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Session 1: Word List

disturb

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

synonym : agitate, bother, intrude

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

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

topic

n. a subject that is being discussed or written about

synonym : subject, theme, issue

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

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

domestic

adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

synonym : endemic, private, household

(1) **domestic** airline, (2) a **domestic** animal

GDP stands for gross **domestic** product.

violent

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

synonym : aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

tackle

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation

synonym: deal with, dive into, work on

(1) **tackle** the issue, (2) help **tackle** climate change

The government is determined to **tackle** sharp inflation.

psychiatry

n. the branch of medicine concerned with the study, treatment, and prevention of mental illness

synonym: mental health, psychology, psychoanalysis

(1) **psychiatry** therapy, (2) biological **psychiatry**

The field of **psychiatry** is constantly evolving, with new treatments and approaches being developed all the time.

graduated

adj. having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees

synonym: completed, finished, earned

(1) **graduated** taxation, (2) **graduated** flask

She was a **graduated** student of a prestigious university.

editorial

adj. relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media

synonym: comment, opinion, critique

(1) gain **editorial** help, (2) an **editorial** article

The newspaper published an **editorial** on the current state of the economy.

apartment

n. a self-contained living unit within a larger building or complex, typically consisting of one or more rooms or an open space used for living, cooking, and sleeping

synonym: flat, dwelling, unit

(1) rented **apartment**, (2) furnished **apartment**

I am seeking a spacious **apartment** with a balcony and a parking spot.

hollow

adj. having a hole, empty space inside, or indentation on the surface

synonym: cavity, depression, concavity

(1) have **hollow** legs, (2) **hollow** sound

The tree had a **hollow** trunk, which made it easy for animals to take shelter inside.

bullet

n. a metal projectile that is shot from a gun

synonym: projectile, slug, shot

(1) **bullet** wound, (2) **bullet** train

The stray **bullet** went through the window and hit the wall.

mate

n. a person's partner in marriage or romantic relationship; an animal's sexual partner; a peer or friend; (of the game of chess) checkmate, which is the winning condition of the game

synonym: companion, partner, spouse

(1) smoking **mate**, (2) dog-loving **mate**

I need to find a **mate** for my female guinea pig so she doesn't get lonely.

threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

synonym: endanger, terrorize, intimidate

(1) **threaten** a healthy relationship, (2) **threaten** national security

Various artificially induced causes are **threatening** our ecosystem.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym: insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme

The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

trap

n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

synonym: catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal

The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

disguise

v. to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others

synonym: mask, misinterpret, cloak

(1) **disguise** my feelings, (2) **disguise** his voice

Later it turned out that the politician **disguised** the fact from the public.

typical

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

synonym: characteristic, usual, distinctive

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

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

survivor

n. a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died

synonym: subsister

(1) ovarian cancer **survivor**, (2) a single **survivor**

The shipwreck **survivor** was rescued after floating in the ocean for three days.

fortune

n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

synonym: wealth, affluence, assets

(1) ill **fortune**, (2) bit of good **fortune**

Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal **fortune**.

- lab** *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
synonym: workshop, laboratory, research chamber
(1) **lab** instrument, (2) medical **lab**
The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's **lab**.
- odyssey** *n.* a long wandering and eventful journey; a Greek epic poem attributed to Homer, describing the journey of Odysseus after the fall of Troy
(1) go on a serious **odyssey**, (2) cross-country **odyssey**
He continued the extraordinary **odyssey** with his brother.
- religion** *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
synonym: faith, creed, belief
(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**
Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
- abuse** *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
synonym: misuse, misconduct, vilification
(1) the problem of drug **abuse**, (2) victim of sexual **abuse**
Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for **abuse** of authority.
- intimate** *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
synonym: close, tight, friendly
(1) my **intimate** affairs, (2) **intimate** relationship
He has an **intimate** knowledge of American history.
- interdependent** *adj.* depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected
synonym: interconnected, interrelated, mutual
(1) **interdependent** systems, (2) develop **interdependent** skills

In nature, all living things are **interdependent** and rely on each other for survival.

relation

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

synonym: association, linkage, connection

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

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

confuse

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

synonym: confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

victim

n. a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

synonym: prey, target, sufferer

(1) **victim** support, (2) **victim** compensation

The **victim** of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

statistics

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

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

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

abusive

adj. involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else

synonym: cruel, oppressive, hurtful

(1) **abusive** behavior, (2) **abusive** parent

The teacher's **abusive** language towards the students was unacceptable.

warn

v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

synonym: alert, caution, admonish

(1) **warn** a reckless driver, (2) **warned** me of the plan
I attempted to **warn** him, but he ignored me.

subway

n. an underground railway system, typically in a city

synonym: underground, metro, tube

(1) **subway** train, (2) rapid transit **subway**

He took the **subway** to work every day to avoid traffic congestion.

ivy

n. an evergreen climbing or ground-creeping woody plant that often grows up trees or buildings

(1) poison **ivy**, (2) **ivy** plant

The overgrown **ivy** cleaved to the ruined castle walls.

league

n. an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters

synonym: association, organization, alliance

(1) **league** championship, (2) a baseball **league**

He was recruited to play in the professional **league**.

impressive

adj. arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill

synonym: impactful, remarkable, exceptional

(1) **impressive** performances, (2) an **impressive** array of facts

The budget reduction was an **impressive** feat for our nation.

cheek

n. either side of the face below the eye and between the nose and the jaw

synonym: jaw, mandible, malar

(1) **cheek** bone, (2) hollowed-out **cheek**

He gently touched her apple-red **cheek** and whispered that he loved her.

wheat

n. a cereal plant that is the most important kind grown in temperate countries, the grain of which is ground to make flour for bread, pasta, pastry, etc

synonym : grain, cereal

(1) harvesting **wheat**, (2) **wheat** crop

The farmer grew **wheat** on his land.

blond

adj. of a light, yellowish-brown or golden color, typically describing hair color; (also spelled "blonde") a female with such hair color

synonym : blonde, light-haired

(1) **blond** fuzz, (2) ash- **blond** ringlet

She is a natural **blond** and doesn't need to dye her hair.

illusion

n. a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation

synonym : delusion, fallacy, magic trick

(1) optical **illusion**, (2) the **illusion** of being in the forest

He could no longer tell the difference between **illusion** and reality.

dominant

adj. more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

synonym : chief, predominant, prevailing

(1) achieve a **dominant** share, (2) **dominant** force

Her company soon won a **dominant** market share.

idol

n. an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered

synonym : icon, hero, legend

(1) **idol** worship, (2) **idol** singer

He was an **idol** to his fans, who looked up to him as a role

model.

passionate

adj. showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief

synonym: ardent, fervent, intense

(1) **passionate** speech, (2) **passionate** kiss

Their **passionate** argument lasted for hours, neither willing to back down.

childhood

n. the state or time of being a child

synonym: youth, infancy, adolescence

(1) since **childhood**, (2) **childhood** development

He had fond memories of his **childhood** spent playing in the park with his friends.

hop

v. to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

synonym: jump, bounce, skip

(1) **hop** on one foot, (2) **hop** from one place to another

The rabbit **hopped** over the fence.

