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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### revolution

*n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

*synonym*: coup, innovation, rebellion

(1) beginning of the industrial **revolution**, (2) a political **revolution**

The **revolution** by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

### blend

*v.* to mix or combine two or more substances

*synonym*: combine, mix, intermingle

(1) **blend** all the elements, (2) **blend** milk and cream

The toad altered its appearance to better **blend** in with its new environments.

### adopt

*v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

*synonym*: accept, assume, take on

(1) **adopt** a child, (2) **adopt** a bill

The national assembly has **adopted** the budget.

### nuclear

*adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic

## energy

*synonym* : atomic

(1) **nuclear** fusion, (2) use of **nuclear** power

Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of **nuclear** weapons.

## separate

*v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

*synonym* : disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

## divorce

*n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage

*synonym* : separation, dissolution, breakup

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

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

## overwhelm

*v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

*synonym* : conquer, crush, dominate

(1) he was **overwhelmed** with gratitude, (2) **overwhelm** opponents by numbers

Too much variety may **overwhelm** and confuse viewers.

## chaos

*n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control

*synonym* : disorder, turmoil, confusion

(1) **chaos** theory, (2) midst of **chaos**

The conference room was in **chaos** as everyone tried to speak at once.

## constantly

*adv.* all the time

*synonym* : continuously, always, frequently

(1) a **constantly** innovative enterprise, (2) a **constantly**

varying mind

The mobile application industry is **constantly** changing.

## defend

v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

*synonym*: protect, guard, support

(1) **defend** my country, (2) **defend** against a threat

International law allows each nation to **defend** itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.

## tantrum

n. an outburst of anger or frustration, typically characterized by yelling, crying, or other emotional displays

*synonym*: outburst, fit, explosion

(1) throw a **tantrum**, (2) temper **tantrum**

The toddler had a **tantrum** and refused to take a nap.

## 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

## bully

n. a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful

*synonym*: tormentor, intimidator, aggressor

(1) **bully** bystander, (2) **bully** the weak

The schoolyard **bully** terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.

## **institute**

*n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

*synonym* : academy, university, college

(1) **institute** a lawsuit, (2) research **institutes**

This region has many **institutes** offering higher education.

## **grant**

*v.* to agree to give or allow somebody

*synonym* : allocate, authorize, give

(1) **grant** a new license, (2) **grant** a land

The chairperson **granted** him the right to speak.

## **par**

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

*synonym* : equality, standard, balance

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

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

## **predict**

*v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

*synonym* : forecast, anticipate, foresee

(1) **predict** the future, (2) **predict** when she will arrive

It's notoriously challenging to **predict** birth rates.

## **dynamic**

*adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

*synonym* : energetic, active, vital

(1) a **dynamic** market, (2) **dynamic** person

The sprinter has a **dynamic** way of running.

## **concrete**

*adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement

*synonym* : actual, factual, hardened

(1) a **concrete** noun, (2) **concrete** examples

The president asked for a more **concrete** plan.

## **scholar**

*n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

*synonym* : professor, pupil, learner

(1) **scholar** in international politics, (2) noted **scholar**

You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a **scholar**.

## **elite**

*adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society

*synonym* : privileged, favored, elect

(1) earn **elite** status, (2) **elite** athlete

Very few educational **elites** go to Oxford or Cambridge.

## **negotiate**

*v.* to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement

*synonym* : discuss, mediate, bargain

(1) **negotiate** a settlement, (2) **negotiate** the price of the house

We are always happy to **negotiate** a discount.

## **banker**

*n.* a person who is in charge of or has an important job in a bank

*synonym* : dealer, broker, financier

(1) central **bankers**, (2) investment **banker**

**Bankers** are only willing to lend with good security.

## **clue**

*n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery

*synonym* : hint, indication, inkling

(1) a **clue** about the crime, (2) a **clue** to the diagnosis

The police couldn't find a **clue** to her whereabouts.

## **highlight**

*v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention

*synonym* : feature, emphasize, stress

(1) **highlight** a string in red, (2) **highlight** an important difference

The introduction **highlighted** the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant

## software

*n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs

*synonym*: program, system, operating system

(1) **software** architect, (2) copyrighted **software**

The company specializes in both hardware and **software**.

## engineer

*n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

*synonym*: architect, creator, builder

(1) a civil **engineer**, (2) **engineer** shortage

The **engineer** will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

## tutor

*n.* a person who teaches or gives private instruction in a particular subject or skill

*synonym*: teacher, instructor, mentor

(1) freelance **tutor**, (2) **tutor** student

The skillful **tutor** helped me improve my grades in math.

## mathematics

*n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

*synonym*: arithmetic, calculation, calculus

(1) a good grounding in **mathematics**, (2) **mathematics** competition

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

## lacrosse

*n.* a team sport played with a small rubber ball and long-handled sticks with a netted pouch, in which players try to score points by throwing the ball into the opposing team's goal

*synonym*: stickball, lax, field hockey

(1) **lacrosse** coach, (2) **lacrosse** game

The high school's **lacrosse** team won the state championship for the third year.

## syndrome

*n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder

*synonym*: disorder, condition, complication

(1) **syndrome** of dementia, (2) acute **syndrome**

The patient was diagnosed with a rare genetic **syndrome**.

## relative

*adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

*synonym*: comparative, proximate, congeneric

(1) a remote **relative**, (2) **relative** factors

Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close **relatives**.

## cutting-edge

*adj.* being at the forefront of a particular field or development; (noun) the latest or most advanced stage in the development of a specific type of work or activity

*synonym*: state-of-the-art, innovative, advanced

(1) **cutting-edge** molecular biology, (2) **cutting-edge** design

The **cutting-edge** technology was revolutionary in its field.

## agile

*adj.* able to move quickly and easily, often in a way that is graceful and controlled

*synonym*: nimble, quick, flexible

(1) an **agile** mind, (2) **agile** in his movements

The **agile** development process allowed the team to make changes quickly.

## develop

*v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

*synonym*: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

## manufacture

*v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines

*synonym*: create, fabricate, assemble

(1) **manufacture** an enzyme, (2) **manufacture** a product

The majority of synthetic vitamins are **manufactured** from oil.

## start-up

*n.* a newly established company or business

(1) **start-up** business, (2) early-stage **start-up**

Our company's services are targeted at **start-up** executives.

## silicon

*n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

(1) **silicon** wafer, (2) crystalline **silicon**

**Silicon** is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.

## valley

*n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

*synonym*: canyon, gorge, dale

(1) **valley** bottom, (2) basin-shaped **valley**

The **valley** had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

## organ

*n.* a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job

*synonym*: function, structure

(1) **organ** bleeding, (2) damage to internal **organs**

These infections have the potential to impact practically every **organ** system.

## span

*n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that



something covers

*synonym* : interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**  
He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

## executive

*n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

*synonym* : administrator, manager, director

(1) **executive** editor at the publishing house, (2) **executive** vice president

As the **executive** director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.

## grand

*adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent

*synonym* : impressive, great, ambitious

(1) a **grand** meal, (2) **grand** bargain

This year's **grand** gathering will be held in Canada.

## proclamation

*n.* an official announcement or statement

*synonym* : announcement, declamation, edict

(1) **proclamation** of innocence, (2) nullify a **proclamation**

The king made a **proclamation** declaring war on the neighboring country.

## constant

*adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time

*synonym* : ceaseless, stable, unchanging

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

**Constant** dropping wears away the stone.

## session

*n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a

particular activity

*synonym* : conference, gathering

(1) the morning **session**, (2) the court **session**  
Parliament is now in **session**.

## communicate

*v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

*synonym* : convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,  
(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

## technique

*n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

*synonym* : approach, procedure, strategy

(1) a **technique** in martial arts, (2) the **technique** applied to construction

Jockey's superior **technique** brought him victory.

## twin

*n.* either of two children born at the same time from the same mother

(1) a **twin-lens** camera, (2) a **twin** room

Its **twin** brothers are difficult to tell apart except for their parents.

## technological

*adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress

*synonym* : specialized, technical

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

## firm

*adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

*synonym* : stable, secure, steadfast

(1) **firm** grip, (2) accounting **firm**

The **firm** deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

## 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.

## waterfall

n. a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock

*synonym*: cascade, falls, rapids

(1) scenic **waterfall**, (2) a **waterfall** with a fall of ten feet  
Years of river erosion have formed the uniquely shaped **waterfall** basin.

## trickle

v. to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities

*synonym*: dribble, flow, seep

(1) **trickle** down my cheek, (2) **trickle** from his eyes

Water was beginning to **trickle** into the basement after the heavy rain.

## consult

v. to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject

*synonym*: confer, consider, see

(1) regularly **consult** with a doctor, (2) **consult** my wallet  
Always **consult** a lawyer before launching a business.

## bloated

adj. having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive

consumption of food or drink

*synonym* : swollen, inflated, puffed-up

(1) **bloated** budget, (2) **bloated** feeling

Her stomach was visibly **bloated** after eating a large meal.

## percolate

v. to filter through a porous substance or material; to pass through gradually or spread slowly; to rise or pass through a liquid or container, as in a coffee maker

*synonym* : filter, strain, drip

(1) **percolate** around the web, (2) **percolate** through the whole industry

The coffee slowly **percolated** through the filter and into the cup.

## adjust

v. to make a minor modification to something to make it more suited for a new set of conditions or to make it function better.

*synonym* : adapt, alter, acclimate

(1) **adjust** a schedule, (2) **adjust** the rearview mirror

You have to **adjust** your content to the age of the audience.

## stumble

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

*synonym* : bumble, struggle, misstep

(1) **stumble** financially, (2) **stumble** through life

She **stumbled** over the tree root.

## pace

n. the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

*synonym* : gait, rate, speed

(1) at your own **pace**, (2) the runner's **pace**

The economy is growing at a supercharged **pace**.

## quicken

v. to make or become faster or more rapid; to accelerate or speed up; to stimulate or stimulate something to happen or occur more quickly

*synonym* : accelerate, hasten, speed up

(1) **quicken** the process, (2) **quicken** heart rate  
I need to **quicken** my pace to finish this project on time.

## flexible

*adj.* able to change or be changed to suit new conditions or situations; able to bend easily

*synonym* : adaptable, elastic, pliable

(1) **flexible** schedules, (2) a **flexible** wire

You can be more **flexible** and creative in your approach.

## canon

*n.* a set of rules, principles, or standards by which something is judged or measured

*synonym* : rule, principle, standard

(1) **canon** law, (2) strict **canon**

The **canon** of classical literature includes works by Shakespeare, Chaucer, and Homer.

## liken

*v.* to compare something or someone to something or someone else to emphasize similarity or likeness; to describe or represent something as being like something else in some way

*synonym* : compare, equate, analogize

(1) **liken** to a flower, (2) **liken** to a bird

Some people **liken** meditation to a mental shower, refreshing and rejuvenating the mind.

## adaptable

*adj.* able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations

*synonym* : flexible, adjustable, elastic

(1) **adaptable** enough for the environment, (2) an **adaptable** person

We seek a candidate who possesses **adaptable** fighting potential.

## 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.

**knit**

*v.* to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine  
*synonym*: weave, crochet, knot

(1) **knit** my eyebrows, (2) **knit** a pair of socks

The grandmother **knit** a warm sweater for her grandchild.

**rugby**

*n.* a sport played with an oval ball, with two teams of fifteen players trying to score goals by carrying or kicking the ball over the opponent's goal line

(1) **rugby** match, (2) **rugby** team

He was a passionate fan of **rugby** and loved watching matches.

**scrum**

*n.* (of sports, especially rugby) a tightly formed group of players who are bound together and work collectively to gain possession of the ball; (of business management or software development) a collaborative and iterative approach to work or problem-solving  
*synonym*: pile-up, cluster

(1) rugby **scrum**, (2) **scrum** master

The **scrum** methodology encourages frequent collaboration and adaptability in software development projects.

**massive**

*adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid  
*synonym*: enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

**chunk**

*n.* a thick and solid mass or piece of something  
*synonym*: block, lump, piece

(1) a **chunk** of money, (2) a tiny **chunk** of meat

The new start-up company carved out a large **chunk** of the market within a year.

## bunker

*n.* a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel

*synonym*: shelter, fortification, defense

(1) coal **bunker**, (2) **bunker** facility

The soldiers took cover in the dug-out **bunker** during the bombing.

## element

*n.* a fundamental or essential part of something

*synonym*: component, feature, essence

(1) new design **elements**, (2) nonmetallic **elements**

Natural selection is an essential **element** in Darwin's theory of evolution.

## adapt

*v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment

*synonym*: adjust, acclimate, accustom

(1) **adapt** fully to the environment, (2) **adapt** as needed

I advised him to **adapt** to his new surroundings.

## succeed

*v.* to accomplish or achieve a desired or intended result or goal; to prosper or attain success in a given field or endeavor

*synonym*: achieve, accomplish, triumph

(1) **succeed** beyond expectations, (2) **succeed** academically

I hope to **succeed** in my career and live a happy life.

## sweeping

*adj.* extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures

*synonym*: broad, extensive, vast

(1) **sweeping** changes, (2) **sweeping** landscapes

The **sweeping** views from the mountaintop were breathtaking.

