. screw, 245. vaccinate, 246. din

247. express my app\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time
248. an instrument of to\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason
249. elaborate r\_\_\_e *n.* a trick or deception used to achieve a strategic or tactical advantage; a strategy or plan used to deceive or mislead someone
250. pattern st\_\_\_h *n.* one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn
251. baby ch\_\_\_k *n.* a baby bird, especially a young chicken
252. 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
253. in\_\_\_\_\_ne in a dispute *v.* to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse
254. sc\_\_\_e resources *adj.* not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain
255. co\_\_\_\_\_l my identity *v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered

ANSWERS: 247. appreciation, 248. torture, 249. ruse, 250. stitch, 251. chick, 252. process, 253. intervene, 254. scarce, 255. conceal

256. nice fe\_\_\_w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
257. fl\_\_\_\_\_ut pace *adj.* at the highest or maximum level of speed, effort, or intensity; unequivocal or without hesitation or qualification; (adverb) at full speed or maximum effort
258. de\_\_e forests *adj.* containing a large number of people or something with little space between them
259. pro\_\_\_\_\_ly insightful *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
260. de\_\_\_e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
261. a n\_\_t of thieves *n.* a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young
262. 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.
263. cost of solar pa\_\_ls *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
264. ove\_\_\_\_\_ion problem *n.* a situation in which the number of people or living organisms in a particular area or environment exceeds the carrying capacity or resources of that area or environment

ANSWERS: 256. fellow, 257. flat-out, 258. dense, 259. profoundly, 260. define, 261. nest, 262. president, 263. panel, 264. overpopulation

265. ca\_\_s omissus *n.* (a Latin term meaning "case" or "occasion,") a specific situation, event, or problem, often used in legal, grammatical, or philosophical contexts
266. ab\_\_e in the same place *v.* to accept or tolerate something or to act in accordance with a rule, decision, recommendation, etc.; to remain in a particular state or condition
267. a consensual di\_\_\_\_e *n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage
268. tem\_\_\_\_\_tal player *adj.* relating to a person's temperament or disposition; subject to changes in mood or behavior; unpredictable
269. tou\_\_\_\_\_ils attitude *adj.* describing someone or something that is exceptionally resilient, strong, and unyielding in the face of challenges or adversity
270. low vo\_\_\_\_e *n.* the difference in the force of an electric current between two points
271. wh\_\_\_\_ng price *adj.* extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock
272. high school at\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the physical activities or sports that involve physical exertion and competition, such as running, jumping, throwing, or walking
273. the root problem of her dep\_\_\_\_on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

ANSWERS: 265. casus, 266. abide, 267. divorce, 268. temperamental, 269. tough-as-nails, 270. voltage, 271. whopping, 272. athletics, 273. depression

274. advanced put\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the process of decay or decomposition in organic matter, especially due to the action of bacteria and other microorganisms; the state of being rotten or decomposed
275. baptism by im\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of putting someone or something into a liquid completely; the state of being completely involved in a subject or activity
276. co\_\_\_n's family *n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
277. 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
278. a st\_\_\_h in a garment *n.* one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn
279. fire dr\_\_\_l *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
280. re\_\_\_\_\_e his thirst *v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe
281. pun\_\_\_\_\_nt for a crime *n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
282. fairly ty\_\_\_\_\_l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

ANSWERS: 274. putrefaction, 275. immersion, 276. cousin, 277. develop, 278. stitch, 279. drill, 280. relieve, 281. punishment, 282. typical

283. l\_\_h the oxen *v.* to strike or hit someone with a whip or other flexible instrument; to criticize or rebuke someone severely; to bind or tie something tightly with a cord or strap
284. masculine ch\_\_m *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
285. la\_\_\_h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
286. muscular st\_\_\_\_th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
287. f\_\_e with one another *n.* a small part in an electrical device or machinery that can interrupt the flow of electrical current when it is overloaded; (verb) to become plastic or fluid or liquefied from heat
288. upcoming crime dr\_\_a *n.* a play in a theatre, television, or radio, or performance on a stage
289. hungry pi\_\_\_t *n.* a young or small pig
290. capital-sc\_\_\_e country *adj.* not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain
291. an ou\_\_\_\_d journey *adj.* relating to the external appearance or surface of something; visible
292. the co\_\_\_\_ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
293. arr\_\_\_\_nt committee *n.* a plan or preparation for the future event; the action or process of placing things in a particular order

ANSWERS: 283. lash, 284. charm, 285. launch, 286. strength, 287. fuse, 288. drama, 289. piglet, 290. scarce, 291. outward, 292. conflict, 293. arrangement

294. as\_\_\_\_\_te alcohol with gambling      *v.*    to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
295. ea\_\_e feathers      *n.*    a large predatory bird with a hooked beak and broad wings, known for its keen eyesight and powerful flight; a symbol of strength and freedom in many cultures
296. approaching fo\_\_\_\_\_eps      *n.*    a step, or the sound generated by a person walking when their foot hits the ground
297. d\_\_e into anime communities      *v.*    to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
298. wr\_\_\_\_\_ng match      *n.*    a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground
299. cl\_\_\_\_t full of suits      *n.*    a small room or cabinet with a door used for storing things, especially clothes
300. ease of com\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.*    the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things
301. earn his lo\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.*    the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something
302. fa\_\_\_\_\_nd acreage      *n.*    land used for farming or agricultural purposes
303. annual in\_\_\_\_\_ry      *n.*    a complete list of all the items or goods held in stock by a business or organization; the act of making such a list

ANSWERS: 294. associate, 295. eagle, 296. footstep, 297. dive, 298. wrestling, 299. closet, 300. comparison, 301. loyalty, 302. farmland, 303. inventory

304. play with my si\_\_\_\_\_gs *n.* a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents
305. in\_\_\_\_\_ne between quarreling parties *v.* to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse
306. gr\_\_e about his sore feet *n.* a minor complaint or criticism, typically expressed in a grumbling or persistent manner; sudden, sharp pain or discomfort in the abdomen; (verb) to grumble or complain about something, often in a persistent, nagging manner
307. pe\_\_\_\_\_nt life insurance *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
308. ha\_\_h a plan *v.* to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage
309. fr\_\_\_\_\_el without any resistance *v.* to ride or coast on a bicycle or a vehicle without using the pedals or without providing power; to move or continue freely or without effort
310. test my pa\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry
311. earn ap\_\_\_\_\_se *n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
312. public dis\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* the act of making something known or revealing information that was previously hidden or secret, often used in legal or financial contexts

ANSWERS: 304. sibling, 305. intervene, 306. gripe, 307. permanent, 308. hatch, 309. freewheel, 310. patience, 311. applause, 312. disclosure



313. the dr\_\_l hit the well *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
314. permanent br\_\_n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
315. sc\_\_\_\_\_l magazine *n.* an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage
316. he\_\_\_\_\_ss baby *adj.* unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help
317. fe\_\_\_\_\_us beast *adj.* very fierce, savage, or cruel
318. hu\_\_\_\_\_g sound *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
319. ex\_\_\_\_\_t a great talent *v.* to show something in public for people to enjoy or to provide them with information
320. cr\_\_k an eggshell *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking
321. ter\_\_\_\_\_ng experience *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
322. boost my con\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
323. fl\_\_\_\_\_r construction *n.* a region or area of a country that is often flown over by planes and not typically visited or considered by travelers; a flight that passes over a specific area without stopping

ANSWERS: 313. drill, 314. brain, 315. scandal, 316. helpless, 317. ferocious, 318. humming, 319. exhibit, 320. crack, 321. terrifying, 322. confidence, 323. flyover