magical

adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers

synonym: enchanting, occult, supernatural

(1) **magical** place, (2) **magical** powers

When I was a child, my mother often cast **magical** spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

atmosphere

n. the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work

synonym: air, ambiance, circumstances

(1) carbon dioxide in the **atmosphere**, (2) a convivial **atmosphere**

The spaceship began to burn up as it approached the Earth's **atmosphere**.

confess

v. to admit to having done something wrong or to reveal something personal or private

synonym: admit, acknowledge, own up

(1) **confess** sin, (2) **confess** truth

He **confessed** to his crime and turned himself into the police.

savage

adj. extremely wild, ferocious, or uncivilized

synonym: brutal, fierce, barbarous

(1) reply in a **savage** voice, (2) **savage** attack

The animal was injured and became **savage**, attacking anyone who approached.

repeatedly

adv. again and again; many times

synonym: frequently, over and over, constantly

(1) use cell phone **repeatedly**, (2) **repeatedly** nod

He claims that his legitimate requests were **repeatedly** ignored.

physically

adv. in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

(1) **physically** and mentally, (2) stay **physically** fit

Having a **physically** healthy physique is essential for a great life.

stepfather

n. a man who is married to one's mother but is not one's biological father

synonym: stepdad, father figure, dad-in-law

(1) supportive **stepfather**, (2) **stepfather** role

I didn't get along with my **stepfather** when I was young, but now we're like best friends.

grade

n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

synonym: score, rate, degree

(1) boys in the twelfth **grade**, (2) students at all **grade** levels

Departments may set requirements for a higher **grade** point average.

rebuild

v. to build again or anew

synonym: reconstruct, renovate, restore

(1) **rebuild** a company, (2) **rebuild** communities

They are planning to **rebuild** the house after the fire.

degree

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

synonym: level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

shiny

adj. reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface

synonym: polished, glossy, lustrous

(1) **shiny** surface, (2) **shiny** object

The **shiny** new car drew everyone's attention as it drove by.

sensitive

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

synonym: exposed, susceptible, keen

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

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

adore

v. to have a deep love and admiration for someone or something; to regard with great affection and reverence

synonym: cherish, worship, idolize

(1) truly **adore** him, (2) **adore** the way she styles her hair

Children seem to **adore** chocolate ice cream no matter where they're from.

dictate

v. to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded

synonym: read out, prescribe, order

(1) **dictate** a letter to secretary, (2) **dictate** to the associate

The allies **dictated** the terms of surrender to the country.

makeup

n. colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance

synonym: maquillage, composition, cosmetic

(1) **makeup** artist, (2) take the **makeup** off her face

Her beauty resulted from a good night's sleep rather than **makeup**.

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.

seduce

v. to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship

synonym: tempt, lure, entice

(1) **seduce** him into crime, (2) **seduce** her mind

He tried to **seduce** her with his charm and good looks.

charm

n. the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people

synonym: allure, appeal, beauty

(1) masculine **charm**, (2) **charm** against bad luck

These are significantly more exquisite than typical **charm** bracelets.

isolate

v. to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things

synonym: separate, sequester, insulate

(1) **isolate** a compound, (2) **isolate** a patient

You should not **isolate** them from the community.

announce

v. to make something known or officially inform people about something

synonym: disclose, declare, broadcast

(1) **announce** candidacy, (2) **announce** the award winners

The third season of the anime show has been **announced**.

phase

n. any stage in a series of events, change, or development
synonym: degree, stage, step

(1) enter on the last **phase**, (2) two- **phase** structure

The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial **phase** of history.

scream

v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

synonym: cry, shout, yell

(1) **scream** a profanity, (2) **scream** at him to be quiet

She kept **screaming** for an ambulance.

coworker

n. a person who works with another in the same company or organization

synonym: colleague, peer, associate

(1) **coworker** relationship, (2) argue with a **coworker**

My ex- **coworker** and I had different working styles but managed to get along.

bruise

n. a mark caused by a blow, typically one that is purple or black on the skin

synonym: contusion, injury, wound

(1) livid **bruise**, (2) earlier emotional **bruise**

She had a **bruise** on her arm from where she fell on the playground.

quitter

n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

synonym: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

dysfunction

n. a problem or fault in a system, organism, or part of the body or machine

synonym: malfunction, disorder, disfunction

(1) **dysfunction** of kidneys, (2) brain **dysfunction**

The **dysfunction** in the relationship was causing problems for both partners.

sacrifice

n. the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

synonym: forfeit, immolation, gift

(1) small **sacrifice** for a great cause, (2) **sacrifice** anything to get ahead

You cannot accomplish great things without a **sacrifice** of your time or money.

headfirst

adv. with the head leading or going first or in front of the rest of the body while moving forward; in a daring, impulsive, or reckless manner without proper caution or preparation

synonym: dive, plunge, recklessly

(1) jump **headfirst**, (2) dive **headfirst**

She dove **headfirst** into the ocean, eager to cool off from the summer heat.

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.

threat

n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

synonym: menace, danger, hazard

(1) economic **threat**, (2) environmental **threat**

The **threat** of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

react

v. to take action in response to something

synonym: respond, reply, oppose

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

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

suppose

v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

synonym: guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand

What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

glove

n. a piece of clothing worn on the hand and wrist for protection against cold, dirt, etc., with separate parts for each finger

synonym: mitt

(1) a right-hand **glove**, (2) 5-finger **glove**

She was wearing a black **glove**.

compartment

n. a separate section or part of a larger enclosed space, such as a train carriage or a ship's cabin

synonym: section, part, subdivision

(1) **compartment** door, (2) a watertight **compartment**

The train's **compartment** was small but comfortable.

trauma

n. an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience

synonym: agony, injury, ordeal

(1) psychic **trauma**, (2) **trauma** care

Many civilians have suffered **trauma** as a result of the war.

grave

n. a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious,

solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature

synonym : tomb, crypt, sepulcher

(1) **grave** an image, (2) **grave** mistake

Many innocent civilians were killed and buried in mass **graves** outside the city during the war.

gown

n. a long, flowing garment worn on formal occasions, especially by women

synonym : dress, robe, garment

(1) a judge's **gown**, (2) **gown** for the prom

She looked stunning in her long, flowing **gown** at the formal event.

freelance

adj. doing particular pieces of work for different organizations rather than being employed by one specific organization

synonym : self-employed, independent

(1) a **freelance** journalist, (2) professional **freelance** writer

He became a **freelance** photographer after working for a company for over ten years.

writ

n. a written legal order or command

synonym : legal document, order, legal process

(1) a **writ** of summons, (2) issue a **writ**

He was served with a **writ** of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.

assignment

n. a duty or task given to someone, usually as part of their job or studies

synonym : task, duty, designation

(1) finish the **assignment**, (2) **assignment** of interest

My **assignment** was overwhelming and complicated, but it was also exciting.

frustrate

v. to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

synonym : hinder, thwart, dishearten

(1) **frustrate** the advancement, (2) **frustrate** other team members

The coach explained a strategy to **frustrate** the opponent's schemes to the players.

excuse

n. a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt

synonym : apology, justification, reason

(1) **excuse** for inaction, (2) perfect **excuse**

He quickly fabricated an **excuse** for not attending the meeting.

