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Session 1: Word List

continually

adv. in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly

synonym: repeatedly, frequently, constantly

(1) **continually** access information, (2) **continually** changing world

Her tongue runs on **continually**.

amaze

v. to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration

synonym: astound, surprise, stagger

(1) **amaze** and entertain visitors, (2) **amaze** everyone

The magician's tricks **amazed** the audience.

population

n. the total number of people in a country, region, or location

synonym: people, inhabitants, folk

(1) **population** change, (2) labor **population**

In just four years, the **population** has doubled.

generation

n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

synonym: cohort, age group, era

(1) **generation** gap, (2) the **generation** of electricity

The younger **generation** has different values and beliefs than the older one.

awful

adj. causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
synonym : terrible, appalling, horrible

(1) an **awful** error, (2) do **awful** damage

I regretted making an **awful** mistake in my final exam.

increasingly

adv. more and more

synonym : more and more, progressively

(1) **increasingly** become common, (2) face **increasingly** complicated challenges

Our company found it **increasingly** difficult to keep up with the competition.

privacy

n. someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people

synonym : seclusion, aloneness, solitariness

(1) **privacy** abuse, (2) trespass on a person's **privacy**

This conduct would be an invasion of **privacy**.

crumb

n. a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something

synonym : fragment, particle, bit

(1) **crumb** of information, (2) bread **crumb**

My dog found a **crumb** on the floor and quickly ate it.

digital

adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

synonym : numerical, computerized, cyber

(1) a **digital** watch, (2) **digital** electronic signature

Sensors convert physical phenomena into **digital** signals.

woods

n. a dense area of trees and shrubs, typically forming a forest or woodland; a place of natural beauty and tranquility; a golf club used for hitting long shots, also known as a driver

synonym : forest, woodland, timberland

(1) mystery **woods**, (2) deep **woods**

The **woods** behind the house are a great place to hike and explore.

residence

n. the fact or condition of living in a particular place; a home

synonym : dwelling, home, abode

(1) permanent **residence**, (2) the main **residence**

The **residence** of the ambassador was located in the heart of the city.

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.

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.

explicit

adj. stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt

synonym : clear, unambiguous, unequivocal

(1) **explicit** content, (2) **explicit** instructions

The movie had an **explicit** sex scene that some viewers might find offensive.

consent

n. permission or agreement to do something, especially given by somebody in authority

synonym: approval, authorization, concession

(1) **consent** for surgery, (2) give silent **consent**

She gave her **consent** to the company's proposal.

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**.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

compile

v. to create a book, a list, a report, etc., by combining various objects, articles, music, etc.

synonym: assemble, collect, gather

(1) **compile** a biography, (2) **compile** the data

We are attempting to **compile** a list of qualified candidates for the position.

regulation

n. an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule

synonym: constraint, restriction, rule

(1) a company **regulation**, (2) **regulation** by the government

The **regulation** approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.

announcement

n. a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news

synonym : declaration, notification, statement

(1) public **announcement**, (2) **announcement** date
The company made an **announcement** about its new product at a press conference.

statistics

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

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

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

consume

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

synonym : absorb, ingest, use up

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

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

entirely

adv. completely

synonym : completely, fully, totally

(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame

Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

expose

v. to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence

synonym : disclose, reveal, uncover

(1) **expose** a crime, (2) **expose** a person to risks

That newspaper **exposed** a political scandal in a big way.

lurk

v. to wait somewhere secretly, especially because you are about to attack someone or do something bad or illegal

synonym : hide, creep, stalk

(1) **lurked** behind the words, (2) **lurk** in the darkness

In the city, the risk of traffic accidents **lurks** at every corner.

visualize

v. to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible

synonym: imagine, picture, envision

(1) **visualize** data, (2) **visualize** flying through space

She tried to **visualize** the layout of the new house in her mind.

collusion

n. secret or illegal cooperation or conspiracy, especially for a deceitful or fraudulent purpose

synonym: conspiracy, plot, complicity

(1) political **collusion**, (2) criminal **collusion**

The investigation found evidence of **collusion** between the two companies to manipulate the market.

experimental

adj. relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have

synonym: empirical, exploratory, observed

(1) **experimental** data, (2) **experimental** design

The product is still in the **experimental** stage.

browse

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

synonym: look around, look through, scan

(1) **browse** a website, (2) **browse** through the text

We **browsed** in a souvenir shop.

install

v. to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position

synonym: establish, inaugurate, lodge

(1) **install** a door, (2) **install** a chairperson

The new president was **installed** immediately after the national election.