## suite

*n.* a set of rooms designated for a particular purpose or activity, especially a set of rooms in a hotel or private residence used as a living unit; a musical composition of several movements only loosely connected; the group following and attending to some important person

*synonym*: set, series, collection

(1) **suite** room, (2) **suite** of products

The presidential **suite** is the most luxurious room in the hotel.

## inevitably

*adv.* in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented

*synonym*: unavoidably, necessarily, surely

(1) **inevitably** decline with age, (2) **inevitably** reach the consumer

Because of his excellent performance, he will **inevitably** be promoted.

## manual

*adj.* done by hand rather than by machine; (noun) a book of instructions, especially for operating a machine or learning a subject

*synonym*: by hand, (noun) handbook, (noun) tutorial

(1) car with **manual** transmissions, (2) look at the **manual**

This machine cuts metal by **manual** control.

## thanksgiving

*n.* an annual holiday celebrated primarily in the United States and Canada, typically observed on the fourth Thursday in November in the U.S. and on the second Monday in October in Canada, that commemorates the giving of thanks for the blessings of the previous year

*synonym*: gratitude, appreciation, recognition

(1) **thanksgiving** traditions, (2) **thanksgiving** parade

My family gathers together every year for **thanksgiving** dinner.

## greet

*v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

*synonym*: welcome, salute, acknowledge

(1) **greet** a customer, (2) **greet** an idea



He **greeted** his friends with a warm smile and a hug.

## 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.

## plank

*n.* a long, flat piece of wood or other material that is used for construction or as a platform; an exercise in which a person holds their body in a straight line supported by their hands and toes

*synonym* : board, timber, beam

(1) oak **plank**, (2) **plank** exercise

He was ordered to walk the **plank** by the pirate captain.

## accountability

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

*synonym* : responsibility, answerability, liability

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

**accountability**

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

## radiate

*v.* to spread out or emit something, such as light or heat, in all directions

*synonym* : give off, scatter, beam

(1) **radiate** an aura, (2) **radiate** in all directions

Roads **radiate** from the famous building in the center of the city.

## checklist

*n.* a list of items, tasks, or points to be considered or acted upon, used as a reminder and to ensure that all necessary steps have been taken

*synonym* : inventory, list, roll call

(1) **checklist** for evaluating, (2) audit **checklist**

I made a **checklist** of things to do before my vacation.

## tick

*n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis

*synonym* : sound, noise, beat

(1) **tick** of the clock, (2) **tick** fever

I always put a **tick** mark next to the items on my grocery list after buying them.

## chore

*n.* a routine or tedious task, often related to household or manual labor

*synonym* : task, duty, job

(1) **chore** list, (2) household **chores**

Cleaning the house is a **chore** that only some enjoy.

## downstairs

*adv.* on or to a lower or ground floor of a building

*synonym* : below

(1) creep **downstairs**, (2) escort him **downstairs**

Please get the desk **downstairs**.

## recline

*v.* to lean or lie back in a relaxed or comfortable position

*synonym* : lounge, lie down, relax

(1) **recline** on the sofa, (2) **recline** on my side

She **reclined** her seat and relaxed for the flight.

## amiable

*adj.* having a friendly, pleasant, and likable disposition; characterized by warmth, goodwill, and kindness toward others

*synonym* : friendly, good-natured, cordial

(1) **amiable** personality, (2) **amiable** smile

The **amiable** host welcomed us to their home with open arms.

## dishwasher

*n.* a machine or device used for washing dishes typically found in a kitchen; a person who washes dishes as a profession, often in a restaurant or catering setting

*synonym* : dish machine, dish cleaner

(1) **dishwasher** installation, (2) commercial **dishwasher**

The **dishwasher** detergent cleans the dishes more effectively than regular dish soap.

## pet

*n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

(1) a **pet** bird, (2) a teacher's **pet**

I have a parrot as a **pet**.

## belong

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

*synonym* : fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group

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

## astonishing

*adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe

*synonym* : surprising, shocking, astounding

(1) **astonishing** achievement, (2) make **astonishing** gains

The news of her sudden death was **astonishing** to everyone who knew her.

## dynamics

*n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change

*synonym* : mechanics, kinetics, kinematics

(1) **dynamics** of group, (2) **dynamics** of economy

The relationship **dynamics** between the two countries were complex and constantly changing.

## strenuously

*adv.* with great energy, effort, or force; in a way that requires vigorous exertion or determination

*synonym* : vigorously, energetically, strenuously

(1) exercise **strenuously**, (2) argue **strenuously**

She trained for the marathon **strenuously**, pushing her limits every day.

## monitor

*v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time

*synonym* : proctor, check, observe

(1) **monitor** an exam, (2) **monitor** the data carefully

They used a special receiver to **monitor** police radio channels.

## underestimate

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

*synonym* : underrate, misjudge, miscalculate

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

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

## heaven

*n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty

*synonym* : paradise, nirvana, utopia

(1) ascend to **heaven**, (2) **heaven** on earth

He felt like **heaven** when he tasted the delicious chocolate cake.

## 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.

## parental

*adj.* of or relating to parent or parents

*synonym* : maternal, paternal

(1) **parental** duties, (2) **parental** consent

She plans to take six months of **parental** leave.

## 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.

## quest

*n.* a long or challenging search for something

*synonym* : exploration, inquisition, pursuit

(1) the **quest** for truth, (2) on a **quest** for happiness

That adventurer traveled in **quest** of buried treasure.

## suddenly

*adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

*synonym* : abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

## amazing

*adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

*synonym* : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

## rid

*v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

*synonym* : do away with, free, clear

(1) get **rid** of the rats, (2) **rid** the body of waste products

We must **rid** ourselves of pollution.

- rev** *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute  
*synonym* : revolution, RPM, speed  
(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd  
He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.
- innermost** *adj.* situated or occurring at the deepest or most central part or point; relating to one's deepest or most private thoughts, feelings, or experiences  
*synonym* : deepest, inner, intimate  
(1) **innermost** secrets, (2) **innermost** longings  
It took years of therapy before the patient could reveal their **innermost** thoughts and feelings.
- essentially** *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything  
*synonym* : fundamentally, basically, virtually  
(1) **essentially** correct, (2) become **essentially** same  
**Essentially**, a society is an organism.
- process** *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products  
*synonym* : procedure, method, system  
(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**  
The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
- dessert** *n.* a sweet food served as the last course of a meal  
*synonym* : sweet, cake, confection  
(1) **dessert** knife, (2) easy **dessert** recipe  
Let's go to an all-you-can-eat **dessert** restaurant.

- dial**
- v. to adjust or set the controls of a machine or device by turning a controller called dial; (noun) a disc on a telephone that is rotated a fixed distance for each number called
- synonym* : adjust, set, turn
- (1) **dial** up the volume, (2) **dial** down the tension  
He **dialed** the phone number and waited for an answer.
- naturally**
- adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
- synonym* : by nature, inherently, intrinsically
- (1) **naturally** arising, (2) **naturally** regenerated forest  
He was **naturally** gifted.
- gap**
- n. a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
- synonym* : opening, lacuna, spread
- (1) the **gap** between ideal and reality, (2) distance **gap**  
Many people are working together to close the gender **gap**.
- conduct**
- v. to organize and carry out a particular activity
- synonym* : behave, lead, carry on
- (1) **conduct** a background check, (2) **conduct** research  
Police will **conduct** random breath testing for drunk driving.
- bother**
- v. to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
- synonym* : annoy, pester, irritate
- (1) **bother** the neighbors, (2) **bother** with details  
Please don't **bother** me while I'm trying to concentrate.
- underground**
- adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
- synonym* : subterranean, subsurface, confidential
- (1) water flowing **underground**, (2) **underground** activist  
Having **underground** parking has been very beneficial

throughout the winter.

## **cable**

*n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

*synonym* : wire, cord, rope

(1)  **cable** television, (2) coaxial  **cable**

This system uses submarine  **cables** to exchange information between continents.

## **treasure**

*n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected

*synonym* : hoard, fortune, gem

(1)  **treasure** hunt, (2)  **treasure** island

The pirates searched for buried  **treasure** in the dunes.

## **lexicon**

*n.* all the words and phrases of a particular language or branch of knowledge, such as nautical or medical

*synonym* : glossary, dictionary, vocabulary

(1) Greek-English  **lexicon**, (2)  **lexicon** of business phrases

This bilingual  **lexicon** was essential for his language improvement.

## **manifesto**

*n.* a public declaration or statement of policy and aims, usually issued by a political party or government; a written statement or proclamation of one's beliefs or intentions

*synonym* : declaration, proclamation, statement

(1)  **manifesto** statement, (2) environmental  **manifesto**

The political party issued a  **manifesto** outlining its plans for the country's future.

## **propose**

*v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

*synonym* : suggest, offer, recommend

(1)  **propose** the amendment, (2)  **propose** changes

I want to  **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding



relationship.

## stick

- v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

*synonym*: pierce, adhere, stay

(1) **stick** a key in a lock, (2) fire **stick**

You **stick** a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

## assume

- v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

*synonym*: guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

## anticipate

- v. to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance

*synonym*: forecast, predict, expect

(1) **anticipate** your kind cooperation, (2) **anticipate** a black future

We **anticipate** heavy snowfall tomorrow.

## 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?

## straitjacket

- n. a garment or device designed to restrain a person's arms and body, typically used in psychiatric or medical settings to prevent a patient from harming themselves or others

*synonym* : restraining garment, strait-waistcoat

(1) mental **straitjacket**, (2) **straitjacket** therapy

The patient was put in a **straitjacket** to prevent self-harm.

## shrink

*v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount

*synonym* : decrease, diminish, shy away

(1) **shrink** the tumor, (2) **shrink** with fear

This shirt will **shrink** in the wash.

## guru

*n.* a spiritual teacher or leader, notably in Hindu and Sikh traditions; a person who has knowledge and expertise in a particular area

*synonym* : sage, mentor, master

(1) **guru** meditation, (2) spiritual **guru**

He was considered a **guru** in economics and consulted by many leaders.

## stale

*adj.* no longer fresh, new, or interesting; dull or uninteresting

*synonym* : old, uninteresting, dull

(1) a **stale** joke, (2) **stale** smell

The bread was **stale** and not fit for eating.

## celebrity

*n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry

*synonym* : figure, star, VIP

(1) baseball **celebrity**, (2) **celebrity** known worldwide

The popularity of the show made her an instant **celebrity**.

## chef

*n.* a cook, especially the chief cook in a restaurant or hotel

*synonym* : cook, culinary artist, gastronomer

(1) **chef** knife, (2) master **chef**

The **chef** at the restaurant was known for his creative and delicious dishes.

## shift

*n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend  
*synonym*: transition, change, modification

(1) Doppler **shift**, (2) major paradigm **shift**

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

## bedtime

*n.* the time at which a person typically goes to bed and prepares to sleep; the period just before bedtime, which may involve routines or activities that are intended to promote relaxation or sleepiness

*synonym*: sleep time, night-time

(1) **bedtime** meditation, (2) regular **bedtime**

Reading **bedtime** stories can help children relax and fall asleep faster.

## productive

*adj.* resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value

*synonym*: efficient, fruitful, successful

(1) low **productive** capacity, (2) **productive** meeting

The new employee proved extremely **productive**, completing projects ahead of schedule.

## elbow

*n.* the joint between the upper arm and the lower arm; the bend in a pipe or tube formed at this joint

*synonym*: joint, bend, cubitus

(1) **elbow** bone, (2) **elbow-length** sleeves

She bruised her **elbow** after falling off her bike.

## environment

*n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

*synonym*: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

## psychology

*n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

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

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

## rigid

*adj.* extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt;  
incapable of or resistant to bending

*synonym* : strict, inflexible, stringent

(1) **rigid** rules, (2) **rigid** structure

He was unpopular because of his **rigid** adherence to the rules.

## cushion

*n.* a soft, padded object that is used to make a hard surface more comfortable or to protect an object from damage

*synonym* : pad, pillow, bolster

(1) **cushion** against inflation, (2) rear seat **cushions**

He placed a **cushion** on the floor for his dog to lie on.

## disciple

*n.* a person who learns from another, especially one who then teaches others

*synonym* : student, follower, apprentice

(1) enthusiastic **disciple**, (2) **disciple** of Buddha

He became a **disciple** of a well-known spiritual leader.

## upright

*adj.* perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line; (adverb) in a vertical position

*synonym* : vertical, perpendicular, plumb

(1) **upright** posture, (2) sit **upright** in a chair

The bookcase was **upright** against the wall.

## conversation

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

*synonym* : chat, discussion, dialogue

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

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

## hook

*n.* a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook

*synonym* : buckle, pin, curve

(1) a hat **hook**, (2) the curved shape of a **hook**

Please hang your towel on a **hook**.

## open-minded

*adj.* willing to listen to or consider new or different ideas

*synonym* : receptive, impartial, approachable

(1) an **open-minded** person, (2) adopt an **open-minded** attitude

Both parties were pleased with the **open-minded** discussion.