squeeze

v. to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness

synonym : compress, crush, clamp

(1) **squeeze** a lemon, (2) **squeeze** a confession

She **squeezed** the toothpaste tube from the middle to get the last bit out.

tight

adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

synonym : closed, secured, cramped

(1) a **tight** game, (2) student on a **tight** budget

The national election was held amid **tight** security.

chokehold

n. a wrestling or martial arts hold in which the arms are used to exert pressure on an opponent's neck, cutting off their air supply and temporarily incapacitating them

synonym : stranglehold, grip, lock

(1) **chokehold** technique, (2) police **chokehold**

The wrestler put his opponent in a **chokehold** and won the

match.

fade

v. to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
synonym : languish, wither

(1) **fade** away almost completely, (2) **fade** in importance
My memory will **fade**, but my heart will live on.

incident

n. an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens

synonym : event, occurrence, accident

(1) traffic **incident**, (2) security **incident**

The **incident** at the airport caused a delay in my flight.

honeymoon

n. a period of time, often a few weeks, immediately following a wedding during which the newlywed couple goes on a vacation or trip together to celebrate their marriage and spend time together as a couple

synonym : post-wedding vacation, romantic getaway

(1) **honeymoon** destination, (2) romantic **honeymoon**

We went to Hawaii for our **honeymoon** and had a wonderful time.

punch

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

synonym : hit, strike, slap

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

He **punched** the wall in anger.

traffic

n. the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

synonym : congestion, jam, flow

(1) **traffic** jam, (2) heavy **traffic**

We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction **traffic** on the main road.

proceed

v. to move forward or to continue with a process or action; to advance or progress

synonym: advance, progress, move ahead

(1) **proceed** with caution, (2) **proceed** to the next step

We can now **proceed** with the next item on our agenda.

unique

adj. being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else

synonym: one-of-a-kind, unparalleled, incomparable

(1) a **unique** teacher, (2) **unique** design

The painting is **unique**, and there is no other like it.

stalk

v. to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework

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

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

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

ignition

n. the act of starting a fire, engine, or other device; the beginning or starting point of a process or event

synonym: kindling, start, activation

(1) **ignition** system, (2) **ignition** switch

My car's **ignition** wouldn't turn over, so I had to call a mechanic.

highway

n. a main road, especially one connecting major towns or cities

synonym: road, expressway, freeway

(1) **highway** system, (2) an interstate **highway**

I'm going to take the **highway** to get to my destination faster.

grind

v. to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of

time

synonym: mill, crush, grate

(1) **grind** away at my work, (2) **grind** your teeth

She had to **grind** the coffee beans before making a fresh cup.

batter

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

synonym: beat, pound, strike

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

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

demon

n. an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful

synonym: fiend, devil, evil spirit

(1) **demon** hunter, (2) cast **demon** eyes

The actor's portrayal of the **demon** in the horror movie was terrifying.

incredibly

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

synonym: enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

(1) **incredibly** cheerful character, (2) get **incredibly** insecure

Several cities are experiencing **incredibly** high unemployment rates.

murder

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

synonym: slaying, killing

(1) **murder** in the second degree, (2) attempted **murder**

This intriguing **murder** mystery remains unsolved.

outcome

n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

synonym: result, consequence, effect

(1) improved student **outcomes**, (2) a desirable **outcome**

They awaited news of the **outcome** of the election.

denial

n. a statement that something is not true or does not exist
synonym: refusal, rejection, veto

(1) state of **denial**, (2) an absolute **denial**

She gave us a categorical **denial** of the scandal.

manipulate

v. to influence or control something or someone to your advantage, often in an unfair or dishonest way

synonym: control, exploit, abuse

(1) **manipulate** figures, (2) vulnerable to **manipulate**

Please tell me how to **manipulate** this computer.

terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym: unnerve, scare, horrify

(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him

It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.

regularly

adv. at regular intervals or times

synonym: repeatedly, routinely, usually

(1) **regularly** arranged, (2) post **regularly** to a blog

This site **regularly** shares high-quality academic materials.

judge

n. a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

synonym: arbiter, justice, (verb) deduce

(1) **judge** a competition, (2) an associate **judge**

The strict **judge** ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

supervise

v. to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility

synonym: oversee, manage, control

(1) **supervise** entrance test takers, (2) **supervise** team activity

She was asked to **supervise** the construction project.

sadistic

adj. deriving pleasure from inflicting pain, suffering, or humiliation on others; cruel and brutal in a way that causes others to suffer

synonym : cruel, brutal, inhumane

(1) **sadistic** pleasure, (2) **sadistic** behavior

The **sadistic** character in the movie enjoyed inflicting pain on others for pleasure.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym : quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

stereotype

n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

(1) avoid **stereotype**, (2) negative **stereotypes**

Changing **stereotypes** about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

grisly

adj. causing horror or disgust because of being connected with death or injury or having a raw or savage quality

synonym : gruesome, horrific, ghastly

(1) **grisly** death, (2) **grisly** details

The **grisly** scene of the crime horrified the witnesses.

headline

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

synonym : title, caption

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

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

destruction

n. the act of causing so much damage to something

synonym : devastation, annihilation, ruin

(1) path of **destruction**, (2) cyclonic **destruction**

The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat **destruction**.

dam

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

synonym: barricade, barrier, embankment

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

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

intentionally

adv. in a planned or intended way

synonym: knowingly, calculatedly, deliberately

(1) she hit him **intentionally**, (2) She **intentionally** spread misleading information.

She would never **intentionally** hurt anyone.

intent

n. a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something

synonym: purpose, aim, goal

(1) the **intent** of a question, (2) **intent** gaze

The designer's **intent** was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.

destroy

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

synonym: demolish, ruin, obliterate

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

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

invaluable

adj. extremely useful, important, or valuable; describing something that cannot be measured in terms of monetary or material worth

synonym: priceless, inestimable, precious

(1) **invaluable** support, (2) **invaluable** resource

The advice given by my mentor was **invaluable** in my career.

employee

n. a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
synonym: worker, staff, personnel

(1) **employee** benefits, (2) **employee** evaluation

The **employee** handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

moth

n. an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light

(1) **moth** larva, (2) **moth** attracted to the light

The **moth** is a serious threat to the farm's output.

gentle

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

synonym: mild, delicate, soft

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

Her **gentle** manner relaxed everyone there.

fascinating

adj. extremely interesting

synonym: alluring, intriguing, captivating

(1) **fascinating** story, (2) completely **fascinating** to me

The museum houses a **fascinating** collection of Celtic artifacts.

thrive

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

synonym: bloom, flourish, prosper

(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure

Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

shining

adj. giving off or reflecting light; bright, glistening, or gleaming; characterized by impressive accomplishments or excellence

synonym: sparkling, gleaming, radiant

(1) **shining** star, (2) **shining** example

The **shining** sun reflected off the calm ocean water.

spotlight

n. a beam of light used to illuminate a particular area or person

synonym: limelight, stage light, highlight

(1) **spotlight** effect, (2) **spotlight** moment

The singer was in the **spotlight** as she performed her hit song.

recast

v. to change the form of something, such as a metal object, by melting it down and reshaping it; to change the actors or the role of a particular actor in a play or film

synonym: modify, remake, remodel

(1) **recast** the Republican party, (2) **recast** the story

He had to **recast** his image to convince the electorate in his home state.