- dot** *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
synonym : drop, dab, fleck
(1) connecting the **dots**, (2) **dot** blot method
The wallpaper had a pattern of pink **dots** on a white surface.
- navigate** *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
synonym : guide, helm, voyage
(1) **navigate** the Pacific, (2) **navigate** through a document
Our knowledge helps **navigate** our clients successfully.
- specific** *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
synonym : particular, definite, distinct
(1) **specific** instructions, (2) industry- **specific** regulations
The scientist conducted a study that provided **specific** details about the species' behavior.
- laptop** *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
(1) bring my **laptop**, (2) thin-and-light **laptop**
I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my **laptop** all day.
- 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.
- headline** *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
synonym : title, caption
(1) **headline** article, (2) banner **headline**
The engagement of the two golf players became **headline** news.

merit

n. the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward

synonym : worth, excellence, quality

(1) **merit-based**, (2) the order of **merit**

She was promoted based on her **merits** as a hardworking and dedicated employee.

literacy

n. the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively

synonym : education, reading, writing

(1) digital **literacy**, (2) financial **literacy**

Many charities focus on improving **literacy** rates in underprivileged communities.

emphasis

n. particular importance or significance that is given to something

synonym : priority, stress, focus

(1) **emphasis** on color, (2) lay great **emphasis** on policy

The spotlight gave the central figure increased **emphasis**.

naturally

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

synonym : by nature, inherently, intrinsically

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

He was **naturally** gifted.

quizzical

adj. expressing puzzlement, questioning, or curiosity through a facial expression or demeanor; having an appearance or manner that suggests confusion or mild skepticism

synonym : puzzled, curious, questioning

(1) give a **quizzical** look, (2) **quizzical** smile

The doctor gave a **quizzical** expression after seeing the patient's unusual symptoms.

fast-forward

v. to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording

synonym : advance, hasten, speed up

(1) **fast-forward** 10 seconds, (2) **fast-forward** to the good part

I like to **fast-forward** through commercials when watching TV shows.

fairly

adv. to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner

synonym : moderately, reasonably, pretty

(1) **fairly** accurate, (2) have a **fairly** clear view

He deals **fairly** with his employees.

pedantic

adj. overly concerned with formal rules, details, or precision; characterized by a narrow, ostentatious display of knowledge or learning

synonym : donnish, precise, meticulous

(1) **pedantic** writer, (2) **pedantic** approach

His **pedantic** attention to detail made him an excellent proofreader.

explode

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

synonym : detonate, blast, rupture

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

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

exponential

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

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

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

freak

n. an abnormality that is not typical or expected

synonym : anomaly, deviation, oddity

(1) a rock **freak**, (2) **freak** weather

The **freak** accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.

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

revenue

- n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business

synonym: earnings, payment, remuneration

(1) tax **revenue**, (2) annual **revenue**

This graph indicates the city's tourism **revenue** over five years.

handful

- n.* a small quantity or number, usually referring to the amount that can be held in one hand; a person or thing that is difficult to control or manage

synonym: small number, couple, few

(1) literal **handful**, (2) just a **handful** of participants

She only had a **handful** of pens left in her bag.

doll

- n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive

synonym: puppet, dolly, toy

(1) plastic **doll**, (2) rag **doll**

The antique **doll** was worth thousands of dollars.

principal

- adj.* most important, main, or chief

synonym: main, leading, chief

(1) **principal** actor, (2) **principal** responsible

The **principal** reason for the company's success is its innovative products.

enrage

v. to make someone extremely angry

synonym : anger, incense, infuriate

(1) **enrage** the international community, (2) **enrage** critics
The news of the betrayal **enraged** him.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym : specialized, technical