324. r\_p a notebook apart *v.* to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly
325. di\_\_\_\_e settlement *n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage
326. relationship with a nar\_\_\_\_st *n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements
327. ad\_\_\_\_on to foreign oil *n.* the inability to stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
328. dense th\_\_\_\_t *n.* a dense group of trees, shrubs, or other plants, often forming an impenetrable barrier; a tangle or cluster of something that obstructs or impedes progress or movement
329. sleep pro\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply
330. int\_\_\_\_ge station *n.* an exchange of one thing for another, often involving a replacement or substitution; a meeting or intersection of two or more roads or routes
331. abs\_\_\_\_ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
332. con\_\_\_\_ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
333. st\_\_\_\_e for excellence *v.* to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something
334. high school at\_\_\_\_es *n.* a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance

ANSWERS: 324. rip, 325. divorce, 326. narcissist, 327. addiction, 328. thicket, 329. profoundly, 330. interchange, 331. absolutely, 332. confidence, 333. strive, 334. athlete

335. a to\_\_\_\_\_e chamber *n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason
336. a particular pre\_\_\_\_\_ce for Chinese art *n.* a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person
337. a sw\_\_t current of a river *adj.* happening, moving, or capable of moving quickly
338. ch\_\_\_y atmosphere *adj.* unpleasantly cool or cold; giving a feeling of coldness; lacking warmth or friendliness in manner
339. have an un\_\_\_r advantage *adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception
340. int\_\_\_\_\_ge of ideas *n.* an exchange of one thing for another, often involving a replacement or substitution; a meeting or intersection of two or more roads or routes
341. se\_\_\_\_\_r term *n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
342. in\_\_\_\_\_ry control *n.* a complete list of all the items or goods held in stock by a business or organization; the act of making such a list
343. ess\_\_\_\_\_ly correct *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
344. a volunteer nu\_\_e *n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

ANSWERS: 335. torture, 336. preference, 337. swift, 338. chilly, 339. unfair, 340. interchange, 341. senator, 342. inventory, 343. essentially, 344. nurse

345. become a professional at\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance
346. di\_\_\_\_\_b the peace      *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
347. dual ge\_\_\_\_r      *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
348. f\_\_e blows      *n.* a small part in an electrical device or machinery that can interrupt the flow of electrical current when it is overloaded; (verb) to become plastic or fluid or liquefied from heat
349. se\_\_\_\_e a dispute      *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
350. the dis\_\_\_\_\_age of a plan      *n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
351. plan a r\_\_e      *n.* a trick or deception used to achieve a strategic or tactical advantage; a strategy or plan used to deceive or mislead someone
352. economic fo\_\_y      *n.* a lack of good sense or judgment; foolishness or absurdity; specifically, a costly, useless, or pointless building or project that has been created or undertaken for no practical purpose or benefit

ANSWERS: 345. athlete, 346. disturb, 347. gender, 348. fuse, 349. settle, 350. disadvantage, 351. ruse, 352. folly

353. fa\_\_\_w period *adj.* describing land that is unplanted or uncultivated; describing a period of rest or inactivity, particularly about land being left to rest
354. street br\_\_\_l *n.* a noisy and violent fight involving a group of people; a chaotic and unruly disturbance or conflict
355. a scanty ha\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* yields of plants in a single growing season; the period of the year when gathering occurs on a farm
356. me\_\_\_y handling *adj.* disorganized and untidy
357. a mollusk sh\_\_\_l *n.* hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals
358. t\_y store *n.* a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children
359. th\_\_\_\_\_t of bushes *n.* a dense group of trees, shrubs, or other plants, often forming an impenetrable barrier; a tangle or cluster of something that obstructs or impedes progress or movement
360. arr\_\_\_\_\_nt of the furniture *n.* a plan or preparation for the future event; the action or process of placing things in a particular order
361. an un\_\_\_\_\_ar opinion *adj.* not liked, supported, or approved by many people; having an unfavorable reputation
362. frontal l\_\_\_e *n.* a rounded projection or division, especially of the brain, lung, or liver

ANSWERS: 353. fallow, 354. brawl, 355. harvest, 356. messy, 357. shell, 358. toy, 359. thicket, 360. arrangement, 361. unpopular, 362. lobe

363. act of fo\_\_y *n.* a lack of good sense or judgment; foolishness or absurdity; specifically, a costly, useless, or pointless building or project that has been created or undertaken for no practical purpose or benefit
364. exa\_\_\_\_\_te the situation *v.* to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse
365. his meal pre\_\_\_\_\_ces *n.* a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person
366. di\_\_\_\_\_te variable *adj.* separate and distinct; not continuous; individually distinguishable
367. me\_\_y data *adj.* disorganized and untidy
368. en\_\_\_e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
369. minor gr\_\_e *n.* a minor complaint or criticism, typically expressed in a grumbling or persistent manner; sudden, sharp pain or discomfort in the abdomen; (verb) to grumble or complain about something, often in a persistent, nagging manner
370. ext\_\_\_\_\_ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
371. fa\_\_\_w ground *adj.* describing land that is unplanted or uncultivated; describing a period of rest or inactivity, particularly about land being left to rest

ANSWERS: 363. folly, 364. exacerbate, 365. preference, 366. discrete, 367. messy, 368. engage, 369. gripe, 370. extraordinary, 371. fallow

372. affect ma\_\_\_\_l relations *adj.* of or relating to marriage
373. fr\_\_\_\_t with danger *adj.* causing, accompanied by, or full of anxiety, tension, or stress
374. di\_\_\_\_m opponents *v.* to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary
375. unr\_\_\_\_ng pressure *adj.* not easing or slackening in intensity; persistent and unwavering in pursuit of a goal
376. 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.
377. ho\_\_\_\_ed argument *adj.* easily angered or excited; prone to act impulsively or rashly without thinking things through
378. a\_t view *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
379. ch\_\_k sorting *n.* a baby bird, especially a young chicken
380. ch\_\_t in a game *v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws
381. a cr\_\_k in a board *v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

ANSWERS: 372. marital, 373. fraught, 374. disarm, 375. unrelenting, 376. president, 377. hotheaded, 378. aft, 379. chick, 380. cheat, 381. crack

382. 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
383. co\_\_\_\_\_al punishment  
*n.* a non-commissioned officer in the military, particularly in the army; a punishment administered in the military that involves physical exercise or beating
384. fe\_\_\_\_\_e ground  
*adj.* capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive
385. rep\_\_\_\_\_ive ability  
*adj.* connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants
386. se\_\_\_\_\_e down in the town  
*v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
387. take sw\_\_\_\_t action  
*adj.* happening, moving, or capable of moving quickly
388. su\_\_\_\_\_y change  
*adv.* in a way that is so small or delicate as to be difficult to notice or describe
389. ho\_\_\_\_\_y box  
*n.* the quality of being truthful, sincere, and morally upright; adherence to moral and ethical principles
390. fu\_\_\_\_\_le securities  
*adj.* able to be replaced or exchanged with another identical item; uniform and interchangeable in value or use
391. reduce s\_\_\_\_g damage  
*n.* a common name for any terrestrial gastropod mollusk that appears to lack a shell with soft and black or brown color; a bullet, a shot of alcoholic drink

ANSWERS: 382. communicate, 383. corporal, 384. fertile, 385. reproductive, 386. settle, 387. swift, 388. subtly, 389. honesty, 390. fungible, 391. slug