lovable

adj. deserving or inspiring love and affection

synonym: adorable, charming, dear

(1) **lovable** personality, (2) a **lovable** creature

The little puppy was **lovable** and had a playful personality.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym: acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

conscientious

adj. characterized by a sense of duty or responsibility; diligent, meticulous, and careful in one's work or actions

synonym: diligent, thorough, meticulous

(1) **conscientious** worker, (2) **conscientious** objection

Conscientious student always turned in their assignments on time.

intervene

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

synonym: interfere, mediate, intercede

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

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

escalate

v. to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

synonym: increase, intensify, expand

(1) **escalate** into a major international incident, (2) to **escalate**

The situation quickly **escalated** and turned violent.

peaceful

adj. not involving violence, conflict, or war

synonym: friendly, pacific, amicable

(1) **peaceful** country, (2) **peaceful** coexistence

Plutonium has limited **peaceful** applications.

oasis

n. a fertile land in a desert or semi-desert environment where there is water and therefore plants and trees and sometimes a village or town

(1) tropical **oasis**, (2) **oasis** farming

The **oasis** supplied water for early farms until the modern age.

Session 2: Spelling

1. sc___m a profanity
v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
2. in a ge___e voice
adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
3. vulnerable to man_____te
v. to influence or control something or someone to your advantage, often in an unfair or dishonest way
4. su_____e beforehand
v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
5. cr__y about cars and racing
adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry
6. con_____ous worker
adj. characterized by a sense of duty or responsibility; diligent, meticulous, and careful in one's work or actions
7. post re_____ly to a blog
adv. at regular intervals or times
8. jump he_____st
adv. with the head leading or going first or in front of the rest of the body while moving forward; in a daring, impulsive, or reckless manner without proper caution or preparation
9. bu___t wound
n. a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
10. t__p an animal
n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

ANSWERS: 1. scream, 2. gentle, 3. manipulate, 4. suppose, 5. crazy, 6. conscientious, 7. regularly, 8. headfirst, 9. bullet, 10. trap

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| 11. a w__t of summons | <i>n.</i> a written legal order or command |
| 12. tr____c jam | <i>n.</i> the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time |
| 13. f__e away almost completely | <i>v.</i> to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness |
| 14. gr____y death | <i>adj.</i> causing horror or disgust because of being connected with death or injury or having a raw or savage quality |
| 15. give si____t consent | <i>adj.</i> without any or little sound |
| 16. di____b the peace | <i>v.</i> to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc. |
| 17. i__l worship | <i>n.</i> an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered |
| 18. su____e you're right | <i>v.</i> to think that something is likely to be actual or possible |
| 19. easy qu____r | <i>n.</i> a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started |
| 20. mu____r in the second degree | <i>n.</i> the crime of killing somebody intentionally |
| 21. serial qu____r | <i>n.</i> a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started |
| 22. bu____t train | <i>n.</i> a metal projectile that is shot from a gun |

ANSWERS: 11. writ, 12. traffic, 13. fade, 14. grisly, 15. silent, 16. disturb, 17. idol, 18. suppose, 19. quitter, 20. murder, 21. quitter, 22. bullet

23. rapid transit su___y *n.* an underground railway system, typically in a city
24. cast de__n eyes *n.* an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful
25. the il_____on of being in the forest *n.* a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation
26. earlier emotional br___e *n.* a mark caused by a blow, typically one that is purple or black on the skin
27. ab_____e parent *adj.* involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else
28. reply in a sa___e voice *adj.* extremely wild, ferocious, or uncivilized
29. th_____en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
30. she hit him int_____lly *adv.* in a planned or intended way
31. lo___e personality *adj.* deserving or inspiring love and affection
32. an interstate hi_____y *n.* a main road, especially one connecting major towns or cities
33. sa_____ic pleasure *adj.* deriving pleasure from inflicting pain, suffering, or humiliation on others; cruel and brutal in a way that causes others to suffer
34. improved student ou_____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

ANSWERS: 23. subway, 24. demon, 25. illusion, 26. bruise, 27. abusive, 28. savage, 29. threaten, 30. intentionally, 31. lovable, 32. highway, 33. sadistic, 34. outcome

35. livid br___e *n.* a mark caused by a blow, typically one that is purple or black on the skin
36. the problem of drug ab__e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
37. ta___e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
38. pas_____te kiss *adj.* showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
39. ch__m against bad luck *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
40. in_____ne in a dispute *v.* to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse
41. small sa_____ce for a great cause *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
42. h_p from one place to another *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
43. 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

ANSWERS: 35. bruise, 36. abuse, 37. tackle, 38. passionate, 39. charm, 40. intervene, 41. sacrifice, 42. hop, 43. introduction

44. a lo____e creature *adj.* deserving or inspiring love and affection
45. ju__e a competition *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
46. a fr_____ce journalist *adj.* doing particular pieces of work for different organizations rather than being employed by one specific organization
47. sa___e attack *adj.* extremely wild, ferocious, or uncivilized
48. sh__y object *adj.* reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface
49. victim of sexual ab__e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
50. ch_____ld technique *n.* a wrestling or martial arts hold in which the arms are used to exert pressure on an opponent's neck, cutting off their air supply and temporarily incapacitating them
51. ma_____l place *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
52. d_m-building program *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
53. an_____ce the award winners *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
54. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
55. di_____e to the associate *v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded

ANSWERS: 44. lovable, 45. judge, 46. freelance, 47. savage, 48. shiny, 49. abuse, 50. chokehold, 51. magical, 52. dam, 53. announce, 54. psychology, 55. dictate

56. gr__e mistake *n.* a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature
57. i__l singer *n.* an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered
58. She int_____lly spread misleading information. *adv.* in a planned or intended way
59. my in_____te affairs *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
60. fairly ty_____l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
61. ovarian cancer su_____or *n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
62. an imp_____ve array of facts *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
63. re__t against his way of thinking *v.* to take action in response to something
64. h__t of trouble *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
65. inv_____le support *adj.* extremely useful, important, or valuable; describing something that cannot be measured in terms of monetary or material worth
66. banner he_____ne *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

ANSWERS: 56. grave, 57. idol, 58. intentionally, 59. intimate, 60. typical, 61. survivor, 62. impressive, 63. react, 64. hint, 65. invaluable, 66. headline

67. sp_____ht effect *n.* a beam of light used to illuminate a particular area or person
68. st__k from the room *v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework
69. re_____d a company *v.* to build again or anew
70. m__h attracted to the light *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
71. dys_____on of kidneys *n.* a problem or fault in a system, organism, or part of the body or machine
72. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
73. ig_____on system *n.* the act of starting a fire, engine, or other device; the beginning or starting point of a process or event
74. se___e her mind *v.* to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship
75. a un___e teacher *adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
76. ma_____l powers *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers

ANSWERS: 67. spotlight, 68. stalk, 69. rebuild, 70. moth, 71. dysfunction, 72. relation, 73. ignition, 74. seduce, 75. unique, 76. magical

