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Session 1: Word List

patient

n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

synonym : client, recipient, subject

(1) **patient** in the hospital, (2) **patient** with weight loss

The doctor carefully examined the **patient's** medical history.

housewife

n. a woman who manages a household, particularly one who stays at home to take care of children and domestic duties

synonym : homemaker, stay-at-home mom

(1) **housewife** duties, (2) prudent **housewife**

She is a full-time **housewife** who cares for her children and runs the household.

rural

adj. of or relating to the countryside

synonym : agrarian, country, rustic

(1) **rural** accents, (2) people in **rural** areas

Many **rural** areas are still impoverished.

district

n. a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features

synonym: territory, dominion, zone

(1) school **districts**, (2) urban **districts**

Since 2001, the **district** has provided training programs for automotive technicians.

diagnose

v. to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis

synonym: identify, analyze, interpret

(1) **diagnose** the problem, (2) **diagnose** with CT scans

This device is used to **diagnose** brain cancer and other tumors.

recruit

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

synonym: raise, enroll, enlist

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

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

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

clinical

adj. of or relating to the examination and treatment of patients rather than theoretical or laboratory studies

synonym: dispassionate, analytic, scientific

(1) **clinical** surgery, (2) participate in **clinical** trials

She received special **clinical** training at the hospital.

retrovirus

n. a type of RNA virus that uses the enzyme reverse transcriptase to convert its RNA into DNA, which then inserts itself into the host cell's genome, which can cause a variety of diseases in humans and animals, including HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus)

(1) **retrovirus** infection, (2) feline **retrovirus**

The patient's condition improved after beginning a **retrovirus-targeted** treatment regimen.

therapy

n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.

synonym: antidote, medicine, treatment

(1) **therapy** for a patient, (2) field of gene **therapy**

I underwent aversion **therapy** for my addiction to alcohol.

clinic

n. a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition

synonym: hospital, infirmary

(1) visit to the veterinary **clinic**, (2) a dental **clinic**

She holds a **clinic** on Tuesday mornings.

fare

n. the price paid for travel on a particular mode of transportation, such as a train, bus, or plane; the cost of admission or entrance to an event or location

synonym: ticket, price, charge

(1) bus **fare**, (2) taxi **fare**

The **fare** for the train ride from New York to Boston was reasonable compared to the cost of flying.

distance

n. the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance

synonym: space, gap, span

(1) driving **distance**, (2) social **distance**

The marathon runner covered a long **distance** in a short amount of time.

transport

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

synonym: shipment, transit, conveyance

(1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport**
Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

alternative

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice
synonym: choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**
Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

bother

v. to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
synonym: annoy, pester, irritate

(1) **bother** the neighbors, (2) **bother** with details
Please don't **bother** me while I'm trying to concentrate.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand
synonym: apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**
There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

clue

n. an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
synonym: hint, indication, inkling

(1) a **clue** about the crime, (2) a **clue** to the diagnosis
The police couldn't find a **clue** to her whereabouts.

puzzled

adj. confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
synonym: confused, perplexed, bewildered

(1) **puzzled** expression, (2) **puzzled** by the question
She was **puzzled** by the strange behavior of her cat.

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.

implication

n. something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something

synonym: suggestion, association, conclusion

(1) the **implication** in a crime, (2) the **implication** of a word

His poem has a very significant **implication**.

conduct

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

synonym: behave, lead, carry on

(1) **conduct** a background check, (2) **conduct** research

Police will **conduct** random breath testing for drunk driving.

yield

n. the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced;
(verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information

synonym: proceeds, harvest, output

(1) corn **yield**, (2) the **yield** on the bond

The company's stock gives a high **yield**.

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym: exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

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

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

high-profile

adj. attracting much attention and interest from the public and media

synonym: notable, prominent, distinguished

(1) **high-profile** lawyer, (2) become **high-profile**

Within six months, the research thesis became a **high-profile** scientific paper.

journal

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

synonym: periodical, diary, bulletin

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

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

clinician

n. a practitioner, especially of medicine or psychology, who has direct contact with patients

synonym: psychiatrist, therapist, doctor

(1) experienced **clinician**, (2) from a **clinician's** perspective

Some **clinicians** believe that psychological characteristics alone may cause mental disorders.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym: enhance, ameliorate, enrich

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

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

device

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

synonym: gadget, instrument, tool

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

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

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.

contrary

n. acting in opposition to what is expected or desired

synonym: opposing, contradictory, conflicting

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

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

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym: farthestmost, outermost, fierce

(1) **extreme** sports, (2) **extreme** weather events

Solar gravity creates **extreme** pressures and temperatures.

burden

n. a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry

synonym: obligation, duty, load

(1) carry a **burden**, (2) **burden** of disease

That car has a low environmental **burden**.

disease

n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

synonym: illness, ailment, affliction

(1) **disease** prevention, (2) **disease** control

The doctor diagnosed him with a rare **disease** that had no known cure.

inequality

n. the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

synonym: imbalance, prejudice, unfairness

(1) **inequality** in salary, (2) algebraic **inequality**

There are several causes of economic **inequality** within societies.

pose

v. to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed

synonym : present, put, position

(1) **pose** a significant threat to my company, (2) **pose** a challenge

The chemicals **pose** a massive health risk.

exploitation

n. the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful

synonym : victimization, development, using

(1) sexual **exploitation**, (2) the **exploitation** of fossil resources

Strategic **exploitation** of cutting-edge technology would be a sure formula for success.

context

n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

synonym : background, setting, environment

(1) historical **context**, (2) legal **context**

It's important to understand the **context** of a situation before making a decision.

external

adj. belonging to or situated outside of someone or something

synonym : outside, exterior, foreign

(1) **external** factors, (2) **external** commerce

When a company discloses information to the market, an **external** auditor verifies them.

remains

n. the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal

synonym : leftovers, debris, relic

(1) **remains** of a building, (2) human **remains**

The **remains** of the ancient civilization can still be seen in the city's ruins.

authorize

v. to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something

synonym : empower, sanction, permit

(1) **authorize** payment, (2) **authorize** access

The government has **authorized** the use of military force in the region to keep the peace.

sub-Saharan

adj. of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert

(1) **sub-Saharan** Africa, (2) **sub-Saharan** countries

The coffee producers in **sub-Saharan** countries are at the sharp end of fluctuations in price.

attractive

adj. immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable

synonym : beautiful, fetching, alluring

(1) **attractive** men, (2) **attractive** opportunity

The growth of the "sharing economy" is **attractive** for tech companies.

generate

v. to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

synonym : create, yield, produce

(1) **generate** more electricity, (2) **generate** \$100 a month

The economic stimulation program would **generate** a lot of new jobs.

valid

adj. having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable

synonym : proper, reasonable, useful

(1) a **valid** contract, (2) a ticket **valid** for two days

Your credit card is no longer **valid**.

applicable

adj. fit or suitable to be applied; having relevance to a person or thing

synonym : practical, usable, useful

(1) give **applicable** examples, (2) accordance with **applicable** law

This regulation is not **applicable** to minors.

numb

adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

synonym : dazed, insensitive, emotionless

(1) **numb** with cold, (2) a **numb** mind

My left arm became **numb**.

preferable

adj. more desirable or suitable than another option; more favored or favored over something else; better or more advantageous

synonym : desirable, preferred, better

(1) **preferable** option, (2) **preferable** solution

For most people, living in a quiet suburb is **preferable** to living in a busy city.

