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Session 1: Word List

architect

n. a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

synonym: creator, designer, planner

(1) landscape **architect**, (2) **architect** of the peace accord
The building **architect** tried to build the house above the tree.

exclusive

adj. not divided or shared with others

synonym: sole, deluxe, limited

(1) **exclusive** authority, (2) **exclusive** clubs
The condo offers **exclusive** access to the beach.

companion

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

synonym: affiliate, fellow, mate

(1) a working **companion**, (2) drinking **companions**
Her dog is her excellent **companion**.

flee

v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

synonym: exit, escape, run away

(1) **flee** their homes, (2) **flee** abroad
It is a basic instinct to **flee** from a dangerous situation.

attendant

n. a person who is employed to provide a service or perform tasks, often in a public place, such as a flight attendant, parking attendant, or hospital attendant

synonym : assistant, aide, guide

(1) flight **attendant**, (2) personal **attendant**

The **attendant** at the parking lot directed me to an available parking spot

announcement

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

synonym : declaration, notification, statement

(1) public **announcement**, (2) **announcement** date

The company made an **announcement** about its new product at a press conference.

pound

n. the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

(1) three-fourths of a **pound**, (2) thousands of **pounds**

The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred **pounds**.

old-fashioned

adj. of or relating to a time in the past; not modern

synonym : antiquated, ancient, outdated

(1) an **old-fashioned** person, (2) **old-fashioned** in appearance

My father is **old-fashioned** in his thinking.

handset

n. a component of a telephone or communication device that is held or grasped by the hand and used to transmit and receive audio signals during a conversation, often includes a microphone and speaker

synonym : phone, receiver

(1) cellular **handset**, (2) cordless **handset**

I need to buy a new **handset** for my landline phone.

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**.

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.

suffer

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

synonym : endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades

The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

productivity

n. the state or quality of being productive; the rate at which a company or individual produces goods or services, often measured in terms of output per unit of input, such as labor, capital, or time

synonym : efficiency, output, performance

(1) **productivity** growth, (2) improved **productivity**

She increased her **productivity** by planning out her tasks for the day.

ambience

n. the atmosphere or feeling that is created by a specific environment, usually physical or sensory; the mood or character of a particular place or setting

synonym : atmosphere, vibe, feeling

(1) tropical **ambience**, (2) sophisticated **ambience**

The **ambience** of the restaurant was carefully curated to create a romantic atmosphere.

physiological

adj. relating to the normal functioning of living organisms and their organs and systems; concerning the physical or biochemical processes and activities that occur within

the body

synonym : biological, organic, bodily

(1) **physiological** response, (2) **physiological** activity

The doctor explained the various **physiological** changes that occur during pregnancy.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

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

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

cognitive

adj. of or relating to mental processes of understanding

synonym : perceivable, mind, mental

(1) improve **cognitive** function, (2) research on **cognitive** psychology

His **cognitive** faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.

conscious

adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

synonym : aware, cognizant, deliberate

(1) **conscious** effort, (2) **conscious** of having succeeded

He became **conscious** that he was being followed.

interference

n. the act or process of getting involved in and trying to influence a specific situation; the state of being affected and influenced with

synonym : obstruction, hindrance, impedance

(1) officious **interference**, (2) **interference** wave

Unfortunately, the radio **interference** made it difficult to hear the broadcast.

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.

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note
synonym: significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**
I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
synonym: luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance
The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

acoustics

n. a branch of physics that deals with the study of mechanical waves in gases, liquids, and solids, including topics such as vibration, sound, ultrasound, and infrasound

(1) specialize in **acoustics**, (2) the engineer of **acoustics**
The physicist specializes in **acoustics**.

terminal

n. a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route

synonym: endpoint, final, concluding

(1) **terminal** disease, (2) a **terminal** syllable
The **terminal** at the airport is where passengers catch their flights.

patient

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

synonym: client, recipient, subject

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

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

dispense

v. to distribute, allocate, or deliver something to the intended recipients

synonym: distribute, allocate, deal out

(1) **dispense** with ceremony, (2) **dispense** justice

The pharmacist started to **dispense** medication to patients.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym: completely, utterly, definitely

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

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

crucial

adj. extremely vital or necessary

synonym: essential, pivotal, vital

(1) **crucial** information, (2) a **crucial** issue for women

The revitalization of technology companies is **crucial** to the country's growth.

recover

v. to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

synonym: come back, convalesce, heal

(1) **recover** a loss, (2) **recover** approval ratings

She is still **recovering** from a shot to her shoulder.

regenerate

v. to improve or renew an area, institution, system, etc., especially by making it more active or successful

synonym: renew, revive, improve

(1) **regenerate** bone tissue, (2) a **regenerate** sinner

The new CEO's primary mission is to **regenerate** the company on the verge of bankruptcy.

rebuild

v. to build again or anew

synonym: reconstruct, renovate, restore

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

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

threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

synonym: endanger, terrorize, intimidate

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

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

threat

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

synonym: menace, danger, hazard

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

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

degrade

v. to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others

synonym: demean, disgrace, impair

(1) **degrade** his public image, (2) **degrade** environmental quality

You should not **degrade** yourself by allowing them to use you.

intention

n. something you want to do and are going to do

synonym: purpose, connotation, will

(1) **intention** behind his decision, (2) clear **intention**

Our CEO's **intentions** are always transparent and straightforward.

unfair

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

synonym: wrongful, biased, dishonest

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

advantage

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

definitely

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
synonym: absolutely, certainly, indeed

(1) **definitely** become a problem, (2) say **definitely**
The paper is **definitely** worth reading thoroughly.

academy

n. a school for special training; a type of official organization that aims to encourage and develop standards in its particular field

synonym: school, institute, college

(1) an **academy** of music, (2) a member of the **Academy**
Her new documentary earned her an **Academy** Award.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym: regrettably, unluckily, alas