392. exa\_\_\_\_\_te symptoms *v.* to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse
393. no do\_\_t about the news *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
394. res\_\_\_\_\_on of a conflict *n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display
395. lo\_\_\_\_\_y program *n.* the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something
396. a corruption sc\_\_\_\_\_l *n.* an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage
397. co\_\_\_\_\_e against a friend *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
398. cr\_\_\_\_\_ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
399. a s\_\_t on his honor *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
400. fi\_\_\_\_\_rn grandchild *adj.* the first child born to a mother
401. d\_\_d relationship *n.* a group of two individuals or entities considered as a unit; a pair, or couple; a social group consisting of two members
402. sequencing of the human ge\_\_\_\_e *n.* the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things

ANSWERS: 392. exacerbate, 393. doubt, 394. resolution, 395. loyalty, 396. scandal, 397. compete, 398. creative, 399. spot, 400. firstborn, 401. dyad, 402. genome

403. bear d\_n *n.* a wild animal's lair or hiding places, such as a fox or bear
404. c\_\_e various authorities *v.* to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened
405. tr\_\_\_\_r inflation *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
406. co\_\_\_\_al body *n.* a non-commissioned officer in the military, particularly in the army; a punishment administered in the military that involves physical exercise or beating
407. school adm\_\_\_\_\_tor *n.* a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises
408. a sheltered ha\_\_\_r *n.* an area of water next to the coast where ships and boats are protected from rough water by piers, jetties, and other artificial structures; (verb) keep in one's possession
409. show pa\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry

ANSWERS: 403. den, 404. cite, 405. trigger, 406. corporal, 407. administrator, 408. harbor, 409. patience

410. say def\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
411. the a\_c current *n.* the shape of a portion of a circle or other curved line
412. ind\_\_\_\_\_al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
413. environmental det\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
414. un\_\_\_r employment practices *adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception
415. fr\_\_\_\_\_el on a bicycle *v.* to ride or coast on a bicycle or a vehicle without using the pedals or without providing power; to move or continue freely or without effort
416. show di\_\_\_\_\_t at his actions *n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
417. di\_\_\_\_\_te metric space *adj.* separate and distinct; not continuous; individually distinguishable
418. ex\_\_\_\_\_ve clubs *adj.* not divided or shared with others
419. grand pa\_\_\_\_\_ry *n.* elaborate and spectacular display or ceremony, typically associated with big events and special occasions such as parades, broadcasts, or theatrical performances
420. attempt to pe\_\_\_\_\_de *v.* to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion

ANSWERS: 410. definitely, 411. arc, 412. individual, 413. determinant, 414. unfair, 415. freewheel, 416. disgust, 417. discrete, 418. exclusive, 419. pageantry, 420. persuade

421. mo\_\_\_\_ne addiction *n.* a powerful narcotic drug used to relieve pain and induce sleep
422. ap\_\_\_\_d the orchestra *v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands
423. a j\_\_k of all trades *n.* a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects
424. no\_\_y neighbor *adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound
425. lazy s\_\_g *n.* a common name for any terrestrial gastropod mollusk that appears to lack a shell with soft and black or brown color; a bullet, a shot of alcoholic drink
426. com\_\_\_\_\_on of foods on a caloric basis *n.* the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things
427. unr\_\_\_\_\_ng pursuit *adj.* not easing or slackening in intensity; persistent and unwavering in pursuit of a goal
428. as\_\_\_\_\_te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
429. not\_\_\_\_\_ing my protests *adv.* despite anything to the contrary; nevertheless; (preposition) despite or in spite of
430. s\_\_k a buzzer-beater *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

ANSWERS: 421. morphine, 422. applaud, 423. jack, 424. noisy, 425. slug, 426. comparison, 427. unrelenting, 428. associate, 429. notwithstanding, 430. sink

431. a large textile cr\_\_t *n.* a peak or ridge, especially on a mountain or wave; a decorative tuft or topknot
432. cl\_\_m responsibility *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
433. re\_\_\_\_on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
434. barren of cr\_\_\_\_ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
435. an una\_\_\_\_\_le accident *adj.* impossible to avoid or evade; inevitable
436. ap\_\_\_\_\_d his courage *v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands
437. pu\_\_h a ticket *v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
438. r\_\_k amateur *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
439. ha\_\_\_r a resentment *n.* an area of water next to the coast where ships and boats are protected from rough water by piers, jetties, and other artificial structures; (verb) keep in one's possession
440. fi\_\_\_\_\_rn female child *adj.* the first child born to a mother

ANSWERS: 431. crest, 432. claim, 433. relation, 434. creative, 435. unavoidable, 436. applaud, 437. punch, 438. rank, 439. harbor, 440. firstborn

441. reap a ha\_\_\_\_t                    *n.* yields of plants in a single growing season; the period of the year when gathering occurs on a farm
442. an a\_\_e of forest                *n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)
443. barroom br\_\_l                    *n.* a noisy and violent fight involving a group of people; a chaotic and unruly disturbance or conflict
444. co\_\_\_\_\_on detection        *n.* an instance of two or more objects or entities crashing into each other, usually resulting in damage, impact, or conflict
445. mainstream wo\_\_\_\_\_ew       *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
446. dis\_\_\_\_\_ent plan            *n.* the act of reducing or withdrawing the amount of money you have provided in a particular area or sector
447. ge\_\_\_r-blind policies           *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
448. medical ca\_\_\_\_\_e            *n.* a small, enclosed container often used for holding medicines or supplements or for transporting payloads in spacecraft; a small, elongated structure within the body, such as a joint or a gland

ANSWERS: 441. harvest, 442. acre, 443. brawl, 444. collision, 445. worldview, 446. disinvestment, 447. gender, 448. capsule

449. bird's n__t	<i>n.</i> a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young
450. ty____l leader	<i>adj.</i> having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
451. wh____ng success	<i>adj.</i> extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock
452. an a_c of a circumference	<i>n.</i> the shape of a portion of a circle or other curved line
453. a co____nt temperature	<i>adj.</i> happening repeatedly or all the time
454. d_n of traffic	<i>n.</i> a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket
455. take ad____ge of his weak points	<i>n.</i> a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
456. st____th of the economy	<i>n.</i> the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
457. sc____y cat	<i>adj.</i> excessively thin or skinny, often in an unattractive or unhealthy way
458. economic w_e	<i>n.</i> significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
459. secular dr__a	<i>n.</i> a play in a theatre, television, or radio, or performance on a stage
460. in____e a lot of paperwork	<i>v.</i> to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
461. un____ar decision	<i>adj.</i> not liked, supported, or approved by many people; having an unfavorable reputation

ANSWERS: 449. nest, 450. typical, 451. whopping, 452. arc, 453. constant, 454. din, 455. advantage, 456. strength, 457. scrawny, 458. woe, 459. drama, 460. involve, 461. unpopular

462. a female sc\_\_w *v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together
463. a prefectural go\_\_\_\_or *n.* the person who holds the highest executive office in a state or province
464. pe\_\_\_\_de enough people *v.* to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion
465. natural phe\_\_\_\_on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
466. become a lo\_\_l customer *adj.* giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;
467. fo\_\_\_\_eps in the corridor *n.* a step, or the sound generated by a person walking when their foot hits the ground
468. m\_\_t the ice *v.* to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating
469. a ha\_\_y-sized bag *adj.* valuable and convenient; easy or ready to reach or use
470. famous sa\_\_\_\_st *n.* a writer or artist who uses humor, irony, or exaggeration to expose and criticize people's stupidity or vices, often in the form of satire
471. ab\_\_\_\_n a friend *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

ANSWERS: 462. screw, 463. governor, 464. persuade, 465. phenomenon, 466. loyal, 467. footstep, 468. melt, 469. handy, 470. satirist, 471. abandon