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.

incidence

n. the frequency or rate at which a particular event or condition occurs within a specific population, group, or area; the occurrence or manifestation of something, especially something harmful or unpleasant

synonym : occurrence, frequency, prevalence

(1) **incidence** rate, (2) high **incidence** of disease

The **incidence** of crime has decreased in the neighborhood since the new security measures were put in place.

infection

n. a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body

synonym : contagion, disease, transmission

(1) a bacterial **infection**, (2) treat the **infection** with antibiotics

Hospitals must meet various standards to prevent nosocomial **infections**.

largely

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

synonym: mainly, chiefly, broadly

(1) **largely** accepted, (2) **largely** mitigate the issue

Nevada is **largely** a desert state.

estimate

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

synonym: calculate, gauge, evaluate

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

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

infect

v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

synonym: pollute, contaminate, affect

(1) **infect** other animal species, (2) **infect** a computer with a virus

Children often **infect** parents with this head cold.

continent

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

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

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

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

widespread

adj. existing or happening in various places or among many people

synonym: across-the-board, overall, general

(1) **widespread** use, (2) **widespread** fear of nuclear war

In medieval times, death punishment was **widespread** and

socially accepted.

poverty

n. the condition of being extremely poor

synonym : deprivation, destitution, poorness

(1) **poverty** alleviation, (2) the cycle of **poverty**

Many studies have investigated the relationship between **poverty** and academic achievement.

endemic

adj. (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area

synonym : prevalent, widespread, native

(1) **endemic** disease, (2) cholera- **endemic** area

Malaria is **endemic** in many tropical countries.

inadequate

adj. not sufficient or enough

synonym : insufficient, lacking, lacking enough

(1) an **inadequate** income, (2) **inadequate** funding

The small budget was **inadequate** to cover all the necessary expenses for the project.

potentially

adv. in a possible state or condition; possibly

synonym : likely, possibly, probably

(1) **potentially** affected, (2) **potentially** lucrative

The organization assisted in the de-escalation of **potentially** violent situations.

beneficial

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

synonym : useful, advantageous, fruitful

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

Laughing is **beneficial** to our health.

absence

n. the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

synonym : dearth, scarcity, lack

(1) **absence** from work, (2) a leave of **absence**

Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's **absence**.

medical

adj. relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine

synonym: health, disease, treatment

(1) a **medical** opinion, (2) temporary **medical** treatment

The **medical** team worked quickly to save the patient's life.

assist

v. to help someone in doing anything

synonym: help, support, aid

(1) **assist** a patient, (2) **assist** his goal

Please **assist** her with the furniture relocation.

problematic

adj. full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve

synonym: inappropriate, inconvenient, worrisome

(1) a **problematic** situation, (2) seems to be highly **problematic**

Direct democracy is effective in quickly resolving **problematic** situations within a community.

litigation

n. the process of resolving legal disputes through the court system

synonym: lawsuit, legal action, court case

(1) civil **litigation**, (2) **litigation** process

The government is considering **litigation** against the company for environmental violations.

rigorous

adj. allowing or demanding no deviation from a standard; extremely careful, thorough, or accurate

synonym: severe, exact, strict

(1) **rigorous** standards, (2) have **rigorous** criticism

The way he manages his employees is extremely **rigorous**.

ethical

adj. of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these

synonym: honorable, moral, virtuous

(1) an **ethical** doctrine, (2) shoulder **ethical** responsibility
The president must have the highest **ethical** standards.

hint *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
synonym: clue, indication, suggestion
(1) **hint** of trouble, (2) helpful **hints**
There was no **hint** of a problem.

strict *adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.
synonym: rigorous, inflexible, relentless
(1) **strict** compliance regime, (2) in **strict** secrecy
Too **strict** a regulation for the private sector will stifle innovation.

prevalence *n.* the state or condition of being widespread or common; the extent or frequency of occurrence of a disease or condition in a given population at a specific time
synonym: preponderance, currency, frequency
(1) **prevalence** rate, (2) high **prevalence** of a diabetes
The **prevalence** of allergies has increased in recent years.

scientifically *adv.* in a way that relates to science or is connected with science
(1) investigate **scientifically**, (2) **scientifically** explainable
The hypothesis is not yet **scientifically** proven.

questionable *adj.* doubtful or uncertain and may be open to question or criticism
synonym: dubious, suspect, uncertain
(1) **questionable** ingredients, (2) **questionable** methods
The evidence presented in the report is **questionable** and may need further investigation before any conclusions can be drawn.

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.

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.

affected

adj. influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere

synonym : artificial, pretentious, stilted

(1) **affected** way of walking, (2) the **affected** part

Her **affected** accent made it difficult to take her seriously.

pandemic

n. an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area

synonym : outbreak

(1) flu **pandemic**, (2) global **pandemic**

They fear a **pandemic** of a new type of virus.

invite

v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

synonym : ask, request, summon

(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism

We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

relevance

n. the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand

synonym : pertinence, applicability, connection

(1) have no **relevance**, (2) **relevance** category

The **relevance** of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.

procedure

n. a way of doing something, especially the official or well-known way

synonym : action, approach, course

(1) undergo a surgical **procedure**, (2) standard **procedure**

The pilot and flight attendant ran through the check-out **procedure**.

inappropriate

adj. not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person

synonym : improper, unsuitable, unacceptable

(1) **inappropriate** behavior, (2) **inappropriate** language

It was highly **inappropriate** to make jokes during a serious business meeting.

ineffective

adj. not producing any significant or intended effect or result

synonym : useless, feeble, fruitless

(1) an **ineffective** speech, (2) pull an **ineffective** player

These treatments were **ineffective** against a virus.

counterintuitive

adj. contrary to what common sense would suggest

synonym : unreasonable, paradoxical, nonsensical

(1) **counterintuitive** results, (2) **counterintuitive** behavior

The **counterintuitive** nature of quantum physics has been a source of confusion for scientists for decades.

illiterate

adj. unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing

synonym : unlettered, uneducated, unschooled

(1) **illiterate** population, (2) computer- **illiterate**

Despite attending school, he remained **illiterate** and unable to read or write.

lengthy

adj. tediously continuing for a long time; very long in time or size

synonym : extended, interminable, long

(1) to be a **lengthy** process, (2) **lengthy** load times

The **lengthy** medical treatment had weakened his muscles.

communal

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

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

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.

criteria

n. (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided

synonym : bars, benchmarks, standards

(1) **criteria** for action, (2) consistency **criteria**

He didn't meet all the **criteria**, but he was hired anyway.

incentive

n. something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something

synonym : encouragement, inducement, enticement

(1) financial **incentives**, (2) an **incentive** to work hard

They have no **incentive** to win the game.

linguistic

adj. relating to language or the study of language

synonym : lingual, verbal, lexical

(1) her major is **linguistics**, (2) **linguistic** analysis
Our naive experience undoubtedly contains a **linguistic** aspect.

cult *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

synonym : sect, faith, religion

(1) **cult** members, (2) **cult's** practices

The **cult** leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

debate *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

synonym : argument, discussion, dispute

(1) **debate** topic, (2) **debate** competition

The **debate** over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

controversy *n.* a lot of discussion and argument about something, often involving strong feelings of anger or disapproval

synonym : disagreement, dispute, argument

(1) **controversy** among researchers, (2) arouse **controversy**

They entered into **controversy** with the member of the ruling party.