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

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

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.

headquarter

n. the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed

synonym: base, center, command

(1) administrative **headquarter**, (2) an emergency **headquarter**

The company decided to move its **headquarters** to New York City.

vast

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

synonym : expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

atrium

n. a central or main hall or open space in a building, typically with a skylight or large window, often serving as a gathering area or focal point; (of anatomy) a chamber or cavity within the heart or inner ear

synonym : lobby, hall, chamber

(1) **atrium** architecture, (2) **atrium** valve

The office building had a beautiful **atrium** in the center, filled with natural light and plants.

mad

adj. insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

synonym : crazy, insane, furious

(1) a **mad** person, (2) gets **mad** easily

He was **mad** with joy to see the results.

modern

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

synonym : contemporary, stylish, current

(1) **modern** poetry, (2) pre- **modern** agricultural society

Their headquarters are in a **modern** skyscraper.

photograph

n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

synonym : photo, picture, snapshot

(1) **photograph** album, (2) **photograph** memories

I found an old **photograph** of my grandparents from their wedding day.

row

n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

synonym : line, sequence, layer

(1) criminal on death **row**, (2) a **row** of cherry trees

He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front **row**.

intelligibility

n. the quality or state of being intelligible or easily understood; clarity of expression or communication
synonym: clarity, comprehensibility, understandability

(1) **intelligibility** test, (2) visual **intelligibility**

The teacher emphasized the importance of clear enunciation to increase her students' speech **intelligibility**.

dot

n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
synonym: drop, dab, fleck

(1) connecting the **dots**, (2) **dot** blot method

The wallpaper had a pattern of pink **dots** on a white surface.

affected

adj. influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
synonym: artificial, pretentious, stilted

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

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

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.

reverberate

v. to be repeated several times as an echo
synonym: echo, resonate, resound

(1) **reverberate** through the hall, (2) **reverberate** in my head

The effects might **reverberate** across the oceans in unexpected ways.

inaudible

adj. unable to be heard clearly or loud enough to be heard
synonym: unheard, faint, unhearable

(1) **inaudible** whisper, (2) **inaudible** sound

The speaker's voice was **inaudible** over the background noise.

echo

n. a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff

synonym: reverberate, repeat, reflection

(1) the **echo** of a person's footsteps, (2) sound **echo**

A thunderous boom **echoed** throughout the valley.

install

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

synonym: establish, inaugurate, lodge

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

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

acoustic

adj. relating to sound or the sense of hearing

synonym: aural, hearing, acoustical

(1) **acoustic** properties of a hall, (2) **acoustic** guitar

The ground acts as an **acoustic** barrier against outside sounds.

treatment

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

synonym: remedy, antidote, medicine

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

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

absorb

v. to take in a fluid or other substance gradually

synonym: consume, soak, ingest

(1) **absorb** energy, (2) **absorb** a shock

The sponge **absorbs** water well.

forth

adv. forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open

synonym : forward, onwards, ahead

(1) bring **forth** a beautiful vase, (2) call **forth** demand
I pushed **forth** with my new project, even though it would take much hard work.

infinite

adj. unlimited or very great; impossible to measure

synonym : boundless, countless, limitless

(1) **infinite** appetite, (2) **infinite** in supply

The battle had an **infinite** impact on the nation.

arithmetic

n. the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division

synonym : computation, calculation, math

(1) decimal **arithmetic**, (2) mental **arithmetic**

The abacus is an ancient counting device that was used for **arithmetic** calculations.

numb

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

synonym : dazed, insensitive, emotionless

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

My left arm became **numb**.

compose

v. to write music, poetry, or formal writing; to constitute or make up a whole, or a specified part of it

synonym : compile, constitute, build

(1) **compose** an essay, (2) **compose** my thoughts

The structure is **composed** of three main components.

digit

n. one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe

synonym : number, integer, numeral

(1) **digit** identifier, (2) the **digit** in the hundreds place
We must enter a six- **digit** number to unlock the safe.

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.

simulate

v. to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes

synonym: pretend, imitate, mimic

(1) **simulate** climate change, (2) **simulate** a future scenario

He had painted the wood to **simulate** stone.

background

n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

synonym: ground, experience, backdrop

(1) a **background** color, (2) a criminal **background**

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's **background**.

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.

metaphor

n. a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a

similarity

synonym: conceit, analogy, symbol

(1) **metaphor** for death, (2) visual **metaphor**

She expressed her thought in an artful choice of **metaphors**.

evaporate

v. to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually

synonym: vaporize, disappear, vanish

(1) **evaporate** the water, (2) **evaporate** almost overnight

The sun will **evaporate** the mist.

impair

v. to damage something or make it weaker or worse

synonym: degrade, mar, deface

(1) **impair** my health, (2) **impair** insulin sensitivity

The accident made his vision **impaired**.

deaf

adj. lacking the ability to hear, or having impaired hearing; unresponsive or unaware of certain sounds or signals

synonym: hearing-impaired, unresponsive, insensitive

(1) **deaf** in one ear, (2) **deaf** child

The **deaf** student needed an interpreter to understand the lecture.

glue

n. a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials

synonym: adhesive, paste, gum

(1) **glue** stick, (2) epoxy **glue**

The carpenter applied **glue** to the cabinet joints before nailing them together.

infection

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

synonym: contagion, disease, transmission

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

Hospitals must meet various standards to prevent nosocomial

infections.