472. co\_\_\_\_\_e fiercely      *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
473. st\_\_k from the room      *v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework
474. reduce my ca\_\_\_\_\_e intake      *n.* unit of heat defined as the quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of 1 gram of water by 1 degree Celsius at atmospheric pressure, used by nutritionists to measure how much energy food will produce
475. remains of br\_\_h      *n.* a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews
476. ch\_\_t on my taxes      *v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws
477. sa\_\_\_y check      *n.* the state of being mentally sound, healthy, and rational
478. pre\_\_\_\_\_ly accurate      *adv.* believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof
479. te\_\_\_\_\_te file      *n.* a pre-designed file or document used as a starting point for a particular application so that the format does not have to be created from scratch

ANSWERS: 472. compete, 473. stalk, 474. calorie, 475. broth, 476. cheat, 477. sanity, 478. presumably, 479. template

480. c\_\_e a fact as evidence *v.* to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened
481. high r\_\_k *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
482. man with a low sp\_\_m count *n.* the reproductive cell produced by a man or male animal
483. sq\_\_\_\_\_e a confession *v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness
484. en\_\_\_e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
485. de\_\_\_e a plan *v.* to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination
486. app\_\_\_\_\_ion for diversity *n.* the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time
487. a binomial fo\_\_\_\_\_a *n.* a group of symbols, letters, or numbers that represent a rule, law, or mathematical statement
488. have a sa\_\_\_y hearing *n.* the state of being mentally sound, healthy, and rational
489. joint rec\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal

ANSWERS: 480. cite, 481. rank, 482. sperm, 483. squeeze, 484. engage, 485. devise, 486. appreciation, 487. formula, 488. sanity, 489. recognition

490. an ide_____ion tag for children	<i>n.</i>	the act or process of recognizing, proving, or designating someone or something
491. af___m strong identity	<i>v.</i>	to assert that something is true or real; to state positively
492. ex__t influence	<i>v.</i>	to put forth effort; to put into action; to bring into play
493. imp_____le story	<i>adj.</i>	not likely to happen or be true; unlikely; having a low probability or chance of occurring
494. ha__y tool	<i>adj.</i>	valuable and convenient; easy or ready to reach or use
495. s_n of omission	<i>n.</i>	the offense against a religious or moral law or against God
496. ove_____ing majority	<i>adj.</i>	very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
497. re_____on between cause and effect	<i>n.</i>	the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
498. a private ind_____al	<i>n.</i>	a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
499. d__e not go	<i>v.</i>	to have the courage to do something
500. l__e of the liver	<i>n.</i>	a rounded projection or division, especially of the brain, lung, or liver
501. re_____le her mother	<i>v.</i>	to look like or be similar to someone or something
502. space ca_____e	<i>n.</i>	a small, enclosed container often used for holding medicines or supplements or for transporting payloads in spacecraft; a small, elongated structure within the body, such as a joint or a gland

ANSWERS: 490. identification, 491. affirm, 492. exert, 493. improbable, 494. handy, 495. sin, 496. overwhelming, 497. relation, 498. individual, 499. dare, 500. lobe, 501. resemble, 502. capsule

503. opp\_\_\_\_\_on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
504. full of w\_e *n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
505. j\_b a finger *v.* to poke or prod someone or something quickly and forcefully with a pointed object or part of the body; to make a sudden or quick thrusting movement; (noun) the act of administering a vaccination or injection with a needle
506. pink ri\_\_\_\_n campaign *n.* a long, narrow strip or band of fabric, often used for decoration or tying things together; a symbol or badge representing a particular honor or award
507. historical phe\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
508. at\_\_\_\_\_t attention *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
509. pu\_\_h out numbers *v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
510. st\_\_\_e hard to get *v.* to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something
511. Adelie pe\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* a flightless sea bird that is found in the Southern Hemisphere and is known for its distinctive black and white coloring and its upright, waddling gait

ANSWERS: 503. opposition, 504. woe, 505. jab, 506. ribbon, 507. phenomenon, 508. attract, 509. punch, 510. strive, 511. penguin

512. im\_\_\_\_\_on in acid

*n.* the act of putting someone or something into a liquid completely; the state of being completely involved in a subject or activity

ANSWERS: 512. immersion

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I used to play with my younger male \_\_\_\_\_ when I was a little girl.  
*n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
  
2. He was always insecure about his \_\_\_\_\_ physique.  
*adj.* excessively thin or skinny, often in an unattractive or unhealthy way
  
3. Recurrent financial \_\_\_\_\_ hampered his subsequent career.  
*n.* significant problems or troubles; great unhappiness
  
4. I must bundle up in a warm coat and scarf to bear the \_\_\_\_\_ winter weather.  
*adj.* unpleasantly cool or cold; giving a feeling of coldness; lacking warmth or friendliness in manner
  
5. A rainbow is a natural \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
  
6. \_\_\_\_\_ is the start, not the end, of intelligence.  
*n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
  
7. The shuttle \_\_\_\_\_ trained for months before embarking on the space mission.  
*n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere
  
8. These are significantly more exquisite than typical \_\_\_\_\_ bracelets.  
*n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people

ANSWERS: 1. cousins, 2. scrawny, 3. woes, 4. chilly, 5. phenomenon, 6. Doubt, 7. astronaut, 8. charm

9. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the parade was truly magnificent, with colorful floats and costumed performers.
- n.* elaborate and spectacular display or ceremony, typically associated with big events and special occasions such as parades, broadcasts, or theatrical performances
10. As a first \_\_\_\_\_ we agreed to meet the following Friday.
- n.* a plan or preparation for the future event; the action or process of placing things in a particular order
11. He was filled with \_\_\_\_\_ and fear for the threat of war.
- n.* a strong feeling of dislike or disapproval
12. She tried to \_\_\_\_\_ her brother to join her on the trip, but he was too busy with work.
- v.* to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion
13. He was promoted to the \_\_\_\_\_ of captain in the military.
- n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
14. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the discussion was the current state of the economy.
- n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
15. Your \_\_\_\_\_ reflects your thoughts.
- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
16. Her \_\_\_\_\_ is comfortable clothing over fashionable ones.
- n.* a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person

ANSWERS: 9. pageantry, 10. arrangement, 11. disgust, 12. persuade, 13. rank, 14. topic, 15. conversation, 16. preference

17. Children often copy their parents or elder \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a brother or sister; member of a family born to the same parents

18. The incident \_\_\_\_\_ a political controversy.

*v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

19. A culture of \_\_\_\_\_ in the workplace leads to better communication and productivity.

*n.* the quality of being truthful, sincere, and morally upright; adherence to moral and ethical principles

20. They never \_\_\_\_\_ on development despite the lack of funds.

*v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

21. The government announced a policy to control the rise in \_\_\_\_\_ prices.

*n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold

22. Health and \_\_\_\_\_ are, above all, gold.

*n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

23. One bad apple spoils the whole \_\_\_\_\_.

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

24. There are now fears that war is \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* impossible to avoid or evade; inevitable

25. The smell of \_\_\_\_\_ coming from the garbage can was unbearable.

*n.* the process of decay or decomposition in organic matter, especially due to the action of bacteria and other microorganisms; the state of being rotten or decomposed

ANSWERS: 17. siblings, 18. triggered, 19. honesty, 20. compromised, 21. commodity, 22. strength, 23. bunch, 24. unavoidable, 25. putrefaction