## empower

*v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something

*synonym* : authorize, endow, entitle

(1) **empower** my life, (2) **empower** the secretary to do the same

The company **empowered** employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

## instinct

*n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

*synonym* : intuition, aptitude, feeling

(1) **instinct** for self-preservation, (2) aggressive **instinct**

When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial **instinct** was to flee.

## frank

*adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

*synonym* : candid, direct, freehearted

(1) **frank** and open discussion, (2) make a **frank** apology

Full involvement means **frank** and prompt responses.

## reverse

*v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

*synonym* : overturn, shift, switch

(1) **reverse** the trend, (2) **reverse** the order

The restaurant **reversed** a ban on smoking.

## enlist

v. to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization

*synonym*: join, sign up, appoint

(1) **enlist** in a cause, (2) **enlist** for a soldier

He decided to **enlist** in the military after graduating from high school.

## upbringing

n. the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development

*synonym*: childhood, background, nurturing

(1) Catholic **upbringing**, (2) family **upbringing**

His strict **upbringing** instilled in him a strong sense of responsibility.

## overreact

v. to react more strongly or excessively than is necessary or appropriate

*synonym*: overplay, exaggerate, overstate

(1) **overreact** with anger, (2) **overreact** to the criticism

She **overreacted** to the situation and caused unnecessary stress.

## reward

n. a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

*synonym*: compensation, gratuity, bonus

(1) the **reward** for good works, (2) shopping **rewards** cards

Night fishing has a lot of **rewards**.

## punishment

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

*synonym*: penalty, discipline, retribution

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

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

## push-ups

*n.* a type of exercise that involves placing one's hands palms-down on the ground shoulder-width apart, lowering the body, and pushing up again repeatedly, typically used to build strength in the upper body and arms

*synonym*: press-ups, floor exercises

(1) military **push-ups**, (2) wide-arm **push-ups**

She does forty **push-ups** every morning as part of her workout routine.

## lax

*adj.* not strict or severe; relaxed or lenient

*synonym*: loose, slack, relaxed

(1) **lax** border controls, (2) **lax** attitude

The **lax** security measures allowed the thief to enter the building easily.

## independence

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

*synonym*: freedom, liberty, autonomy

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

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

## ultimate

*adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order

*synonym*: highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

## certify

*v.* to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true

*synonym*: accredit, approve, authorize

(1) **certify** product quality, (2) **certify** the authenticity of the painting

As a witness, I can **certify** his innocence.

## miracle

*n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by

## God

*synonym*: wonder, marvel, phenomenon

(1) **miracle** person, (2) economic **miracle**

The doctors said that her recovery was a **miracle**.

## schedule

*n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

*synonym*: agenda, program, itinerary

(1) a heavy **schedule**, (2) arrange my **schedule**

So far, the meeting is going according to **schedule**.

## evaluate

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

*synonym*: assess, estimate, consider

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

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

## frontal

*adj.* relating to the front; situated at or directed towards the front; frontal can also refer to a meteorological term for a weather system that is moving from west to east

*synonym*: anterior, fore, forward

(1) **frontal** assault, (2) **frontal** attack

He suffered a severe **frontal** collision in the car accident.

## cortex

*n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain

(1) **cortex** cells, (2) visual **cortex** neuron

The cerebral **cortex** consists of six layers.

## occasion

*n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

*synonym*: event, time, occurrence

(1) a glad **occasion**, (2) as **occasion** demands

She wore her best dress for the special **occasion**.



## chide

*v.* to scold or rebuke someone, typically mildly or gently; to express disapproval or disappointment towards someone's behavior or actions

*synonym*: scold, reprimand, admonish

(1) **chide** with reproach, (2) **chide** gently

She **chided** her child for not completing the homework on time.

## allowance

*n.* a set amount of money or resources given regularly or periodically; a granted permission or privilege; the act of allowing or giving permission

*synonym*: portion, stipend, grant

(1) meal **allowance**, (2) travel **allowance**

As parents, we must teach our children about financial responsibility by giving them a weekly **allowance**.

## ditch

*n.* a long, narrow, and shallow depression or channel that is dug into the ground; (verb) to throw away

*synonym*: trench, channel, furrow

(1) agricultural **ditch**, (2) **ditch** my career

The farmers used **ditches** to drain water from their fields.

## salary

*n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month

*synonym*: compensation, earnings, pay

(1) a handsome **salary**, (2) **salary** after taxes

What are your annual **salary** expectations?

## inheritance

*n.* the money, property, etc., that someone gives you when they die; (genetics) attributes acquired via biological heredity from ancestors

*synonym*: legacy, estate, heritage

(1) paternal **inheritance**, (2) **inheritance** tax

His vast **inheritance** was equitably divided among the brothers.

## bedrock

*n.* the solid rock underlying soil or alluvium

*synonym*: foundation, foundation stone, base

(1) **bedrock** foundation, (2) **bedrock** geology

The **bedrock** beneath the soil is extremely solid and stable.

## organization

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

*synonym*: association, institution, community

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

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

## preserve

*v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

*synonym*: conserve, care for, maintain

(1) **preserve** my strength, (2) **preserve** a country's heritage

They worked hard to **preserve** the nature of their native lands.

## core

*n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something

*synonym*: center, basis, heart

(1) the **core** of an apple, (2) **core** business activity

These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic **cores**.

## stimulate

*v.* to encourage something to develop or become more active; to stir the feelings or emotions

*synonym*: excite, provoke, arouse

(1) **stimulate** the economy, (2) **stimulate** the nervous system

The book **stimulated** my imagination.

## progression

*n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

*synonym*: advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease

The company has made great strides in its **progression**

toward sustainability.

## stimming

*n.* a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation

*synonym* : self-stimulation, repetitive behaviors

(1) autistic **stimming**, (2) **stimming** therapy

Autistic children may engage in **stimming** behaviors, such as rocking or hand flapping, to self-regulate.

## define

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

*synonym* : characterize, depict, express

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

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

## identify

*v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

*synonym* : determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

## equivalent

*n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.

*synonym* : equal, counterpart, match

(1) **equivalent** amounts, (2) **equivalent** in meaning

The European Central Bank is Europe's **equivalent** of the Federal Reserve.

## corporate

*adj.* of or relating to a large company

*synonym* : business, commercial, organizational

(1) **corporate** right, (2) **corporate** environment

The **corporate** office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

## retreat

*n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life

*synonym*: escape, withdrawal, vacation

(1) **retreat** deeper into their territory, (2) **retreat** in a mountain region

Many people go on a **retreat** to recharge and reconnect with themselves.

## pajama

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

*synonym*: nightgown, nightdress

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

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

## popcorn

*n.* a type of corn that expands and puffs up when heated, often used for making a snack

*synonym*: popped corn, puffed corn, corn kernels

(1) a **popcorn** vendor, (2) **popcorn** kernels

We popped some **popcorn** and settled in to watch a movie.

## flip

*v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion

*synonym*: throw, jump

(1) **flip** over the pork chop, (2) **flip** a coin

He **flipped** when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.

## chart

*n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea

*synonym*: diagram, graph, map

(1) a weather **chart**, (2) a statistical **chart**

This pie **chart** represents our market share.

## uphold

*v.* to support or defend something, such as a law, idea, decision, etc.

*synonym*: defend, maintain, sustain

(1) **uphold** the law, (2) **uphold** tradition

The judge may **uphold** the decision of the lower court.

## 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.

## dilemma

*n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones

*synonym*: difficulty, plight, predicament

(1) chicken-and-egg **dilemma**, (2) be in a **dilemma**

The choice between bureaucracy and adocracy represents a common **dilemma**.

## spat

*n.* a minor quarrel or dispute, often one that is short-lived or insignificant; a sudden burst of activity or energy; a young oyster, clam, or other bivalves that has recently attached itself to a surface in its natural habitat

*synonym*: argument, disagreement, oyster

(1) minor **spat**, (2) clean up the **spat**

The **spat** between the two neighbors escalated into a heated argument.

## grandparent

*n.* a parent of one's father or mother

(1) great- **grandparent**, (2) person of **grandparent** age

She was close to her paternal **grandparents** and often spent summers with them.

## overcome

*v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

*synonym* : beat, confound, overwhelm

(1) **overcome** opponents, (2) **overcome** all difficulties

He tried to **overcome** a bad reputation and win the election.

## esteem

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

*synonym* : respect, admiration, regard

(1) **esteem** for the other person, (2) boost my self- **esteem**

He is our loyal customer who should be held in high **esteem**.

## emotional

*adj.* relating to people's feelings

*synonym* : affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

## narrative

*n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

*synonym* : the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**

The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

## confidence

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

*synonym* : self-trust, certainty, belief

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

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

## retell

*v.* to tell someone about something again or differently

*synonym* : reiterate, repeat, restate

(1) **retell** a story, (2) **retell** an old tale

He **retells** the truth to plead not guilty.

## negative

*adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

*synonym* :

minus, adverse, pessimistic

(1) have a **negative** effect, (2) a **negative** number

The movie has received almost universally **negative** criticism.

## **alike**

*adv.* similar or identical in nature or appearance

*synonym* : similar, identical, comparable

(1) young and old **alike**, (2) **alike** in nature

The two paintings looked **alike** as if the same artist had done them.

## **inane**

*adj.* lacking significance, meaning, or substance; silly or frivolous in nature; lacking intelligence or understanding

*synonym* : silly, senseless, foolish

(1) **inane** conversation, (2) **inane** remark

The speaker's **inane** comments made the audience lose interest in the presentation.

## **scholarship**

*n.* a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements

*synonym* : grant, award, stipend

(1) a **scholarship** association, (2) college **scholarship**

She received a full **scholarship** to study abroad.

## **mention**

*v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly

*synonym* : reference, allude, cite

(1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report

I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

## **engrave**

*v.* to carve, cut, or etch a design, message, or image onto a surface, often using a sharp tool or laser; to permanently record or mark something in a lasting manner

*synonym* : carve, inscribe, etch

(1) **engrave** initials, (2) **engrave** metal

He wanted to **engrave** his wedding ring with their initials as a lasting symbol of their love.

## universal

*adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

*synonym*: common, broad, worldwide

(1) **universal** life, (2) principles of **universal** design

The picture earned near- **universal** acclaim from critics.

## ravine

*n.* a deep, narrow gorge or valley with steep sides, often carved by the flow of water or a landslide

*synonym*: canyon, gorge, gulch

(1) **ravine** trail, (2) steep **ravine**

The hiker fell into a **ravine** and had to be rescued by a helicopter.

## estate

*n.* a large piece of land with an impressive house on it, often owned by a wealthy family; all of a person's possessions and assets at the time of their death; an area of land considered as a unit in terms of ownership, use or taxation

*synonym*: property, domain, land

(1) **estate** agent, (2) real **estate** transaction

The wealthy businessman left his entire **estate** to his children when he died.

## humankind

*n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth

*synonym*: humanity, human race, society

(1) **humankind** as a species, (2) history of **humankind**

On the geological time scale, **humankind** has existed for a brief moment.

## consume

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

*synonym*: absorb, ingest, use up

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



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

## bury

v. to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb  
*synonym*: entomb, sink, forget

(1) **bury** in the earth, (2) **bury** emotion

There is plenty of space to **bury** everyone.

## layer

n. a sheet, quantity, or thickness of the material, typically one of several, covering a surface or body; a level or part within a system or set of ideas

*synonym*: stratum, sheet, coating

(1) **layer** cake, (2) **layer** of paint

The **layer** of frost on the ground was so thick it was difficult to walk on.

## capture

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

*synonym*: catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts

I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

## conclude

v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

*synonym*: complete, finish, decide

(1) **conclude** a meeting, (2) **conclude** that he is healthy

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

## circumstance

n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

*synonym*: condition, context, environment

(1) **circumstance** of birth, (2) **circumstance** of injury

She explained the **circumstances** surrounding the accident.