- hay** *n.* grass that has been cut and dried for use as animal feed or bedding; a stack or bale of this dried grass
synonym: straw, fodder, forage
(1) **hay** cube, (2) **hay** asthma
We sat on a **hay** bale and watched the sunset over the fields.
- population** *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
synonym: people, inhabitants, folk
(1) **population** change, (2) labor **population**
In just four years, the **population** has doubled.
- introvert** *n.* a shy and reticent person
synonym: observer, loner, solitary
(1) **introvert** personality, (2) **introvert** behavior
Being an **introvert** is not a weakness, and it's just a different way of interacting with the world.
- relate** *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
synonym: connect, link, associate
(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message
He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
- noisy** *adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound
synonym: loud, cacophonous, clamorous
(1) **noisy** neighbor, (2) **noisy** party
The construction outside was creating a **noisy** distraction from my work.

prop

n. a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

synonym: support, buttress, column

(1) emotional **prop**, (2) **prop** stick

We have finally lost our last **prop**.

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.

decibel

n. (also "dB") a unit used to measure the intensity of sound or the comparative loudness of two sounds based on a logarithmic scale

synonym: dB, sound level, volume

(1) **decibel** level, (2) adjust the **decibel**

The concert reached 100 **decibels**, causing many people to cover their ears.

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.

survey

n. an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

synonym: study, examination, poll

(1) a comprehensive **survey**, (2) recent **survey**

That **survey** shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.

threshold

n. the floor or ground that forms the bottom of a doorway and offers support when passing through a doorway; the smallest detectable sensation

synonym : anteroom, brink, verge

(1) the **threshold** between rooms, (2) high pain **threshold**
She's on the **threshold** of adulthood.

myocardial

adj. relating to the muscular tissue of the heart

synonym : cardiac, heart-related, ventricular

(1) **myocardial** infarction, (2) **myocardial** fibrosis

The physical examination revealed no abnormalities in the patient's **myocardial** structure.

infarction

n. the obstruction or blockage of blood flow to a specific area or organ, leading to tissue damage or death, commonly used to describe a myocardial infarction (heart attack)

synonym : heart attack, coronary, thrombosis

(1) acute **infarction**, (2) cerebral **infarction**

Time is critical when treating a myocardial **infarction**.

significance

n. the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy

synonym : importance, value, worth

(1) **significance** level, (2) mystical **significance**

The **significance** of his discovery cannot be overstated.

expectancy

n. the anticipation, belief, or likelihood of something happening or occurring in the future; the state of expecting or looking forward to something

synonym : prospect, anticipation, hope

(1) life **expectancy**, (2) customer **expectancy**

There is a high **expectancy** for the new product to exceed sales targets.

incidentally

adv. by the way; as an aside or in passing

synonym : by chance, by accident, inadvertently

(1) **incidentally** discovered, (2) **incidentally** mentioned
Incidentally, I know the answer to that question.

suitable

adj. fit or appropriate; proper; adapted

synonym: appropriate, fitting, proper

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

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym: spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**
He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym: enhance, ameliorate, enrich

(1) **improve** a process, (2) **improve** the test score
We want to **improve** ties between our two countries.

economics

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

synonym: social science, finance, business

(1) welfare **economics**, (2) **economics** professor
His class will cover an introduction to agricultural **economics**.

debate

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

synonym: argument, discussion, dispute

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

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

mod

n. a modification or alteration, typically one made to improve something or increase its functionality; a British teenager or young adult in the 1960s, noted for their clothes consciousness and opposition to the rockers

synonym: alteration, modification, tweak

(1) **mod** culture, (2) a house with **mod** cons

The **mod** for the video game added new features and improved gameplay.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

government

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

synonym: administration, regime, state

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

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

unbelievable

adj. beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising

synonym: unimaginable, incredible, fantastical

(1) **unbelievable** beauty, (2) cause **unbelievable** damage

He drinks an **unbelievable** amount of beer.

app

n. (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

synonym: application, software

(1) killer **app**, (2) cannot log in to the **app**

The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the **app's** release.

broaden

v. to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.

synonym : expand, widen, enlarge

(1) **broaden** students' knowledge, (2) **broaden** their horizon
The company **broadened** its product line to include more customer options.

perspective

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

synonym : viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle
His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

urban

adj. relating to or located in a town or city

synonym : metropolitan, civic

(1) **urban** planning, (2) **urban** property owners
Only a small number of **urban** utilities offer sanitation services.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym : suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark
The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym : alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power
My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

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**.

estimate

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

synonym: calculate, gauge, evaluate

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

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

quarter

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

synonym: fourth, one-fourth

(1) a **quarter** mile, (2) end of the first **quarter**

The unemployment rate in the first **quarter** was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

microphone

n. a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder

synonym: mic, megaphone, amplifier

(1) **microphone** cable, (2) built-in **microphone**

The interviewer asked him to speak into the **microphone**.

teamwork

n. the combined action of a group of people working together towards a common goal

synonym: collaboration, cooperation, coordination

(1) poor **teamwork**, (2) **teamwork** in business

Harmonious **teamwork** is essential to the success of this project.

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.

fin

n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

synonym: flipper, appendage, stabilizer

(1) back **fin**, (2) a **fin** of a plane

The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

interior

n. the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building

synonym: inner, inside, internal

(1) **interior** decoration, (2) plenty of **interior** space

The painter focused on the moody **interiors** of abandoned buildings in his work.

appropriate

adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

synonym: fitting, suitable, proper

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

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

phrase

n. a group of words that mean something specific when used together

synonym: expression, idiom, term

(1) ready-made **phrases**, (2) noun **phrase**

We bought a Spanish **phrase** book.

invisible

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

synonym: hidden, imperceptible, unseen

(1) an **invisible** asset, (2) **invisible** stars

The phenomenon is **invisible** at optical wavelengths.

architecture

n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings

synonym: design, structure, layout

(1) **architecture** design, (2) classic **architecture**

The city is known for its impressive **architecture** and beautiful old buildings.