26. 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
27. The political \_\_\_\_\_ rocked the nation and led to the resignation of several high-ranking officials.
- n.* an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage
28. 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
29. The industrial \_\_\_\_\_ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
- n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
30. The highway had a dangerous \_\_\_\_\_ where accidents were common.
- n.* an exchange of one thing for another, often involving a replacement or substitution; a meeting or intersection of two or more roads or routes
31. 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
32. His impolite behavior incurred her \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the quality of being easily irritated and childishly sulky
33. The couple decided to get a \_\_\_\_\_ after many years of marriage.
- n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage

ANSWERS: 26. communicate, 27. scandal, 28. attract, 29. relations, 30. interchange, 31. develop, 32. petulance, 33. divorce

34. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

35. The \_\_\_\_\_ child is often the parents' favorite.

- adj.* the first child born to a mother

36. Other technology industries \_\_\_\_\_ similarly explosive growth.

- v.* to show something in public for people to enjoy or to provide them with information

37. Despite the intense verbal abuse, she \_\_\_\_\_ her anger well.

- v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered

38. The \_\_\_\_\_ biting commentary on corporate greed made him a hero among activists.

- n.* a writer or artist who uses humor, irony, or exaggeration to expose and criticize people's stupidity or vices, often in the form of satire

39. The teacher is very \_\_\_\_\_ to children's feelings.

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

40. The nurse had to \_\_\_\_ the patient with a needle to give them the medicine.

- v.* to poke or prod someone or something quickly and forcefully with a pointed object or part of the body; to make a sudden or quick thrusting movement; (noun) the act of administering a vaccination or injection with a needle

41. Historians often debate the true \_\_\_\_\_ belli of many ancient wars, as the reasons might be multifaceted.

- n.* (a Latin term meaning "case" or "occasion,") a specific situation, event, or problem, often used in legal, grammatical, or philosophical contexts

ANSWERS: 34. brain, 35. firstborn, 36. exhibit, 37. concealed, 38. satirist's, 39. sensitive, 40. jab, 41. casus

42. The sperm whale can \_\_\_\_\_ to 1,000 meters.

- v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

43. The condo offers \_\_\_\_\_ access to the beach.

- adj.* not divided or shared with others

44. The store manager took \_\_\_\_\_ of the products on the shelves to know what needed restocking.

- n.* a complete list of all the items or goods held in stock by a business or organization; the act of making such a list

45. The eggs began to \_\_\_\_\_ and the small chicks emerged.

- v.* to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage

46. Connecting batteries in series increase the \_\_\_\_\_ of the circuit.

- n.* the difference in the force of an electric current between two points

47. We worked together as \_\_\_\_\_ to finish the project on time.

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

48. The government is encouraging farmers to expand their \_\_\_\_\_ to increase food production.

- n.* land used for farming or agricultural purposes

49. He \_\_\_\_\_ himself to lift the heavyweight.

- v.* to put forth effort; to put into action; to bring into play

ANSWERS: 42. dive, 43. exclusive, 44. inventory, 45. hatch, 46. voltage, 47. comrades, 48. farmland, 49. exerted

50. 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

51. The hawkish \_\_\_\_\_ gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.

*n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate

52. Gold is a \_\_\_\_\_ meaning its value is interchangeable with other gold of the same quality and quantity.

*adj.* able to be replaced or exchanged with another identical item; uniform and interchangeable in value or use

53. He wants to \_\_\_\_\_ ownership of the abandoned property.

*v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

54. The male \_\_\_\_\_ fertilizes the female egg.

*n.* the reproductive cell produced by a man or male animal

55. From her experience with similar projects, she could \_\_\_\_\_ the most efficient way to complete the task.

*v.* to understand or know something instinctively or without conscious reasoning; to perceive or apprehend something immediately or intuitively

56. She tied the \_\_\_\_\_ around the gift box to make it look pretty.

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

57. The entire mountain is covered in \_\_\_\_\_ rainforest.

*adj.* containing a large number of people or something with little space between them

ANSWERS: 50. engaged, 51. senator, 52. fungible commodity, 53. claim, 54. sperm, 55. intuit, 56. ribbon, 57. dense

58. This company's \_\_\_\_\_ plant is an enormous facility.
- n.* a group of people who have been elected, especially one that meets regularly and makes decisions or laws for a specific region or country
59. The use of \_\_\_\_\_ is strictly prohibited under international law.
- n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason
60. He was given \_\_\_\_\_ for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.
- n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
61. Healing a broken heart requires \_\_\_\_\_ as it takes time to heal.
- n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry
62. This documentary deals with the \_\_\_\_\_ biology of the buffalo.
- adj.* connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants
63. He stood to inherit a million-dollar \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
64. The wind was strong enough to let the kite \_\_\_\_\_ across the sky without any guidance.
- v.* to ride or coast on a bicycle or a vehicle without using the pedals or without providing power; to move or continue freely or without effort
65. In a democracy, it is necessary to monitor the judiciary to see if it is making \_\_\_\_\_ decisions.
- adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception

ANSWERS: 58. assembly, 59. torture, 60. recognition, 61. patience, 62. reproductive, 63. property, 64. freewheel, 65. unfair

66. She \_\_\_\_\_ the toothpaste tube from the middle to get the last bit out.
- v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness
67. As a \_\_\_\_\_ he helped me realize my career.
- n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
68. The investigation \_\_\_\_\_ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.
- v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
69. \_\_\_\_\_ symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.
- n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
70. The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
71. The bald \_\_\_\_\_ symbolizes freedom and strength in the United States.
- n.* a large predatory bird with a hooked beak and broad wings, known for its keen eyesight and powerful flight; a symbol of strength and freedom in many cultures
72. The night shift \_\_\_\_\_ checked my vital signs before administering the medication.
- n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide care for the sick or injured; (verb) to try to cure by special care or treatment of an illness or injury

ANSWERS: 66. squeezed, 67. mentor, 68. involves, 69. Depression, 70. gravity, 71. eagle, 72. nurse

73. \_\_\_\_\_ operational improvements often lead to better environmental performance.

*adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture

74. The \_\_\_\_\_ burst from the audience.

*n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together

75. The construction outside was creating a \_\_\_\_\_ distraction from my work.

*adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound

76. She had an audition for \_\_\_\_\_ school.

*n.* a play in a theatre, television, or radio, or performance on a stage

77. I feel so \_\_\_\_\_ without you.

*adj.* unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help

78. The thief used a clever \_\_\_\_\_ to access the bank's vault.

*n.* a trick or deception used to achieve a strategic or tactical advantage; a strategy or plan used to deceive or mislead someone

79. They selected a gorgeous diamond \_\_\_\_\_ ring.

*n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

80. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the politician was a constant presence at campaign events.