77. th____en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
78. in____ne between quarreling parties *v.* to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse
79. a ti__t game *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
80. two-ph__e structure *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
81. a right-hand gl__e *n.* a piece of clothing worn on the hand and wrist for protection against cold, dirt, etc., with separate parts for each finger
82. to es____te *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
83. ho____w sound *adj.* having a hole, empty space inside, or indentation on the surface
84. ge____e downward slope *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
85. pu__h a ticket *v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
86. psychic tr____a *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
87. the threats te____y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
88. use cell phone rep____ly *adv.* again and again; many times
89. a baseball le____e *n.* an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters

ANSWERS: 77. threaten, 78. intervene, 79. tight, 80. phase, 81. glove, 82. escalate, 83. hollow, 84. gentle, 85. punch, 86. trauma, 87. terrify, 88. repeatedly, 89. league

90. argue with a co_____er *n.* a person who works with another in the same company or organization
91. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
92. con_____ous objection *adj.* characterized by a sense of duty or responsibility; diligent, meticulous, and careful in one's work or actions
93. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
94. sh_____g star *adj.* giving off or reflecting light; bright, glistening, or gleaming; characterized by impressive accomplishments or excellence
95. st__k of celery *v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework
96. co_____s truth *v.* to admit to having done something wrong or to reveal something personal or private
97. is_____e a compound *v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things

ANSWERS: 90. coworker, 91. statistics, 92. conscientious, 93. recognize, 94. shining, 95. stalk, 96. confess, 97. isolate

98. le___e championship *n.* an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters
99. em_____ee benefits *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
100. a do_____ic animal *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
101. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
102. in_____te relationship *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
103. a watertight com_____nt *n.* a separate section or part of a larger enclosed space, such as a train carriage or a ship's cabin
104. di_____se his voice *v.* to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others
105. a desirable ou_____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
106. path of des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
107. sq_____e a confession *v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness
108. tr___a care *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience

ANSWERS: 98. league, 99. employee, 100. domestic, 101. violent, 102. intimate, 103. compartment, 104. disguise, 105. outcome, 106. destruction, 107. squeeze, 108. trauma

109. environmental th__t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
110. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
111. pr_____d to the next step *v.* to move forward or to continue with a process or action; to advance or progress
112. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
113. an_____ce candidacy *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
114. inv_____le resource *adj.* extremely useful, important, or valuable; describing something that cannot be measured in terms of monetary or material worth
115. poison i_y *n.* an evergreen climbing or ground-creeping woody plant that often grows up trees or buildings
116. hollowed-out ch__k *n.* either side of the face below the eye and between the nose and the jaw
117. vi___m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
118. issue a w__t *n.* a written legal order or command

ANSWERS: 109. threat, 110. incredibly, 111. proceed, 112. relation, 113. announce, 114. invaluable, 115. ivy, 116. cheek, 117. victim, 118. writ

119. ash-bl__d ringlet *adj.* of a light, yellowish-brown or golden color, typically describing hair color; (also spelled "blonde") a female with such hair color
120. pe____ul coexistence *adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war
121. ill fo____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
122. pr____d with caution *v.* to move forward or to continue with a process or action; to advance or progress
123. su____se team activity *v.* to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility
124. harvesting wh__t *n.* a cereal plant that is the most important kind grown in temperate countries, the grain of which is ground to make flour for bread, pasta, pastry, etc
125. optical il____on *n.* a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation
126. fas____ng story *adj.* extremely interesting
127. gr____y details *adj.* causing horror or disgust because of being connected with death or injury or having a raw or savage quality
128. ch____od development *n.* the state or time of being a child
129. tropical oa__s *n.* a fertile land in a desert or semi-desert environment where there is water and therefore plants and trees and sometimes a village or town

ANSWERS: 119. blond, 120. peaceful, 121. fortune, 122. proceed, 123. supervise, 124. wheat, 125. illusion, 126. fascinating, 127. grisly, 128. childhood, 129. oasis

130. enter on the last ph__e *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
131. furnished ap_____nt *n.* a self-contained living unit within a larger building or complex, typically consisting of one or more rooms or an open space used for living, cooking, and sleeping
132. re__t at a high temperature *v.* to take action in response to something
133. vi___m compensation *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
134. cyclonic des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
135. te_____y people *v.* to frighten someone very much
136. stay phy_____ly fit *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
137. a convivial atm_____re *n.* the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work
138. finish the ass_____nt *n.* a duty or task given to someone, usually as part of their job or studies
139. student on a ti__t budget *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
140. pu__h out numbers *v.* to strike someone or something with one's fist; to make a hole in something
141. co_____s sin *v.* to admit to having done something wrong or to reveal something personal or private

ANSWERS: 130. phase, 131. apartment, 132. react, 133. victim, 134. destruction, 135. terrify, 136. physically, 137. atmosphere, 138. assignment, 139. tight, 140. punch, 141. confess

142. have ho___w legs *adj.* having a hole, empty space inside, or indentation on the surface
143. masculine ch__m *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
144. gr_____ed taxation *adj.* having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
145. l_b instrument *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
146. ste_____er role *n.* a man who is married to one's mother but is not one's biological father
147. ho_____on destination *n.* a period of time, often a few weeks, immediately following a wedding during which the newlywed couple goes on a vacation or trip together to celebrate their marriage and spend time together as a couple
148. int_____ent systems *adj.* depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected
149. the to__c of the book *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
150. cross-country od_____y *n.* a long wandering and eventful journey; a Greek epic poem attributed to Homer, describing the journey of Odysseus after the fall of Troy
151. a serious to__c *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
152. the ba___r's box *v.* to hit something or someone repeatedly with much force; (noun, baseball) a ballplayer who is batting

ANSWERS: 142. hollow, 143. charm, 144. graduated, 145. lab, 146. stepfather, 147. honeymoon, 148. interdependent, 149. topic, 150. odyssey, 151. topic, 152. batter

153. psy_____ry therapy *n.* the branch of medicine concerned with the study, treatment, and prevention of mental illness
154. smoking m__e *n.* a person's partner in marriage or romantic relationship; an animal's sexual partner; a peer or friend; (of the game of chess) checkmate, which is the winning condition of the game
155. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
156. man_____te figures *v.* to influence or control something or someone to your advantage, often in an unfair or dishonest way
157. bachelor's de___e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
158. bl__d fuzz *adj.* of a light, yellowish-brown or golden color, typically describing hair color; (also spelled "blonde") a female with such hair color
159. medical l_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
160. se___e him into crime *v.* to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship
161. boys in the twelfth gr__e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
162. co_____e the listener *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

ANSWERS: 153. psychiatry, 154. mate, 155. psychology, 156. manipulate, 157. degree, 158. blond, 159. lab, 160. seduce, 161. grade, 162. confuse

163. economic th___t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
164. ass_____nt of interest *n.* a duty or task given to someone, usually as part of their job or studies
165. police ch_____ld *n.* a wrestling or martial arts hold in which the arms are used to exert pressure on an opponent's neck, cutting off their air supply and temporarily incapacitating them
166. take the ma___p off her face *n.* colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance
167. traffic in_____nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
168. an absolute de___l *n.* a statement that something is not true or does not exist
169. pas_____te speech *adj.* showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
170. an associate ju__e *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
171. re_____d communities *v.* to build again or anew