(1) **technological** advancement, (2) **technological** policy
Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

pioneer

n. inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something

synonym : frontiersperson, innovator, trailblazer

(1) act as a **pioneer**, (2) early **pioneers**

John Whitney was a computer animation **pioneer**.

advocate

n. a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something

synonym : proponent, exponent, promoter

(1) an **advocate** of disarmament, (2) public education
advocates

Advocates of abolishing the death penalty often argue that the alternative heaviest sentence should be life in prison.

movement

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

synonym : motion, progression, action

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

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

idle

adj. not working hard or not having a job; useless

synonym : inactive, jobless, inoperative

(1) live an **idle** life, (2) **idle** capital

There are several **idle** machines in the factory because of the decreased orders.

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.

download

v. to transfer data or files from the Internet or computer network to a user's computer or device; (noun) the process of transferring data or information from a remote or central computer to a local computer or device

synonym: load, save, transfer

(1) **download** files from the Internet, (2) **download** the assignment from the website

I need to **download** the latest update for my computer's operating system.

Session 2: Spelling

1. rag d__l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
2. en___e critics *v.* to make someone extremely angry
3. in_____l a door *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
4. l__k in the darkness *v.* to wait somewhere secretly, especially because you are about to attack someone or do something bad or illegal
5. ex_____e in popularity *v.* to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
6. ex_____it instructions *adj.* stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt
7. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
8. fa___y accurate *adv.* to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
9. industry-sp_____ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
10. exp_____al function *adj.* becoming more and more rapid; of or involving mathematical exponents

ANSWERS: 1. doll, 2. enrage, 3. install, 4. lurk, 5. explode, 6. explicit, 7. statistics, 8. fairly, 9. specific, 10. exponential

11. reg_____on by the government *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
12. banner he_____ne *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
13. pr_____al actor *adj.* most important, main, or chief
14. mystery wo__s *n.* a dense area of trees and shrubs, typically forming a forest or woodland; a place of natural beauty and tranquility; a golf club used for hitting long shots, also known as a driver
15. na_____ly regenerated forest *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
16. 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
17. political co_____on *n.* secret or illegal cooperation or conspiracy, especially for a deceitful or fraudulent purpose
18. literal ha_____l *n.* a small quantity or number, usually referring to the amount that can be held in one hand; a person or thing that is difficult to control or manage

ANSWERS: 11. regulation, 12. headline, 13. principal, 14. woods, 15. naturally, 16. stalk, 17. collusion, 18. handful

19. fas_____ard to the good part *v.* to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording
20. pr_____y abuse *n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
21. con_____ly access information *adv.* in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly
22. pop_____on change *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
23. early pi_____rs *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
24. co_____e a biography *v.* to create a book, a list, a report, etc., by combining various objects, articles, music, etc.
25. give silent co_____t *n.* permission or agreement to do something, especially given by somebody in authority
26. exp_____tal design *adj.* relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have
27. fas_____ard 10 seconds *v.* to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording
28. co_____e a large of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

ANSWERS: 19. fast-forward, 20. privacy, 21. continually, 22. population, 23. pioneer, 24. compile, 25. consent, 26. experimental, 27. fast-forward, 28. consume

29. qu_____al smile *adj.* expressing puzzlement, questioning, or curiosity through a facial expression or demeanor; having an appearance or manner that suggests confusion or mild skepticism
30. give a qu_____al look *adj.* expressing puzzlement, questioning, or curiosity through a facial expression or demeanor; having an appearance or manner that suggests confusion or mild skepticism
31. historical phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
32. 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
33. thin-and-light la___p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
34. me__t-based *n.* the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward
35. the order of me__t *n.* the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward
36. am___e everyone *v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
37. do_____ad the assignment from the website *v.* to transfer data or files from the Internet or computer network to a user's computer or device; (noun) the process of transferring data or information from a remote or central computer to a local computer or device

ANSWERS: 29. quizzical, 30. quizzical, 31. phenomenon, 32. launch, 33. laptop, 34. merit, 35. merit, 36. amaze, 37. download