*n.* a person's husband, wife, or partner in marriage

81. He narrated the \_\_\_\_\_ story of his adventure.

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

ANSWERS: 73. Lean, 74. applause, 75. noisy, 76. drama, 77. helpless, 78. ruse, 79. engagement, 80. spouse, 81. extraordinary

82. The \_\_\_\_\_ instincts of the animal kicked in when it was threatened.  
*adj.* of or relating to the earliest stage of development; fundamental; primitive
83. The teacher told the students to memorize the math \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a group of symbols, letters, or numbers that represent a rule, law, or mathematical statement
84. His dream is to become an Olympic \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a person who competes in one or more sports that involve physical strength, speed, or endurance
85. He \_\_\_\_\_ the wall in anger.  
*v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
86. One \_\_\_\_\_ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.  
*n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
87. Skill and \_\_\_\_\_ are an unconquered army.  
*n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
88. The majority of consumers \_\_\_\_\_ this brand with quality.  
*v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
89. He has shown signs of uneasiness and \_\_\_\_\_ worry.  
*adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

ANSWERS: 82. primal, 83. formula, 84. athlete, 85. punched, 86. determinant, 87. confidence, 88. associate, 89. overwhelming



90. Shares in the company finally fell below their \_\_\_\_ value.

*n.* a state of being equal to someone or something

91. Many animal species are at risk of extinction due to human \_\_\_\_\_ and habitat destruction.

*n.* a situation in which the number of people or living organisms in a particular area or environment exceeds the carrying capacity or resources of that area or environment

92. I enthusiastically \_\_\_\_\_ my rival's achievement.

*v.* to express approval of someone or something by clapping the hands

93. I am going to trim this \_\_\_\_ off.

*n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root

94. I wouldn't \_\_\_\_ to speak to him like that.

*v.* to have the courage to do something

95. The tsunami swamped every boat in the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* an area of water next to the coast where ships and boats are protected from rough water by piers, jetties, and other artificial structures; (verb) keep in one's possession

96. Following international law, our country does not \_\_\_\_\_ in the internal affairs of our neighbors.

*v.* to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse

97. The outermost electron \_\_\_\_\_ determines the chemical properties of an atom.

*n.* hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals

ANSWERS: 90. par, 91. overpopulation, 92. applaud, 93. bush, 94. dare, 95. harbor, 96. intervene, 97. shell

98. During \_\_\_\_\_ farmers are incredibly busy.

- n.* yields of plants in a single growing season; the period of the year when gathering occurs on a farm

99. The mother \_\_\_\_\_ out at her child for misbehaving in public.

- v.* to strike or hit someone with a whip or other flexible instrument; to criticize or rebuke someone severely; to bind or tie something tightly with a cord or strap

100. Her voice was \_\_\_\_\_ yet ever the last words fell lingeringly.

- adj.* happening, moving, or capable of moving quickly

101. The police were able to \_\_\_\_\_ the suspect without any violence.

- v.* to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary

102. The state \_\_\_\_\_ visited the affected areas and promised to aid the victims.

- n.* the person who holds the highest executive office in a state or province

103. The new smartphone has a \_\_\_\_\_ 1TB of storage space.

- adj.* extremely large, impressive, or noteworthy; it can also be used to describe a surprise or shock

104. It was a pure \_\_\_\_\_ that we met her in the library.

- n.* an occasion when two or more similar things happen at the same time by chance, in a surprising way

105. During transit, the stuff may \_\_\_ off the luggage tag.

- v.* to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly

ANSWERS: 98. harvest, 99. lashed, 100. swift, 101. disarm, 102. governor, 103. whopping, 104. coincidence, 105. rip

106. Graduating from college was a major \_\_\_\_\_ for her.
- n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
107. The child started to \_\_\_\_\_ out of their seatbelt during the long car ride.
- v.* to twist and turn with quick, writhing motions; to move in a twisting or contorting manner
108. \_\_\_\_\_ a society is an organism.
- adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
109. He was a successful \_\_\_\_\_ and had much experience in the field.
- n.* a person who is engaged in business, typically as an owner or executive
110. The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
111. The government should view children as national assets and actively \_\_\_\_\_ in them.
- v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
112. In psychotherapy, the therapeutic \_\_\_\_ consists of the therapist and the patient, and their relationship is crucial to the therapeutic process.
- n.* a group of two individuals or entities considered as a unit; a pair, or couple; a social group consisting of two members
113. He had to \_\_\_\_\_ the loose knob back onto the cabinet door.
- v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together

ANSWERS: 106. accomplishment, 107. wriggle, 108. Essentially, 109. businessperson, 110. worldviews, 111. invest, 112. dyad, 113. screw

114. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.

*adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee

115. Due to hunger, the lives of the refugees were in \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* serious and great danger or risk

116. Fresh water is becoming increasingly \_\_\_\_\_ in many parts of the world.

*adj.* not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain

117. Many people see the \_\_\_\_\_ of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.

*n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something

118. Her resistance \_\_\_\_\_ under his persuasion.

*v.* to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating

119. The \_\_\_\_\_ format provided a useful guide for creating the budget.

*n.* a pre-designed file or document used as a starting point for a particular application so that the format does not have to be created from scratch

120. The software can \_\_\_\_\_ and decode encrypted messages.

*v.* to convert information into a code or format suitable for storage or transmission

121. It is \_\_\_\_\_ that we will find a solution to this problem overnight.

*adj.* not likely to happen or be true; unlikely; having a low probability or chance of occurring

122. The witness's testimony was \_\_\_\_\_ based on what he had seen and heard.

*adv.* believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof

ANSWERS: 114. humming, 115. peril, 116. scarce, 117. upside, 118. melted, 119. template, 120. encode, 121. improbable, 122. presumably

123. The paper is \_\_\_\_\_ worth reading thoroughly.

*adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

124. Several military \_\_\_\_\_ programs have become popular methods of exercise.

*n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice

125. The city's new \_\_\_\_\_ allows traffic to bypass the busy intersection below.

*n.* a region or area of a country that is often flown over by planes and not typically visited or considered by travelers; a flight that passes over a specific area without stopping

126. 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

127. The fox had dug a \_\_\_\_ in the side of the hill, where it could rest and hide from predators.

*n.* a wild animal's lair or hiding places, such as a fox or bear

128. He is now fighting his \_\_\_\_\_ to drugs.

*n.* the inability to stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful

129. He is the kind of \_\_\_\_\_ who only works for his success.

*adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

130. I always add a bit of \_\_\_\_\_ to my soup to give it more flavor.

*n.* a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews

ANSWERS: 123. definitely, 124. drill, 125. flyover, 126. council, 127. den, 128. addiction, 129. fellow, 130. broth

131. She's a \_\_\_\_\_ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

*adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

132. A ball flew in a big \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the shape of a portion of a circle or other curved line

133. The \_\_\_\_\_ appearance of the building was impressive, but the inside was in dire need of repairs.

*adj.* relating to the external appearance or surface of something; visible

134. The \_\_\_\_\_ hotel room may be small but it has all the necessary amenities.

*n.* a small, enclosed container often used for holding medicines or supplements or for transporting payloads in spacecraft; a small, elongated structure within the body, such as a joint or a gland

135. Four companies were amalgamated into a single \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

136. We strive not to \_\_\_\_\_ the environment when demolishing petroleum plants.

*v.* to make something impure, unclean, or poisonous by contact or mixture

137. Eye movements complicate \_\_\_\_\_ by retinal scanning.

*n.* the act or process of recognizing, proving, or designating someone or something

138. He and I often had \_\_\_\_\_ not only in personality but also in ideology.

*n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

ANSWERS: 131. responsible, 132. arc, 133. outward, 134. capsule, 135. corporation, 136. contaminate, 137. identification, 138. conflicts,

139. The lungs are divided into five \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a rounded projection or division, especially of the brain, lung, or liver

140. They had formed a friendship \_\_\_\_\_.

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

141. He gave his daughter a new \_\_\_\_ for her birthday.

*n.* a thing, typically a small model or replica of something that is played with, especially by children

142. She is a talented \_\_\_\_\_ who has been recognized for her work.

*n.* a person who writes poetry

143. The \_\_\_\_\_ of tectonic plates can result in new mountain ranges, such as the Himalayas or the Alps.

*n.* an instance of two or more objects or entities crashing into each other, usually resulting in damage, impact, or conflict

144. I don't want to \_\_\_\_\_ for second best.

*v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement

145. The company divided the tasks into \_\_\_\_\_ segments to increase efficiency.

*adj.* separate and distinct; not continuous; individually distinguishable

146. He used a \_\_\_\_\_ to lift the car to change the tire.

*n.* a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects

147. The hunter quietly \_\_\_\_\_ the deer for hours before taking the shot

*v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework

ANSWERS: 139. lobes, 140. bond, 141. toy, 142. poet, 143. collision, 144. settle, 145. discrete, 146. jack, 147. stalked

148. The negotiations were \_\_\_\_\_ with challenges and setbacks.

*adj.* causing, accompanied by, or full of anxiety, tension, or stress

149. \_\_\_\_\_ ties are often strong and enduring.