treatment *n.* the way in which someone deals with or behaves towards someone or something; medical care provided to a patient for an injury or illness.

synonym : remedy, antidote, medicine

(1) first-aid **treatment**, (2) **treatment** by diet

The primary purpose of the **treatment** is pain relief.

evaluate

v. to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something

synonym: assess, estimate, consider

(1) **evaluate** the grant proposal, (2) **evaluate** a situation

The meeting aims to **evaluate** possible choices.

regimen

n. a prescribed course of medical treatment, diet, or exercise for the promotion or restoration of health

synonym: routine, program, schedule

(1) fitness **regimen**, (2) **regimen** of chemotherapy

My doctor prescribed a strict **regimen** of exercise and healthy eating to help me lose weight.

affordable

adj. not expensive and able to pay

synonym: cheap, reasonable, inexpensive

(1) **affordable** housing, (2) **affordable** solution

The automaker has been providing **affordable** car financing options since last year.

accessible

adj. capable of being reached, easily got, or seen

synonym: affordable, available, unrestricted

(1) a town **accessible** by rail, (2) **accessible** to pity

He is an **accessible** and genial man.

inexpensive

adj. costing little; having a low price

synonym: cheap, affordable, economical

(1) **inexpensive** option, (2) an **inexpensive** inn

The restaurant offered delicious food at an **inexpensive** price.

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.

assess

v. to judge or decide the nature or quality of someone or something

synonym : estimate, evaluate, consider

(1) **assess** a tax of 10 pounds, (2) **assess** the quality
Our company needs to **assess** the business impact of climate change.

suitable

adj. fit or appropriate; proper; adapted

synonym : appropriate, fitting, proper

(1) **suitable** amount, (2) date **suitable** to both groups
The dress was **suitable** for the formal occasion.

primordial

adj. existing from the beginning of time or the start of a particular process; relating to the earliest stage of the universe

synonym : ancient, original, primary

(1) **primordial** forms of life, (2) **primordial** gas
The discovery of the **primordial** soup was a crucial step in understanding the origins of life on Earth.

safeguard

v. to protect something or someone from harm, damage, or loss

synonym : protect, assure, conserve

(1) **safeguard** my property, (2) **safeguard** environmental quality

This measure will **safeguard** people against terrorism.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym : regrettably, unluckily, alas

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

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

inefficient

adj. lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.

synonym : ineffective, counterproductive, inadequate

(1) **inefficient** use, (2) **inefficient** management

The system is still so **inefficient** that it is useless.

government

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

synonym : administration, regime, state

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

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

committee

n. a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization

synonym : panel, board, council

(1) **committee** meeting, (2) **committee** member

The ad hoc **committee** met to discuss the proposal.

independence

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

synonym : freedom, liberty, autonomy

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

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

sponsor

v. to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising

synonym : back, fund, finance

(1) **sponsor** a contest, (2) **sponsor** a local group

Our company **sponsors** numerous disabled athletes.

accountability

n. the state of being responsible for one's actions or decisions; the obligation to explain, justify, or take ownership of one's actions or their consequences; the expectation of being answerable and liable for the outcomes of one's behavior or performance

synonym : responsibility, answerability, liability

(1) government **accountability**, (2) individual

accountability

Activists questioned the company's **accountability** for the environmental impact of its operations.

promote

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

synonym : boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior
The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

transparency

n. the condition or quality of being easy to see through

synonym : clearness, clarity, translucence

(1) lack of **transparency**, (2) **transparency** during the trials
The main discussion topic is government **transparency**.

nongovernmental

adj. not belonging to or controlled by a government

synonym : private, non-public, non-state

(1) **nongovernmental** aid worker, (2) **nongovernmental** agency

The **nongovernmental** organization works to promote human rights in developing countries.

organization

n. a group of people who work together for a shared purpose

synonym : association, institution, community

(1) **organization** chart, (2) agricultural **organization**

She is the president of a large international **organization**.

appropriate

adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

synonym : fitting, suitable, proper

(1) **appropriate** behavior, (2) an **appropriate** time

It would be **appropriate** to dress nicely for the wedding.

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.

intervention

n. the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
synonym: interference, intercession, treatment

(1) **intervention** by foreign powers, (2) surgical

intervention

This **intervention** does not require the patient's consent.

addition

n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

synonym: accumulation, expansion, addendum

(1) chemical **addition**, (2) **addition** of vectors

In **addition**, private corporations provide healthcare services.

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

synonym: chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically increase.

introduction

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

synonym: initiation, preamble, prologue

(1) **introduction** education, (2) self- **introduction**

The **introduction** to the new class was informative and engaging.

maintain

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

synonym: preserve, uphold, sustain

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

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

justify

v. to provide a valid or reasonable explanation, reasoning, or evidence in support of a belief, action, or decision; to defend or vindicate something as right or valid

synonym: validate, defend, support

(1) **justify** my beliefs, (2) **justify** your decision

The lawyer tried to **justify** his client's actions by presenting evidence of their difficult upbringing.

fortunate

adj. having good luck or lucky

synonym: fortuitous, lucky, blessed

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

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

enroll

v. to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service

synonym: register, enlist, join

(1) **enroll** at a college, (2) **enroll** in a school

I need to **enroll** in a cooking class to improve my culinary skills.

cope

v. to deal with and overcome difficulties or problems

synonym: manage, handle, deal with

(1) **cope** with stress, (2) **cope** alone with a child

The company was able to **cope** with the changes in the market by introducing new products.

situ

adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance

synonym: situational, contextual, circumstantial

(1) ex- **situ** conservation, (2) in- **situ** control

Melanoma in **situ** is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate

treatment.

encounter

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

synonym : meet, run into, come across

(1) **encounter** a crisis, (2) **encounter** a storm

I'm prepared to **encounter** challenges throughout this adventure.

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.

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.

moral

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

synonym : honest, ethical, conscientious

(1) **moral** hazard, (2) **moral** burden

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

conscience

n. a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior

synonym : morality, ethics, scruples

(1) inner **conscience**, (2) guilty **conscience**

He couldn't bear the thought of acting against his **conscience**, even if it meant losing the job.

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.

welfare

n. the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group

synonym: well-being, benefit, health

(1) child **welfare**, (2) a **welfare** state

She struggled for years to survive without **welfare**.

agency

n. an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action

synonym: organization, bureau, institution

(1) real estate **agency**, (2) intelligence **agency**

The government **agency** regulated the country's food and drug safety standards.

pharmaceutical

adj. relating to the production and selling of the medical drugs

synonym: drug, medication, prescription

(1) major **pharmaceutical** companies, (2) commercial **pharmaceutical** products

She gave money to help set up a **pharmaceutical** laboratory.

employer

n. a person or organization that pays workers to work for them

synonym : boss, owner, company

(1) illegal **employer**, (2) **employer** responsibility

An **employer's** attitude toward its employees significantly impacts their productivity.

urge

v. to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

synonym : push for, advise, (noun) impulse

(1) **urge** a total ban, (2) a sexual **urge**

The lobbyist **urged** Congress not to approve the measure.

thorough

adj. done completely; significantly careful and accurate

synonym : complete, comprehensive, meticulous

(1) **thorough** investigation, (2) provide **thorough** analysis

A **thorough** brushing helps to keep your mouth fresh.

vaccine

n. a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.)