## accumulate

v. to collect or acquire a large number of things over a long period of time

*synonym*: amass, stash, earn

(1) **accumulate** cash value, (2) **accumulate** evidence

He has **accumulated** his wealth through real estate investments.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|---|--|
| 1. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist | <i>v.</i> to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals  |
| 2. boost my self-es___m                         | <i>n.</i> great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone  |
| 3. research in_____tes                          | <i>n.</i> an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something |
| 4. ru__y team                                   | <i>n.</i> a sport played with an oval ball, with two teams of fifteen players trying to score goals by carrying or kicking the ball over the opponent's goal line                          |
| 5. adopt an ope_____ed attitude                 | <i>adj.</i> willing to listen to or consider new or different ideas  |
| 6. ch__e gently                                 | <i>v.</i> to scold or rebuke someone, typically mildly or gently; to express disapproval or disappointment towards someone's behavior or actions   |
| 7. t__k fever                                   | <i>n.</i> a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis |
| 8. b__y emotion                                 | <i>v.</i> to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb   |

ANSWERS: 1. communicate, 2. esteem, 3. institute, 4. rugby, 5. open-minded, 6. chide, 7. tick, 8. bury

9. psy\_\_\_\_\_gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
10. 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
11. st\_\_\_\_\_e financially *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
12. le\_\_\_\_\_n of business phrases *n.* all the words and phrases of a particular language or branch of knowledge, such as nautical or medical
13. in\_\_e conversation *adj.* lacking significance, meaning, or substance; silly or frivolous in nature; lacking intelligence or understanding
14. ex\_\_\_\_\_ve editor at the publishing house *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
15. student on a ti\_\_t budget *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
16. chicken-and-egg di\_\_\_\_\_a *n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones

ANSWERS: 9. psychology, 10. stalk, 11. stumble, 12. lexicon, 13. inane, 14. executive, 15. tight, 16. dilemma

17. sit up\_\_\_\_\_t in a chair *adj.* perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line; (adverb) in a vertical position
18. die su\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
19. noted sc\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
20. a co\_\_\_\_\_te noun *adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
21. a fl\_\_\_\_\_le wire *adj.* able to change or be changed to suit new conditions or situations; able to bend easily
22. co\_\_\_\_\_t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
23. man\_\_\_\_\_re an enzyme *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
24. es\_\_\_m for the other person *n.* great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone
25. sta\_\_\_\_\_cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
26. re\_\_\_\_\_e the trend *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
27. re\_\_\_\_\_t in a mountain region *n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life

ANSWERS: 17. upright, 18. suddenly, 19. scholar, 20. concrete, 21. flexible, 22. conduct, 23. manufacture, 24. esteem, 25. statistics, 26. reverse, 27. retreat

28. have a ne\_\_\_\_ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
29. ant\_\_\_\_\_te your kind cooperation *v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance
30. de\_\_\_e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
31. the s\_\_n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
32. ce\_\_\_\_\_y the authenticity of the painting *v.* to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true
33. gr\_\_t a new license *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
34. an ad\_\_\_\_\_le person *adj.* able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations
35. hu\_\_\_\_\_nd as a species *n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
36. gr\_\_t a land *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
37. master c\_\_f *n.* a cook, especially the chief cook in a restaurant or hotel
38. 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
39. spiritual g\_\_u *n.* a spiritual teacher or leader, notably in Hindu and Sikh traditions; a person who has knowledge and expertise in a particular area

ANSWERS: 28. negative, 29. anticipate, 30. define, 31. span, 32. certify, 33. grant, 34. adaptable, 35. humankind, 36. grant, 37. chef, 38. scream, 39. guru

40. co\_\_\_\_e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
41. ag\_\_e in his movements *adj.* able to move quickly and easily, often in a way that is graceful and controlled
42. nonmetallic el\_\_\_\_ts *n.* a fundamental or essential part of something
43. copyrighted so\_\_\_\_re *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
44. commercial dis\_\_\_\_er *n.* a machine or device used for washing dishes typically found in a kitchen; a person who washes dishes as a profession, often in a restaurant or catering setting
45. be\_\_\_\_g to different species *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
46. ru\_\_y match *n.* a sport played with an oval ball, with two teams of fifteen players trying to score goals by carrying or kicking the ball over the opponent's goal line
47. ca\_\_n law *n.* a set of rules, principles, or standards by which something is judged or measured
48. c\_\_e business activity *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
49. co\_\_\_\_x cells *n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain

ANSWERS: 40. consume, 41. agile, 42. element, 43. software, 44. dishwasher, 45. belong, 46. rugby, 47. canon, 48. core, 49. cortex

50. agricultural di\_\_h *n.* a long, narrow, and shallow depression or channel that is dug into the ground; (verb) to throw away
51. care pa\_\_\_a *n.* a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging
52. al\_\_e in nature *adv.* similar or identical in nature or appearance
53. es\_\_\_e agent *n.* a large piece of land with an impressive house on it, often owned by a wealthy family; all of a person's possessions and assets at the time of their death; an area of land considered as a unit in terms of ownership, use or taxation
54. a gr\_\_d meal *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
55. dis\_\_\_\_\_er installation *n.* a machine or device used for washing dishes typically found in a kitchen; a person who washes dishes as a profession, often in a restaurant or catering setting
56. up\_\_\_d the law *v.* to support or defend something, such as a law, idea, decision, etc.
57. minor s\_\_t *n.* a minor quarrel or dispute, often one that is short-lived or insignificant; a sudden burst of activity or energy; a young oyster, clam, or other bivalves that has recently attached itself to a surface in its natural habitat
58. in\_\_\_\_\_st longings *adj.* situated or occurring at the deepest or most central part or point; relating to one's deepest or most private thoughts, feelings, or experiences

ANSWERS: 50. ditch, 51. pajama, 52. alike, 53. estate, 54. grand, 55. dishwasher, 56. uphold, 57. spat, 58. innermost



59. pe\_\_\_\_\_te through the whole industry  
v. to filter through a porous substance or material; to pass through gradually or spread slowly; to rise or pass through a liquid or container, as in a coffee maker
60. bo\_\_\_\_r the neighbors  
v. to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
61. a weather ch\_\_t  
n. a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea
62. ce\_\_\_\_\_ty known worldwide  
n. someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
63. re\_\_\_\_\_t deeper into their territory  
n. the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life
64. ev\_\_\_\_\_te a situation  
v. to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
65. re\_\_\_\_l a story  
v. to tell someone about something again or differently
66. in\_\_\_\_\_ct for self-preservation  
n. an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
67. audit ch\_\_\_\_\_st  
n. a list of items, tasks, or points to be considered or acted upon, used as a reminder and to ensure that all necessary steps have been taken

ANSWERS: 59. percolate, 60. bother, 61. chart, 62. celebrity, 63. retreat, 64. evaluate, 65. retell, 66. instinct, 67. checklist

68. la\_\_\_\_se coach *n.* a team sport played with a small rubber ball and long-handled sticks with a netted pouch, in which players try to score points by throwing the ball into the opposing team's goal
69. up\_\_\_\_d tradition *v.* to support or defend something, such as a law, idea, decision, etc.
70. sh\_\_\_\_k the tumor *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
71. the average life s\_\_\_\_n *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
72. midst of ch\_\_\_\_s *n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
73. ov\_\_\_\_me opponents *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
74. ad\_\_t fully to the environment *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
75. ov\_\_\_\_me all difficulties *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
76. on a qu\_\_t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something
77. temper ta\_\_\_\_m *n.* an outburst of anger or frustration, typically characterized by yelling, crying, or other emotional displays

ANSWERS: 68. lacrosse, 69. uphold, 70. shrink, 71. span, 72. chaos, 73. overcome, 74. adapt, 75. overcome, 76. quest, 77. tantrum

78. nu\_\_\_\_r fusion *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
79. 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
80. acute sy\_\_\_\_\_me *n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder
81. become ess\_\_\_\_\_ly same *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
82. a tiny ch\_\_k of meat *n.* a thick and solid mass or piece of something
83. principles of un\_\_\_\_\_al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
84. make ast\_\_\_\_\_ng gains *adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
85. de\_\_\_\_\_p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
86. am\_\_\_\_\_e personality *adj.* having a friendly, pleasant, and likable disposition; characterized by warmth, goodwill, and kindness toward others

ANSWERS: 78. nuclear, 79. introduction, 80. syndrome, 81. essentially, 82. chunk, 83. universal, 84. astonishing, 85. develop, 86. amiable

87. pe\_\_\_\_\_te around the web      *v.* to filter through a porous substance or material; to pass through gradually or spread slowly; to rise or pass through a liquid or container, as in a coffee maker
88. r\_v up the crowd      *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (*v.*) to increase the number of rotations per minute
89. ov\_\_\_\_\_ct to the criticism      *v.* to react more strongly or excessively than is necessary or appropriate
90. em\_\_\_\_\_r the secretary to do the same      *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
91. und\_\_\_\_\_ate the probability      *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
92. re\_\_t at a high temperature      *v.* to take action in response to something
93. 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
94. sa\_\_\_y after taxes      *n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
95. person of gra\_\_\_\_\_nt age      *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
96. bl\_\_\_\_\_d feeling      *adj.* having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink

ANSWERS: 87. percolate, 88. rev, 89. overreact, 90. empower, 91. underestimate, 92. react, 93. scream, 94. salary, 95. grandparent, 96. bloated

97. a co\_\_\_\_nt temperature *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
98. exercise str\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* with great energy, effort, or force; in a way that requires vigorous exertion or determination
99. or\_\_n bleeding *n.* a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job
100. a co\_\_\_\_nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
101. ca\_\_e television *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
102. dy\_\_\_\_\_cs of economy *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
103. f\_\_m grip *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
104. ine\_\_\_\_\_ly reach the consumer *adv.* in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented
105. a good grounding in mat\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

ANSWERS: 97. constant, 98. strenuously, 99. organ, 100. constant, 101. cable, 102. dynamics, 103. firm, 104. inevitably, 105. mathematics

106. Catholic upb\_\_\_\_\_ng *n.* the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development
107. de\_\_\_d against a threat *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
108. qu\_\_\_\_\_n the process *v.* to make or become faster or more rapid; to accelerate or speed up; to stimulate or stimulate something to happen or occur more quickly
109. su\_\_\_\_\_ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
110. as\_\_\_e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
111. tr\_\_\_\_\_e down my cheek *v.* to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities
112. car with ma\_\_\_l transmissions *adj.* done by hand rather than by machine; (noun) a book of instructions, especially for operating a machine or learning a subject
113. st\_\_k a key in a lock *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
114. easy de\_\_\_\_\_t recipe *n.* a sweet food served as the last course of a meal

ANSWERS: 106. upbringing, 107. defend, 108. quicken, 109. suddenly, 110. assume, 111. trickle, 112. manual, 113. stick, 114. dessert

115. pro\_\_\_\_\_ve meeting *adj.* resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value
116. aggressive in\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
117. hi\_\_\_\_\_ht a string in red *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
118. re\_\_\_\_l an old tale *v.* to tell someone about something again or differently
119. scenic wa\_\_\_\_\_ll *n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock
120. a con\_\_\_\_\_ly varying mind *adv.* all the time
121. boost my con\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
122. a ne\_\_\_\_\_ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
123. the court se\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
124. the g\_p between ideal and reality *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
125. si\_\_\_\_\_n wafer *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

ANSWERS: 115. productive, 116. instinct, 117. highlight, 118. retell, 119. waterfall, 120. constantly, 121. confidence, 122. negative, 123. session, 124. gap, 125. silicon

126. ch\_\_e list *n.* a routine or tedious task, often related to household or manual labor
127. environmental ma\_\_\_\_\_to *n.* a public declaration or statement of policy and aims, usually issued by a political party or government; a written statement or proclamation of one's beliefs or intentions
128. ast\_\_\_\_\_ng achievement *adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
129. un\_\_\_\_\_al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
130. as oc\_\_\_\_\_on demands *n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
131. co\_\_\_\_\_t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
132. pa\_\_\_a pants *n.* a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging
133. st\_\_\_\_\_e through life *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
134. get r\_d of the rats *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
135. str\_\_\_\_\_ket therapy *n.* a garment or device designed to restrain a person's arms and body, typically used in psychiatric or medical settings to prevent a patient from harming themselves or others

ANSWERS: 126. chore, 127. manifesto, 128. astonishing, 129. universal, 130. occasion, 131. conduct, 132. pajama, 133. stumble, 134. rid, 135. straitjacket



136. r\_d the body of waste products      *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
137. humiliating pun\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
138. und\_\_\_\_\_ate an enemy      *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
139. ov\_\_\_\_\_ct with anger      *v.* to react more strongly or excessively than is necessary or appropriate
140. a consensual di\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage
141. fr\_\_\_\_\_l attack      *adj.* relating to the front; situated at or directed towards the front; frontal can also refer to a meteorological term for a weather system that is moving from west to east
142. real es\_\_\_e transaction      *n.* a large piece of land with an impressive house on it, often owned by a wealthy family; all of a person's possessions and assets at the time of their death; an area of land considered as a unit in terms of ownership, use or taxation
143. pun\_\_\_\_\_nt for a crime      *n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
144. bl\_\_\_\_\_d budget      *adj.* having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink

ANSWERS: 136. rid, 137. punishment, 138. underestimate, 139. overreact, 140. divorce, 141. frontal, 142. estate, 143. punishment, 144. bloated

145. shopping re\_\_\_\_ds cards *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
146. acc\_\_\_\_\_te cash value *v.* to collect or acquire a large number of things over a long period of time
147. con\_\_\_\_\_ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
148. throw a ta\_\_\_\_\_m *n.* an outburst of anger or frustration, typically characterized by yelling, crying, or other emotional displays
149. co\_\_\_\_\_te environment *adj.* of or relating to a large company
150. sw\_\_\_\_\_ng landscapes *adj.* extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures
151. cir\_\_\_\_\_nce of birth *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
152. a con\_\_\_\_\_ly innovative enterprise *adv.* all the time
153. mental str\_\_\_\_\_ket *n.* a garment or device designed to restrain a person's arms and body, typically used in psychiatric or medical settings to prevent a patient from harming themselves or others
154. 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

ANSWERS: 145. reward, 146. accumulate, 147. confidence, 148. tantrum, 149. corporate, 150. sweeping, 151. circumstance, 152. constantly, 153. straitjacket, 154. frustrate