38. act as a pi____r *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
39. he was en____ly to blame *adv.* completely
40. plastic d__l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
41. a particular pre____ce for Chinese art *n.* a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person
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47. en___e the international community	v.	to make someone extremely angry
48. ex___e a person to risks	v.	to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence
49. ex_____it content	adj.	stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt
50. vi_____ze flying through space	v.	to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
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52. con_____ly changing world	adv.	in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly
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56. in_____l a chairperson	v.	to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
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59. co____e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
60. i__e capital *adj.* not working hard or not having a job; useless
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100. a di_____l watch *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

ANSWERS: 90. idle, 91. handful, 92. compile, 93. visualize, 94. generation, 95. preference, 96. browse, 97. freak, 98. relation, 99. increasingly, 100. digital

101. br___e through the text *v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
102. 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
103. tec_____cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
104. the main re_____ce *n.* the fact or condition of living in a particular place; a home
105. gen_____on gap *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
106. pe_____ic writer *adj.* overly concerned with formal rules, details, or precision; characterized by a narrow, ostentatious display of knowledge or learning
107. ty_____l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
108. tax re_____e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
109. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
110. trespass on a person's pr_____y *n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people

ANSWERS: 101. browse, 102. launch, 103. technological, 104. residence, 105. generation, 106. pedantic, 107. typical, 108. revenue, 109. industrious, 110. privacy

111. bread cr__b *n.* a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something
112. he____ne article *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
113. digital li____cy *n.* the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively
114. a company reg_____on *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
115. lay great em____is on policy *n.* particular importance or significance that is given to something
116. inc_____gly become common *adv.* more and more
117. permanent re_____ce *n.* the fact or condition of living in a particular place; a home
118. natural phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
119. do_____ad files from the Internet *v.* to transfer data or files from the Internet or computer network to a user's computer or device; (noun) the process of transferring data or information from a remote or central computer to a local computer or device
120. cr__b of information *n.* a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something

ANSWERS: 111. crumb, 112. headline, 113. literacy, 114. regulation, 115. emphasis, 116. increasingly, 117. residence, 118. phenomenon, 119. download, 120. crumb

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We are attempting to _____ a list of qualified candidates for the position.
v. to create a book, a list, a report, etc., by combining various objects, articles, music, etc.
2. She only had a _____ of pens left in her bag.
n. a small quantity or number, usually referring to the amount that can be held in one hand; a person or thing that is difficult to control or manage
3. She tried to _____ the layout of the new house in her mind.
v. to form a mental image or concept of something; to make something visible
4. Her tongue runs on _____.
adv. in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly
5. Sensors convert physical phenomena into _____ signals.
adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
6. Her _____ is comfortable clothing over fashionable ones.
n. a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person
7. The _____ accident caused the car to flip over and land on its roof.
n. an abnormality that is not typical or expected
8. 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: 1. compile, 2. handful, 3. visualize, 4. continually, 5. digital, 6. preference, 7. freak, 8. stalked

9. 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
10. I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my _____ all day.
n. a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
11. This graph indicates the city's tourism _____ over five years.
n. the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
12. I need to _____ the latest update for my computer's operating system.
v. to transfer data or files from the Internet or computer network to a user's computer or device; (noun) the process of transferring data or information from a remote or central computer to a local computer or device
13. The company made an _____ about its new product at a press conference.
n. a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news
14. The magician's tricks _____ the audience.
v. to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
15. She was promoted based on her _____ as a hardworking and dedicated employee.
n. the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward
16. The _____ of the ambassador was located in the heart of the city.
n. the fact or condition of living in a particular place; a home

ANSWERS: 9. relations, 10. laptop, 11. revenue, 12. download, 13. announcement, 14. amazed, 15. merits, 16. residence