*adj.* of or relating to a family or families; having the qualities of a family

150. Her dog is her excellent \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel

151. I love to relax on the \_\_\_\_\_ and watch movies on the weekends.

*n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

152. 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

153. They must \_\_\_\_\_ by the rules set by the governing body.

*v.* to accept or tolerate something or to act in accordance with a rule, decision, recommendation, etc.; to remain in a particular state or condition

154. He attempted to \_\_\_\_\_ the misspelled word.

*v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

155. Her job's long hours and high pressure started affecting her \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the state of being mentally sound, healthy, and rational

156. The artist received a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ for his latest work.

*n.* the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time

ANSWERS: 148. fraught, 149. Familial, 150. companion, 151. couch, 152. individual, 153. abide, 154. erase, 155. sanity, 156. appreciation



157. This remote \_\_\_\_\_ is rarely visited.

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

158. I am \_\_\_\_\_ opposed to his idea because of morality.

*adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

159. She is searching for a \_\_\_\_\_ residence.

*adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change

160. The nurse \_\_\_\_\_ the children in the school.

*v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease

161. \_\_\_\_\_ the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

*v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

162. The human \_\_\_\_\_ contains approximately three billion chemical base pairs.

*n.* the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things

163. Long-term use of \_\_\_\_\_ can lead to tolerance, physical dependence, and addiction.

*n.* a powerful narcotic drug used to relieve pain and induce sleep

164. Government policy has already been revised \_\_\_\_\_.

*adv.* in a way that is so small or delicate as to be difficult to notice or describe

165. This artwork is \_\_\_\_\_ of her work.

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

ANSWERS: 157. spot, 158. absolutely, 159. permanent, 160. vaccinated, 161. Wrap, 162. genome, 163. morphine, 164. subtly, 165. typical

166. The company's \_\_\_\_\_ of its financial records led to a better understanding of its operations.

*n.* the act of making something known or revealing information that was previously hidden or secret, often used in legal or financial contexts

167. Some overzealous environmentalists claim celebrities are committing carbon dioxide \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the offense against a religious or moral law or against God

168. 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

169. He's known for his \_\_\_\_\_ temper and quick reactions.

*adj.* easily angered or excited; prone to act impulsively or rashly without thinking things through

170. He brushed the suit before hanging it back into the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a small room or cabinet with a door used for storing things, especially clothes

171. He has always shown great \_\_\_\_\_ to his friends and family.

*n.* the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something

172. More and more people are utilizing counselors to help resolve their \_\_\_\_\_ problems.

*adj.* of or relating to marriage

173. The \_\_\_\_\_ soup warmed us up on the cold winter day.

*adj.* characterized by vigor, strength, or robustness; showing warmth or enthusiasm of feeling; large and filling (referring to a meal or portions of food)

ANSWERS: 166. disclosure, 167. sins, 168. aft, 169. hotheaded, 170. closet, 171. loyalty, 172. marital, 173. hearty

174. It was \_\_\_\_\_ for the hiker to climb the dangerous mountain alone.

- n.* a lack of good sense or judgment; foolishness or absurdity; specifically, a costly, useless, or pointless building or project that has been created or undertaken for no practical purpose or benefit

175. The university's \_\_\_\_\_ announced new policies regarding campus safety.

- n.* a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises

176. The hikers had to cut through the \_\_\_\_\_ to descend the mountain.

- n.* a dense group of trees, shrubs, or other plants, often forming an impenetrable barrier; a tangle or cluster of something that obstructs or impedes progress or movement

177. In several countries, child \_\_\_\_\_ is a serious social problem.

- n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

178. The company's decision to engage in \_\_\_\_\_ led to a reduction in its overall portfolio.

- n.* the act of reducing or withdrawing the amount of money you have provided in a particular area or sector

179. The retired politician resolved the \_\_\_\_\_ between groups through mediation.

- n.* a bitter argument between two parties, causing a lot of anger or violence

180. The \_\_\_\_\_ reporter covered the murder case for the first time.

- n.* a young of certain carnivorous mammals such as lion, bear, wolf, etc.; an awkward, rude, and inexperienced boy

ANSWERS: 174. folly, 175. administrator, 176. thicket, 177. labor, 178. disinvestment, 179. feud, 180. cub

181. I've included the two designs for a \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the consideration or examination of the similarities between two or more people or things
182. I felt like I was in a different world because of the \_\_\_\_\_ experience of virtual reality.
- n.* the act of putting someone or something into a liquid completely; the state of being completely involved in a subject or activity
183. Their company survives due to political \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the act of giving one person or group unfair support by someone in authority
184. Enemy armies are \_\_\_\_\_ to their monarch.
- adj.* giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;
185. The \_\_\_\_\_ at the nightclub resulted in several injuries and arrests.
- n.* a noisy and violent fight involving a group of people; a chaotic and unruly disturbance or conflict
186. The politician's stance on controversial issues made him an \_\_\_\_\_ candidate for many voters.
- adj.* not liked, supported, or approved by many people; having an unfavorable reputation
187. Human beings have a \_\_\_\_\_ lifespan, so we yearn for the idea of immortality.
- adj.* having a limit or restriction of size, time, etc.
188. The prime minister decided to reshuffle his \_\_\_\_\_ to regain support.
- n.* a piece of furniture with doors, shelves, and drawers used for storage or display; a small group of senior members of a government who act as official advisers for the President or Prime Minister

ANSWERS: 181. comparison, 182. immersion, 183. favoritism, 184. loyal, 185. brawl, 186. unpopular, 187. finite, 188. cabinet

189. How did he \_\_\_\_\_ to your idea?

*v.* to take action in response to something

190. The hunter's approach \_\_\_\_\_ the geese.

*v.* to cause to separate and go in different directions

191. We are \_\_\_\_\_ opposed to any form of terrorism.

*adv.* completely or absolutely

192. The majority of the \_\_\_\_\_ are raised on local family farms.

*n.* a baby bird, especially a young chicken

193. You must \_\_\_\_\_ with others to obtain this position.

*v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

194. It would be best if you burned off \_\_\_\_\_ through vigorous exercise.

*n.* unit of heat defined as the quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of 1 gram of water by 1 degree Celsius at atmospheric pressure, used by nutritionists to measure how much energy food will produce

195. They found a \_\_\_\_\_ place to play catch.

*adj.* valuable and convenient; easy or ready to reach or use

196. The science experiment involved mixing various liquids to create a bubbling \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a sticky or slimy substance, often of indeterminate or unknown composition; a slang term used to describe something messy, chaotic, or confusing

197. He lost everything due to his \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a chronic disorder characterized by dependence on alcohol and repeated excessive use of alcoholic beverages

ANSWERS: 189. react, 190. scattered, 191. utterly, 192. chicks, 193. compete, 194. calories, 195. handy, 196. goo, 197. alcoholism

198. The abandoned ship slowly began to \_\_\_\_\_ into the murky waters of the harbor.

- v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

199. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more \_\_\_\_\_.