155. k\_\_t a pair of socks      *v.* to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine
156. sy\_\_\_\_\_me of dementia      *n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder
157. cr\_\_y about cars and racing      *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
158. em\_\_\_\_\_r my life      *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
159. be in a di\_\_\_\_\_a      *n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones
160. re\_\_t against his way of thinking      *v.* to take action in response to something
161. ad\_\_\_t a schedule      *v.* to make a minor modification to something to make it more suited for a new set of conditions or to make it function better.
162. re\_\_\_\_\_e on my side      *v.* to lean or lie back in a relaxed or comfortable position
163. the c\_\_e of an apple      *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
164. visual co\_\_\_x neuron      *n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain
165. look at the ma\_\_\_l      *adj.* done by hand rather than by machine; (noun) a book of instructions, especially for operating a machine or learning a subject

ANSWERS: 155. knit, 156. syndrome, 157. crazy, 158. empower, 159. dilemma, 160. react, 161. adjust, 162. recline, 163. core, 164. cortex, 165. manual

166. a handsome sa\_\_\_y                      *n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
167. ad\_\_t a bill                              *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
168. pa\_\_\_\_\_al consent                      *adj.* of or relating to parent or parents
169. Greek-English le\_\_\_\_\_n                      *n.* all the words and phrases of a particular language or branch of knowledge, such as nautical or medical
170. co\_\_\_\_\_de that he is healthy                      *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
171. the qu\_\_t for truth                              *n.* a long or challenging search for something
172. id\_\_\_\_\_fy gene sequences                      *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
173. ma\_\_\_\_\_e stars                              *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
174. pa\_\_\_\_\_al duties                              *adj.* of or relating to parent or parents
175. ch\_\_s theory                              *n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
176. sw\_\_\_\_\_ng changes                              *adj.* extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures
177. as\_\_\_e a lousy attitude to his boss                      *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 166. salary, 167. adopt, 168. parental, 169. lexicon, 170. conclude, 171. quest, 172. identify, 173. massive, 174. parental, 175. chaos, 176. sweeping, 177. assume

178. arrange my sc\_\_\_\_\_le  
*n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
179. en\_\_\_t for a soldier  
*v.* to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
180. acc\_\_\_\_\_te evidence  
*v.* to collect or acquire a large number of things over a long period of time
181. ma\_\_\_\_\_e amounts  
*adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
182. coal bu\_\_\_r  
*n.* a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel
183. en\_\_\_t in a cause  
*v.* to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization
184. argue str\_\_\_\_\_ly  
*adv.* with great energy, effort, or force; in a way that requires vigorous exertion or determination
185. strict ca\_\_n  
*n.* a set of rules, principles, or standards by which something is judged or measured
186. be\_\_\_g to a group  
*v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
187. me\_\_\_\_\_n in a report  
*v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
188. man\_\_\_\_\_re a product  
*v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines

ANSWERS: 178. schedule, 179. enlist, 180. accumulate, 181. massive, 182. bunker, 183. enlist, 184. strenuously, 185. canon, 186. belong, 187. mention, 188. manufacture

189. st\_\_e smell *adj.* no longer fresh, new, or interesting; dull or uninteresting
190. oak pl\_\_k *n.* a long, flat piece of wood or other material that is used for construction or as a platform; an exercise in which a person holds their body in a straight line supported by their hands and toes
191. na\_\_\_\_\_ly regenerated forest *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
192. pr\_\_\_\_\_ve my strength *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
193. em\_\_\_\_\_al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
194. a teacher's p\_t *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
195. ch\_\_\_\_\_st for evaluating *n.* a list of items, tasks, or points to be considered or acted upon, used as a reminder and to ensure that all necessary steps have been taken
196. tr\_\_\_\_\_e from his eyes *v.* to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities
197. en\_\_\_\_\_er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
198. an ag\_\_e mind *adj.* able to move quickly and easily, often in a way that is graceful and controlled
199. official sta\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 189. stale, 190. plank, 191. naturally, 192. preserve, 193. emotional, 194. pet, 195. checklist, 196. trickle, 197. engineer, 198. agile, 199. statistics

200. de\_\_\_\_\_t knife *n.* a sweet food served as the last course of a meal
201. creep dow\_\_\_\_\_rs *adv.* on or to a lower or ground floor of a building
202. pr\_\_\_\_\_e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
203. st\_\_\_\_\_te the economy *v.* to encourage something to develop or become more active; to stir the feelings or emotions
204. clean up the s\_\_t *n.* a minor quarrel or dispute, often one that is short-lived or insignificant; a sudden burst of activity or energy; a young oyster, clam, or other bivalves that has recently attached itself to a surface in its natural habitat
205. tha\_\_\_\_\_ing traditions *n.* an annual holiday celebrated primarily in the United States and Canada, typically observed on the fourth Thursday in November in the U.S. and on the second Monday in October in Canada, that commemorates the giving of thanks for the blessings of the previous year
206. a ti\_\_t game *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
207. basin-shaped va\_\_\_\_y *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
208. se\_\_\_\_\_te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

ANSWERS: 200. dessert, 201. downstairs, 202. propose, 203. stimulate, 204. spat, 205. thanksgiving, 206. tight, 207. valley, 208. separate

209. travel al\_\_\_\_\_ce
- n.* a set amount of money or resources given regularly or periodically; a granted permission or privilege; the act of allowing or giving permission
210. regular be\_\_\_\_\_e
- n.* the time at which a person typically goes to bed and prepares to sleep; the period just before bedtime, which may involve routines or activities that are intended to promote relaxation or sleepiness
211. autistic st\_\_\_\_\_ng
- n.* a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation
212. fl\_\_\_\_\_le schedules
- adj.* able to change or be changed to suit new conditions or situations; able to bend easily
213. so\_\_\_\_\_re architect
- n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
214. l\_x border controls
- adj.* not strict or severe; relaxed or lenient
215. chaotic env\_\_\_\_\_nt
- n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
216. young and old al\_\_\_e
- adv.* similar or identical in nature or appearance
217. wide-arm pu\_\_\_\_\_ps
- n.* a type of exercise that involves placing one's hands palms-down on the ground shoulder-width apart, lowering the body, and pushing up again repeatedly, typically used to build strength in the upper body and arms

ANSWERS: 209. allowance, 210. bedtime, 211. stimming, 212. flexible, 213. software, 214. lax, 215. environment, 216. alike, 217. push-ups



218. household ch__es	<i>n.</i>	a routine or tedious task, often related to household or manual labor
219. bl__d milk and cream	<i>v.</i>	to mix or combine two or more substances
220. ess_____ly correct	<i>adv.</i>	relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
221. ev_____te the grant proposal	<i>v.</i>	to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
222. la_____se game	<i>n.</i>	a team sport played with a small rubber ball and long-handled sticks with a netted pouch, in which players try to score points by throwing the ball into the opposing team's goal
223. bu__y bystander	<i>n.</i>	a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
224. psy_____gy of crowd	<i>n.</i>	the scientific study of mind and behavior
225. f__p over the pork chop	<i>v.</i>	to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
226. an ope_____ed person	<i>adj.</i>	willing to listen to or consider new or different ideas
227. fr__k and open discussion	<i>adj.</i>	honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
228. a civil en_____er	<i>n.</i>	a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

ANSWERS: 218. chore, 219. blend, 220. essentially, 221. evaluate, 222. lacrosse, 223. bully, 224. psychology, 225. flip, 226. open-minded, 227. frank, 228. engineer

229. rear seat cu\_\_\_\_ns  
*n.* a soft, padded object that is used to make a hard surface more comfortable or to protect an object from damage
230. ri\_\_d rules  
*adj.* extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending
231. low-r\_v engine  
*n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
232. st\_\_\_\_up business  
*n.* a newly established company or business
233. meal al\_\_\_\_\_ce  
*n.* a set amount of money or resources given regularly or periodically; a granted permission or privilege; the act of allowing or giving permission
234. co\_\_\_\_\_te right  
*adj.* of or relating to a large company
235. the runner's p\_\_e  
*n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
236. re\_\_\_\_\_e the order  
*v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
237. em\_\_\_\_\_al health  
*adj.* relating to people's feelings
238. und\_\_\_\_\_nd activist  
*adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force

ANSWERS: 229. cushion, 230. rigid, 231. rev, 232. start-up, 233. allowance, 234. corporate, 235. pace, 236. reverse, 237. emotional, 238. underground

239. earn el\_\_e status *adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society
240. be\_\_\_\_\_e meditation *n.* the time at which a person typically goes to bed and prepares to sleep; the period just before bedtime, which may involve routines or activities that are intended to promote relaxation or sleepiness
241. la\_\_r cake *n.* a sheet, quantity, or thickness of the material, typically one of several, covering a surface or body; a level or part within a system or set of ideas
242. crystalline si\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
243. de\_\_\_\_\_p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
244. ad\_\_\_\_\_le enough for the environment *adj.* able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations
245. baseball ce\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
246. new design el\_\_\_\_\_ts *n.* a fundamental or essential part of something

ANSWERS: 239. elite, 240. bedtime, 241. layer, 242. silicon, 243. develop, 244. adaptable, 245. celebrity, 246. element

247. accounting f\_\_m      *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
248. rugby sc\_\_m      *n.* (of sports, especially rugby) a tightly formed group of players who are bound together and work collectively to gain possession of the ball; (of business management or software development) a collaborative and iterative approach to work or problem-solving
249. sc\_\_m master      *n.* (of sports, especially rugby) a tightly formed group of players who are bound together and work collectively to gain possession of the ball; (of business management or software development) a collaborative and iterative approach to work or problem-solving
250. env\_\_\_\_\_nt affairs      *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
251. a cr\_\_y scheme      *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
252. 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

ANSWERS: 247. firm, 248. scrum, 249. scrum, 250. environment, 251. crazy, 252. introduction

253. family upb\_\_\_\_\_ng *n.* the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development
254. great-gra\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
255. low pro\_\_\_\_\_ve capacity *adj.* resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value
256. el\_\_e athlete *adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society
257. na\_\_\_\_\_ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
258. na\_\_\_\_\_ly arising *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
259. cu\_\_\_\_\_n against inflation *n.* a soft, padded object that is used to make a hard surface more comfortable or to protect an object from damage
260. gr\_\_t a customer *v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
261. a ch\_\_k of money *n.* a thick and solid mass or piece of something
262. a statistical ch\_\_t *n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea
263. damage to internal or\_\_ns *n.* a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job

ANSWERS: 253. upbringing, 254. grandparent, 255. productive, 256. elite, 257. narrative, 258. naturally, 259. cushion, 260. greet, 261. chunk, 262. chart, 263. organ

264. ad\_\_t as needed *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
265. con\_\_\_\_\_ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
266. su\_\_\_\_d beyond expectations *v.* to accomplish or achieve a desired or intended result or goal; to prosper or attain success in a given field or endeavor
267. ad\_\_\_t the rearview mirror *v.* to make a minor modification to something to make it more suited for a new set of conditions or to make it function better.
268. f\_\_p a coin *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
269. com\_\_\_\_\_te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
270. la\_\_r of paint *n.* a sheet, quantity, or thickness of the material, typically one of several, covering a surface or body; a level or part within a system or set of ideas
271. su\_\_e room *n.* a set of rooms designated for a particular purpose or activity, especially a set of rooms in a hotel or private residence used as a living unit; a musical composition of several movements only loosely connected; the group following and attending to some important person

ANSWERS: 264. adapt, 265. conversation, 266. succeed, 267. adjust, 268. flip, 269. communicate, 270. layer, 271. suite

272. ex\_\_\_\_\_ve vice president *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
273. b\_\_y in the earth *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
274. st\_\_\_\_\_ng therapy *n.* a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation
275. distance g\_p *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
276. ne\_\_\_\_\_te a settlement *v.* to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement
277. a po\_\_\_\_\_n vendor *n.* a type of corn that expands and puffs up when heated, often used for making a snack
278. the ul\_\_\_\_\_te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
279. a p\_t bird *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
280. li\_\_n to a bird *v.* to compare something or someone to something or someone else to emphasize similarity or likeness; to describe or represent something as being like something else in some way

ANSWERS: 272. executive, 273. bury, 274. stimming, 275. gap, 276. negotiate, 277. popcorn, 278. ultimate, 279. pet, 280. liken

281. early-stage st\_\_\_\_\_up *n.* a newly established company or business
282. water flowing und\_\_\_\_\_nd *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
283. be\_\_\_\_\_k geology *n.* the solid rock underlying soil or alluvium
284. he was ov\_\_\_\_\_lmed with gratitude *v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody
285. pro\_\_\_\_\_on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
286. g\_\_u meditation *n.* a spiritual teacher or leader, notably in Hindu and Sikh traditions; a person who has knowledge and expertise in a particular area
287. sc\_\_\_\_\_r in international politics *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
288. ca\_\_\_\_\_e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
289. in\_\_\_\_\_st secrets *adj.* situated or occurring at the deepest or most central part or point; relating to one's deepest or most private thoughts, feelings, or experiences
290. escort him dow\_\_\_\_\_rs *adv.* on or to a lower or ground floor of a building
291. di\_\_\_\_\_le of Buddha *n.* a person who learns from another, especially one who then teaches others

ANSWERS: 281. start-up, 282. underground, 283. bedrock, 284. overwhelm, 285. progression, 286. guru, 287. scholar, 288. capture, 289. innermost, 290. downstairs, 291. disciple