17. Since the 1990s, the Internet has continued to experience _____ growth.
adj. becoming more and more rapid; of or involving mathematical exponents
18. The engagement of the two golf players became _____ news.
n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
19. The doctor gave a _____ expression after seeing the patient's unusual symptoms.
adj. expressing puzzlement, questioning, or curiosity through a facial expression or demeanor; having an appearance or manner that suggests confusion or mild skepticism
20. Our company found it _____ difficult to keep up with the competition.
adv. more and more
21. Our knowledge helps _____ our clients successfully.
v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
22. The _____ approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.
n. an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
23. This conduct would be an invasion of _____.
n. someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
24. The movie had an _____ sex scene that some viewers might find offensive.
adj. stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt

ANSWERS: 17. exponential, 18. headline, 19. quizzical, 20. increasingly, 21. navigate, 22. regulation, 23. privacy, 24. explicit

25. He deals _____ with his employees.

adv. to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner

26. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

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

27. Many charities focus on improving _____ rates in underprivileged communities.

n. the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively

28. She gave her _____ to the company's proposal.

n. permission or agreement to do something, especially given by somebody in authority

29. The spotlight gave the central figure increased _____.

n. particular importance or significance that is given to something

30. John Whitney was a computer animation _____.

n. inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something

31. The product is still in the _____ stage.

adj. relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have

32. In the city, the risk of traffic accidents _____ at every corner.

v. to wait somewhere secretly, especially because you are about to attack someone or do something bad or illegal

ANSWERS: 25. fairly, 26. movement, 27. literacy, 28. consent, 29. emphasis, 30. pioneer, 31. experimental, 32. lurks

33. Later, his claim was found to be _____ false.
adv. completely
34. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.
v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
35. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.
adj. based on scientific and industrial progress
36. The _____ reason for the company's success is its innovative products.
adj. most important, main, or chief
37. My dog found a _____ on the floor and quickly ate it.
n. a small particle or fragment of food or other substance, often one that has broken off from a larger piece; a very small amount or portion of something
38. He was _____ gifted.
adv. as might be expected; by natural manners
39. The wallpaper had a pattern of pink _____ on a white surface.
n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
40. The old building _____ in a fiery inferno.
v. to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
41. I like to _____ through commercials when watching TV shows.
v. to advance or move forward in time or progress, particularly in a rapid or accelerated manner; to increase the playback speed of a recording

ANSWERS: 33. entirely, 34. consume, 35. Technological, 36. principal, 37. crumb, 38. naturally, 39. dots, 40. exploded, 41. fast-forward

42. I regretted making an _____ mistake in my final exam.

adj. causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

43. We _____ in a souvenir shop.

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

44. A rainbow is a natural _____.

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

45. The scientist conducted a study that provided _____ details about the species' behavior.

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

46. There are several _____ machines in the factory because of the decreased orders.

adj. not working hard or not having a job; useless

47. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

48. His _____ attention to detail made him an excellent proofreader.

adj. overly concerned with formal rules, details, or precision; characterized by a narrow, ostentatious display of knowledge or learning

49. That newspaper _____ a political scandal in a big way.

v. to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence

ANSWERS: 42. awful, 43. browsed, 44. phenomenon, 45. specific, 46. idle, 47. industrious, 48. pedantic, 49. exposed

50. The news of the betrayal _____ him.

v. to make someone extremely angry

51. In just four years, the _____ has doubled.

n. the total number of people in a country, region, or location

52. The younger _____ has different values and beliefs than the older one.

n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

53. The new president was _____ immediately after the national election.

v. to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position

54. 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

55. The antique _____ was worth thousands of dollars.

n. a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive

56. This artwork is _____ of her work.

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

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

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

ANSWERS: 50. enraged, 51. population, 52. generation, 53. installed, 54. launch, 55. doll, 56. typical, 57. statistics

58. _____ of abolishing the death penalty often argue that the alternative heaviest sentence should be life in prison.
- n.* a person who supports or suggests an idea, development, or way of doing something
59. The investigation found evidence of _____ between the two companies to manipulate the market.
- n.* secret or illegal cooperation or conspiracy, especially for a deceitful or fraudulent purpose
60. The _____ behind the house are a great place to hike and explore.
- n.* a dense area of trees and shrubs, typically forming a forest or woodland; a place of natural beauty and tranquility; a golf club used for hitting long shots, also known as a driver

ANSWERS: 58. Advocates, 59. collusion, 60. woods