synonym : vaccinum

(1) development of **vaccines**, (2) an oral **vaccine**

The mRNA **vaccine** was approved in less than a year because it did not contain the fragments of the target virus.

malaria

n. a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito

(1) **malaria** mosquitoes, (2) **malaria-endemic** area

Many people in tropical countries die from **malaria** every year.

owe

v. to be under a moral or legal obligation to pay or do something in return for something received;

synonym : have an obligation, incur

(1) **owe** \$100 to my friend, (2) **owe** him a grudge

She **owes** her friend a favor for helping her move.

willingness

n. the state of being ready or inclined to do something

synonym: readiness, eagerness, enthusiasm

(1) **willingness** to help, (2) indicate a **willingness** to change

Her **willingness** to help others earned her many friends.

selfless

adj. concerned more with the needs and desires of others than with one's own; unselfish; altruistic

synonym: unselfish, altruistic, generous

(1) **selfless** act, (2) **selfless** devotion

Her **selfless** dedication to the community earned her a prestigious award.

humane

adj. having or showing compassion, kindness, and sympathy toward others, especially toward those who are suffering

synonym: compassionate, kind, merciful

(1) **humane** treatment, (2) **humane** society

We must ensure that all medical testing on animals is conducted in a **humane** way.

Session 2: Spelling

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|-----------------------------|---|
| 1. cou_____ive results | <i>adj.</i> contrary to what common sense would suggest |
| 2. financial ind_____nce | <i>n.</i> freedom from another's or others' control or influence |
| 3. computer-ill_____te | <i>adj.</i> unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing |
| 4. legal co_____t | <i>n.</i> the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning |
| 5. an oral va_____e | <i>n.</i> a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.) |
| 6. re_____n of chemotherapy | <i>n.</i> a prescribed course of medical treatment, diet, or exercise for the promotion or restoration of health |
| 7. di_____e prevention | <i>n.</i> a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems |
| 8. ex-s__u conservation | <i>adj.</i> short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance |
| 9. lin_____ic analysis | <i>adj.</i> relating to language or the study of language |

ANSWERS: 1. counterintuitive, 2. independence, 3. illiterate, 4. context, 5. vaccine, 6. regimen, 7. disease, 8. situ, 9. linguistic

10. first-aid tr_____nt *n.* the way in which someone deals with or behaves towards someone or something; medical care provided to a patient for an injury or illness.
11. an et_____l doctrine *adj.* of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these
12. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
13. ge_____te more electricity *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
14. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
15. u__e a total ban *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
16. social di_____ce *n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
17. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
18. sci_____lly explainable *adv.* in a way that relates to science or is connected with science
19. c__t members *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

ANSWERS: 10. treatment, 11. ethical, 12. communal, 13. generate, 14. involve, 15. urge, 16. distance, 17. participate, 18. scientifically, 19. cult

20. ru__l accents *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
21. ab____e from work *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
22. acc_____le to pity *adj.* capable of being reached, easily got, or seen
23. less fo_____te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
24. im_____e a process *v.* to make or become better
25. ri_____us standards *adj.* allowing or demanding no deviation from a standard; extremely careful, thorough, or accurate
26. treat the in_____on with antibiotics *n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body
27. ju_____y my beliefs *v.* to provide a valid or reasonable explanation, reasoning, or evidence in support of a belief, action, or decision; to defend or vindicate something as right or valid
28. ine_____nt use *adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
29. make a str_____ard dash *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
30. the yi__d on the bond *n.* the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information

ANSWERS: 20. rural, 21. absence, 22. accessible, 23. fortunate, 24. improve, 25. rigorous, 26. infection, 27. justify, 28. inefficient, 29. straightforward, 30. yield

31. wid_____ad use *adj.* existing or happening in various places or among many people
32. th_____gh investigation *adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate
33. standard pr_____re *n.* a way of doing something, especially the official or well-known way
34. an ine_____ve speech *adj.* not producing any significant or intended effect or result
35. es_____te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
36. de_____e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
37. p___e a significant threat to my company *v.* to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed
38. global pa_____ic *n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
39. a va___d contract *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
40. pre_____ce rate *n.* the state or condition of being widespread or common; the extent or frequency of occurrence of a disease or condition in a given population at a specific time
41. ev_____te a situation *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something

ANSWERS: 31. widespread, 32. thorough, 33. procedure, 34. ineffective, 35. estimate, 36. debate, 37. pose, 38. pandemic, 39. valid, 40. prevalence, 41. evaluate

42. cannot com_____se anymore *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
43. pr_____e bad behavior *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
44. bus f__e *n.* the price paid for travel on a particular mode of transportation, such as a train, bus, or plane; the cost of admission or entrance to an event or location
45. c__t's practices *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
46. as____s the quality *v.* to judge or decide the nature or quality of someone or something
47. la_____y mitigate the issue *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
48. high pre_____ce of a diabetes *n.* the state or condition of being widespread or common; the extent or frequency of occurrence of a disease or condition in a given population at a specific time
49. que_____ble ingredients *adj.* doubtful or uncertain and may be open to question or criticism
50. human re_____s *n.* the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal

ANSWERS: 42. compromise, 43. promote, 44. fare, 45. cult, 46. assess, 47. largely, 48. prevalence, 49. questionable, 50. remains

51. illegal em____er *n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
52. sp____r a local group *v.* to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising
53. re____ce category *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
54. mo__l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
55. en____er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
56. consistency cr____ia *n.* (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided
57. inner con____ce *n.* a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior
58. in___e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
59. surgical int____ion *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
60. cr____ia for action *n.* (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided

ANSWERS: 51. employer, 52. sponsor, 53. relevance, 54. moral, 55. encounter, 56. criteria, 57. conscience, 58. invite, 59. intervention, 60. criteria

61. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
62. sexual exp_____ion *n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful
63. le_____y load times *adj.* tediously continuing for a long time; very long in time or size
64. have an un___r advantage *adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception
65. ex_____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
66. cou_____ive behavior *adj.* contrary to what common sense would suggest
67. a circular mo_____nt *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
68. cholera-en_____c area *adj.* (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area
69. com_____se the matter *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
70. ex_____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
71. pot_____ly affected *adv.* in a possible state or condition; possibly
72. the clear co_____ry *n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired

ANSWERS: 61. unfortunately, 62. exploitation, 63. lengthy, 64. unfair, 65. extreme, 66. counterintuitive, 67. movement, 68. endemic, 69. compromise, 70. exciting, 71. potentially, 72. contrary

73. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
74. major pha_____cal companies *adj.* relating to the production and selling of the medical drugs
75. ex_____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
76. sa_____rd my property *v.* to protect something or someone from harm, damage, or loss
77. seems to be highly pro_____ic *adj.* full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve
78. lit_____on process *n.* the process of resolving legal disputes through the court system
79. guilty con_____ce *n.* a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior
80. ret_____us infection *n.* a type of RNA virus that uses the enzyme reverse transcriptase to convert its RNA into DNA, which then inserts itself into the host cell's genome, which can cause a variety of diseases in humans and animals, including HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus)
81. the cycle of po_____y *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
82. ina_____te funding *adj.* not sufficient or enough
83. mo__l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

ANSWERS: 73. debate, 74. pharmaceutical, 75. exciting, 76. safeguard, 77. problematic, 78. litigation, 79. conscience, 80. retrovirus, 81. poverty, 82. inadequate, 83. moral