292. a remote re\_\_\_\_ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
293. history of hu\_\_\_\_\_nd *n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
294. financial ind\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
295. government acc\_\_\_\_\_ity *n.* the state of being responsible for one's actions or decisions; the obligation to explain, justify, or take ownership of one's actions or their consequences; the expectation of being answerable and liable for the outcomes of one's behavior or performance
296. in\_\_\_\_\_te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
297. 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
298. pl\_\_k exercise *n.* a long, flat piece of wood or other material that is used for construction or as a platform; an exercise in which a person holds their body in a straight line supported by their hands and toes

ANSWERS: 292. relative, 293. humankind, 294. independence, 295. accountability, 296. institute, 297. stalk, 298. plank

299. ascend to he\_\_\_n *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
300. a friendly con\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
301. t\_\_k of the clock *n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis
302. ra\_\_\_\_\_e in all directions *v.* to spread out or emit something, such as light or heat, in all directions
303. a st\_\_e joke *adj.* no longer fresh, new, or interesting; dull or uninteresting
304. pro\_\_\_\_\_ion of innocence *n.* an official announcement or statement
305. en\_\_\_\_\_e initials *v.* to carve, cut, or etch a design, message, or image onto a surface, often using a sharp tool or laser; to permanently record or mark something in a lasting manner
306. 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

ANSWERS: 299. heaven, 300. conversation, 301. tick, 302. radiate, 303. stale, 304. proclamation, 305. engrave, 306. frustrate

307. tec\_\_\_\_\_cal advancement      *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
308. di\_\_\_\_\_e settlement      *n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage
309. st\_\_\_\_\_te the nervous system      *v.* to encourage something to develop or become more active; to stir the feelings or emotions
310. up\_\_\_\_\_t posture      *adj.* perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line; (adverb) in a vertical position
311. he\_\_\_\_\_n on earth      *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
312. inh\_\_\_\_\_ce tax      *n.* the money, property, etc., that someone gives you when they die; (genetics) attributes acquired via biological heredity from ancestors
313. pr\_\_\_\_\_t when she will arrive      *v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
314. po\_\_\_\_\_n kernels      *n.* a type of corn that expands and puffs up when heated, often used for making a snack
315. individual acc\_\_\_\_\_ity      *n.* the state of being responsible for one's actions or decisions; the obligation to explain, justify, or take ownership of one's actions or their consequences; the expectation of being answerable and liable for the outcomes of one's behavior or performance

ANSWERS: 307. technological, 308. divorce, 309. stimulate, 310. upright, 311. heaven, 312. inheritance, 313. predict, 314. popcorn, 315. accountability

316. beginning of the industrial  
rev\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
317. c\_\_f knife *n.* a cook, especially the chief cook in a restaurant or hotel
318. qu\_\_\_\_\_n heart rate *v.* to make or become faster or more rapid; to accelerate or speed up; to stimulate or stimulate something to happen or occur more quickly
319. ant\_\_\_\_\_te a black future *v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance
320. equ\_\_\_\_\_nt in meaning *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
321. pr\_\_\_\_\_e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
322. mi\_\_\_\_\_e person *n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
323. enthusiastic di\_\_\_\_\_le *n.* a person who learns from another, especially one who then teaches others
324. cut\_\_\_\_\_dge design *adj.* being at the forefront of a particular field or development; (noun) the latest or most advanced stage in the development of a specific type of work or activity
325. li\_\_n to a flower *v.* to compare something or someone to something or someone else to emphasize similarity or likeness; to describe or represent something as being like something else in some way

ANSWERS: 316. revolution, 317. chef, 318. quicken, 319. anticipate, 320. equivalent, 321. propose, 322. miracle, 323. disciple, 324. cutting-edge, 325. liken

326. sh\_\_\_k with fear *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
327. org\_\_\_\_\_ion chart *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
328. ra\_\_\_\_\_e an aura *v.* to spread out or emit something, such as light or heat, in all directions
329. central ba\_\_\_rs *n.* a person who is in charge of or has an important job in a bank
330. mo\_\_\_\_\_r the data carefully *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
331. cir\_\_\_\_\_nce of injury *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
332. the re\_\_\_d for good works *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
333. the ul\_\_\_\_\_te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
334. bu\_\_\_y the weak *n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
335. l\_x attitude *adj.* not strict or severe; relaxed or lenient
336. not up to p\_r *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
337. su\_\_\_e of products *n.* a set of rooms designated for a particular purpose or activity, especially a set of rooms in a hotel or private residence used as a living unit; a musical composition of several movements only loosely connected; the group following and attending to some important person

ANSWERS: 326. shrink, 327. organization, 328. radiate, 329. banker, 330. monitor, 331. circumstance, 332. reward, 333. ultimate, 334. bully, 335. lax, 336. par, 337. suite

338. co\_\_\_\_\_e a large of alcohol      *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
339. a heavy sc\_\_\_\_\_le      *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
340. mo\_\_\_\_\_r an exam      *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
341. bl\_\_d all the elements      *v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
342. ce\_\_\_\_\_y product quality      *v.* to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true
343. am\_\_\_\_\_e smile      *adj.* having a friendly, pleasant, and likable disposition; characterized by warmth, goodwill, and kindness toward others
344. ri\_\_d structure      *adj.* extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending
345. d\_\_l up the volume      *v.* to adjust or set the controls of a machine or device by turning a controller called dial; (noun) a disc on a telephone that is rotated a fixed distance for each number called
346. pro\_\_\_\_\_on of disease      *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
347. pr\_\_\_\_\_t the future      *v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

ANSWERS: 338. consume, 339. schedule, 340. monitor, 341. blend, 342. certify, 343. amiable, 344. rigid, 345. dial, 346. progression, 347. predict

348. agricultural org\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
349. decision-making pr\_\_\_\_\_s      *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
350. a glad oc\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
351. major paradigm sh\_\_t      *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
352. bu\_\_\_r facility      *n.* a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel
353. fr\_\_\_\_\_l assault      *adj.* relating to the front; situated at or directed towards the front; frontal can also refer to a meteorological term for a weather system that is moving from west to east
354. a dy\_\_\_\_\_c market      *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

ANSWERS: 348. organization, 349. process, 350. occasion, 351. shift, 352. bunker, 353. frontal, 354. dynamic

355. ra\_\_\_e trail *n.* a deep, narrow gorge or valley with steep sides, often carved by the flow of water or a landslide
356. freelance tu\_\_r *n.* a person who teaches or gives private instruction in a particular subject or skill
357. dy\_\_\_\_\_cs of group *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
358. tr\_\_\_\_\_re island *n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
359. co\_\_\_\_\_te examples *adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
360. above p\_r performance *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
361. co\_\_\_\_\_t my wallet *v.* to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject
362. a t\_\_n room *n.* either of two children born at the same time from the same mother
363. paternal inh\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the money, property, etc., that someone gives you when they die; (genetics) attributes acquired via biological heredity from ancestors

ANSWERS: 355. ravine, 356. tutor, 357. dynamics, 358. treasure, 359. concrete, 360. par, 361. consult, 362. twin, 363. inheritance



364. am\_\_\_\_\_g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
365. d\_\_l down the tension *v.* to adjust or set the controls of a machine or device by turning a controller called dial; (noun) a disc on a telephone that is rotated a fixed distance for each number called
366. a political rev\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
367. ind\_\_\_\_\_nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
368. the most am\_\_\_\_\_g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
369. a c\_\_e to the diagnosis *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
370. coaxial ca\_\_e *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
371. ine\_\_\_\_\_ly decline with age *adv.* in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented
372. a sch\_\_\_\_\_ip association *n.* a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements
373. regularly co\_\_\_\_\_t with a doctor *v.* to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject

ANSWERS: 364. amazing, 365. dial, 366. revolution, 367. independence, 368. amazing, 369. clue, 370. cable, 371. inevitably, 372. scholarship, 373. consult

374. me\_\_\_\_\_n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
375. use of nu\_\_\_\_\_r power *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
376. co\_\_\_\_\_de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
377. se\_\_\_\_\_te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
378. military pu\_\_\_\_\_ps *n.* a type of exercise that involves placing one's hands palms-down on the ground shoulder-width apart, lowering the body, and pushing up again repeatedly, typically used to build strength in the upper body and arms
379. su\_\_\_\_\_d academically *v.* to accomplish or achieve a desired or intended result or goal; to prosper or attain success in a given field or endeavor
380. Doppler sh\_\_t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
381. de\_\_\_d my country *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
382. tec\_\_\_\_\_cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
383. ad\_\_t a child *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

ANSWERS: 374. mention, 375. nuclear, 376. conclude, 377. separate, 378. push-ups, 379. succeed, 380. shift, 381. defend, 382. technological, 383. adopt

384. nullify a pro\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* an official announcement or statement
385. fire st\_\_k *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
386. ov\_\_\_\_\_lm opponents by numbers *v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody
387. a t\_\_n-lens camera *n.* either of two children born at the same time from the same mother
388. the te\_\_\_\_\_ue applied to construction *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
389. tu\_\_r student *n.* a person who teaches or gives private instruction in a particular subject or skill
390. a c\_\_e about the crime *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
391. tr\_\_\_\_\_re hunt *n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
392. bo\_\_\_\_r with details *v.* to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
393. el\_\_w-length sleeves *n.* the joint between the upper arm and the lower arm; the bend in a pipe or tube formed at this joint

ANSWERS: 384. proclamation, 385. stick, 386. overwhelm, 387. twin, 388. technique, 389. tutor, 390. clue, 391. treasure, 392. bother, 393. elbow

394. gr\_\_t an idea *v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
395. economic mi\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
396. a hat h\_\_k *n.* a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook
397. di\_\_h my career *n.* a long, narrow, and shallow depression or channel that is dug into the ground; (verb) to throw away
398. college sch\_\_\_\_\_ip *n.* a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements
399. steep ra\_\_\_e *n.* a deep, narrow gorge or valley with steep sides, often carved by the flow of water or a landslide
400. be\_\_\_\_\_k foundation *n.* the solid rock underlying soil or alluvium
401. at your own p\_\_e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
402. dy\_\_\_\_\_c person *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

ANSWERS: 394. greet, 395. miracle, 396. hook, 397. ditch, 398. scholarship, 399. ravine, 400. bedrock, 401. pace, 402. dynamic

403. de\_\_\_e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
404. re\_\_\_\_ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
405. personal na\_\_\_\_ve *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
406. id\_\_\_\_fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
407. el\_\_w bone *n.* the joint between the upper arm and the lower arm; the bend in a pipe or tube formed at this joint
408. va\_\_\_\_y bottom *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
409. cut\_\_\_\_dge molecular biology *adj.* being at the forefront of a particular field or development; (noun) the latest or most advanced stage in the development of a specific type of work or activity
410. ne\_\_\_\_te the price of the house *v.* to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement
411. ma\_\_\_\_to statement *n.* a public declaration or statement of policy and aims, usually issued by a political party or government; a written statement or proclamation of one's beliefs or intentions
412. equ\_\_\_\_nt amounts *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
413. the curved shape of a h\_\_k *n.* a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook

ANSWERS: 403. define, 404. relative, 405. narrative, 406. identify, 407. elbow, 408. valley, 409. cutting-edge, 410. negotiate, 411. manifesto, 412. equivalent, 413. hook

414. make a fr\_\_k apology *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
415. pr\_\_\_\_\_s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
416. ca\_\_\_\_\_e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
417. mat\_\_\_\_\_cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
418. gr\_\_d bargain *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
419. the morning se\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
420. ch\_\_e with reproach *v.* to scold or rebuke someone, typically mildly or gently; to express disapproval or disappointment towards someone's behavior or actions
421. k\_\_t my eyebrows *v.* to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine
422. pr\_\_\_\_\_ve a country's heritage *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

ANSWERS: 414. frank, 415. process, 416. capture, 417. mathematics, 418. grand, 419. session, 420. chide, 421. knit, 422. preserve

423. in\_\_e remark *adj.* lacking significance, meaning, or substance; silly or frivolous in nature; lacking intelligence or understanding
424. en\_\_\_\_e metal *v.* to carve, cut, or etch a design, message, or image onto a surface, often using a sharp tool or laser; to permanently record or mark something in a lasting manner
425. a te\_\_\_\_\_ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
426. a wa\_\_\_\_\_ll with a fall of ten feet *n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock
427. hi\_\_\_\_\_ht an important difference *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
428. investment ba\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who is in charge of or has an important job in a bank
429. tha\_\_\_\_\_ing parade *n.* an annual holiday celebrated primarily in the United States and Canada, typically observed on the fourth Thursday in November in the U.S. and on the second Monday in October in Canada, that commemorates the giving of thanks for the blessings of the previous year
430. re\_\_\_\_\_e on the sofa *v.* to lean or lie back in a relaxed or comfortable position

ANSWERS: 423. inane, 424. engrave, 425. technique, 426. waterfall, 427. highlight, 428. banker, 429. thanksgiving, 430. recline