ANSWERS: 163. threat, 164. assignment, 165. chokehold, 166. makeup, 167. incident, 168. denial, 169. passionate, 170. judge, 171. rebuild

172. go on a serious od_____y *n.* a long wandering and eventful journey; a Greek epic poem attributed to Homer, describing the journey of Odysseus after the fall of Troy
173. gr__d your teeth *v.* to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time
174. rep_____ly nod *adv.* again and again; many times
175. co_____e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
176. is_____e a patient *v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things
177. di_____se my feelings *v.* to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others
178. sh__y surface *adj.* reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface
179. sq_____e a lemon *v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness
180. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
181. help ta___e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
182. dog-loving m__e *n.* a person's partner in marriage or romantic relationship; an animal's sexual partner; a peer or friend; (of the game of chess) checkmate, which is the winning condition of the game

ANSWERS: 172. odyssey, 173. grind, 174. repeatedly, 175. confuse, 176. isolate, 177. disguise, 178. shiny, 179. squeeze, 180. religion, 181. tackle, 182. mate

183. negative ste_____pes *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
184. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
185. students at all gr__e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
186. achieve a do_____nt share *adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type
187. fr_____te other team members *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
188. m__h larva *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
189. ig_____on switch *n.* the act of starting a fire, engine, or other device; the beginning or starting point of a process or event
190. re_____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
191. security in_____nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens

ANSWERS: 183. stereotype, 184. recognize, 185. grade, 186. dominant, 187. frustrate, 188. moth, 189. ignition, 190. religion, 191. incident

192. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
193. f__e in importance *v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
194. bit of good fo_____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
195. ex___e for inaction *n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt
196. gain ed_____al help *adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
197. sa_____ic behavior *adj.* deriving pleasure from inflicting pain, suffering, or humiliation on others; cruel and brutal in a way that causes others to suffer
198. sa_____ce anything to get ahead *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
199. completely fas_____ng to me *adj.* extremely interesting
200. ma___p artist *n.* colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance

ANSWERS: 192. degree, 193. fade, 194. fortune, 195. excuse, 196. editorial, 197. sadistic, 198. sacrifice, 199. fascinating, 200. makeup

201. se_____ve documents *adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do
202. ad__e the way she styles her hair *v.* to have a deep love and admiration for someone or something; to regard with great affection and reverence
203. state of de___l *n.* a statement that something is not true or does not exist
204. hi_____y system *n.* a main road, especially one connecting major towns or cities
205. di_____e a letter to secretary *v.* to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded
206. su_____se entrance test takers *v.* to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility
207. h_p on one foot *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
208. professional fr_____ce writer *adj.* doing particular pieces of work for different organizations rather than being employed by one specific organization
209. attempted mu___r *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
210. d_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

ANSWERS: 201. sensitive, 202. adore, 203. denial, 204. highway, 205. dictate, 206. supervise, 207. hop, 208. freelance, 209. murder, 210. dam

211. 5-finger gl__e *n.* a piece of clothing worn on the hand and wrist for protection against cold, dirt, etc., with separate parts for each finger
212. di____b his sleep *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
213. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
214. de_____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
215. supportive ste_____er *n.* a man who is married to one's mother but is not one's biological father
216. a judge's g__n *n.* a long, flowing garment worn on formal occasions, especially by women
217. sp_____ht moment *n.* a beam of light used to illuminate a particular area or person
218. imp_____ve performances *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
219. romantic ho_____on *n.* a period of time, often a few weeks, immediately following a wedding during which the newlywed couple goes on a vacation or trip together to celebrate their marriage and spend time together as a couple
220. in___t gaze *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something

ANSWERS: 211. glove, 212. disturb, 213. statistics, 214. destroy, 215. stepfather, 216. gown, 217. spotlight, 218. impressive, 219. honeymoon, 220. intent

221. g__n for the prom *n.* a long, flowing garment worn on formal occasions, especially by women
222. truly ad__e him *v.* to have a deep love and admiration for someone or something; to regard with great affection and reverence
223. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
224. 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
225. de__n hunter *n.* an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful
226. wh__t crop *n.* a cereal plant that is the most important kind grown in temperate countries, the grain of which is ground to make flour for bread, pasta, pastry, etc
227. do_____nt force *adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type
228. he_____ne article *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
229. perfect ex___e *n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt

ANSWERS: 221. gown, 222. adore, 223. incredibly, 224. introduction, 225. demon, 226. wheat, 227. dominant, 228. headline, 229. excuse

230. helpful h__ts *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
231. heavy tr____c *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
232. th___e on pressure *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
233. fr_____te the advancement *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
234. ba___r the eggs *v.* to hit something or someone repeatedly with much force; (noun, baseball) a ballplayer who is batting
235. sh_____g example *adj.* giving off or reflecting light; bright, glistening, or gleaming; characterized by impressive accomplishments or excellence
236. i_y plant *n.* an evergreen climbing or ground-creeping woody plant that often grows up trees or buildings
237. ch__k bone *n.* either side of the face below the eye and between the nose and the jaw
238. un___e design *adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
239. em_____ee evaluation *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

ANSWERS: 230. hint, 231. traffic, 232. thrive, 233. frustrate, 234. batter, 235. shining, 236. ivy, 237. cheek, 238. unique, 239. employee

240. brain dys_____on *n.* a problem or fault in a system, organism, or part of the body or machine
241. pe_____ul country *adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war
242. ty_____l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
243. gr__d away at my work *v.* to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time
244. com_____nt door *n.* a separate section or part of a larger enclosed space, such as a train carriage or a ship's cabin
245. w__n a reckless driver *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
246. avoid ste_____pe *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
247. co_____er relationship *n.* a person who works with another in the same company or organization
248. set a t__p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
249. re___t the Republican party *v.* to change the form of something, such as a metal object, by melting it down and reshaping it; to change the actors or the role of a particular actor in a play or film

ANSWERS: 240. dysfunction, 241. peaceful, 242. typical, 243. grind, 244. compartment, 245. warn, 246. stereotype, 247. coworker, 248. trap, 249. recast

250. th___e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
251. w__ned me of the plan *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
252. rented ap_____nt *n.* a self-contained living unit within a larger building or complex, typically consisting of one or more rooms or an open space used for living, cooking, and sleeping
253. develop int_____ent skills *adj.* depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected
254. do_____ic airline *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
255. carbon dioxide in the atm_____re *n.* the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work
256. ab_____e behavior *adj.* involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else
257. baby with se_____ve skin *adj.* able to notice slight changes, signals, or influences; able to feel or perceive other's feelings; susceptible to the things people say or do
258. since ch_____od *n.* the state or time of being a child
259. sc___m at him to be quiet *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

ANSWERS: 250. thrive, 251. warn, 252. apartment, 253. interdependent, 254. domestic, 255. atmosphere, 256. abusive, 257. sensitive, 258. childhood, 259. scream

260. su___y train *n.* an underground railway system, typically in a city
261. si___t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
262. the in___t of a question *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
263. gr_____ed flask *adj.* having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
264. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
265. phy_____ly and mentally *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
266. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
267. a single su_____or *n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
268. gr__e an image *n.* a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature
269. dive he_____st *adv.* with the head leading or going first or in front of the rest of the body while moving forward; in a daring, impulsive, or reckless manner without proper caution or preparation