84. ma_____a mosquitoes *n.* a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito
85. ma_____in good health *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
86. p___e a challenge *v.* to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed
87. aff_____le housing *adj.* not expensive and able to pay
88. there is no other alt_____ve *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
89. di_____e control *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
90. tracking de_____e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
91. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
92. flu pa_____ic *n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
93. af_____ed way of walking *adj.* influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
94. electronic de_____e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

ANSWERS: 84. malaria, 85. maintain, 86. pose, 87. affordable, 88. alternative, 89. disease, 90. device, 91. obvious, 92. pandemic, 93. affected, 94. device

95. an in_____ve to work hard *n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something
96. tra_____ncy during the trials *n.* the condition or quality of being easy to see through
97. au_____ze access *v.* to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something
98. a me_____l opinion *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
99. taxi f__e *n.* the price paid for travel on a particular mode of transportation, such as a train, bus, or plane; the cost of admission or entrance to an event or location
100. pu_____d expression *adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
101. ine_____ve option *adj.* costing little; having a low price
102. feline ret_____us *n.* a type of RNA virus that uses the enzyme reverse transcriptase to convert its RNA into DNA, which then inserts itself into the host cell's genome, which can cause a variety of diseases in humans and animals, including HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus)
103. helpful h__ts *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
104. es_____te a fair value *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

ANSWERS: 95. incentive, 96. transparency, 97. authorize, 98. medical, 99. fare, 100. puzzled, 101. inexpensive, 102. retrovirus, 103. hint, 104. estimate

105. high in _____ce of disease
n. the frequency or rate at which a particular event or condition occurs within a specific population, group, or area; the occurrence or manifestation of something, especially something harmful or unpleasant
106. her major is lin_____ics
adj. relating to language or the study of language
107. non_____tal agency
adj. not belonging to or controlled by a government
108. agricultural org_____ion
n. a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
109. ex_____e sports
adj. very great in amount or degree
110. individual acc_____ity
n. the state of being responsible for one's actions or decisions; the obligation to explain, justify, or take ownership of one's actions or their consequences; the expectation of being answerable and liable for the outcomes of one's behavior or performance
111. carry a bu____n
n. a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry
112. a dental cl____c
n. a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition
113. di_____se the problem
v. to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis

ANSWERS: 105. incidence, 106. linguistic, 107. nongovernmental, 108. organization, 109. extreme, 110. accountability, 111. burden, 112. clinic, 113. diagnose

114. str_____ard manner *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
115. the imp_____on of a word *n.* something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something
116. urban di_____cts *n.* a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features
117. la_____y accepted *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
118. re_____t a good worker *v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.
119. as____s a tax of 10 pounds *v.* to judge or decide the nature or quality of someone or something
120. att_____ve men *adj.* immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
121. pri_____al gas *adj.* existing from the beginning of time or the start of a particular process; relating to the earliest stage of the universe
122. pr_____e a better relationship *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
123. undergo a surgical pr_____re *n.* a way of doing something, especially the official or well-known way
124. tr_____rt facilities *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

ANSWERS: 114. straightforward, 115. implication, 116. district, 117. largely, 118. recruit, 119. assess, 120. attractive, 121. primordial, 122. promote, 123. procedure, 124. transport

125. as___t a patient *v.* to help someone in doing anything
126. driving di_____ce *n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
127. con_____sy among researchers *n.* a lot of discussion and argument about something, often involving strong feelings of anger or disapproval
128. pu_____d by the question *adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
129. ev_____te the grant proposal *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
130. co_____t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
131. en_____c disease *adj.* (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area
132. accordance with app_____le law *adj.* fit or suitable to be applied; having relevance to a person or thing
133. pri_____al forms of life *adj.* existing from the beginning of time or the start of a particular process; relating to the earliest stage of the universe
134. algebraic ine_____ty *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

ANSWERS: 125. assist, 126. distance, 127. controversy, 128. puzzled, 129. evaluate, 130. conduct, 131. endemic, 132. applicable, 133. primordial, 134. inequality

135. po____y alleviation *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
136. the af____ed part *adj.* influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
137. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
138. visit to the veterinary cl____c *n.* a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition
139. arouse con____sy *n.* a lot of discussion and argument about something, often involving strong feelings of anger or disapproval
140. temporary me____l treatment *adj.* relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
141. abs____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
142. co____nt urinary diversion *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
143. prudent ho____fe *n.* a woman who manages a household, particularly one who stays at home to take care of children and domestic duties
144. a c__e about the crime *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery

ANSWERS: 135. poverty, 136. affected, 137. obvious, 138. clinic, 139. controversy, 140. medical, 141. absolutely, 142. continent, 143. housewife, 144. clue

145. a ticket va__d for two days *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
146. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
147. ine_____ty in salary *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
148. a town acc_____le by rail *adj.* capable of being reached, easily got, or seen
149. a pro_____ic situation *adj.* full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve
150. pot_____ly lucrative *adv.* in a possible state or condition; possibly
151. pre_____le option *adj.* more desirable or suitable than another option; more favored or favored over something else; better or more advantageous
152. hu___e treatment *adj.* having or showing compassion, kindness, and sympathy toward others, especially toward those who are suffering
153. corn yi__d *n.* the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information
154. date su_____le to both groups *adj.* fit or appropriate; proper; adapted
155. shoulder et_____l responsibility *adj.* of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these

ANSWERS: 145. valid, 146. possibility, 147. inequality, 148. accessible, 149. problematic, 150. potentially, 151. preferable, 152. humane, 153. yield, 154. suitable, 155. ethical

156. 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
157. commercial pha_____cal products *adj.* relating to the production and selling of the medical drugs
158. ill_____te population *adj.* unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing
159. civil lit_____on *n.* the process of resolving legal disputes through the court system
160. app_____te behavior *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
161. field of gene th_____y *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
162. em_____er responsibility *n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
163. indicate a wil_____ss to change *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
164. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
165. 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
166. fitness re_____n *n.* a prescribed course of medical treatment, diet, or exercise for the promotion or restoration of health

ANSWERS: 156. determinant, 157. pharmaceutical, 158. illiterate, 159. litigation, 160. appropriate, 161. therapy, 162. employer, 163. willingness, 164. participate, 165. develop, 166. regimen

167. ina_____ate language *adj.* not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person
168. hu___e society *adj.* having or showing compassion, kindness, and sympathy toward others, especially toward those who are suffering
169. co_____ry evidence *n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
170. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
171. experienced cl_____an *n.* a practitioner, especially of medicine or psychology, who has direct contact with patients
172. development of va_____es *n.* a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.)
173. ho_____fe duties *n.* a woman who manages a household, particularly one who stays at home to take care of children and domestic duties
174. st____t compliance regime *adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.
175. non_____tal aid worker *adj.* not belonging to or controlled by a government
176. h__t of trouble *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something

ANSWERS: 167. inappropriate, 168. humane, 169. contrary, 170. involve, 171. clinician, 172. vaccine, 173. housewife, 174. strict, 175. nongovernmental, 176. hint

177. bo___r the neighbors *v.* to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
178. a c__e to the diagnosis *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
179. the inland of a co_____nt *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
180. c__e with stress *v.* to deal with and overcome difficulties or problems
181. pop_____on change *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
182. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
183. to be a le_____y process *adj.* tediously continuing for a long time; very long in time or size
184. pa_____t in the hospital *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
185. re_____t a new hire *v.* to persuade someone to work for a company; to find new members for an organization, the armed forces, etc.