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The news of her sudden death was \_\_\_\_\_ to everyone who knew her.  
*adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
2. This shirt will \_\_\_\_\_ in the wash.  
*v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
3. She bruised her \_\_\_\_\_ after falling off her bike.  
*n.* the joint between the upper arm and the lower arm; the bend in a pipe or tube formed at this joint
4. Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of \_\_\_\_\_ weapons.  
*adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
5. The toad altered its appearance to better \_\_\_\_\_ in with its new environments.  
*v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
6. The speaker's \_\_\_\_\_ comments made the audience lose interest in the presentation.  
*adj.* lacking significance, meaning, or substance; silly or frivolous in nature; lacking intelligence or understanding
7. I made a \_\_\_\_\_ of things to do before my vacation.  
*n.* a list of items, tasks, or points to be considered or acted upon, used as a reminder and to ensure that all necessary steps have been taken

ANSWERS: 1. astonishing, 2. shrink, 3. elbow, 4. nuclear, 5. blend, 6. inane, 7. checklist



8. The \_\_\_\_\_ of classical literature includes works by Shakespeare, Chaucer, and Homer.
- n.* a set of rules, principles, or standards by which something is judged or measured
9. The chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ him the right to speak.
- v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
10. She explained the \_\_\_\_\_ surrounding the accident.
- n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
11. \_\_\_\_\_ dropping wears away the stone.
- adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
12. The mobile application industry is \_\_\_\_\_ changing.
- adv.* all the time
13. The judge gave severe \_\_\_\_\_ to the criminal who committed the heinous crime.
- n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
14. They frequently \_\_\_\_\_ their abilities and felt inferior.
- v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
15. It's notoriously challenging to \_\_\_\_\_ birth rates.
- v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

ANSWERS: 8. canon, 9. granted, 10. circumstances, 11. Constant, 12. constantly, 13. punishment, 14. underestimated, 15. predict

16. The \_\_\_\_\_ had received a mild snowfall the previous week.  
*n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
17. This machine cuts metal by \_\_\_\_\_ control.  
*adj.* done by hand rather than by machine; (noun) a book of instructions, especially for operating a machine or learning a subject
18. The national election was held amid \_\_\_\_\_ security.  
*adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
19. Who answers \_\_\_\_\_ knows little.  
*adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
20. He was \_\_\_\_\_ gifted.  
*adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
21. She was close to her paternal \_\_\_\_\_ and often spent summers with them.  
*n.* a parent of one's father or mother
22. The introduction \_\_\_\_\_ the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant  
*v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
23. Some people \_\_\_\_\_ meditation to a mental shower, refreshing and rejuvenating the mind.  
*v.* to compare something or someone to something or someone else to emphasize similarity or likeness; to describe or represent something as being like something else in some way

ANSWERS: 16. valley, 17. manual, 18. tight, 19. suddenly, 20. naturally, 21. grandparents, 22. highlighted, 23. liken

24. This bilingual \_\_\_\_\_ was essential for his language improvement.
- n.* all the words and phrases of a particular language or branch of knowledge, such as nautical or medical
25. He slightly modified the \_\_\_\_\_ of training because it was just before a match.
- n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
26. These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
27. Many people go on a \_\_\_\_\_ to recharge and reconnect with themselves.
- n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life
28. They worked hard to \_\_\_\_\_ the nature of their native lands.
- v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
29. The \_\_\_\_\_ host welcomed us to their home with open arms.
- adj.* having a friendly, pleasant, and likable disposition; characterized by warmth, goodwill, and kindness toward others
30. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
31. The recent economic downturn has resulted in \_\_\_\_\_ layoffs.
- adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid

ANSWERS: 24. lexicon, 25. span, 26. cores, 27. retreat, 28. preserve, 29. amiable, 30. environment, 31. massive

32. Because of his excellent performance, he will \_\_\_\_\_ be promoted.

*adv.* in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented

33. Management must take \_\_\_\_\_ responsibility for the accident.

*adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order

34. Its \_\_\_\_\_ brothers are difficult to tell apart except for their parents.

*n.* either of two children born at the same time from the same mother

35. He has a flair for \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

36. 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

37. This region has many \_\_\_\_\_ offering higher education.

*n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

38. The skillful \_\_\_\_\_ helped me improve my grades in math.

*n.* a person who teaches or gives private instruction in a particular subject or skill

39. The conference room was in \_\_\_\_\_ as everyone tried to speak at once.

*n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control

ANSWERS: 32. inevitably, 33. ultimate, 34. twin, 35. mathematics, 36. frustrate, 37. institutes, 38. tutor, 39. chaos

40. The \_\_\_\_\_ at the restaurant was known for his creative and delicious dishes.  
*n.* a cook, especially the chief cook in a restaurant or hotel
41. The hiker fell into a \_\_\_\_\_ and had to be rescued by a helicopter.  
*n.* a deep, narrow gorge or valley with steep sides, often carved by the flow of water or a landslide
42. It took years of therapy before the patient could reveal their \_\_\_\_\_ thoughts and feelings.  
*adj.* situated or occurring at the deepest or most central part or point; relating to one's deepest or most private thoughts, feelings, or experiences
43. He is our loyal customer who should be held in high \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* great respect and approval for or a good opinion of someone
44. The majority of synthetic vitamins are \_\_\_\_\_ from oil.  
*v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
45. The \_\_\_\_\_ methodology encourages frequent collaboration and adaptability in software development projects.  
*n.* (of sports, especially rugby) a tightly formed group of players who are bound together and work collectively to gain possession of the ball; (of business management or software development) a collaborative and iterative approach to work or problem-solving
46. The economy is growing at a supercharged \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
47. She does forty \_\_\_\_\_ every morning as part of her workout routine.  
*n.* a type of exercise that involves placing one's hands palms-down on the ground shoulder-width apart, lowering the body, and pushing up again repeatedly, typically used to build strength in the upper body and arms

ANSWERS: 40. chef, 41. ravine, 42. innermost, 43. esteem, 44. manufactured, 45. scrum, 46. pace, 47. push-ups

48. I advised him to \_\_\_\_\_ to his new surroundings.
- v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
49. The pirates searched for buried \_\_\_\_\_ in the dunes.
- n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
50. The \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
51. The \_\_\_\_\_ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.
- n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
52. She trained for the marathon \_\_\_\_\_ pushing her limits every day.
- adv.* with great energy, effort, or force; in a way that requires vigorous exertion or determination
53. 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
54. How did he \_\_\_\_\_ to your idea?
- v.* to take action in response to something
55. Years of river erosion have formed the uniquely shaped \_\_\_\_\_ basin.
- n.* a point in a river or stream where water falls from a high place, for example, over a cliff or rock

ANSWERS: 48. adapt, 49. treasure, 50. statistics, 51. narrative, 52. strenuously, 53. introduction, 54. react, 55. waterfall

56. He \_\_\_\_\_ when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.
- v. to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
57. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.
- v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
58. The national assembly has \_\_\_\_\_ the budget.
- v. to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
59. As parents, we must teach our children about financial responsibility by giving them a weekly \_\_\_\_\_.
- n. a set amount of money or resources given regularly or periodically; a granted permission or privilege; the act of allowing or giving permission
60. Always \_\_\_\_\_ a lawyer before launching a business.
- v. to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject
61. The company has made great strides in its \_\_\_\_\_ toward sustainability.
- n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
62. The picture earned near-\_\_\_\_\_ acclaim from critics.
- adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
63. All the books in this section \_\_\_\_\_ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.
- v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

ANSWERS: 56. flipped, 57. separate, 58. adopted, 59. allowance, 60. consult, 61. progression, 62. universal, 63. belong

64. The choice between bureaucracy and adocracy represents a common \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones
65. His strict \_\_\_\_\_ instilled in him a strong sense of responsibility.
- n.* the conditions and experiences in which a child is cared for and taught, especially in relation to their moral and social development
66. Your \_\_\_\_\_ reflects your thoughts.
- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
67. She \_\_\_\_\_ over the tree root.
- v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
68. I will introduce you to how to \_\_\_\_\_ the leading causes of the malfunction.
- v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
69. The coffee slowly \_\_\_\_\_ through the filter and into the cup.
- v.* to filter through a porous substance or material; to pass through gradually or spread slowly; to rise or pass through a liquid or container, as in a coffee maker
70. The \_\_\_\_\_ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.
- n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
71. She \_\_\_\_\_ her child for not completing the homework on time.
- v.* to scold or rebuke someone, typically mildly or gently; to express disapproval or disappointment towards someone's behavior or actions

ANSWERS: 64. dilemma, 65. upbringing, 66. conversation, 67. stumbled, 68. identify, 69. percolated, 70. engineer, 71. chided



72. Natural selection is an essential \_\_\_\_\_ in Darwin's theory of evolution.  
*n.* a fundamental or essential part of something
73. The high school's \_\_\_\_\_ team won the state championship for the third year.  
*n.* a team sport played with a small rubber ball and long-handled sticks with a netted pouch, in which players try to score points by throwing the ball into the opposing team's goal
74. Parliament is now in \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
75. The \_\_\_\_\_ development process allowed the team to make changes quickly.  
*adj.* able to move quickly and easily, often in a way that is graceful and controlled
76. This pie \_\_\_\_\_ represents our market share.  
*n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea
77. The two paintings looked \_\_\_\_\_ as if the same artist had done them.  
*adv.* similar or identical in nature or appearance
78. I hope to \_\_\_\_\_ in my career and live a happy life.  
*v.* to accomplish or achieve a desired or intended result or goal; to prosper or attain success in a given field or endeavor
79. The king made a \_\_\_\_\_ declaring war on the neighboring country.  
*n.* an official announcement or statement

ANSWERS: 72. element, 73. lacrosse, 74. session, 75. agile, 76. chart, 77. alike, 78. succeed, 79. proclamation

80. 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

81. The new start-up company carved out a large \_\_\_\_\_ of the market within a year.

- n.* a thick and solid mass or piece of something

82. He \_\_\_\_\_ his friends with a warm smile and a hug.

- v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

83. Cleaning the house is a \_\_\_\_\_ that only some enjoy.

- n.* a routine or tedious task, often related to household or manual labor

84. The \_\_\_\_\_ deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

- adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

85. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close \_\_\_\_\_.

- adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

86. The farmers used \_\_\_\_\_ to drain water from their fields.

- n.* a long, narrow, and shallow depression or channel that is dug into the ground; (verb) to throw away

87. The \_\_\_\_\_ technology was revolutionary in its field.

- adj.* being at the forefront of a particular field or development; (noun) the latest or most advanced stage in the development of a specific type of work or activity

ANSWERS: 80. screaming, 81. chunk, 82. greeted, 83. chore, 84. firm, 85. relatives, 86. ditches, 87. cutting-edge

88. I always put a \_\_\_\_\_ mark next to the items on my grocery list after buying them.
- n.* a light, sharp, repetitive sound or action; a mark indicating that something is correct or has been done; any of two families of small parasitic arachnids with barbed proboscis
89. He tried to \_\_\_\_\_ a bad reputation and win the election.
- v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
90. Autistic children may engage in \_\_\_\_\_ behaviors, such as rocking or hand flapping, to self-regulate.
- n.* a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation
91. The schoolyard \_\_\_\_\_ terrorized the other children and made their lives miserable.
- n.* a person who uses strength or power to harm or intimidate those who are weaker; (verb) to intimidate, harass, or mistreat someone weaker or less powerful
92. The president asked for a more \_\_\_\_\_ plan.
- adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
93. The grandmother \_\_\_\_\_ a warm sweater for her grandchild.
- v.* to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine
94. The \_\_\_\_\_ between the two neighbors escalated into a heated argument.
- n.* a minor quarrel or dispute, often one that is short-lived or insignificant; a sudden burst of activity or energy; a young oyster, clam, or other bivalves that has recently attached itself to a surface in its natural habitat

ANSWERS: 88. tick, 89. overcome, 90. stimming, 91. bully, 92. concrete, 93. knit, 94. spat

95. \_\_\_\_\_ a society is an organism.

*adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

96. Human \_\_\_\_\_ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

*adj.* relating to people's feelings

97. There is nothing more valuable than \_\_\_\_\_ and freedom.

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

98. The company specializes in both hardware and \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs

99. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud \_\_\_\_.

*n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

100. So far, the meeting is going according to \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

101. Our company's services are targeted at \_\_\_\_\_ executives.

*n.* a newly established company or business

102. She \_\_\_\_\_ her seat and relaxed for the flight.

*v.* to lean or lie back in a relaxed or comfortable position

ANSWERS: 95. Essentially, 96. emotional, 97. independence, 98. software, 99. rev, 100. schedule, 101. start-up, 102. reclined

103. She wore her best dress for the special \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

104. I have a parrot as a \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

105. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ my pace to finish this project on time.