ANSWERS: 260. subway, 261. silent, 262. intent, 263. graduated, 264. violent, 265. physically, 266. crazy, 267. survivor, 268. grave, 269. headfirst

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Changing _____ about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.
n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
2. The third season of the anime show has been _____.
v. to make something known or officially inform people about something
3. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.
adj. without any or little sound
4. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.
v. to frighten someone very much
5. He became a _____ photographer after working for a company for over ten years.
adj. doing particular pieces of work for different organizations rather than being employed by one specific organization
6. The _____ character in the movie enjoyed inflicting pain on others for pleasure.
adj. deriving pleasure from inflicting pain, suffering, or humiliation on others; cruel and brutal in a way that causes others to suffer
7. We went to Hawaii for our _____ and had a wonderful time.
n. a period of time, often a few weeks, immediately following a wedding during which the newlywed couple goes on a vacation or trip together to celebrate their marriage and spend time together as a couple

ANSWERS: 1. stereotypes, 2. announced, 3. silent, 4. terrify, 5. freelance, 6. sadistic, 7. honeymoon

8. I didn't get along with my _____ when I was young, but now we're like best friends.

n. a man who is married to one's mother but is not one's biological father

9. The animal was injured and became _____ attacking anyone who approached.

adj. extremely wild, ferocious, or uncivilized

10. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

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

11. The national election was held amid _____ security.

adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

12. She had a master's degree in _____.

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

13. How did he _____ to your idea?

v. to take action in response to something

14. Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for _____ of authority.

n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner

15. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

16. The _____ of the discussion was the current state of the economy.

n. a subject that is being discussed or written about

ANSWERS: 8. stepfather, 9. savage, 10. destroyed, 11. tight, 12. psychology, 13. react, 14. abuse, 15. crazy, 16. topic

17. The break in the ____ threatened the valley.

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

18. He tried to _____ her with his charm and good looks.

v. to entice someone to engage in sexual behavior or to enter into a romantic relationship

19. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.

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

20. The ____ new car drew everyone's attention as it drove by.

adj. reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface

21. The tree had a _____ trunk, which made it easy for animals to take shelter inside.

adj. having a hole, empty space inside, or indentation on the surface

22. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

23. You should not _____ them from the community.

v. to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things

24. My _____ was overwhelming and complicated, but it was also exciting.

n. a duty or task given to someone, usually as part of their job or studies

25. He _____ the wall in anger.

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

ANSWERS: 17. dam, 18. seduce, 19. relations, 20. shiny, 21. hollow, 22. murder, 23. isolate, 24. assignment, 25. punched

26. The allies _____ the terms of surrender to the country.
- v. to state or give order with total authority; to say or read aloud for somebody else to write down or to be recorded
27. The rabbit _____ over the fence.
- v. to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
28. Following international law, our country does not _____ in the internal affairs of our neighbors.
- v. to intentionally get involved in a situation to improve it or prevent it from getting worse
29. She would never _____ hurt anyone.
- adv. in a planned or intended way
30. The teacher's _____ language towards the students was unacceptable.
- adj. involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else
31. Children seem to _____ chocolate ice cream no matter where they're from.
- v. to have a deep love and admiration for someone or something; to regard with great affection and reverence
32. The little puppy was _____ and had a playful personality.
- adj. deserving or inspiring love and affection
33. Many innocent civilians were killed and buried in mass _____ outside the city during the war.
- n. a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature

ANSWERS: 26. dictated, 27. hopped, 28. intervene, 29. intentionally, 30. abusive, 31.

adore, 32. lovable, 33. graves

34. Her company soon won a _____ market share.

adj. more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

35. Many civilians have suffered _____ as a result of the war.

n. an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience

36. 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

37. You cannot accomplish great things without a _____ of your time or money.

n. the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

38. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.

n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

39. He was recruited to play in the professional _____.

n. an association of sports teams who compete against each other; an obsolete unit of distance of variable length, equal to about 3 miles or 4,000 meters

40. There was no _____ of a problem.

n. an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something

41. Without investment, a business cannot _____.

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

ANSWERS: 34. dominant, 35. trauma, 36. introduction, 37. sacrifice, 38. grade, 39. league, 40. hint, 41. thrive

42. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.
adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
43. The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat _____.
n. the act of causing so much damage to something
44. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.
v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
45. He gently touched her apple-red _____ and whispered that he loved her.
n. either side of the face below the eye and between the nose and the jaw
46. The singer was in the _____ as she performed her hit song.
n. a beam of light used to illuminate a particular area or person
47. The _____ scene of the crime horrified the witnesses.
adj. causing horror or disgust because of being connected with death or injury or having a raw or savage quality
48. The enemy fell right into the _____.
n. a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
49. I need to find a _____ for my female guinea pig so she doesn't get lonely.
n. a person's partner in marriage or romantic relationship; an animal's sexual partner; a peer or friend; (of the game of chess) checkmate, which is the winning condition of the game

ANSWERS: 42. incredibly, 43. destruction, 44. recognize, 45. cheek, 46. spotlight, 47. grisly, 48. trap, 49. mate

50. The overgrown ____ cleaved to the ruined castle walls.
n. an evergreen climbing or ground-creeping woody plant that often grows up trees or buildings
51. The stray _____ went through the window and hit the wall.
n. a metal projectile that is shot from a gun
52. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's ____.
n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
53. He had fond memories of his _____ spent playing in the park with his friends.
n. the state or time of being a child
54. She was asked to _____ the construction project.
v. to watch over and direct someone or something, especially in a position of responsibility
55. The coach explained a strategy to _____ the opponent's schemes to the players.
v. to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
56. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.
v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
57. The spaceship began to burn up as it approached the Earth's _____.
n. the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work

ANSWERS: 50. ivy, 51. bullet, 52. lab, 53. childhood, 54. supervise, 55. frustrate, 56. tackle, 57. atmosphere

58. She had to _____ the coffee beans before making a fresh cup.
- v. to reduce something to small particles or powder by crushing or rubbing it; to work hard over a long period of time
59. I attempted to _____ him, but he ignored me.
- v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
60. She kept _____ for an ambulance.
- v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
61. She had a _____ on her arm from where she fell on the playground.
- n. a mark caused by a blow, typically one that is purple or black on the skin
62. The situation quickly _____ and turned violent.
- v. to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
63. The _____ in the relationship was causing problems for both partners.
- n. a problem or fault in a system, organism, or part of the body or machine
64. This artwork is _____ of her work.
- adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
65. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.
- adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

ANSWERS: 58. grind, 59. warn, 60. screaming, 61. bruise, 62. escalated, 63. dysfunction, 64. typical, 65. violent

66. The farmer grew _____ on his land.

- n.* a cereal plant that is the most important kind grown in temperate countries, the grain of which is ground to make flour for bread, pasta, pastry, etc

67. My car's _____ wouldn't turn over, so I had to call a mechanic.

- n.* the act of starting a fire, engine, or other device; the beginning or starting point of a process or event

68. She _____ the toothpaste tube from the middle to get the last bit out.

- v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness

69. The teacher is very _____ to children's feelings.

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

70. He was an _____ to his fans, who looked up to him as a role model.

- n.* an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered

71. Please tell me how to _____ this computer.

- v.* to influence or control something or someone to your advantage, often in an unfair or dishonest way