Session 2: Spelling

1. treat the in_____on with antibiotics *n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body
2. epoxy g__e *n.* a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials
3. cr_____l information *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
4. af_____ed way of walking *adj.* influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
5. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
6. cellular ha_____t *n.* a component of a telephone or communication device that is held or grasped by the hand and used to transmit and receive audio signals during a conversation, often includes a microphone and speaker
7. myo_____al infarction *adj.* relating to the muscular tissue of the heart
8. welfare ec_____cs *n.* the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services
9. the engineer of ac_____cs *n.* a branch of physics that deals with the study of mechanical waves in gases, liquids, and solids, including topics such as vibration, sound, ultrasound, and infrasound

ANSWERS: 1. infection, 2. glue, 3. crucial, 4. affected, 5. improvisation, 6. handset, 7. myocardial, 8. economics, 9. acoustics

10. cannot log in to the a_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
11. co_____us of having succeeded *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
12. pa_____t with weight loss *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
13. back f_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
14. ec_____cs professor *n.* the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services
15. a f_n of a plane *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
16. in_____le stars *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
17. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
18. re_____d a company *v.* to build again or anew
19. criminal on death r_w *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

ANSWERS: 10. app, 11. conscious, 12. patient, 13. fin, 14. economics, 15. fin, 16. invisible, 17. environment, 18. rebuild, 19. row

20. es____te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
21. officious int_____nce *n.* the act or process of getting involved in and trying to influence a specific situation; the state of being affected and influenced with
22. three-fourths of a po__d *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
23. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
24. public ann_____ent *n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news
25. co_____e my thoughts *v.* to write music, poetry, or formal writing; to constitute or make up a whole, or a specified part of it
26. a comprehensive su____y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
27. a m_d person *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
28. g__e stick *n.* a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials
29. 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

ANSWERS: 20. estimate, 21. interference, 22. pound, 23. unfortunately, 24. announcement, 25. compose, 26. survey, 27. mad, 28. glue, 29. treasure

30. ur__n planning	<i>adj.</i> relating to or located in a town or city
31. the per_____ve of the battle	<i>n.</i> a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
32. a cr_____l issue for women	<i>adj.</i> extremely vital or necessary
33. ready-made ph___es	<i>n.</i> a group of words that mean something specific when used together
34. psy_____gy of crowd	<i>n.</i> the scientific study of mind and behavior
35. br_____nt performance	<i>adj.</i> extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
36. reg_____te bone tissue	<i>v.</i> to improve or renew an area, institution, system, etc., especially by making it more active or successful
37. th_____en a healthy relationship	<i>v.</i> to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
38. un___r employment practices	<i>adj.</i> not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception
39. a working co_____on	<i>n.</i> a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel
40. psy_____gy experiment	<i>n.</i> the scientific study of mind and behavior
41. phy_____cal activity	<i>adj.</i> relating to the normal functioning of living organisms and their organs and systems; concerning the physical or biochemical processes and activities that occur within the body
42. an old_____ned person	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to a time in the past; not modern

ANSWERS: 30. urban, 31. perspective, 32. crucial, 33. phrase, 34. psychology, 35. brilliant, 36. regenerate, 37. threaten, 38. unfair, 39. companion, 40. psychology, 41. physiological, 42. old-fashioned

43. an ac____y of music *n.* a school for special training; a type of official organization that aims to encourage and develop standards in its particular field
44. no__y neighbor *adj.* making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound
45. in____l a door *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
46. administrative hea____er *n.* the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
47. si____te a future scenario *v.* to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes
48. de____e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
49. de____l level *n.* (also "dB") a unit used to measure the intensity of sound or the comparative loudness of two sounds based on a logarithmic scale
50. agricultural org____ion *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
51. a per____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

ANSWERS: 43. academy, 44. noisy, 45. install, 46. headquarter, 47. simulate, 48. debate, 49. decibel, 50. organization, 51. perspective

52. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
53. flight at_____nt *n.* a person who is employed to provide a service or perform tasks, often in a public place, such as a flight attendant, parking attendant, or hospital attendant
54. unb_____ble beauty *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
55. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
56. killer a_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
57. int_____nce wave *n.* the act or process of getting involved in and trying to influence a specific situation; the state of being affected and influenced with
58. h_y asthma *n.* grass that has been cut and dried for use as animal feed or bedding; a stack or bale of this dried grass
59. ev_____te almost overnight *v.* to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually
60. app_____te behavior *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
61. mo___n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
62. cerebral inf_____on *n.* the obstruction or blockage of blood flow to a specific area or organ, leading to tissue damage or death, commonly used to describe a myocardial infarction (heart attack)

ANSWERS: 52. absolutely, 53. attendant, 54. unbelievable, 55. absolutely, 56. app, 57. interference, 58. hay, 59. evaporate, 60. appropriate, 61. modern, 62. infarction

63. labor pop_____on *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
64. emotional p__p *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
65. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
66. te_____al disease *n.* a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route
67. decimal ari_____ic *n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division
68. ur__n property owners *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
69. personal at_____nt *n.* a person who is employed to provide a service or perform tasks, often in a public place, such as a flight attendant, parking attendant, or hospital attendant
70. co_____r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
71. pa_____t in the hospital *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

ANSWERS: 63. population, 64. prop, 65. transform, 66. terminal, 67. arithmetic, 68. urban, 69. attendant, 70. confer, 71. patient

72. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
73. 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
74. br____n students' knowledge *v.* to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.
75. pre-mo___n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
76. co_____te right *adj.* of or relating to a large company
77. phy_____cal response *adj.* relating to the normal functioning of living organisms and their organs and systems; concerning the physical or biochemical processes and activities that occur within the body
78. customer exp_____cy *n.* the anticipation, belief, or likelihood of something happening or occurring in the future; the state of expecting or looking forward to something
79. a n__b mind *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
80. in_____le whisper *adj.* unable to be heard clearly or loud enough to be heard
81. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
82. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