- v.* to make or become faster or more rapid; to accelerate or speed up; to stimulate or stimulate something to happen or occur more quickly

106. The \_\_\_\_\_ of frost on the ground was so thick it was difficult to walk on.

- n.* a sheet, quantity, or thickness of the material, typically one of several, covering a surface or body; a level or part within a system or set of ideas

107. There is plenty of space to \_\_\_\_\_ everyone.

- v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb

108. The patient was diagnosed with a rare genetic \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder

109. To advance this discussion, we must \_\_\_\_\_ "success" rigorously.

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

110. Shares in the company finally fell below their \_\_\_\_\_ value.

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

ANSWERS: 103. occasion, 104. pet, 105. quicken, 106. layer, 107. bury, 108. syndrome, 109. define, 110. par

111. International law allows each nation to \_\_\_\_\_ itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.

*v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

112. The wealthy businessman left his entire \_\_\_\_\_ to his children when he died.

*n.* a large piece of land with an impressive house on it, often owned by a wealthy family; all of a person's possessions and assets at the time of their death; an area of land considered as a unit in terms of ownership, use or taxation

113. The \_\_\_\_\_ beneath the soil is extremely solid and stable.

*n.* the solid rock underlying soil or alluvium

114. The bookcase was \_\_\_\_\_ against the wall.

*adj.* perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line; (adverb) in a vertical position

115. The patient was put in a \_\_\_\_\_ to prevent self-harm.

*n.* a garment or device designed to restrain a person's arms and body, typically used in psychiatric or medical settings to prevent a patient from harming themselves or others

116. We \_\_\_\_\_ heavy snowfall tomorrow.

*v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance

117. 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

118. He became a \_\_\_\_\_ of a well-known spiritual leader.

*n.* a person who learns from another, especially one who then teaches others

ANSWERS: 111. defend, 112. estate, 113. bedrock, 114. upright, 115. straitjacket, 116. anticipate, 117. stalked, 118. disciple

119. My family gathers together every year for \_\_\_\_\_ dinner.

- n.* an annual holiday celebrated primarily in the United States and Canada, typically observed on the fourth Thursday in November in the U.S. and on the second Monday in October in Canada, that commemorates the giving of thanks for the blessings of the previous year

120. We \_\_\_\_\_ a cease-fire.

- v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

121. He was considered a \_\_\_\_\_ in economics and consulted by many leaders.

- n.* a spiritual teacher or leader, notably in Hindu and Sikh traditions; a person who has knowledge and expertise in a particular area

122. The cerebral \_\_\_\_\_ consists of six layers.

- n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain

123. I was able to \_\_\_\_\_ the moment on film.

- v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

124. Very few educational \_\_\_\_\_ go to Oxford or Cambridge.

- adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society

125. The political party issued a \_\_\_\_\_ outlining its plans for the country's future.

- n.* a public declaration or statement of policy and aims, usually issued by a political party or government; a written statement or proclamation of one's beliefs or intentions

126. He felt like \_\_\_\_\_ when he tasted the delicious chocolate cake.

- n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty

ANSWERS: 119. thanksgiving, 120. concluded, 121. guru, 122. cortex, 123. capture, 124. elites, 125. manifesto, 126. heaven

127. The new employee proved extremely \_\_\_\_\_ completing projects ahead of schedule.

*adj.* resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value

128. He decided to \_\_\_\_\_ in the military after graduating from high school.

*v.* to sign up to serve in the military or a particular organization

129. Her stomach was visibly \_\_\_\_\_ after eating a large meal.

*adj.* having an abnormally swollen or enlarged appearance, often due to an accumulation of fluid or excessive consumption of food or drink

130. As a witness, I can \_\_\_\_\_ his innocence.

*v.* to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true

131. The company \_\_\_\_\_ employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

*v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something

132. Let's go to an all-you-can-eat \_\_\_\_\_ restaurant.

*n.* a sweet food served as the last course of a meal

133. The \_\_\_\_\_ by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

*n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

134. We seek a candidate who possesses \_\_\_\_\_ fighting potential.

*adj.* able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations

ANSWERS: 127. productive, 128. enlist, 129. bloated, 130. certify, 131. empowered, 132. dessert, 133. revolution, 134. adaptable



135. When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial \_\_\_\_\_ was to flee.

- n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

136. A smaller car will \_\_\_\_\_ less fuel.

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

137. He was unpopular because of his \_\_\_\_\_ adherence to the rules.

- adj.* extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending

138. We must \_\_\_\_\_ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

139. The couple decided to get a \_\_\_\_\_ after many years of marriage.

- n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage

140. Please get the desk \_\_\_\_\_.

- adv.* on or to a lower or ground floor of a building

141. He was ordered to walk the \_\_\_\_\_ by the pirate captain.

- n.* a long, flat piece of wood or other material that is used for construction or as a platform; an exercise in which a person holds their body in a straight line supported by their hands and toes

142. She is the president of a large international \_\_\_\_\_.

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

ANSWERS: 135. instinct, 136. consume, 137. rigid, 138. develop, 139. divorce, 140. downstairs, 141. plank, 142. organization

143. The \_\_\_\_\_ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

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

144. The book \_\_\_\_\_ my imagination.

- v.* to encourage something to develop or become more active; to stir the feelings or emotions

145. The doctors said that her recovery was a \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God

146. The toddler had a \_\_\_\_\_ and refused to take a nap.

- n.* an outburst of anger or frustration, typically characterized by yelling, crying, or other emotional displays

147. Water was beginning to \_\_\_\_\_ into the basement after the heavy rain.

- v.* to flow or drip slowly and in small amounts; to happen or occur gradually or in small quantities

148. Reading \_\_\_\_\_ stories can help children relax and fall asleep faster.

- n.* the time at which a person typically goes to bed and prepares to sleep; the period just before bedtime, which may involve routines or activities that are intended to promote relaxation or sleepiness

149. Activists questioned the company's \_\_\_\_\_ for the environmental impact of its operations.

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

ANSWERS: 143. process, 144. stimulated, 145. miracle, 146. tantrum, 147. trickle, 148. bedtime, 149. accountability

150. This system uses submarine \_\_\_\_\_ to exchange information between continents.

*n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

151. The meeting aims to \_\_\_\_\_ possible choices.

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

152. She had a master's degree in \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

153. Could you help me \_\_\_\_\_ some furniture?

*n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

154. Too much variety may \_\_\_\_\_ and confuse viewers.

*v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

155. Jockey's superior \_\_\_\_\_ brought him victory.

*n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

156. The movie has received almost universally \_\_\_\_\_ criticism.

*adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

157. He suffered a severe \_\_\_\_\_ collision in the car accident.

*adj.* relating to the front; situated at or directed towards the front; frontal can also refer to a meteorological term for a weather system that is moving from west to east

ANSWERS: 150. cables, 151. evaluate, 152. psychology, 153. shift, 154. overwhelm, 155. technique, 156. negative, 157. frontal

158. The relationship \_\_\_\_\_ between the two countries were complex and constantly changing.

- n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change

159. Please don't \_\_\_\_\_ me while I'm trying to concentrate.

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

160. This year's \_\_\_\_\_ gathering will be held in Canada.

- adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent

161. That adventurer traveled in \_\_\_\_\_ of buried treasure.

- n.* a long or challenging search for something

162. The rain and thunder are \_\_\_\_\_ today.

- adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry

163. She \_\_\_\_\_ to the situation and caused unnecessary stress.

- v.* to react more strongly or excessively than is necessary or appropriate

164. The \_\_\_\_\_ views from the mountaintop were breathtaking.

- adj.* extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures

165. His vast \_\_\_\_\_ was equitably divided among the brothers.

- n.* the money, property, etc., that someone gives you when they die; (genetics) attributes acquired via biological heredity from ancestors

ANSWERS: 158. dynamics, 159. bother, 160. grand, 161. quest, 162. crazy, 163. overreacted, 164. sweeping, 165. inheritance

166. You have to \_\_\_\_\_ your content to the age of the audience.

- v. to make a minor modification to something to make it more suited for a new set of conditions or to make it function better.

167. We are always happy to \_\_\_\_\_ a discount.

- v. to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement

168. They used a special receiver to \_\_\_\_\_ police radio channels.

- v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time

169. She plans to take six months of \_\_\_\_\_ leave.

- adj. of or relating to parent or parents

170. Roads \_\_\_\_\_ from the famous building in the center of the city.

- v. to spread out or emit something, such as light or heat, in all directions

171. The following example \_\_\_\_\_ that the capacity of each battery is the same.

- v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

172. Police will \_\_\_\_\_ random breath testing for drunk driving.

- v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

173. \_\_\_\_\_ advances have disrupted many industries.

- adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

174. Skill and \_\_\_\_\_ are an unconquered army.

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

ANSWERS: 166. adjust, 167. negotiate, 168. monitor, 169. parental, 170. radiate, 171. assumes, 172. conduct, 173. Technological, 174. confidence

175. Having \_\_\_\_\_ parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.  
*adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
176. On the geological time scale, \_\_\_\_\_ has existed for a brief moment.  
*n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
177. As the \_\_\_\_\_ director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.  
*n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
178. We popped some \_\_\_\_\_ and settled in to watch a movie.  
*n.* a type of corn that expands and puffs up when heated, often used for making a snack
179. My little sister loves to have \_\_\_\_\_ parties with her friends on the weekends.  
*n.* a pair of loose pants with a matching top, worn for sleeping or lounging
180. The popularity of the show made her an instant \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
181. Full involvement means \_\_\_\_\_ and prompt responses.  
*adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
182. The \_\_\_\_\_ detergent cleans the dishes more effectively than regular dish soap.  
*n.* a machine or device used for washing dishes typically found in a kitchen; a person who washes dishes as a profession, often in a restaurant or catering setting

ANSWERS: 175. underground, 176. humankind, 177. executive, 178. popcorn, 179. pajama, 180. celebrity, 181. frank, 182. dishwasher

183. She received a full \_\_\_\_\_ to study abroad.

*n.* a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements

184. He was a passionate fan of \_\_\_\_\_ and loved watching matches.

*n.* a sport played with an oval ball, with two teams of fifteen players trying to score goals by carrying or kicking the ball over the opponent's goal line

185. Both parties were pleased with the \_\_\_\_\_ discussion.

*adj.* willing to listen to or consider new or different ideas

186. You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

187. You \_\_\_\_\_ a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

*v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

188. I want to \_\_\_\_\_ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

*v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

189. \_\_\_\_\_ are only willing to lend with good security.

*n.* a person who is in charge of or has an important job in a bank

190. He \_\_\_\_\_ the truth to plead not guilty.

*v.* to tell someone about something again or differently

ANSWERS: 183. scholarship, 184. rugby, 185. open-minded, 186. scholar, 187. stick, 188. propose, 189. Bankers, 190. retells

191. The European Central Bank is Europe's \_\_\_\_\_ of the Federal Reserve.  
*n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
192. The soldiers took cover in the dug-out \_\_\_\_\_ during the bombing.  
*n.* a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel
193. He wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ his wedding ring with their initials as a lasting symbol of their love.  
*v.* to carve, cut, or etch a design, message, or image onto a surface, often using a sharp tool or laser; to permanently record or mark something in a lasting manner
194. The golfer recorded an \_\_\_\_\_ distance.  
*adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
195. You can be more \_\_\_\_\_ and creative in your approach.  
*adj.* able to change or be changed to suit new conditions or situations; able to bend easily
196. Night fishing has a lot of \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
197. He placed a \_\_\_\_\_ on the floor for his dog to lie on.  
*n.* a soft, padded object that is used to make a hard surface more comfortable or to protect an object from damage
198. The police couldn't find a \_\_\_\_\_ to her whereabouts.  
*n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery

ANSWERS: 191. equivalent, 192. bunker, 193. engrave, 194. amazing, 195. flexible, 196. rewards, 197. cushion, 198. clue



199. He \_\_\_\_\_ the phone number and waited for an answer.

- v.* to adjust or set the controls of a machine or device by turning a controller called dial; (noun) a disc on a telephone that is rotated a fixed distance for each number called

200. The judge may \_\_\_\_\_ the decision of the lower court.

- v.* to support or defend something, such as a law, idea, decision, etc.

201. Many people are working together to close the gender \_\_\_\_.

- n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.

202. He has \_\_\_\_\_ his wealth through real estate investments.

- v.* to collect or acquire a large number of things over a long period of time

203. The sprinter has a \_\_\_\_\_ way of running.

- adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

204. The \_\_\_\_ security measures allowed the thief to enter the building easily.

- adj.* not strict or severe; relaxed or lenient

205. The bread was \_\_\_\_\_ and not fit for eating.

- adj.* no longer fresh, new, or interesting; dull or uninteresting

206. \_\_\_\_\_ is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.

- n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

ANSWERS: 199. dialed, 200. uphold, 201. gap, 202. accumulated, 203. dynamic, 204. lax, 205. stale, 206. Silicon

207. Please hang your towel on a \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook

208. What are your annual \_\_\_\_\_ expectations?

- n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month

209. The presidential \_\_\_\_\_ is the most luxurious room in the hotel.

- n.* a set of rooms designated for a particular purpose or activity, especially a set of rooms in a hotel or private residence used as a living unit; a musical composition of several movements only loosely connected; the group following and attending to some important person

210. The restaurant \_\_\_\_\_ a ban on smoking.

- v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

211. We must \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves of pollution.

- v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

212. Dolphins use sound to \_\_\_\_\_ with each other.

- v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

213. I \_\_\_\_\_ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

- v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly

214. The \_\_\_\_\_ office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

- adj.* of or relating to a large company

ANSWERS: 207. hook, 208. salary, 209. suite, 210. reversed, 211. rid, 212. communicate, 213. mentioned, 214. corporate

215. These infections have the potential to impact practically every \_\_\_\_\_ system.

- n.* a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job

ANSWERS: 215. organ