ANSWERS: 177. bother, 178. clue, 179. continent, 180. cope, 181. population, 182. context, 183. lengthy, 184. patient, 185. recruit

186. take ad_____ge of his weak points *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
187. di_____se with CT scans *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
188. chemical ad_____on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
189. child we_____e *n.* the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
190. ma_____a-endemic area *n.* a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito
191. a n__b mind *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
192. mo_____nt of troops *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
193. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
194. a sexual u__e *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

ANSWERS: 186. advantage, 187. diagnose, 188. addition, 189. welfare, 190. malaria, 191. numb, 192. movement, 193. introduction, 194. urge

195. tr_____nt by diet *n.* the way in which someone deals with or behaves towards someone or something; medical care provided to a patient for an injury or illness.
196. an ine_____ve inn *adj.* costing little; having a low price
197. an alt_____ve plan *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
198. fo_____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
199. ex_____al commerce *adj.* belonging to or situated outside of someone or something
200. an app_____te time *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
201. have no re_____ce *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
202. in___e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
203. ben_____al to all countries *adj.* helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being
204. 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
205. a we_____e state *n.* the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
206. pre_____le solution *adj.* more desirable or suitable than another option; more favored or favored over something else; better or more advantageous

ANSWERS: 195. treatment, 196. inexpensive, 197. alternative, 198. fortunate, 199. external, 200. appropriate, 201. relevance, 202. invite, 203. beneficial, 204. advantage, 205. welfare, 206. preferable

207. sa_____rd environmental quality *v.* to protect something or someone from harm, damage, or loss
208. co_____ee member *n.* a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization
209. provide th_____gh analysis *adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate
210. ine_____nt management *adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
211. ge_____te \$100 a month *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
212. investigate sci_____lly *adv.* in a way that relates to science or is connected with science
213. co_____t for surgery *n.* permission or agreement to do something, especially given by somebody in authority
214. government acc_____ity *n.* the state of being responsible for one's actions or decisions; the obligation to explain, justify, or take ownership of one's actions or their consequences; the expectation of being answerable and liable for the outcomes of one's behavior or performance
215. ma_____in order *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
216. aff_____le solution *adj.* not expensive and able to pay

ANSWERS: 207. safeguard, 208. committee, 209. thorough, 210. inefficient, 211. generate, 212. scientifically, 213. consent, 214. accountability, 215. maintain, 216. affordable

217. give app_____le examples *adj.* fit or suitable to be applied; having relevance to a person or thing
218. se_____ss act *adj.* concerned more with the needs and desires of others than with one's own; unselfish; altruistic
219. in_____ce rate *n.* the frequency or rate at which a particular event or condition occurs within a specific population, group, or area; the occurrence or manifestation of something, especially something harmful or unpleasant
220. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
221. intelligence ag____y *n.* an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action
222. in____t other animal species *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
223. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
224. have ri_____us criticism *adj.* allowing or demanding no deviation from a standard; extremely careful, thorough, or accurate

ANSWERS: 217. applicable, 218. selfless, 219. incidence, 220. possibility, 221. agency, 222. infect, 223. introduction, 224. rigorous

225. in___t a computer with a virus *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
226. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
227. cl_____al surgery *adj.* of or relating to the examination and treatment of patients rather than theoretical or laboratory studies
228. participate in cl_____al trials *adj.* of or relating to the examination and treatment of patients rather than theoretical or laboratory studies
229. o_e him a grudge *v.* to be under a moral or legal obligation to pay or do something in return for something received;
230. au_____ze payment *v.* to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something
231. scientific jo_____l *n.* a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
232. the imp_____on in a crime *n.* something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something
233. th_____y for a patient *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
234. a bacterial in_____on *n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body
235. re_____s of a building *n.* the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal

ANSWERS: 225. infect, 226. determinant, 227. clinical, 228. clinical, 229. owe, 230. authorize, 231. journal, 232. implication, 233. therapy, 234. infection, 235. remains

236. in st___t secrecy *adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.
237. in-s__u control *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
238. att_____ve opportunity *adj.* immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
239. access to public tr_____rt *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
240. c__e alone with a child *v.* to deal with and overcome difficulties or problems
241. wid_____ad fear of nuclear war *adj.* existing or happening in various places or among many people
242. become hig_____ile *adj.* attracting much attention and interest from the public and media
243. hig_____ile lawyer *adj.* attracting much attention and interest from the public and media
244. as___t his goal *v.* to help someone in doing anything
245. real estate ag___y *n.* an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action

ANSWERS: 236. strict, 237. situ, 238. attractive, 239. transport, 240. cope, 241. widespread, 242. high-profile, 243. high-profile, 244. assist, 245. agency

246. labor pop_____on *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
247. n__b with cold *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
248. school di_____cts *n.* a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features
249. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
250. from a cl_____an's perspective *n.* a practitioner, especially of medicine or psychology, who has direct contact with patients
251. pull an ine_____ve player *adj.* not producing any significant or intended effect or result
252. org_____ion chart *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
253. sp_____r a contest *v.* to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising
254. a leave of ab_____e *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
255. que_____ble methods *adj.* doubtful or uncertain and may be open to question or criticism
256. co_____ee meeting *n.* a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization
257. en_____er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

ANSWERS: 246. population, 247. numb, 248. district, 249. communal, 250. clinician, 251. ineffective, 252. organization, 253. sponsor, 254. absence, 255. questionable, 256. committee, 257. encounter

258. ad_____on of vectors *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
259. 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
260. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
261. ju_____y your decision *v.* to provide a valid or reasonable explanation, reasoning, or evidence in support of a belief, action, or decision; to defend or vindicate something as right or valid
262. su_____le amount *adj.* fit or appropriate; proper; adapted
263. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
264. se_____ss devotion *adj.* concerned more with the needs and desires of others than with one's own; unselfish; altruistic
265. a ben_____al result *adj.* helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being
266. an ina_____te income *adj.* not sufficient or enough
267. ex_____al factors *adj.* belonging to or situated outside of someone or something
268. sub_____an Africa *adj.* of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert

ANSWERS: 258. addition, 259. develop, 260. government, 261. justify, 262. suitable, 263. government, 264. selfless, 265. beneficial, 266. inadequate, 267. external, 268. sub-Saharan

269. bo___r with details *v.* to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
270. en___l in a school *v.* to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service
271. im_____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
272. the exp_____ion of fossil resources *n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful
273. lack of tra_____ncy *n.* the condition or quality of being easy to see through
274. people in ru___l areas *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
275. ind_____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
276. en___l at a college *v.* to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service
277. un___r employment practices *adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception
278. bu___n of disease *n.* a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry
279. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily

ANSWERS: 269. bother, 270. enroll, 271. improve, 272. exploitation, 273. transparency, 274. rural, 275. independence, 276. enroll, 277. unfair, 278. burden, 279. unfortunately

280. int_____ion by foreign powers *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
281. sub_____an countries *adj.* of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert
282. o_e \$100 to my friend *v.* to be under a moral or legal obligation to pay or do something in return for something received;
283. give silent co_____t *n.* permission or agreement to do something, especially given by somebody in authority
284. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
285. ina_____ate behavior *adj.* not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person
286. pa_____t with weight loss *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
287. jo_____l articles *n.* a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
288. financial in_____ves *n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something
289. wil_____ss to help *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
290. co_____t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity

ANSWERS: 280. intervention, 281. sub-Saharan, 282. owe, 283. consent, 284. absolutely, 285. inappropriate, 286. patient, 287. journal, 288. incentive, 289. willingness, 290. conduct

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ organization works to promote human rights in developing countries.
adj. not belonging to or controlled by a government
2. They entered into _____ with the member of the ruling party.
n. a lot of discussion and argument about something, often involving strong feelings of anger or disapproval
3. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something
4. This device is used to _____ brain cancer and other tumors.
v. to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
5. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using _____ medicines.
n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice
6. The main discussion topic is government _____.
n. the condition or quality of being easy to see through
7. He is an _____ and genial man.
adj. capable of being reached, easily got, or seen
8. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.
adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

ANSWERS: 1. nongovernmental, 2. controversy, 3. participated, 4. diagnose, 5. alternative, 6. transparency, 7. accessible, 8. absolutely

9. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

10. The evidence presented in the report is _____ and may need further investigation before any conclusions can be drawn.

adj. doubtful or uncertain and may be open to question or criticism

11. The _____ medical treatment had weakened his muscles.

adj. tediously continuing for a long time; very long in time or size

12. The government _____ regulated the country's food and drug safety standards.

n. an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action

13. The _____ of allergies has increased in recent years.

n. the state or condition of being widespread or common; the extent or frequency of occurrence of a disease or condition in a given population at a specific time

14. The marathon runner covered a long _____ in a short amount of time.

n. the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance

15. The president must have the highest _____ standards.

adj. of or relating to principles about what is right and wrong, or the branch of knowledge dealing with these

16. My doctor prescribed a strict _____ of exercise and healthy eating to help me lose weight.

n. a prescribed course of medical treatment, diet, or exercise for the promotion or restoration of health

ANSWERS: 9. moral, 10. questionable, 11. lengthy, 12. agency, 13. prevalence, 14. distance, 15. ethical, 16. regimen

17. When a company discloses information to the market, an _____ auditor verifies them.

adj. belonging to or situated outside of someone or something

18. The _____ of crime has decreased in the neighborhood since the new security measures were put in place.

n. the frequency or rate at which a particular event or condition occurs within a specific population, group, or area; the occurrence or manifestation of something, especially something harmful or unpleasant

19. The patient's condition improved after beginning a _____ treatment regimen.

n. a type of RNA virus that uses the enzyme reverse transcriptase to convert its RNA into DNA, which then inserts itself into the host cell's genome, which can cause a variety of diseases in humans and animals, including HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus)

20. The government is considering _____ against the company for environmental violations.

n. the process of resolving legal disputes through the court system

21. These treatments were _____ against a virus.

adj. not producing any significant or intended effect or result

22. It was highly _____ to make jokes during a serious business meeting.

adj. not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person

23. She received special _____ training at the hospital.

adj. of or relating to the examination and treatment of patients rather than theoretical or laboratory studies

ANSWERS: 17. external, 18. incidence, 19. retrovirus-targeted, 20. litigation, 21. ineffective, 22. inappropriate, 23. clinical

24. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.
adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement
25. The pilot and flight attendant ran through the check-out _____.
n. a way of doing something, especially the official or well-known way
26. Our naive experience undoubtedly contains a _____ aspect.
adj. relating to language or the study of language
27. Despite attending school, he remained _____ and unable to read or write.
adj. unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing
28. The small budget was _____ to cover all the necessary expenses for the project.
adj. not sufficient or enough
29. Her _____ accent made it difficult to take her seriously.
adj. influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
30. The company was able to _____ with the changes in the market by introducing new products.
v. to deal with and overcome difficulties or problems
31. In medieval times, death punishment was _____ and socially accepted.
adj. existing or happening in various places or among many people
32. The doctor carefully examined the _____ medical history.
n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

ANSWERS: 24. exciting, 25. procedure, 26. linguistic, 27. illiterate, 28. inadequate, 29. affected, 30. cope, 31. widespread, 32. patient's

33. The discovery of the _____ soup was a crucial step in understanding the origins of life on Earth.

adj. existing from the beginning of time or the start of a particular process; relating to the earliest stage of the universe

34. Her _____ dedication to the community earned her a prestigious award.

adj. concerned more with the needs and desires of others than with one's own; unselfish; altruistic

35. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

36. I underwent aversion _____ for my addiction to alcohol.

n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.

37. His poem has a very significant _____.

n. something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something

38. She holds a _____ on Tuesday mornings.

n. a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition

39. The lobbyist _____ Congress not to approve the measure.

v. to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

40. Police will _____ random breath testing for drunk driving.

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

ANSWERS: 33. primordial, 34. selfless, 35. possibility, 36. therapy, 37. implication, 38. clinic, 39. urged, 40. conduct

41. The ____ leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.
- n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
42. She was _____ by the strange behavior of her cat.
- adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
43. The defendant gave a _____ and accurate description of the accident.
- adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
44. It would be _____ to dress nicely for the wedding.
- adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
45. For most people, living in a quiet suburb is _____ to living in a busy city.
- adj.* more desirable or suitable than another option; more favored or favored over something else; better or more advantageous
46. The government should do more to _____ sustainable agribusiness.
- v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
47. We _____ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.
- v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
48. He couldn't bear the thought of acting against his _____ even if it meant losing the job.
- n.* a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior

ANSWERS: 41. cult, 42. puzzled, 43. straightforward, 44. appropriate, 45. preferable, 46. promote, 47. estimated, 48. conscience,

49. The police couldn't find a _____ to her whereabouts.
- n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
50. The _____ for the train ride from New York to Boston was reasonable compared to the cost of flying.
- n.* the price paid for travel on a particular mode of transportation, such as a train, bus, or plane; the cost of admission or entrance to an event or location
51. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.
- n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
52. Please _____ her with the furniture relocation.
- v.* to help someone in doing anything
53. I always carry a backup _____ in case my phone runs out of battery.
- n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
54. Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's _____.
- n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
55. There are several causes of economic _____ within societies.
- n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
56. The economic stimulation program would _____ a lot of new jobs.
- v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

ANSWERS: 49. clue, 50. fare, 51. independence, 52. assist, 53. device, 54. absence, 55. inequality, 56. generate

57. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.

- v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

58. The way he manages his employees is extremely _____.

- adj.* allowing or demanding no deviation from a standard; extremely careful, thorough, or accurate

59. They have no _____ to win the game.

- n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something

60. This regulation is not _____ to minors.

- adj.* fit or suitable to be applied; having relevance to a person or thing

61. She gave money to help set up a _____ laboratory.

- adj.* relating to the production and selling of the medical drugs

62. Nevada is _____ a desert state.

- adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree

63. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.