ANSWERS: 72. crazy, 73. chart, 74. broaden, 75. modern, 76. corporate, 77. physiological, 78. expectancy, 79. numb, 80. inaudible, 81. vast, 82. background

83. m__d culture *n.* a modification or alteration, typically one made to improve something or increase its functionality; a British teenager or young adult in the 1960s, noted for their clothes consciousness and opposition to the rockers
84. si____te climate change *v.* to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes
85. su____r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
86. te____rk in business *n.* the combined action of a group of people working together towards a common goal
87. mental ari____ic *n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division
88. the e__o of a person's footsteps *n.* a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff
89. environmental th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

ANSWERS: 83. mod, 84. simulate, 85. suffer, 86. teamwork, 87. arithmetic, 88. echo, 89. threat

90. in_____te appetite *adj.* unlimited or very great; impossible to measure
91. connecting the d_ ts *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
92. say def_____ly *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
93. re_____d communities *v.* to build again or anew
94. the di__t in the hundreds place *n.* one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe
95. a te_____al syllable *n.* a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route
96. in_____l a chairperson *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
97. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
98. acute inf_____on *n.* the obstruction or blockage of blood flow to a specific area or organ, leading to tissue damage or death, commonly used to describe a myocardial infarction (heart attack)
99. date su_____le to both groups *adj.* fit or appropriate; proper; adapted

ANSWERS: 90. infinite, 91. dot, 92. definitely, 93. rebuild, 94. digit, 95. terminal, 96. install, 97. relate, 98. infarction, 99. suitable

100. adjust the de____l *n.* (also "dB") a unit used to measure the intensity of sound or the comparative loudness of two sounds based on a logarithmic scale
101. in____rt personality *n.* a shy and reticent person
102. co____e an essay *v.* to write music, poetry, or formal writing; to constitute or make up a whole, or a specified part of it
103. sophisticated am____ce *n.* the atmosphere or feeling that is created by a specific environment, usually physical or sensory; the mood or character of a particular place or setting
104. a r_w of cherry trees *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
105. 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
106. f__e their homes *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
107. re____r a loss *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
108. cordless ha____t *n.* a component of a telephone or communication device that is held or grasped by the hand and used to transmit and receive audio signals during a conversation, often includes a microphone and speaker

ANSWERS: 100. decibel, 101. introvert, 102. compose, 103. ambience, 104. row, 105. chart, 106. flee, 107. recover, 108. handset

109. a reg_____te sinner v. to improve or renew an area, institution, system, etc., especially by making it more active or successful
110. have an un___r advantage *adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception
111. high pain th_____ld *n.* the floor or ground that forms the bottom of a doorway and offers support when passing through a doorway; the smallest detectable sensation
112. sound e__o *n.* a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff
113. d__f in one ear *adj.* lacking the ability to hear, or having impaired hearing; unresponsive or unaware of certain sounds or signals
114. an app_____te time *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
115. re___e a story v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
116. th_____en national security v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
117. at___m architecture *n.* a central or main hall or open space in a building, typically with a skylight or large window, often serving as a gathering area or focal point; (of anatomy) a chamber or cavity within the heart or inner ear

ANSWERS: 109. regenerate, 110. unfair, 111. threshold, 112. echo, 113. deaf, 114. appropriate, 115. relate, 116. threaten, 117. atrium

118. ac____ic properties of a hall *adj.* relating to sound or the sense of hearing
119. in_____on behind his decision *n.* something you want to do and are going to do
120. ac____ic guitar *adj.* relating to sound or the sense of hearing
121. pho_____ph memories *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
122. 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
123. a member of the Ac____y *n.* a school for special training; a type of official organization that aims to encourage and develop standards in its particular field
124. an emergency hea_____er *n.* the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
125. im_____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
126. su_____le amount *adj.* fit or appropriate; proper; adapted
127. a house with m_d cons *n.* a modification or alteration, typically one made to improve something or increase its functionality; a British teenager or young adult in the 1960s, noted for their clothes consciousness and opposition to the rockers

ANSWERS: 118. acoustic, 119. intention, 120. acoustic, 121. photograph, 122. liken, 123. academy, 124. headquarter, 125. improve, 126. suitable, 127. mod

128. de____e environmental quality *v.* to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
129. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
130. d_t blot method *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
131. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
132. mystical sig_____nce *n.* the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy
133. gets m_d easily *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
134. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
135. research on co_____ve psychology *adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding
136. inc_____lly discovered *adv.* by the way; as an aside or in passing
137. ann_____ent date *n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news

ANSWERS: 128. degrade, 129. debate, 130. dot, 131. vast, 132. significance, 133. mad, 134. unfortunately, 135. cognitive, 136. incidentally, 137. announcement

138. def_____ly become a problem *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
139. high imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
140. co_____us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
141. in_____le sound *adj.* unable to be heard clearly or loud enough to be heard
142. specialize in ac_____cs *n.* a branch of physics that deals with the study of mechanical waves in gases, liquids, and solids, including topics such as vibration, sound, ultrasound, and infrasound
143. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
144. br_____nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
145. ab___b a shock *v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
146. plenty of in_____or space *n.* the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
147. di_____se justice *v.* to distribute, allocate, or deliver something to the intended recipients
148. the th_____ld between rooms *n.* the floor or ground that forms the bottom of a doorway and offers support when passing through a doorway; the smallest detectable sensation
149. d__f child *adj.* lacking the ability to hear, or having impaired hearing; unresponsive or unaware of certain sounds or signals

ANSWERS: 138. definitely, 139. importance, 140. conscious, 141. inaudible, 142. acoustics, 143. conversation, 144. brilliant, 145. absorb, 146. interior, 147. dispense, 148. threshold, 149. deaf