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

200. A \_\_\_\_\_ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

- n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

201. The wound was so deep that it needed a surgical procedure and \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn

202. He has a short \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a small part in an electrical device or machinery that can interrupt the flow of electrical current when it is overloaded; (verb) to become plastic or fluid or liquefied from heat

203. The castle was \_\_\_\_\_ several years later.

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

204. The \_\_\_\_\_ coach drilled the team rigorously, ensuring they were prepared for the championship game.

- adj.* describing someone or something that is exceptionally resilient, strong, and unyielding in the face of challenges or adversity

ANSWERS: 198. sink, 199. creative, 200. panel, 201. stitches, 202. fuse, 203. abandoned, 204. tough-as-nails

205. The sound of oncoming \_\_\_\_\_ grew louder, closer.

*n.* a step, or the sound generated by a person walking when their foot hits the ground

206. The \_\_\_\_\_ field was left unplanted to allow the soil to regain nutrients.

*adj.* describing land that is unplanted or uncultivated; describing a period of rest or inactivity, particularly about land being left to rest

207. The medicine \_\_\_\_\_ his headache, and he felt much better.

*v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe

208. They \_\_\_\_\_ to make their dream come true.

*v.* to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something

209. A lack of education can be a significant \_\_\_\_\_ in today's job market.

*n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position

210. She was disbarred for her \_\_\_\_\_ in fraud.

*adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming

211. \_\_\_\_\_ dropping wears away the stone.

*adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time

212. The \_\_\_\_ of the city was overwhelming.

*n.* a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket

213. The farmer found a cute newborn \_\_\_\_\_ wandering in the field.

*n.* a young or small pig

ANSWERS: 205. footsteps, 206. fallow, 207. relieved, 208. strived, 209. disadvantage, 210. engaging, 211. Constant, 212. din, 213. piglet

214. The \_\_\_\_\_ heat made it difficult to sleep.

*adj.* not easing or slackening in intensity; persistent and unwavering in pursuit of a goal

215. The female birds build a \_\_\_\_\_ and lay their eggs in May.

*n.* a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young

216. To advance this discussion, we must \_\_\_\_\_ "success" rigorously.

*v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

217. The project's success largely depends on the \_\_\_\_\_ weather in the region.

*adj.* relating to a person's temperament or disposition; subject to changes in mood or behavior; unpredictable

218. His \_\_\_\_\_ bedroom is always a source of frustration for his mother.

*adj.* disorganized and untidy

219. 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.

220. Tourists frequently \_\_\_\_\_ the island's delicate natural balance.

*v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

221. He that would eat the kernel must \_\_\_\_\_ the nut.

*v.* to break or cause to break without dividing into separate parts; (noun) a line on the surface of something along which it has separated without breaking

ANSWERS: 214. unrelenting, 215. nest, 216. define, 217. temperamental, 218. messy, 219. president, 220. disturb, 221. crack



222. Trains are \_\_\_\_\_ inexpensive, and ideal for long-distance travel.

*adj.* worthy of being relied on; trustworthy

223. The devil can \_\_\_\_\_ Scripture for his purpose.

*v.* to refer to something such as a passage, book, etc. as evidence for a theory or as a reason why something has happened

224. The novel affected her \_\_\_\_\_ causing her to question her beliefs and values.

*adv.* to a great or complete degree; deeply

225. I spotted a giant \_\_\_\_\_ in the rain garden.

*n.* a common name for any terrestrial gastropod mollusk that appears to lack a shell with soft and black or brown color; a bullet, a shot of alcoholic drink

226. The farm covers over 200 \_\_\_\_\_ of land.

*n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)

227. The company is set to \_\_\_\_\_ its new product line next month.

*v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

228. The lion's \_\_\_\_\_ roar could be heard from miles away.

*adj.* very fierce, savage, or cruel

229. She gave a \_\_\_\_\_ refusal to participate in the project.

*adj.* at the highest or maximum level of speed, effort, or intensity; unequivocal or without hesitation or qualification; (adverb) at full speed or maximum effort

ANSWERS: 222. reliable, 223. cite, 224. profoundly, 225. slug, 226. acres, 227. launch, 228. ferocious, 229. flat-out

230. Herbs require \_\_\_\_\_ soil in a sunny, sheltered location.

*adj.* capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive

231. The defendant gave a \_\_\_\_\_ and accurate description of the accident.

*adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity

232. As a \_\_\_\_\_ in the army, he was responsible for leading a small team of soldiers.

*n.* a non-commissioned officer in the military, particularly in the army; a punishment administered in the military that involves physical exercise or beating

233. One of the most common \_\_\_\_\_ employees have is that they are not paid enough money for their work.

*n.* a minor complaint or criticism, typically expressed in a grumbling or persistent manner; sudden, sharp pain or discomfort in the abdomen; (verb) to grumble or complain about something, often in a persistent, nagging manner

234. He played the piano \_\_\_\_\_ at the concert.

*adv.* in an intelligent, graceful, or skillful manner; very brightly or effectively

235. Cultural norms strongly influence \_\_\_\_\_ expectations.

*n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

236. One of the main \_\_\_\_\_ of the new product is its increased efficiency.

*n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

ANSWERS: 230. fertile, 231. straightforward, 232. corporal, 233. gripes, 234. brilliantly, 235. gender, 236. advantages

237. The \_\_\_\_\_ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

*n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

238. He had always been interested in sumo \_\_\_\_\_ and decided to try it.

*n.* a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground

239. He made a New Year's \_\_\_\_\_ to exercise more and eat healthier.

*n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display

240. I \_\_\_\_\_ that I will always stand by my beliefs.

*v.* to assert that something is true or real; to state positively

241. He is our loyal customer who should be held in high \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone

242. Even though he knew it was wrong, he \_\_\_\_\_ on the exam.

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

243. 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

244. 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

ANSWERS: 237. opposition, 238. wrestling, 239. resolution, 240. affirm, 241. esteem, 242. cheated, 243. process, 244. decide

245. The brothers \_\_\_\_\_ each other in the hobby.

*v.* to look like or be similar to someone or something

246. His class will cover an introduction to agricultural \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services

247. \_\_\_\_\_ his disapproval, the decree was passed.

*adv.* despite anything to the contrary; nevertheless; (preposition) despite or in spite of

248. She excelled in \_\_\_\_\_ during high school and went on to compete at the collegiate level.

*n.* the physical activities or sports that involve physical exertion and competition, such as running, jumping, throwing, or walking

249. The judge gave severe \_\_\_\_\_ to the criminal who committed the heinous crime.

*n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing

250. We took a boat tour to witness the magnificent \_\_\_\_\_ colony along the rugged coastline.

*n.* a flightless sea bird that is found in the Southern Hemisphere and is known for its distinctive black and white coloring and its upright, waddling gait

251. They had to \_\_\_\_\_ a system that did not depend on fossil fuels.

*v.* to come up with an idea, plan, theory, etc., using your intelligence or imagination

ANSWERS: 245. resemble, 246. economics, 247. Notwithstanding, 248. athletics, 249. punishment, 250. penguin, 251. devise

252. The surfer rode the \_\_\_\_\_ of the wave to the shore.

*n.* a peak or ridge, especially on a mountain or wave; a decorative tuft or topknot

253. He thinks she is a high \_\_\_\_\_ because she always talks about herself and her accomplishments.

*n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements

254. He got so angry that he \_\_\_\_\_ the door down.

*v.* to hit something or someone repeatedly with much force; (noun, baseball) a ballplayer who is batting

255. The heat wave \_\_\_\_\_ the drought conditions.

*v.* to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse

256. Large earthquakes often generate \_\_\_\_\_ tsunamis.

*adj.* very frightening or intimidating

ANSWERS: 252. crest, 253. narcissist, 254. battered, 255. exacerbated, 256. terrifying