72. The painting is _____ and there is no other like it.

- adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else

73. He had to _____ his image to convince the electorate in his home state.

- v.* to change the form of something, such as a metal object, by melting it down and reshaping it; to change the actors or the role of a particular actor in a play or film

ANSWERS: 66. wheat, 67. ignition, 68. squeezed, 69. sensitive, 70. idol, 71. manipulate, 72. unique, 73. recast

74. He got so angry that he _____ the door down.

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

75. He was labeled as a _____ after he abandoned the project halfway.

- n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

76. Plutonium has limited _____ applications.

- adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war

77. She dove _____ into the ocean, eager to cool off from the summer heat.

- adv.* with the head leading or going first or in front of the rest of the body while moving forward; in a daring, impulsive, or reckless manner without proper caution or preparation

78. He was served with a _____ of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.

- n.* a written legal order or command

79. He continued the extraordinary _____ with his brother.

- n.* a long wandering and eventful journey; a Greek epic poem attributed to Homer, describing the journey of Odysseus after the fall of Troy

80. He could no longer tell the difference between _____ and reality.

- n.* a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation

81. _____ student always turned in their assignments on time.

- adj.* characterized by a sense of duty or responsibility; diligent, meticulous, and careful in one's work or actions

ANSWERS: 74. battered, 75. quitter, 76. peaceful, 77. headfirst, 78. writ, 79. odyssey, 80. illusion, 81. Conscientious

82. She is a natural _____ and doesn't need to dye her hair.

adj. of a light, yellowish-brown or golden color, typically describing hair color; (also spelled "blonde") a female with such hair color

83. Her beauty resulted from a good night's sleep rather than _____.

n. colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance

84. The designer's _____ was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.

n. a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something

85. The museum houses a _____ collection of Celtic artifacts.

adj. extremely interesting

86. She was a _____ student of a prestigious university.

adj. having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees

87. The strict _____ ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

n. a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

88. He claims that his legitimate requests were _____ ignored.

adv. again and again; many times

89. The actor's portrayal of the _____ in the horror movie was terrifying.

n. an evil spirit, supernatural being or entity often depicted as malevolent or harmful

ANSWERS: 82. blond, 83. makeup, 84. intent, 85. fascinating, 86. graduated, 87. judge, 88. repeatedly, 89. demon

90. The _____ supplied water for early farms until the modern age.
- n.* a fertile land in a desert or semi-desert environment where there is water and therefore plants and trees and sometimes a village or town
91. Tourists frequently _____ the island's delicate natural balance.
- v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
92. He _____ to his crime and turned himself into the police.
- v.* to admit to having done something wrong or to reveal something personal or private
93. Later it turned out that the politician _____ the fact from the public.
- v.* to hide or alter someone's appearance to deceive or mislead others
94. I am seeking a spacious _____ with a balcony and a parking spot.
- n.* a self-contained living unit within a larger building or complex, typically consisting of one or more rooms or an open space used for living, cooking, and sleeping
95. The _____ at the airport caused a delay in my flight.
- n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
96. In nature, all living things are _____ and rely on each other for survival.
- adj.* depending on each other; mutually reliant or interconnected
97. My memory will _____ but my heart will live on.
- v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness

ANSWERS: 90. oasis, 91. disturb, 92. confessed, 93. disguised, 94. apartment, 95. incident, 96. interdependent, 97. fade,

98. The _____ is a serious threat to the farm's output.
n. an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
99. GDP stands for gross _____ product.
adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
100. Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal _____.
n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
101. The shipwreck _____ was rescued after floating in the ocean for three days.
n. a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
102. She looked stunning in her long, flowing _____ at the formal event.
n. a long, flowing garment worn on formal occasions, especially by women
103. When I was a child, my mother often cast _____ spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.
adj. produced by or containing supernatural powers
104. The newspaper published an _____ on the current state of the economy.
adj. relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
105. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.
n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
106. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 98. moth, 99. domestic, 100. fortune, 101. survivor, 102. gown, 103. magical, 104. editorial, 105. outcome, 106. statistics

107. The budget reduction was an _____ feat for our nation.

adj. arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill

108. Her remarks _____ the debate.

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

109. The train's _____ was small but comfortable.

n. a separate section or part of a larger enclosed space, such as a train carriage or a ship's cabin

110. We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction _____ on the main road.

n. the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

111. The field of _____ is constantly evolving, with new treatments and approaches being developed all the time.

n. the branch of medicine concerned with the study, treatment, and prevention of mental illness

112. My ex-_____ and I had different working styles but managed to get along.

n. a person who works with another in the same company or organization

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

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

114. The hunter quietly _____ the deer for hours before taking the shot

v. to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework

ANSWERS: 107. impressive, 108. confused, 109. compartment, 110. traffic, 111. psychiatry, 112. coworker, 113. religion, 114. stalked

115. These are significantly more exquisite than typical _____ bracelets.
n. the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
116. The _____ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.
n. a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
117. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.
n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
118. The wrestler put his opponent in a _____ and won the match.
n. a wrestling or martial arts hold in which the arms are used to exert pressure on an opponent's neck, cutting off their air supply and temporarily incapacitating them
119. Having a _____ healthy physique is essential for a great life.
adv. in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
120. The engagement of the two golf players became _____ news.
n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
121. He took the _____ to work every day to avoid traffic congestion.
n. an underground railway system, typically in a city
122. I'm going to take the _____ to get to my destination faster.
n. a main road, especially one connecting major towns or cities

ANSWERS: 115. charm, 116. victim, 117. degree, 118. chokehold, 119. physically, 120. headline, 121. subway, 122. highway

123. The _____ sun reflected off the calm ocean water.

adj. giving off or reflecting light; bright, glistening, or gleaming; characterized by impressive accomplishments or excellence

124. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

125. She was wearing a black _____.

n. a piece of clothing worn on the hand and wrist for protection against cold, dirt, etc., with separate parts for each finger

126. They are planning to _____ the house after the fire.

v. to build again or anew

127. The _____ handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

n. a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

128. Their _____ argument lasted for hours, neither willing to back down.

adj. showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief

129. He has an _____ knowledge of American history.

adj. having a very close friendship, personal

130. We can now _____ with the next item on our agenda.

v. to move forward or to continue with a process or action; to advance or progress

ANSWERS: 123. shining, 124. threatening, 125. glove, 126. rebuild, 127. employee, 128. passionate, 129. intimate, 130. proceed

131. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?
v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
132. The advice given by my mentor was _____ in my career.
adj. extremely useful, important, or valuable; describing something that cannot be measured in terms of monetary or material worth
133. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
134. Her _____ manner relaxed everyone there.
adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
135. He quickly fabricated an _____ for not attending the meeting.
n. a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt
136. She gave us a categorical _____ of the scandal.
n. a statement that something is not true or does not exist
137. The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial _____ of history.
n. any stage in a series of events, change, or development
138. This site _____ shares high-quality academic materials.
adv. at regular intervals or times

ANSWERS: 131. suppose, 132. invaluable, 133. threat, 134. gentle, 135. excuse, 136. denial, 137. phase, 138. regularly