150. h_y cube *n.* grass that has been cut and dried for use as animal feed or bedding; a stack or bale of this dried grass
151. p__p stick *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
152. org_____ion chart *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
153. mic_____ne cable *n.* a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder
154. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
155. tropical am_____ce *n.* the atmosphere or feeling that is created by a specific environment, usually physical or sensory; the mood or character of a particular place or setting
156. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
157. ex_____ve clubs *adj.* not divided or shared with others
158. co___r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
159. improve co_____ve function *adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding

ANSWERS: 150. hay, 151. prop, 152. organization, 153. microphone, 154. government, 155. ambience, 156. environment, 157. exclusive, 158. confer, 159. cognitive

160. visual int_____ity *n.* the quality or state of being intelligible or easily understood; clarity of expression or communication
161. bring fo__h a beautiful vase *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
162. at___m valve *n.* a central or main hall or open space in a building, typically with a skylight or large window, often serving as a gathering area or focal point; (of anatomy) a chamber or cavity within the heart or inner ear
163. re_____r approval ratings *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
164. life exp_____cy *n.* the anticipation, belief, or likelihood of something happening or occurring in the future; the state of expecting or looking forward to something
165. n__b with cold *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
166. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
167. first-aid tr_____nt *n.* the way in which someone deals with or behaves towards someone or something; medical care provided to a patient for an injury or illness.
168. 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

ANSWERS: 160. intelligibility, 161. forth, 162. atrium, 163. recover, 164. expectancy, 165. numb, 166. communicate, 167. treatment, 168. treasure

169. recent su___y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
170. a bacterial in_____on *n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body
171. di_____se with ceremony *v.* to distribute, allocate, or deliver something to the intended recipients
172. su___r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
173. ev_____te the water *v.* to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually
174. classic arc_____ure *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
175. noun ph___e *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
176. cause unb_____ble damage *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
177. low pro_____ve capacity *adj.* resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value
178. drinking co_____ons *n.* a person or an animal with whom you spend a lot of time, or you travel
179. ex_____ve authority *adj.* not divided or shared with others
180. clear in_____on *n.* something you want to do and are going to do

ANSWERS: 169. survey, 170. infection, 171. dispense, 172. suffer, 173. evaporate, 174. architecture, 175. phrase, 176. unbelievable, 177. productive, 178. companion, 179. exclusive, 180. intention

181. tr_____nt by diet *n.* the way in which someone deals with or behaves towards someone or something; medical care provided to a patient for an injury or illness.
182. a qu_____r mile *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
183. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
184. pro_____ity growth *n.* the state or quality of being productive; the rate at which a company or individual produces goods or services, often measured in terms of output per unit of input, such as labor, capital, or time
185. rev_____te in my head *v.* to be repeated several times as an echo
186. visual me_____or *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
187. old_____ned in appearance *adj.* of or relating to a time in the past; not modern
188. end of the first qu_____r *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
189. improved pro_____ity *n.* the state or quality of being productive; the rate at which a company or individual produces goods or services, often measured in terms of output per unit of input, such as labor, capital, or time

ANSWERS: 181. treatment, 182. quarter, 183. communicate, 184. productivity, 185. reverberate, 186. metaphor, 187. old-fashioned, 188. quarter, 189. productivity

190. gov_____nt bureaucracy	<i>n.</i> the group of people with authority to control a country or state
191. im_____e a process	<i>v.</i> to make or become better
192. a man of imp_____ce	<i>n.</i> the quality of being important and worthy of note
193. im____r my health	<i>v.</i> to damage something or make it weaker or worse
194. ar_____ct of the peace accord	<i>n.</i> a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
195. cr__y about cars and racing	<i>adj.</i> stupid or not sensible; very angry
196. tr_____rm an education system	<i>v.</i> to change in outward structure or looks;
197. sig_____nce level	<i>n.</i> the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy
198. es_____te a fair value	<i>v.</i> to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
199. in_____te in supply	<i>adj.</i> unlimited or very great; impossible to measure
200. imp_____ion on stage	<i>n.</i> the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
201. ma_____e stars	<i>adj.</i> enormous amount; very heavy and solid
202. arc_____ure design	<i>n.</i> the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
203. ma_____e amounts	<i>adj.</i> enormous amount; very heavy and solid

ANSWERS: 190. government, 191. improve, 192. importance, 193. impair, 194. architect, 195. crazy, 196. transform, 197. significance, 198. estimate, 199. infinite, 200. improvisation, 201. massive, 202. architecture, 203. massive

204. ab___b energy	<i>v.</i> to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
205. br_____n their horizon	<i>v.</i> to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.
206. co_____te environment	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to a large company
207. a criminal bac_____nd	<i>n.</i> the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
208. poor te_____rk	<i>n.</i> the combined action of a group of people working together towards a common goal
209. di__t identifier	<i>n.</i> one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe
210. rev_____te through the hall	<i>v.</i> to be repeated several times as an echo
211. no__y party	<i>adj.</i> making a lot of sounds, especially loud or disruptive sound
212. an in_____le asset	<i>adj.</i> impossible or nearly impossible to see
213. op_____ne occasion	<i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
214. an op_____ne remark	<i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
215. inc_____lly mentioned	<i>adv.</i> by the way; as an aside or in passing

ANSWERS: 204. absorb, 205. broaden, 206. corporate, 207. background, 208. teamwork, 209. digit, 210. reverberate, 211. noisy, 212. invisible, 213. opportune, 214. opportune, 215. incidentally

216. me____or for death *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
217. call fo__h demand *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
218. pho_____ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
219. in_____rt behavior *n.* a shy and reticent person
220. pop_____on change *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
221. de_____e his public image *v.* to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
222. f__e abroad *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
223. int_____ity test *n.* the quality or state of being intelligible or easily understood; clarity of expression or communication
224. built-in mic_____ne *n.* a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder

ANSWERS: 216. metaphor, 217. forth, 218. photograph, 219. introvert, 220. population, 221. degrade, 222. flee, 223. intelligibility, 224. microphone

225. the af____ed part *adj.* influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
226. pro____ve meeting *adj.* resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value
227. myo____al fibrosis *adj.* relating to the muscular tissue of the heart
228. in____or decoration *n.* the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
229. 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
230. a friendly con____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
231. im____r insulin sensitivity *v.* to damage something or make it weaker or worse
232. thousands of po__ds *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
233. economic th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

ANSWERS: 225. affected, 226. productive, 227. myocardial, 228. interior, 229. liken, 230. conversation, 231. impair, 232. pound, 233. threat

234. landscape ar_____ct

n. a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

ANSWERS: 234. architect

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred _____.
n. the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
2. 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
3. The _____ office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.
adj. of or relating to a large company
4. It would be _____ to dress nicely for the wedding.
adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
5. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
6. He drinks an _____ amount of beer.
adj. beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
7. He was ___ with joy to see the results.
adj. insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
8. The structure is _____ of three main components.
v. to write music, poetry, or formal writing; to constitute or make up a whole, or a specified part of it

ANSWERS: 1. pounds, 2. treasure, 3. corporate, 4. appropriate, 5. threat, 6. unbelievable, 7. mad, 8. composed

9. 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
10. The shark's powerful _____ allowed it to swim at high speeds.
- n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
11. I need to buy a new _____ for my landline phone.
- n.* a component of a telephone or communication device that is held or grasped by the hand and used to transmit and receive audio signals during a conversation, often includes a microphone and speaker
12. The _____ of his discovery cannot be overstated.
- n.* the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy
13. She increased her _____ by planning out her tasks for the day.
- n.* the state or quality of being productive; the rate at which a company or individual produces goods or services, often measured in terms of output per unit of input, such as labor, capital, or time
14. Time is critical when treating a myocardial _____.
- n.* the obstruction or blockage of blood flow to a specific area or organ, leading to tissue damage or death, commonly used to describe a myocardial infarction (heart attack)
15. The doctor carefully examined the _____ medical history.
- n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

ANSWERS: 9. chart, 10. fins, 11. handset, 12. significance, 13. productivity, 14. infarction, 15. patient's

16. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

17. We have finally lost our last _____.

n. a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

18. The wallpaper had a pattern of pink _____ on a white surface.

n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed

19. The carpenter applied _____ to the cabinet joints before nailing them together.

n. a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials

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

v. to build again or anew

21. The phenomenon is _____ at optical wavelengths.

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

22. The _____ of the restaurant was carefully curated to create a romantic atmosphere.

n. the atmosphere or feeling that is created by a specific environment, usually physical or sensory; the mood or character of a particular place or setting

23. My father's death _____ my life completely.

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

ANSWERS: 16. absolutely, 17. prop, 18. dots, 19. glue, 20. rebuild, 21. invisible, 22. ambience, 23. transformed

24. That _____ shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.
n. an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
25. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.
n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
26. The doctor explained the various _____ changes that occur during pregnancy.
adj. relating to the normal functioning of living organisms and their organs and systems; concerning the physical or biochemical processes and activities that occur within the body
27. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
28. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
29. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.
adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
30. 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

ANSWERS: 24. survey, 25. perspective, 26. physiological, 27. government, 28. relate, 29. brilliant, 30. productive,

31. Our CEO's _____ are always transparent and straightforward.
n. something you want to do and are going to do
32. I pushed _____ with my new project, even though it would take much hard work.
adv. forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
33. The concert reached 100 _____ causing many people to cover their ears.
n. (also "dB") a unit used to measure the intensity of sound or the comparative loudness of two sounds based on a logarithmic scale
34. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.
v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
35. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.
v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
36. The effects might _____ across the oceans in unexpected ways.
v. to be repeated several times as an echo
37. The building _____ tried to build the house above the tree.
n. a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
38. We must enter a six-_____ number to unlock the safe.
n. one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe

ANSWERS: 31. intentions, 32. forth, 33. decibels, 34. suffers, 35. threatening, 36. reverberate, 37. architect, 38. digit

39. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.
n. a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
40. He became _____ that he was being followed.
adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
41. The new CEO's primary mission is to _____ the company on the verge of bankruptcy.
v. to improve or renew an area, institution, system, etc., especially by making it more active or successful
42. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.
adv. by bad luck; unluckily
43. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.
adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
44. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.
adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
45. My father is _____ in his thinking.
adj. of or relating to a time in the past; not modern
46. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.
v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

ANSWERS: 39. debate, 40. conscious, 41. regenerate, 42. unfortunately, 43. modern, 44. vast, 45. old-fashioned, 46. confer

47. The interviewer asked him to speak into the _____.
- n.* a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder
48. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.
- n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
49. The _____ at the parking lot directed me to an available parking spot
- n.* a person who is employed to provide a service or perform tasks, often in a public place, such as a flight attendant, parking attendant, or hospital attendant
50. The dress was _____ for the formal occasion.
- adj.* fit or appropriate; proper; adapted
51. Harmonious _____ is essential to the success of this project.
- n.* the combined action of a group of people working together towards a common goal
52. The sponge _____ water well.
- v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
53. The company decided to move its _____ to New York City.
- n.* the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
54. The _____ student needed an interpreter to understand the lecture.
- adj.* lacking the ability to hear, or having impaired hearing; unresponsive or unaware of certain sounds or signals

ANSWERS: 47. microphone, 48. improvisation, 49. attendant, 50. suitable, 51. teamwork, 52. absorbs, 53. headquarters, 54. deaf

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

v. to make or become better

56. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of _____.

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

57. There is a high _____ for the new product to exceed sales targets.

n. the anticipation, belief, or likelihood of something happening or occurring in the future; the state of expecting or looking forward to something

58. We _____ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

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

59. We sat on a ___ bale and watched the sunset over the fields.

n. grass that has been cut and dried for use as animal feed or bedding; a stack or bale of this dried grass

60. He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front _____.

n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

61. Her new documentary earned her an _____ Award.

n. a school for special training; a type of official organization that aims to encourage and develop standards in its particular field

62. A thunderous boom _____ throughout the valley.

n. a sound heard after being reflected off a surface, such as a wall or a cliff

ANSWERS: 55. improve, 56. importance, 57. expectancy, 58. estimated, 59. hay, 60. row, 61. Academy, 62. echoed

63. The teacher emphasized the importance of clear enunciation to increase her students' speech _____.
- n.* the quality or state of being intelligible or easily understood; clarity of expression or communication
64. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the _____ release.
- n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
65. 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
66. My left arm became _____.
- adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
67. The city is known for its impressive _____ and beautiful old buildings.
- n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
68. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.
- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
69. She expressed her thought in an artful choice of _____.
- n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
70. I found an old _____ of my grandparents from their wedding day.
- n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

ANSWERS: 63. intelligibility, 64. app's, 65. communicate, 66. numb, 67. architecture, 68. conversation, 69. metaphors, 70. photograph

71. She is still _____ from a shot to her shoulder.

v. to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

72. The physicist specializes in _____.

n. a branch of physics that deals with the study of mechanical waves in gases, liquids, and solids, including topics such as vibration, sound, ultrasound, and infrasound

73. Her dog is her excellent _____.

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

74. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

75. The paper is _____ worth reading thoroughly.

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

76. The pharmacist started to _____ medication to patients.

v. to distribute, allocate, or deliver something to the intended recipients

77. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's _____.

n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

78. The construction outside was creating a _____ distraction from my work.

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

ANSWERS: 71. recovering, 72. acoustics, 73. companion, 74. crazy, 75. definitely, 76. dispense, 77. background, 78. noisy

79. Being an _____ is not a weakness, and it's just a different way of interacting with the world.
n. a shy and reticent person
80. The ____ for the video game added new features and improved gameplay.
n. a modification or alteration, typically one made to improve something or increase its functionality; a British teenager or young adult in the 1960s, noted for their clothes consciousness and opposition to the rockers
81. In just four years, the _____ has doubled.
n. the total number of people in a country, region, or location
82. 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
83. She had a master's degree in _____.
n. the scientific study of mind and behavior
84. The revitalization of technology companies is _____ to the country's growth.
adj. extremely vital or necessary
85. The battle had an _____ impact on the nation.
adj. unlimited or very great; impossible to measure
86. The physical examination revealed no abnormalities in the patient's _____ structure.
adj. relating to the muscular tissue of the heart

ANSWERS: 79. introvert, 80. mod, 81. population, 82. liken, 83. psychology, 84. crucial, 85. infinite, 86. myocardial

87. The painter focused on the moody _____ of abandoned buildings in his work.
n. the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
88. His class will cover an introduction to agricultural _____.
n. the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services
89. Only a small number of _____ utilities offer sanitation services.
adj. relating to or located in a town or city
90. The new president was _____ immediately after the national election.
v. to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
91. The _____ at the airport is where passengers catch their flights.
n. a building or place where buses, trains, or airplanes stop and where passengers or goods can be picked up or dropped off; (adjective) of or situated at the ends of a delivery route
92. Unfortunately, the radio _____ made it difficult to hear the broadcast.
n. the act or process of getting involved in and trying to influence a specific situation; the state of being affected and influenced with
93. The unemployment rate in the first _____ was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.
n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
94. _____ I know the answer to that question.
adv. by the way; as an aside or in passing

ANSWERS: 87. interiors, 88. economics, 89. urban, 90. installed, 91. terminal, 92. interference, 93. quarter, 94. Incidentally,

95. The speaker's voice was _____ over the background noise.

adj. unable to be heard clearly or loud enough to be heard

96. Her _____ accent made it difficult to take her seriously.

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

97. The accident made his vision _____.

v. to damage something or make it weaker or worse

98. She is the president of a large international _____.

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

99. The company _____ its product line to include more customer options.

v. to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.

100. The abacus is an ancient counting device that was used for _____ calculations.

n. the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division

101. We bought a Spanish _____ book.

n. a group of words that mean something specific when used together

102. The primary purpose of the _____ is pain relief.

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

ANSWERS: 95. inaudible, 96. affected, 97. impaired, 98. organization, 99. broadened, 100. arithmetic, 101. phrase, 102. treatment

103. Hospitals must meet various standards to prevent nosocomial _____.
- n.* a condition in which pathogenic microorganisms or viruses have entered the body
104. The office building had a beautiful _____ in the center, filled with natural light and plants.
- n.* a central or main hall or open space in a building, typically with a skylight or large window, often serving as a gathering area or focal point; (of anatomy) a chamber or cavity within the heart or inner ear
105. The condo offers _____ access to the beach.
- adj.* not divided or shared with others
106. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.
- adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
107. You should not _____ yourself by allowing them to use you.
- v.* to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
108. She's on the _____ of adulthood.
- n.* the floor or ground that forms the bottom of a doorway and offers support when passing through a doorway; the smallest detectable sensation
109. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
- adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
110. 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

ANSWERS: 103. infections, 104. atrium, 105. exclusive, 106. massive, 107. degrade, 108. threshold, 109. opportune, 110. environment

111. The sun will _____ the mist.

v. to turn a liquid into a gas; to become less intense and disappear gradually

112. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.

v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

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

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

114. He had painted the wood to _____ stone.

v. to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes

115. The ground acts as an _____ barrier against outside sounds.

adj. relating to sound or the sense of hearing

116. His _____ faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.

adj. of or relating to mental processes of understanding

117. The company made an _____ about its new product at a press conference.

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

ANSWERS: 111. evaporate, 112. flee, 113. unfair, 114. simulate, 115. acoustic, 116. cognitive, 117. announcement