- v.* to make or become better

64. Strategic _____ of cutting-edge technology would be a sure formula for success.

- n.* the process of making some area of land or water more profitable or productive or useful

ANSWERS: 57. invite, 58. rigorous, 59. incentive, 60. applicable, 61. pharmaceutical, 62. largely, 63. improve, 64. exploitation

65. I need to _____ in a cooking class to improve my culinary skills.
v. to officially register or sign up for something, particularly a course of study, an organization, or a service
66. In just four years, the _____ has doubled.
n. the total number of people in a country, region, or location
67. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.
adj. having good luck or lucky
68. The doctor diagnosed him with a rare _____ that had no known cure.
n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
69. The system is still so _____ that it is useless.
adj. lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
70. The _____ nature of quantum physics has been a source of confusion for scientists for decades.
adj. contrary to what common sense would suggest
71. The company's stock gives a high _____.
n. the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information
72. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 65. enroll, 66. population, 67. fortunate, 68. disease, 69. inefficient, 70. counterintuitive, 71. yield, 72. develop

73. Many people in tropical countries die from _____ every year.
- n.* a severe disease caused by a parasite that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito
74. The lawyer tried to _____ his client's actions by presenting evidence of their difficult upbringing.
- v.* to provide a valid or reasonable explanation, reasoning, or evidence in support of a belief, action, or decision; to defend or vindicate something as right or valid
75. He didn't meet all the _____ but he was hired anyway.
- n.* (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided
76. Too _____ a regulation for the private sector will stifle innovation.
- adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.
77. The primary purpose of the _____ is pain relief.
- n.* the way in which someone deals with or behaves towards someone or something; medical care provided to a patient for an injury or illness.
78. The two sides argued their points, but the judge ultimately sided with the _____ viewpoint.
- n.* acting in opposition to what is expected or desired
79. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.
- n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
80. Melanoma in _____ is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.
- adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance

ANSWERS: 73. malaria, 74. justify, 75. criteria, 76. strict, 77. treatment, 78. contrary, 79. addition, 80. situ

81. Our company needs to _____ the business impact of climate change.
v. to judge or decide the nature or quality of someone or something
82. That car has a low environmental _____.
n. a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry
83. There was no _____ of a problem.
n. an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
84. The _____ team worked quickly to save the patient's life.
adj. relating to the treatment of illness or injuries; relating to the practice of medicine
85. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
adj. easy to see, discover or understand
86. She gave her _____ to the company's proposal.
n. permission or agreement to do something, especially given by somebody in authority
87. 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
88. Your credit card is no longer _____.
adj. having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
89. An _____ attitude toward its employees significantly impacts their productivity.
n. a person or organization that pays workers to work for them

ANSWERS: 81. assess, 82. burden, 83. hint, 84. medical, 85. obvious, 86. consent, 87. advantages, 88. valid, 89. employer's

90. Malaria is _____ in many tropical countries.

adj. (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area

91. The chemicals _____ a massive health risk.

v. to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed

92. The restaurant offered delicious food at an _____ price.

adj. costing little; having a low price

93. She _____ her friend a favor for helping her move.

v. to be under a moral or legal obligation to pay or do something in return for something received;

94. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

95. They never _____ on development despite the lack of funds.

v. to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

96. Please don't _____ me while I'm trying to concentrate.

v. to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something

97. 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: 90. endemic, 91. pose, 92. inexpensive, 93. owes, 94. unfortunately, 95. compromised, 96. bother, 97. unfair

98. Flight across the _____ was a daring adventure in its day.
- n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
99. 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
100. Children often _____ parents with this head cold.
- v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
101. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.
- n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
102. Some _____ believe that psychological characteristics alone may cause mental disorders.
- n.* a practitioner, especially of medicine or psychology, who has direct contact with patients
103. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.
- adj.* very great in amount or degree
104. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.
- n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

ANSWERS: 98. continent, 99. determinant, 100. infect, 101. debate, 102. clinicians, 103. extreme, 104. introduction

105. The _____ of the ancient civilization can still be seen in the city's ruins.
n. the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal
106. We must ensure that all medical testing on animals is conducted in a _____ way.
adj. having or showing compassion, kindness, and sympathy toward others, especially toward those who are suffering
107. The organization assisted in the de-escalation of _____ violent situations.
adv. in a possible state or condition; possibly
108. She is the president of a large international _____.
n. a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
109. My left arm became _____.
adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
110. The coffee producers in _____ countries are at the sharp end of fluctuations in price.
adj. of or relating to or situated in the area south of the Sahara Desert
111. I need to _____ my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.
v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
112. The ad hoc _____ met to discuss the proposal.
n. a group of people appointed or elected to perform a specific function or manage a particular task, often within a larger organization

ANSWERS: 105. remains, 106. humane, 107. potentially, 108. organization, 109. numb, 110. sub-Saharan, 111. maintain, 112. committee

113. The dress was _____ for the formal occasion.

adj. fit or appropriate; proper; adapted

114. They fear a _____ of a new type of virus.

n. an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area

115. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

116. Within six months, the research thesis became a _____ scientific paper.

adj. attracting much attention and interest from the public and media

117. Since 2001, the _____ has provided training programs for automotive technicians.

n. a part of a country or town, especially one with particular features

118. I'm prepared to _____ challenges throughout this adventure.

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

119. 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

120. This measure will _____ people against terrorism.

v. to protect something or someone from harm, damage, or loss

121. She struggled for years to survive without _____.

n. the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group

ANSWERS: 113. suitable, 114. pandemic, 115. Communal, 116. high-profile, 117. district, 118. encounter, 119. movement, 120. safeguard, 121. welfare

122. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
123. A _____ brushing helps to keep your mouth fresh.
adj. done completely; significantly careful and accurate
124. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
125. Enhanced rail _____ is crucial for our business.
n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
126. Direct democracy is effective in quickly resolving _____ situations within a community.
adj. full of difficulties; difficult to deal with or solve
127. The mRNA _____ was approved in less than a year because it did not contain the fragments of the target virus.
n. a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.)
128. Many studies have investigated the relationship between _____ and academic achievement.
n. the condition of being extremely poor
129. The growth of the "sharing economy" is _____ for tech companies.
adj. immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable

ANSWERS: 122. context, 123. thorough, 124. government, 125. transportation, 126. problematic, 127. vaccine, 128. poverty, 129. attractive

130. The meeting aims to _____ possible choices.
v. to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
131. This _____ does not require the patient's consent.
n. the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
132. The _____ of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.
n. the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
133. Our company _____ numerous disabled athletes.
v. to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising
134. She is a full-time _____ who cares for her children and runs the household.
n. a woman who manages a household, particularly one who stays at home to take care of children and domestic duties
135. The government has _____ the use of military force in the region to keep the peace.
v. to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something
136. The hypothesis is not yet _____ proven.
adv. in a way that relates to science or is connected with science
137. The automaker has been providing _____ car financing options since last year.
adj. not expensive and able to pay

ANSWERS: 130. evaluate, 131. intervention, 132. relevance, 133. sponsors, 134. housewife, 135. authorized, 136. scientifically, 137. affordable

138. Her _____ to help others earned her many friends.

n. the state of being ready or inclined to do something

139. Laughing is _____ to our health.

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

140. 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

141. Activists questioned the company's _____ for the environmental impact of its operations.

n. the state of being responsible for one's actions or decisions; the obligation to explain, justify, or take ownership of one's actions or their consequences; the expectation of being answerable and liable for the outcomes of one's behavior or performance

142. Many _____ areas are still impoverished.

adj. of or relating to the countryside

143. The physician is reading the _____ related to medicine

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

144. The colonial government _____ militia support when civil war broke out.

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

145. Hospitals must meet various standards to prevent nosocomial _____.

n. a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body

ANSWERS: 138. willingness, 139. beneficial, 140. involves, 141. accountability, 142. rural, 143. journals, 144. recruited, 145. infections

ANSWERS: