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Session 1: Word List

singe

v. to burn something slightly or superficially, usually by mistake

synonym : sear, char, burn

(1) **singe** off the hair over the flames, (2) **singe** the edges of a fabric

I didn't realize the iron was still hot and **singed** my dress.

bless

v. to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify

synonym : sanctify, consecrate, hallow

(1) **bless** him in my heart, (2) **bless** you

The priest **blessed** the couple as they knelt before him.

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.

astronaut

n. a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere

synonym : spaceman, cosmonaut

(1) **astronaut** mission, (2) **astronaut** in training

The shuttle **astronaut** trained for months before embarking on the space mission.

laptop

n. a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap

(1) bring my **laptop**, (2) thin-and-light **laptop**

I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my **laptop** all day.

pager

n. a small electronic device used for sending and receiving short text messages, often used in hospitals or other professional settings

synonym : beeper, pager device

(1) **pager** beep, (2) wireless **pager** service

The company provides all employees with a digital **pager** for emergency purposes.

alarm

n. a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

synonym : notice, warning, panic

(1) give the **alarm**, (2) an **alarm** clock

The **alarm** announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.

asleep

adj. in a state of sleep

synonym : sleeping, fallen, at rest

(1) **asleep** at the wheel, (2) dead **asleep**

He lay down and fell **asleep** immediately.

couch

n. a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

synonym : sofa, settee, divan

(1) leather **couch**, (2) a **couch** potato

I love to relax on the **couch** and watch movies on the weekends.

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

tizzy *n.* a state of extreme agitation, excitement, or confusion; a frenzied or flustered condition
synonym: agitation, fuss, hysteria
(1) put the whole class in a **tizzy**, (2) get in a **tizzy**
The sudden change in plans threw him into a **tizzy**.

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.

particle *n.* a small piece of something; a word or piece of a term with grammatical function but little or no significance
synonym: atom, grain, bit
(1) charged **particle**, (2) **particle** energy
We can calculate the position of the **particles** statistically.

gravity *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
synonym: heaviness, attraction, weight
(1) the attraction of **gravity**, (2) preserve my **gravity**
The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of **gravity**.

leak *v.* to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container

synonym : outflow, divulge, disclose

(1) **leak** data, (2) **leak** a classified memo

He **leaked** serious accounting irregularities that only people in the company's executive could know.

freckle

n. a small, pigmented spot on the skin, typically of the face that is caused by exposure to sunlight

synonym : spot, speck, beauty mark

(1) tiny **freckle**, (2) **freckle** cream

I have a **freckle** on my nose that gets darker in the summertime.

trash

n. discarded material, refuse, or waste

synonym : garbage, waste, refuse

(1) **trash** bin, (2) **trash** disposal site

The city is taking measures to reduce the amount of **trash** in the streets.

nervous

adj. worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves

synonym : neural, anxious, uneasy

(1) development of the **nervous** system, (2) get **nervous**

He suffers from **nervous** breakdowns.

fumble

v. to handle something awkwardly; to make mistakes or errors in attempting something

synonym : botch, bumble, mishandle

(1) **fumble** about in a bag, (2) **fumble** a grounder

The receiver **fumbled** the ball, and the other team recovered it.

spill

v. to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident

synonym : slop, drop, scatter

(1) **spill** a bit of wine, (2) **spill** my heart

He was determined to **spill** everything.

peel

v. to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables

synonym : pare, unclothe, disrobe

(1) **peel** a fruit, (2) **peel** off easily

The storm had **peeled** all paint off the siding.

calculate

v. to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

synonym : compute, figure, estimate

(1) **calculate** the distance, (2) **calculate** his credit score

He couldn't **calculate** the actual value of the artwork.

galaxy

n. an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity

synonym : star cluster, nebula, star system

(1) elliptic **galaxy**, (2) a **galaxy** of famous actors

The Milky Way **galaxy** has numerous water-bearing planets.

rocket

n. a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon

synonym : projectile, missile

(1) **rocket** attack against the enemy, (2) **rocket** fuel

The **rocket** launch platform is visible from this hill.

launch

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

synonym : start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

electron

n. a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge

synonym : negatron

(1) flow of **electrons**, (2) beam of **electrons**

The outermost **electron** shell determines the chemical

properties of an atom.

erupt

v. (of a volcano) to become active and eject rocks, smoke, etc.; to start abruptly and violently

synonym: eject, emit, burst

(1) **erupt** in anger, (2) **erupt** into tears

Battles between whites and blacks **erupted** immediately.

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.

marathon

n. a long-distance race of 42.195 kilometers

synonym: endurance, race, event

(1) run a **marathon**, (2) watch a **marathon**

She successfully completed her first **marathon** with a personal best time.

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.

metal

n. a solid material that is typically hard, shiny, malleable, fusible, and ductile, with good electrical and thermal conductivity, and often used as a structural material, a conductor of heat or electricity, or for decorative purposes

synonym: alloy, metalloid

(1) **metal** fabrication, (2) precious **metal**

The construction worker used a **metal** saw to cut through the

stubborn sheet metal.

pulse

n. the regular heartbeat as it sends blood around the body, especially when it is felt at the wrist or side of the neck; a solid regular vibration of sound, electric current, light, or other waves

synonym : beat, vibration, throb

(1) a weak **pulse**, (2) **pulse** waves

The cardiac monitor displays the intensity of your **pulse**.

wrist

n. the joint between the hand and the forearm; the narrow part of the hand near this joint

synonym : carpus

(1) **wrist** bones, (2) glance at my **wrist** watch

He sprained his **wrist** while playing basketball.

coral

n. a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry

(1) **coral** island, (2) **coral** ornament

She is wearing a **coral** necklace.

reef

n. a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

(1) barrier **reef**, (2) coral **reefs**

The vessel ran aground on a **reef**.

plankton

n. tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed

(1) **plankton** blooms, (2) **plankton** community

Plankton is generally the foundation of the ocean food chain.

mast

n. a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails

(1) **mast** height, (2) built-up **mast**

The main cabin is located in front of the **mast**.

scuba

n. an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving

synonym: diving gear, underwater equipment

(1) **scuba** diving class, (2) **scuba** gear

The **scuba** divers explored the coral reefs to learn more about the ecosystem.

diver

n. a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey

synonym: plunger, frogman, loon

(1) professional **diver**, (2) deep-sea **diver**

The search and rescue team sent a team of **divers** to search for the missing plane wreckage.

glide

v. to move smoothly and effortlessly

synonym: slide, skim, coast

(1) **glide** through the water, (2) **glide** down the mountain

The eagle gracefully **glided** on the thermals, soaring above the mountains.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym: idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

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**.

literally

adv. in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively

synonym: actually, truly, verily

(1) translate **literally**, (2) bite his tongue **literally**

He **literally** jumped out of his chair when he heard the news.

limitation

n. a rule or act that restricts the scope of something
synonym : restriction, constraint, burden

(1) impose **limitation**, (2) **limitation** of exercise

Disability is a physical **limitation** to living everyday life.

gender

n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

synonym : sexuality

(1) **gender-blind** policies, (2) dual **gender**

Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

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.

movement

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

synonym : motion, progression, action

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

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

emperor

n. the male ruler of an empire

synonym : ruler, king, dictator

(1) **emperor** of Rome, (2) former **emperor**

The **Emperor** once lived in the vast palace.

tang

n. a strong, sharp taste or smell; a perceptible or distinctive flavor or aftertaste; a metallic ringing or sound

synonym : flavor, taste, zest

(1) metallic **tang**, (2) the **tang** of a lemon

The **tang** of the ocean breeze was refreshing on a hot summer day.

dynasty

n. a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

(1) **dynasty** of China, (2) during the Ming **dynasty**

During the Habsburg **dynasty**, colonization began.

typical

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

synonym: characteristic, usual, distinctive

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

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

princess

n. the daughter of a monarch; the wife or widow of a prince; woman or girl considered to be particularly good or admirable

synonym: royal, noble, queen

(1) crown **princess**, (2) a Royal **Princess**

The prince fell in love with the **princess** and asked her to marry him.

ballerina

n. a female ballet (= a type of performance dance that tells a dramatic story or expresses an idea with music but no talking or singing) dancer

synonym: dancer, danseuse

(1) classical **ballerina**, (2) famous **ballerina**

The **ballerina's** graceful movements were a joy to watch.

invention

n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

synonym: creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

combine

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group
synonym: coalesce, cohere, blend

- (1) **combine** chemically with another substance,
(2) **combine** augmented reality

Hydrogen and oxygen **combine** to form water.

profession

n. an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training

synonym: occupation, vocation, trade

- (1) **profession** choice, (2) healthcare **profession**

Being a doctor is considered a highly respected **profession**.

probable

adj. likely to happen or likely to be true

synonym: likely, possible, potential

- (1) **probable** outcome, (2) **probable** cause of a fire

It seems **probable** that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.

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.

scared

adj. afraid or frightened

synonym: frightened, fearful, dreading

- (1) **scared** all the time, (2) **scared** dog

I'm **scared** of insects.

norm

n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

synonym: criterion, mean, standard

- (1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

sink

- v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

synonym : descend, drop, plummet

- (1) **sink** a lot of capital, (2) **sink** a buzzer-beater

The abandoned ship slowly began to **sink** into the murky waters of the harbor.

realization

- n.* the act or process of understanding or becoming aware of something; the act of achieving or completing something that was planned or desired; the act of making something real or tangible

synonym : achievement, attainment, understanding

- (1) **realization** of a concept, (2) harsh **realization**

Her sudden **realization** of her mistake caused her great regret.

promenade

- n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern

synonym : stroll, walkway, boulevard

- (1) evening **promenade**, (2) **promenade** in the park

The boardwalk by the beach was a beautiful **promenade** for tourists and locals alike.

lens

- n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

synonym : glass

- (1) a convex **lens**, (2) a **lens** with a wide angle

The photographer took this photo using a telephoto **lens**.

obsess

v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

synonym: torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the fear

He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

imperfectly

adv. in a faulty or incomplete way

synonym: amiss, insufficiently, clumsily

(1) **imperfectly** developed, (2) **imperfectly** known disease

He created an **imperfectly** shaped torso.

craving

n. a strong desire of wanting something

synonym: desire, appetite, longing

(1) **craving** for revenge, (2) curb our **cravings**

I have a **craving** for nicotine.

jealousy

n. a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire

synonym: envy, covetousness, resentment

(1) **jealousy** feeling towards another person, (2) burn with **jealousy**

His **jealousy** of his brother's success caused a rift in their relationship.

transit

n. the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation

synonym: transportation, passage, transfer

(1) a **transit** visa, (2) mass **transit**

Public **transit** is an essential service for many cities.

property

n. a thing or things that belong to someone

synonym: belongings, possessions, equity

(1) a man of **property**, (2) chemical **property**

He stood to inherit a million-dollar **property**.

subway

n. an underground railway system, typically in a city
synonym: underground, metro, tube

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

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

obsession

n. the state in which a person's mind is filled with thoughts of one single object or particular person

synonym: compulsion, fixation, enthusiasm

(1) **obsession** with character, (2) national **obsession**

Gambling became an **obsession** for him, and he eventually lost everything.

poetry

n. poems in general as a genre of literature

synonym: ode, poesy, verse

(1) modern **poetry**, (2) book of **poetry**

Different cultures have different comfortable word rhythms, so the composition of **poetry** varies greatly.

nation

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

poet

n. a person who writes poetry

synonym: versifier, rhymer, writer

(1) a court **poet**, (2) a **poet** of sorts

She is a talented **poet** who has been recognized for her work.

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

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

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

poem

n. a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery

synonym: ballad, lyric, verse

(1) a narrative **poem**, (2) **poem** to the dead

A great **poem** is a fountain forever overflowing with the waters of wisdom and delight.

thrill

n. a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

synonym: exhilaration, delight, rush

(1) the **thrill** of speed, (2) incredible **thrill**

Skydiving is an overwhelming **thrill** for many people.

efficiency

n. the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money

synonym: effectiveness, efficacy, productivity

(1) better fuel **efficiency**, (2) an energy **efficiency**

Our company must continue to strive for greater **efficiency**.

discovery

n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

rewrite

v. to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information

synonym: revise, edit, rework

(1) **rewrite** a composition, (2) **rewrite** a world record

I need to **rewrite** most of the essay with feedback from my teacher.

essay

n. a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study

synonym: paper, commentary, report

(1) score the SAT **essays**, (2) thoughtful **essay**

The Chief editor checks all **essays** for plagiarism with software.

abandon

v. to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity

synonym: relinquish, leave behind, disregard

(1) **abandon** a friend, (2) **abandon** the practice

The castle was **abandoned** several years later.

terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym: unnerve, scare, horrify

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

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

imply

v. to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it

synonym: hint, indicate, denote

(1) **imply** a strong correlation, (2) **imply** the presence of alien

The salespeople speak in technical terms to **imply** that they are more knowledgeable than the customer.

edit

v. to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
synonym: revise, modify, adjust

(1) **edit** a history book, (2) **edit** a video

I need to **edit** this document before submitting it to my boss.

decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
synonym: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

obsessive

adj. relating to or characterized by an obsession or excessive interest in a particular thing or activity; tending to dwell on or repeat certain thoughts or behaviors
synonym: compulsive, fixated, besetting

(1) **obsessive-compulsive** disorder, (2) **obsessive** thoughts

Her **obsessive** behavior towards perfectionism often led to burnout.

navigate

v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
synonym: guide, helm, voyage

(1) **navigate** the Pacific, (2) **navigate** through a document

Our knowledge helps **navigate** our clients successfully.

puzzling

adj. confusing or difficult to understand; mysterious
synonym: baffling, confusing, enigmatic

(1) **puzzling** behavior, (2) **puzzling** questions

The detective found the clues **puzzling** and couldn't solve the case immediately.

revisit

v. to go to a place again, especially after a long period
synonym: reexplore, review, reexamine

(1) **revisit** a place, (2) **revisit** an old friend

We need to **revisit** this proposal as soon as the budget is more apparent than before.

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.

attempt

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

synonym: endeavor, effort, try

(1) the **attempt** to rescue the hostages, (2) a reckless **attempt**

The third **attempt** was far more successful.

contrast

v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
synonym: differ, vary, counterpoint

(1) **contrast** with a decade ago, (2) **contrast** two things

It's intriguing to compare and **contrast** the two authors.

saturate

v. to completely fill or soak something with a substance; to completely permeate or imbue something with a particular quality or element; to make something thoroughly absorbed

synonym: drench, soak, immerse

(1) **saturate** the market, (2) **saturate** the cloth with water

To enhance the flavor, the chef decided to **saturate** the meat with a flavorful marinade.

extended

adj. longer than usual or anticipated

synonym: extensive, prolonged, elongated

(1) **extended** vacation, (2) **extended** payment

The **extended** airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

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.

inhale

v. to breathe in air or a different substance, such as smoke

synonym: breathe in, take in, draw in

(1) **inhale** the smoke, (2) **inhale** the aroma

He **inhaled** deeply, trying to calm down.

chemical

adj. relating to or connected with chemistry;

synonym: chemic, synthetic

(1) toxic **chemicals**, (2) a **chemical** compound

The firm has grown into a large **chemical** manufacturing.

naval

adj. of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy

synonym: marine, seafaring, maritime

(1) **naval** battles, (2) **naval** base

The **naval** officer was responsible for the safety and well-being of the crew on his ship.

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.

sleeve

n. a part of a garment that covers all or part of an arm

synonym: arm covering, armband

(1) a wide **sleeve**, (2) **sleeve** length

He rolled up his **sleeves** to get ready to work.

roll *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
synonym: spin, swirl, wheel
(1) **roll** a ball, (2) **roll** down his cheeks
He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.

fist *n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist
synonym: clenched hand, knuckles, mitt
(1) tight **fist**, (2) raise a **fist**
The boxer clenched his **fist** before throwing a punch.

sailor *n.* a person who works on a ship or other seafaring vessel, often responsible for operating the ship and performing various duties onboard
synonym: seafarer, mariner, navigator
(1) **sailor** hat, (2) navy **sailor**
The experienced **sailor** calmly steered the ship through the rough waters.

crooked *adj.* not straight or aligned; bent or curved to one side; not honest or fair; characterized by deception, fraud, or wrongdoing; irregular, uneven, or jagged in shape or form
synonym: bent, curved, twisted
(1) **crooked** smile, (2) **crooked** line
The table leg was **crooked**, causing all the cups to slide to one side.

tuft *n.* a small cluster or clump of something, typically hair, grass, or feathers, that stands upright and apart from the surrounding material
synonym: clump, bunch, cluster

(1) capillary **tuft**, (2) **tuft** of grass

The **tuft** of hair on the cat's head stood straight in alarm.

smirk

v. to smile in a way that suggests one is pleased or amused by someone or something, often in a smug or self-satisfied manner

synonym: grin, sneer, simper

(1) **smirk** confidently, (2) **smirk** after playing a prank

He couldn't help but **smirk** when he heard her absurd excuse.

upside

n. the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something

synonym: advantage, benefit, top

(1) have no **upside**, (2) market **upside**

Many people see the **upside** of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.

snap

v. to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands

synonym: break, crack, fracture

(1) **snap** a whip, (2) **snap** judgment

She **snapped** a quick picture of the beautiful sunset before it disappeared.

eyelid

n. a thin fold of skin that covers and protects the human eye, which helps to keep the eye moist by spreading tears over the surface and prevents foreign objects from entering the eye

synonym: lid, palpebra, shield

(1) **eyelid** twitch, (2) drooping **eyelid**

Bright light can cause me to squint and strain my eyes, resulting in twitchy **eyelids**.

flap

n. a piece of material attached to a garment, sail, or aircraft which flaps in the wind; (verb) to move in a wavy pattern

or with an up-and-down motion

synonym : winged object, cover, (verb) flutter

(1) the **flap** of wings, (2) **flap** out a candle

The **flap** of the tent was open, letting in the fresh air.

affair

n. event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship

synonym : matter, incident, fling

(1) current **affairs**, (2) domestic **affairs**

Some critics say this exhibition will be a big **affair**.

slide

v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

synonym : glide, drift, drop

(1) **slide** a card across the table, (2) **slide** a glance

If necessary, you can **slide** the front seats forward.

frame

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

synonym : body, skeleton, scaffolding

(1) a picture **frame**, (2) the **frame** of the policy

The detective looked for fingerprints on the window **frame**.

bin

n. a container, usually that has a lid and used for waste

synonym : container, trunk, garbage can

(1) a waste **bin**, (2) mail **bin**

You can open the overhead **bin** after landing.

equip

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

synonym : prepare, furnish, provide

(1) **equip** an army, (2) **equip** our children with some special skills

The construction company **equipped** the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

magic

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

synonym : fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**

He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

hunt

v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit

synonym : chase, pursuit, quest

(1) **hunt** a job, (2) **hunt** after knowledge

Hounds **hunt** their prey by using their keen scent.

recognize

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

synonym : acknowledge, identify, admit

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

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

loft

n. a large, open space in an upper part of a building, typically under a roof; a raised platform or gallery in a building, which is used for storage or as a work or living space

synonym : attic, garret, upper chamber

(1) **loft** apartment, (2) warehouse **loft**

The artist's **loft** was filled with natural light and creative energy.

creak

v. to make a high-pitched, sharp, and screeching sound, especially made when you step on the door, floorboard, etc.,

synonym : squeak, scream, screech

(1) begin to **creak**, (2) shoes **creak**

The door **creaked** when I opened it slowly.

hallway

n. an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
synonym : foyer, corridor, entrance

(1) the head of a **hallway**, (2) wax a **hallway** floor
He dashed down a **hallway** to a bathroom.

ceiling

n. a room's top interior surface
synonym : canopy, awning, shelter

(1) **ceiling** board, (2) **ceiling** light
There was a crack in the **ceiling** that I found.

custom-made

adj. made to order or custom-designed for a particular customer or client, tailored to meet individual needs or specifications

synonym : custom-built, tailor-made, bespoke

(1) **custom-made** car, (2) **custom-made** furniture
The bride wore a **custom-made** dress that was designed to fit her perfectly.

stainless

adj. resistant to staining or discoloration; not affected or damaged by contact with dirt, water, or other substances; clean and hygienic

synonym : unblemished, immaculate, spotless

(1) **stainless** hardware, (2) **stainless** sink
The kitchen appliances were all **stainless** steel, making the space modern and sleek.

steel

n. a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure

synonym : iron

(1) magnetic **steel**, (2) **steel** beam
This bridge is the third largest **steel** bridge in the world.

enlarge

v. to make something bigger or larger; to become bigger or larger

synonym : broaden, increase, widen

(1) **enlarge** a photograph, (2) **enlarge** my experience

Please **enlarge** your new theory.

giant

adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

synonym : big, gigantic, huge

(1) **giant** trees, (2) **giant** tech company

The **giant** jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

crank

n. a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person

synonym : eccentric, oddball, kook

(1) **crank** handle, (2) **crank** caller

The fishing reel had a **crank** that made it easy to reel in the catch.

balanced

adj. taking all sides or opinions into account equally; being in a state of proper equilibrium

synonym : equitable, congruous, flat

(1) a **balanced** diet, (2) a well- **balanced** mind

We conducted a **balanced** assessment of intellectual and cultural history.

rack

n. a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish

synonym : shelf, stand, frame

(1) clothing **rack**, (2) spice **rack**

I need to buy a new coat **rack** to organize my winter jackets.

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.

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.

tip

n. the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services

synonym : edge, advice, gratuity

(1) the **tip** of a paintbrush, (2) give the waiter a **tip** .

I will introduce some **tips** on learning English in this class.

grayscale

adj. referring to an image, display, or visual representation that uses shades of gray, ranging from black to white, rather than colors; (noun) a range of gray shades from white to black, as used in a monochrome display or printout

synonym : monochrome, black-and-white, gray

(1) website in **grayscale**, (2) **grayscale** printing

The doctor examined the patient's X-rays and noticed a **grayscale** image indicating a bone fracture.

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.

balloon

n. a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated

synonym : aerostat, blimp, (verb) billow out

(1) **balloon** ride, (2) **balloon** into a severe political problem

The satellite **balloon** slowly ascended into the sky.

icing

n. a sweet, often sugary, mixture used to cover or decorate cakes, pastries, or desserts; a thin layer of ice formed on a surface, often caused by freezing rain or excessive condensation

synonym : frosting, glaze, topping

(1) smooth **icing**, (2) cake **icing**

My mom baked a delicious cake with chocolate **icing** for my birthday.

straight

adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

synonym : linear, honest, consecutive

(1) a **straight** line, (2) **straight** for two months

He was sick for five **straight** days.

bubble

n. a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses

synonym : blob, balloon, mania

(1) **bubble** in the champagne glass, (2) economic **bubble**

Many people worry that the current real estate market is a **bubble** that could burst soon.

gum

n. a soft, sticky substance that is chewed to freshen the breath or to clean the teeth; the flesh that surrounds the teeth in the mouth

synonym : mucilage, glue, alveolar arch

(1) bubble **gum**, (2) chewing **gum**

I always like having a pack of **gum** to freshen my breath.

cheek

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

synonym : jaw, mandible, malar

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

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

pigeon

n. a stout-bodied bird with a small head, short legs, and a short, cooing call, typically found in cities and domesticated for food

(1) a racing **pigeon**, (2) **pigeon** on the roof

The **pigeon** perched on the windowsill, pecking at the bread crumbs left for it.

pray

v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

synonym: implore, supplicate, entreat

(1) **pray** devoutly, (2) **pray** for rain

She closed her eyes and **prayed** for strength to overcome difficult times.

curl

v. to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles

synonym: coil, curve, spiral

(1) **curl** around street corners, (2) a **curl** of smoke

The cat **curled** into a ball and went to sleep.

tower

n. a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone

synonym: building, belfry, edifice

(1) a bell **tower**, (2) the **tower** on a cliff

She is a **tower** of strength for our team in trouble.

ash

n. the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation

synonym: cinder, soot, dust

(1) **ash** tree, (2) soda **ash**

The volcanic **ash** covered the island after the eruption.

backpack

n. a bag or pack that is worn on the back, often used for carrying books, equipment, or supplies

synonym : knapsack, rucksack, pack

(1) **backpacker's** hostel, (2) **backpacking** trip

I packed my **backpack** with all the necessary camping gear for our trip.

yell

v. to shout in a sudden and loud way

synonym : shout, scream, cry

(1) **yell** for help, (2) **yell** as loud as we can

When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and **yelled** at me.

mash

v. to crush or grind something into a soft, wet, pulpy mass; to talk or behave amorously, without serious intentions; (noun) a mixture of crushed malt grains and hot water

synonym : crush, grind, pulverize

(1) **mash** his words, (2) potato **mash**

She **mashed** the potatoes with a fork until they were smooth and creamy.

tack

n. a method of changing the course of a sailing vessel by turning the bow through the wind so that the wind switches from one side of the vessel to the other; a course of action or strategy, particularly in politics or business; (verb) to fasten or attach something, such as pinning or nailing an object in place

synonym : course, direction, approach

(1) change **tack**, (2) **tack** to the refrigerator door

I need to change the **tack** of the sailboat to avoid hitting the rocks.

thumbtack

n. a small, pointed pin used to fasten paper or other materials to a corkboard or other surface

synonym : pushpin, tack, pin

(1) **thumbtack** art, (2) put up the flyer with a **thumbtack**

She organized her to-do list on a bulletin board using multiple **thumbtacks**.

- 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.
- blink** *v.* to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way
synonym : twinkle, flash, flicker
(1) **blink** his eyes, (2) **blink** in astonishment
He **blinked** in the dazzling sunlight.
- ravage** *v.* to cause damage to something badly
synonym : devastate, ruin, destroy
(1) **ravage** a country, (2) **ravage** the brain
A large fire **ravaged** the forest.
- stride** *v.* to walk with long steps in a particular direction; (noun) an important and positive progress
synonym : step, walk, march
(1) **stride** across a room, (2) **stride** down a slope
She **strides** confidently across the stage to accept her award.
- margin** *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
synonym : edge, border, periphery
(1) **margin** error, (2) a profit **margin**
Unfortunately, the book's **margin** was too small to make notes.
- 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.

embrace

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as
in greeting or affection

synonym : grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**

The woods **embrace** the house.

Session 2: Spelling

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|----------------------------------|---|
| 1. ob_____on with character | <i>n.</i> the state in which a person's mind is filled with thoughts of one single object or particular person |
| 2. sl__e a card across the table | <i>v.</i> to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption |
| 3. si__e the edges of a fabric | <i>v.</i> to burn something slightly or superficially, usually by mistake |
| 4. evening pr_____de | <i>n.</i> a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern |
| 5. tr__h disposal site | <i>n.</i> discarded material, refuse, or waste |
| 6. soda a_h | <i>n.</i> the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation |
| 7. pr_____le outcome | <i>adj.</i> likely to happen or likely to be true |
| 8. la___h a big attack | <i>v.</i> to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time |
| 9. f__p out a candle | <i>n.</i> a piece of material attached to a garment, sail, or aircraft which flaps in the wind; (verb) to move in a wavy pattern or with an up-and-down motion |

ANSWERS: 1. obsession, 2. slide, 3. singe, 4. promenade, 5. trash, 6. ash, 7. probable, 8. launch, 9. flap

10. sc__a gear *n.* an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
11. sm__k confidently *v.* to smile in a way that suggests one is pleased or amused by someone or something, often in a smug or self-satisfied manner
12. get ne____s *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
13. an al__m clock *n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger
14. y__l as loud as we can *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
15. 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
16. in___e the aroma *v.* to breathe in air or a different substance, such as smoke
17. sa___r hat *n.* a person who works on a ship or other seafaring vessel, often responsible for operating the ship and performing various duties onboard
18. ob____ve-compulsive disorder *adj.* relating to or characterized by an obsession or excessive interest in a particular thing or activity; tending to dwell on or repeat certain thoughts or behaviors

ANSWERS: 10. scuba, 11. smirk, 12. nervous, 13. alarm, 14. yell, 15. develop, 16. inhale, 17. sailor, 18. obsessive

19. leather co__h *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
20. the th___l of speed *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
21. me__l fabrication *n.* a solid material that is typically hard, shiny, malleable, fusible, and ductile, with good electrical and thermal conductivity, and often used as a structural material, a conductor of heat or electricity, or for decorative purposes
22. as_____ut in training *n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere
23. p__l a fruit *v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
24. he is ob___sed with the fear *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
25. crown pr_____ss *n.* the daughter of a monarch; the wife or widow of a prince; woman or girl considered to be particularly good or admirable
26. ab_____n a friend *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
27. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

ANSWERS: 19. couch, 20. thrill, 21. metal, 22. astronaut, 23. peel, 24. obsess, 25. princess, 26. abandon, 27. nation

28. a con_____ly varying mind *adv.* all the time
29. national ob_____on *n.* the state in which a person's mind is filled with thoughts of one single object or particular person
30. coral r__fs *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface
31. connecting the d_ts *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
32. market up___e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
33. a co__h potato *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
34. lim_____on of exercise *n.* a rule or act that restricts the scope of something
35. pl_____on community *n.* tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed
36. the f__p of wings *n.* a piece of material attached to a garment, sail, or aircraft which flaps in the wind; (verb) to move in a wavy pattern or with an up-and-down motion
37. co_____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
38. re_____e a world record *v.* to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information
39. drooping ey___d *n.* a thin fold of skin that covers and protects the human eye, which helps to keep the eye moist by spreading tears over the surface and prevents foreign objects from entering the eye

ANSWERS: 28. constantly, 29. obsession, 30. reef, 31. dot, 32. upside, 33. couch, 34. limitation, 35. plankton, 36. flap, 37. combine, 38. rewrite, 39. eyelid

40. ma___n error *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
41. sp__l a bit of wine *v.* to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident
42. fu___e about in a bag *v.* to handle something awkwardly; to make mistakes or errors in attempting something
43. re____t an old friend *v.* to go to a place again, especially after a long period
44. sa____te the cloth with water *v.* to completely fill or soak something with a substance; to completely permeate or imbue something with a particular quality or element; to make something thoroughly absorbed
45. harsh rea_____on *n.* the act or process of understanding or becoming aware of something; the act of achieving or completing something that was planned or desired; the act of making something real or tangible
46. je____sy feeling towards another person *n.* a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
47. pa____le energy *n.* a small piece of something; a word or piece of a term with grammatical function but little or no significance
48. l__k a classified memo *v.* to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container

ANSWERS: 40. margin, 41. spill, 42. fumble, 43. revisit, 44. saturate, 45. realization, 46. jealousy, 47. particle, 48. leak

49. elliptic ga___y *n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity
50. th_____ck art *n.* a small, pointed pin used to fasten paper or other materials to a corkboard or other surface
51. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
52. a p__t of sorts *n.* a person who writes poetry
53. preserve my gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
54. navy sa____r *n.* a person who works on a ship or other seafaring vessel, often responsible for operating the ship and performing various duties onboard
55. former em_____r *n.* the male ruler of an empire
56. begin to cr__k *v.* to make a high-pitched, sharp, and screeching sound, especially made when you step on the door, floorboard, etc.,
57. ro___t attack against the enemy *n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very first by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
58. chemical pr_____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone

ANSWERS: 49. galaxy, 50. thumbtack, 51. straight, 52. poet, 53. gravity, 54. sailor, 55. emperor, 56. creak, 57. rocket, 58. property

59. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
60. c__l around street corners *v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
61. warehouse l__t *n.* a large, open space in an upper part of a building, typically under a roof; a raised platform or gallery in a building, which is used for storage or as a work or living space
62. a tr_____t visa *n.* the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation
63. the threats te_____y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
64. m__h his words *v.* to crush or grind something into a soft, wet, pulpy mass; to talk or behave amorously, without serious intentions; (noun) a mixture of crushed malt grains and hot water
65. st_____ss sink *adj.* resistant to staining or discoloration; not affected or damaged by contact with dirt, water, or other substances; clean and hygienic
66. co_____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
67. chewing g_m *n.* a soft, sticky substance that is chewed to freshen the breath or to clean the teeth; the flesh that surrounds the teeth in the mouth

ANSWERS: 59. movement, 60. curl, 61. loft, 62. transit, 63. terrify, 64. mash, 65. stainless, 66. concept, 67. gum

68. burn with je_____sy *n.* a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
69. l__k data *v.* to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container
70. 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
71. en_____e a photograph *v.* to make something bigger or larger; to become bigger or larger
72. have no up____e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
73. wax a ha_____y floor *n.* an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
74. 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
75. imp_____ly known disease *adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way
76. ch__k bone *n.* either side of the face below the eye and between the nose and the jaw
77. a Royal Pr_____ss *n.* the daughter of a monarch; the wife or widow of a prince; woman or girl considered to be particularly good or admirable
78. na__l battles *adj.* of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy

ANSWERS: 68. jealousy, 69. leak, 70. heaven, 71. enlarge, 72. upside, 73. hallway, 74. fin, 75. imperfectly, 76. cheek, 77. princess, 78. naval

79. st____e financially *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
80. as____p at the wheel *adj.* in a state of sleep
81. deep-sea di__r *n.* a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey
82. famous ba____na *n.* a female ballet (= a type of performance dance that tells a dramatic story or expresses an idea with music but no talking or singing) dancer
83. ba____n ride *n.* a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated
84. a ch____al compound *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
85. the t_p of a paintbrush *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
86. watch a ma____on *n.* a long-distance race of 42.195 kilometers
87. cr____d smile *adj.* not straight or aligned; bent or curved to one side; not honest or fair; characterized by deception, fraud, or wrongdoing; irregular, uneven, or jagged in shape or form
88. shoes cr__k *v.* to make a high-pitched, sharp, and screeching sound, especially made when you step on the door, floorboard, etc.,

ANSWERS: 79. stumble, 80. asleep, 81. diver, 82. ballerina, 83. balloon, 84. chemical, 85. tip, 86. marathon, 87. crooked, 88. creak

89. rapid transit su___y *n.* an underground railway system, typically in a city
90. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
91. incredible th___l *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
92. thin-and-light la___p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
93. gi__t trees *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
94. co_____st with a decade ago *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
95. flow of el_____ons *n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
96. im__y a strong correlation *v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
97. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
98. barrier r__f *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface
99. a reckless at_____t *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
100. eq__p an army *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

ANSWERS: 89. subway, 90. communal, 91. thrill, 92. laptop, 93. giant, 94. contrast, 95. electron, 96. imply, 97. invention, 98. reef, 99. attempt, 100. equip

101. wr__t bones *n.* the joint between the hand and the forearm; the narrow part of the hand near this joint
102. during the Ming dy____y *n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country
103. score the SAT es__ys *n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study
104. a civil en____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
105. mass tr____t *n.* the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation
106. co____st two things *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
107. domestic af____rs *n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship
108. co__l ornament *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
109. smooth ic__g *n.* a sweet, often sugary, mixture used to cover or decorate cakes, pastries, or desserts; a thin layer of ice formed on a surface, often caused by freezing rain or excessive condensation
110. a narrative p__m *n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery

ANSWERS: 101. wrist, 102. dynasty, 103. essay, 104. engineer, 105. transit, 106. contrast, 107. affair, 108. coral, 109. icing, 110. poem

111. bl__s him in my heart *v.* to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify
112. curb our cr____gs *n.* a strong desire of wanting something
113. the fr__e of the policy *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
114. d_t blot method *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
115. ob___s over her weight *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
116. imp_____ly developed *adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way
117. a racing pi___n *n.* a stout-bodied bird with a small head, short legs, and a short, cooing call, typically found in cities and domesticated for food
118. potato m__h *v.* to crush or grind something into a soft, wet, pulpy mass; to talk or behave amorously, without serious intentions; (noun) a mixture of crushed malt grains and hot water
119. not up to p_r *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
120. ro___t fuel *n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
121. em_____e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

ANSWERS: 111. bless, 112. craving, 113. frame, 114. dot, 115. obsess, 116. imperfectly, 117. pigeon, 118. mash, 119. par, 120. rocket, 121. embrace

122. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
123. a l__s with a wide angle *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
124. a man of pr_____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
125. s__k a buzzer-beater *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
126. pu_____ng questions *adj.* confusing or difficult to understand; mysterious
127. tiny fr_____e *n.* a small, pigmented spot on the skin, typically of the face that is caused by exposure to sunlight
128. 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
129. pr_____de in the park *n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern

ANSWERS: 122. participate, 123. lens, 124. property, 125. sink, 126. puzzling, 127. freckle, 128. develop, 129. promenade

130. get in a ti__y *n.* a state of extreme agitation, excitement, or confusion; a frenzied or flustered condition
131. ey___d twitch *n.* a thin fold of skin that covers and protects the human eye, which helps to keep the eye moist by spreading tears over the surface and prevents foreign objects from entering the eye
132. fairly ty_____l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
133. built-up m__t *n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails
134. tight f__t *n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist
135. t__t of grass *n.* a small cluster or clump of something, typically hair, grass, or feathers, that stands upright and apart from the surrounding material
136. ra___e a country *v.* to cause damage to something badly
137. pr_____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
138. ge___r-blind policies *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
139. st_____ss hardware *adj.* resistant to staining or discoloration; not affected or damaged by contact with dirt, water, or other substances; clean and hygienic

ANSWERS: 130. tizzy, 131. eyelid, 132. typical, 133. mast, 134. fist, 135. tuft, 136. ravage, 137. probable, 138. gender, 139. stainless

140. translate li_____ly
adv. in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
141. charged pa_____le
n. a small piece of something; a word or piece of a term with grammatical function but little or no significance
142. 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
143. cake ic__g
n. a sweet, often sugary, mixture used to cover or decorate cakes, pastries, or desserts; a thin layer of ice formed on a surface, often caused by freezing rain or excessive condensation
144. h__t of trouble
n. an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
145. a warm em_____e
v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
146. r__l a ball
v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
147. e__t a history book
v. to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
148. l__t apartment
n. a large, open space in an upper part of a building, typically under a roof; a raised platform or gallery in a building, which is used for storage or as a work or living space

ANSWERS: 140. literally, 141. particle, 142. photograph, 143. icing, 144. hint, 145. embrace, 146. roll, 147. edit, 148. loft

149. a court p__t *n.* a person who writes poetry
150. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
151. give the al__m *n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger
152. ce____g board *n.* a room's top interior surface
153. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
154. professional di__r *n.* a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey
155. ba_____cking trip *n.* a bag or pack that is worn on the back, often used for carrying books, equipment, or supplies
156. bl__s you *v.* to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify
157. give the waiter a t_p. *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
158. co__l island *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry

ANSWERS: 149. poet, 150. slide, 151. alarm, 152. ceiling, 153. discovery, 154. diver, 155. backpack, 156. bless, 157. tip, 158. coral

159. la___h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
160. sc___d all the time *adj.* afraid or frightened
161. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
162. sc___d dog *adj.* afraid or frightened
163. 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
164. cr_____g for revenge *n.* a strong desire of wanting something
165. s__p judgment *v.* to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands
166. ob_____ve thoughts *adj.* relating to or characterized by an obsession or excessive interest in a particular thing or activity; tending to dwell on or repeat certain thoughts or behaviors
167. the at_____t to rescue the hostages *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
168. better fuel eff_____cy *n.* the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money

ANSWERS: 159. launch, 160. scared, 161. engineer, 162. scared, 163. treasure, 164. craving, 165. snap, 166. obsessive, 167. attempt, 168. efficiency

169. pa__r beep *n.* a small electronic device used for sending and receiving short text messages, often used in hospitals or other professional settings
170. 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
171. the attraction of gr____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
172. fu___e a grounder *v.* to handle something awkwardly; to make mistakes or errors in attempting something
173. 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
174. above p_r performance *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
175. current af___rs *n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship
176. a weak pu__e *n.* the regular heartbeat as it sends blood around the body, especially when it is felt at the wrist or side of the neck; a solid regular vibration of sound, electric current, light, or other waves

ANSWERS: 169. pager, 170. metaphor, 171. gravity, 172. fumble, 173. heaven, 174. par, 175. affair, 176. pulse

177. ce____g light *n.* a room's top interior surface
178. cr__k caller *n.* a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person
179. na__l base *adj.* of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy
180. p__l off easily *v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
181. helpful h__ts *n.* an indirect suggestion; a slight but appreciable amount of something
182. a picture fr__e *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
183. ca_____te his credit score *v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics
184. im__y the presence of alien *v.* to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
185. st___e down a slope *v.* to walk with long steps in a particular direction; (noun) an important and positive progress
186. bite his tongue li_____ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
187. spice r__k *n.* a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish

ANSWERS: 177. ceiling, 178. crank, 179. naval, 180. peel, 181. hint, 182. frame, 183. calculate, 184. imply, 185. stride, 186. literally, 187. rack

188. raise a f__t *n.* a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist
189. st__l beam *n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure
190. beam of el_____ons *n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
191. ba_____n into a severe political problem *n.* a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated
192. learn new co_____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
193. healthcare pro_____on *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
194. put the whole class in a ti__y *n.* a state of extreme agitation, excitement, or confusion; a frenzied or flustered condition
195. h__t a job *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
196. precious me__l *n.* a solid material that is typically hard, shiny, malleable, fusible, and ductile, with good electrical and thermal conductivity, and often used as a structural material, a conductor of heat or electricity, or for decorative purposes

ANSWERS: 188. fist, 189. steel, 190. electron, 191. balloon, 192. concept, 193. profession, 194. tizzy, 195. hunt, 196. metal

197. dual ge___r *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
198. bl__k his eyes *v.* to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way
199. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
200. gl__e through the water *v.* to move smoothly and effortlessly
201. modern po___y *n.* poems in general as a genre of literature
202. h__t after knowledge *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
203. a wide sl___e *n.* a part of a garment that covers all or part of an arm
204. economic bu___e *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
205. a profit ma___n *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
206. re_____t a place *v.* to go to a place again, especially after a long period
207. pi___n on the roof *n.* a stout-bodied bird with a small head, short legs, and a short, cooing call, typically found in cities and domesticated for food

ANSWERS: 197. gender, 198. blink, 199. communal, 200. glide, 201. poetry, 202. hunt, 203. sleeve, 204. bubble, 205. margin, 206. revisit, 207. pigeon

208. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
209. 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
210. ab_____n the practice *v.* to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
211. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
212. p__y devoutly *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
213. a c__l of smoke *v.* to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
214. gets m_d easily *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
215. hollowed-out ch__k *n.* either side of the face below the eye and between the nose and the jaw
216. as_____ut mission *n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere
217. 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

ANSWERS: 208. nation, 209. tick, 210. abandon, 211. norm, 212. pray, 213. curl, 214. mad, 215. cheek, 216. astronaut, 217. metaphor

218. a waste b_n *n.* a container, usually that has a lid and used for waste
219. t__k to the refrigerator door *n.* a method of changing the course of a sailing vessel by turning the bow through the wind so that the wind switches from one side of the vessel to the other; a course of action or strategy, particularly in politics or business; (verb) to fasten or attach something, such as pinning or nailing an object in place
220. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
221. co_____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
222. toxic ch_____als *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
223. run a ma_____on *n.* a long-distance race of 42.195 kilometers
224. a well-ba_____ed mind *adj.* taking all sides or opinions into account equally; being in a state of proper equilibrium
225. gr_____le printing *adj.* referring to an image, display, or visual representation that uses shades of gray, ranging from black to white, rather than colors; (noun) a range of gray shades from white to black, as used in a monochrome display or printout
226. tr__h bin *n.* discarded material, refuse, or waste

ANSWERS: 218. bin, 219. tack, 220. magic, 221. combine, 222. chemical, 223. marathon, 224. balanced, 225. grayscale, 226. trash

227. bubble g_m *n.* a soft, sticky substance that is chewed to freshen the breath or to clean the teeth; the flesh that surrounds the teeth in the mouth
228. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
229. m__t height *n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails
230. in___e the smoke *v.* to breathe in air or a different substance, such as smoke
231. er__t into tears *v.* (of a volcano) to become active and eject rocks, smoke, etc.; to start abruptly and violently
232. re_____e a composition *v.* to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information
233. dy_____y of China *n.* a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country
234. ca_____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
235. bring my la___p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
236. s__k a lot of capital *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

ANSWERS: 227. gum, 228. decide, 229. mast, 230. inhale, 231. erupt, 232. rewrite, 233. dynasty, 234. capture, 235. laptop, 236. sink

237. na____te through a document *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
238. er__t in anger *v.* (of a volcano) to become active and eject rocks, smoke, etc.; to start abruptly and violently
239. en_____e my experience *v.* to make something bigger or larger; to become bigger or larger
240. su____y train *n.* an underground railway system, typically in a city
241. cr__k handle *n.* a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person
242. ba_____cker's hostel *n.* a bag or pack that is worn on the back, often used for carrying books, equipment, or supplies
243. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
244. cus_____de car *adj.* made to order or custom-designed for a particular customer or client, tailored to meet individual needs or specifications
245. pu__e waves *n.* the regular heartbeat as it sends blood around the body, especially when it is felt at the wrist or side of the neck; a solid regular vibration of sound, electric current, light, or other waves

ANSWERS: 237. navigate, 238. erupt, 239. enlarge, 240. subway, 241. crank, 242. backpack, 243. magic, 244. custom-made, 245. pulse

246. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
247. ex_____ed vacation *adj.* longer than usual or anticipated
248. magnetic st__l *n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure
249. pu_____ng behavior *adj.* confusing or difficult to understand; mysterious
250. bl__k in astonishment *v.* to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way
251. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
252. fr_____e cream *n.* a small, pigmented spot on the skin, typically of the face that is caused by exposure to sunlight
253. a st_____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
254. te_____y people *v.* to frighten someone very much
255. thoughtful es__y *n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study

ANSWERS: 246. discovery, 247. extended, 248. steel, 249. puzzling, 250. blink, 251. recognize, 252. freckle, 253. straight, 254. terrify, 255. essay

256. eq__p our children with some special skills *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
257. a convex l__s *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
258. mail b_n *n.* a container, usually that has a lid and used for waste
259. ex____ed payment *adj.* longer than usual or anticipated
260. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
261. y__l for help *v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
262. a bell to__r *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
263. back f_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
264. sl___e length *n.* a part of a garment that covers all or part of an arm
265. ra___e the brain *v.* to cause damage to something badly
266. sp__l my heart *v.* to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident

ANSWERS: 256. equip, 257. lens, 258. bin, 259. extended, 260. recognize, 261. yell, 262. tower, 263. fin, 264. sleeve, 265. ravage, 266. spill

267. em____r of Rome *n.* the male ruler of an empire
268. a circular mo____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
269. gi__t tech company *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
270. 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
271. na____te the Pacific *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
272. book of po____y *n.* poems in general as a genre of literature
273. si__e off the hair over the flames *v.* to burn something slightly or superficially, usually by mistake
274. bu____e in the champagne glass *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
275. par____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
276. a ba____ed diet *adj.* taking all sides or opinions into account equally; being in a state of proper equilibrium

ANSWERS: 267. emperor, 268. movement, 269. giant, 270. treasure, 271. navigate, 272. poetry, 273. singe, 274. bubble, 275. participate, 276. balanced

277. metallic t__g *n.* a strong, sharp taste or smell; a perceptible or distinctive flavor or aftertaste; a metallic ringing or sound
278. dead as ___p *adj.* in a state of sleep
279. classical ba _____na *n.* a female ballet (= a type of performance dance that tells a dramatic story or expresses an idea with music but no talking or singing) dancer
280. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
281. st___e across a room *v.* to walk with long steps in a particular direction; (noun) an important and positive progress
282. an energy eff _____cy *n.* the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money
283. pro _____on choice *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
284. e__t a video *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
285. sm__k after playing a prank *v.* to smile in a way that suggests one is pleased or amused by someone or something, often in a smug or self-satisfied manner
286. a ga___y of famous actors *n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity

ANSWERS: 277. tang, 278. asleep, 279. ballerina, 280. norm, 281. stride, 282. efficiency, 283. profession, 284. edit, 285. smirk, 286. galaxy

287. t__k fever *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
288. glance at my wr__t watch *n.* the joint between the hand and the forearm; the narrow part of the hand near this joint
289. r__l down his cheeks *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
290. st_____e through life *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
291. development of the ne_____s system *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
292. an app_____te time *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
293. p__y for rain *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
294. p__m to the dead *n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery
295. ca_____te the distance *v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics
296. ca_____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

ANSWERS: 287. tick, 288. wrist, 289. roll, 290. stumble, 291. nervous, 292. appropriate, 293. pray, 294. poem, 295. calculate, 296. capture

297. put up the flyer with a th_____ck *n.* a small, pointed pin used to fasten paper or other materials to a corkboard or other surface
298. cus_____de furniture *adj.* made to order or custom-designed for a particular customer or client, tailored to meet individual needs or specifications
299. 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
300. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
301. change t__k *n.* a method of changing the course of a sailing vessel by turning the bow through the wind so that the wind switches from one side of the vessel to the other; a course of action or strategy, particularly in politics or business; (verb) to fasten or attach something, such as pinning or nailing an object in place
302. a con_____ly innovative enterprise *adv.* all the time
303. app_____te behavior *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
304. ty_____l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
305. a_h tree *n.* the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation

ANSWERS: 297. thumbtack, 298. custom-made, 299. photograph, 300. invention, 301. tack, 302. constantly, 303. appropriate, 304. typical, 305. ash

306. a m_d person *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
307. wireless pa__r service *n.* a small electronic device used for sending and receiving short text messages, often used in hospitals or other professional settings
308. cr____d line *adj.* not straight or aligned; bent or curved to one side; not honest or fair; characterized by deception, fraud, or wrongdoing; irregular, uneven, or jagged in shape or form
309. capillary t__t *n.* a small cluster or clump of something, typically hair, grass, or feathers, that stands upright and apart from the surrounding material
310. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
311. sc__a diving class *n.* an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
312. the t__g of a lemon *n.* a strong, sharp taste or smell; a perceptible or distinctive flavor or aftertaste; a metallic ringing or sound
313. gl__e down the mountain *v.* to move smoothly and effortlessly
314. the to__r on a cliff *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
315. s__p a whip *v.* to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands

ANSWERS: 306. mad, 307. pager, 308. crooked, 309. tuft, 310. decide, 311. scuba, 312. tang, 313. glide, 314. tower, 315. snap

316. impose lim_____on *n.* a rule or act that restricts the scope of something
317. pl_____on blooms *n.* tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed
318. the head of a ha_____y *n.* an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
319. sa_____te the market *v.* to completely fill or soak something with a substance; to completely permeate or imbue something with a particular quality or element; to make something thoroughly absorbed
320. website in gr_____le *adj.* referring to an image, display, or visual representation that uses shades of gray, ranging from black to white, rather than colors; (noun) a range of gray shades from white to black, as used in a monochrome display or printout
321. rea_____on of a concept *n.* the act or process of understanding or becoming aware of something; the act of achieving or completing something that was planned or desired; the act of making something real or tangible
322. clothing r__k *n.* a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish

ANSWERS: 316. limitation, 317. plankton, 318. hallway, 319. saturate, 320. grayscale, 321. realization, 322. rack

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. It seems _____ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.
adj. likely to happen or likely to be true
2. She _____ over the tree root.
v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
3. He dashed down a _____ to a bathroom.
n. an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
4. I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my _____ all day.
n. a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
5. The artist's _____ was filled with natural light and creative energy.
n. a large, open space in an upper part of a building, typically under a roof; a raised platform or gallery in a building, which is used for storage or as a work or living space
6. The mobile application industry is _____ changing.
adv. all the time
7. I need to _____ this document before submitting it to my boss.
v. to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
8. He stood to inherit a million-dollar _____.
n. a thing or things that belong to someone

ANSWERS: 1. probable, 2. stumbled, 3. hallway, 4. laptop, 5. loft, 6. constantly, 7. edit, 8. property

9. He _____ deeply, trying to calm down.
- v. to breathe in air or a different substance, such as smoke
10. The _____ of the tent was open, letting in the fresh air.
- n. a piece of material attached to a garment, sail, or aircraft which flaps in the wind; (verb) to move in a wavy pattern or with an up-and-down motion
11. Hounds _____ their prey by using their keen scent.
- v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
12. The prince fell in love with the _____ and asked her to marry him.
- n. the daughter of a monarch; the wife or widow of a prince; woman or girl considered to be particularly good or admirable
13. Skydiving is an overwhelming _____ for many people.
- n. a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
14. The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of _____.
- n. the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
15. The boxer clenched his _____ before throwing a punch.
- n. a hand with the fingers clenched tightly into the palm to form a hard rounded shape; an act of striking someone or something with the fist
16. She closed her eyes and _____ for strength to overcome difficult times.
- v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

ANSWERS: 9. inhaled, 10. flap, 11. hunt, 12. princess, 13. thrill, 14. gravity, 15. fist, 16. prayed

17. The wallpaper had a pattern of pink _____ on a white surface.
n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
18. A large fire _____ the forest.
v. to cause damage to something badly
19. She is a _____ of strength for our team in trouble.
n. a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
20. I didn't realize the iron was still hot and _____ my dress.
v. to burn something slightly or superficially, usually by mistake
21. I have a _____ on my nose that gets darker in the summertime.
n. a small, pigmented spot on the skin, typically of the face that is caused by exposure to sunlight
22. The third _____ was far more successful.
n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
23. Disability is a physical _____ to living everyday life.
n. a rule or act that restricts the scope of something
24. She is wearing a _____ necklace.
n. a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
25. He rolled up his _____ to get ready to work.
n. a part of a garment that covers all or part of an arm

ANSWERS: 17. dots, 18. ravaged, 19. tower, 20. singed, 21. freckle, 22. attempt, 23. limitation, 24. coral, 25. sleeves

26. 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
27. The kitchen appliances were all _____ steel, making the space modern and sleek.
- adj.* resistant to staining or discoloration; not affected or damaged by contact with dirt, water, or other substances; clean and hygienic
28. Unfortunately, the book's _____ was too small to make notes.
- n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
29. Shares in the company finally fell below their _____ value.
- n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
30. The _____ announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.
- n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger
31. Our knowledge helps _____ our clients successfully.
- v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
32. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.
- n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
33. The construction worker used a _____ saw to cut through the stubborn sheet metal.
- n.* a solid material that is typically hard, shiny, malleable, fusible, and ductile, with good electrical and thermal conductivity, and often used as a structural material, a conductor of heat or electricity, or for decorative purposes

ANSWERS: 26. capture, 27. stainless, 28. margin, 29. par, 30. alarm, 31. navigate, 32. magic, 33. metal

34. The company provides all employees with a digital _____ for emergency purposes.
- n.* a small electronic device used for sending and receiving short text messages, often used in hospitals or other professional settings
35. You can open the overhead ____ after landing.
- n.* a container, usually that has a lid and used for waste
36. The vessel ran aground on a _____.
- n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface
37. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
- n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
38. Our company must continue to strive for greater _____.
- n.* the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money
39. 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
40. 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
41. I always like having a pack of ____ to freshen my breath.
- n.* a soft, sticky substance that is chewed to freshen the breath or to clean the teeth; the flesh that surrounds the teeth in the mouth

ANSWERS: 34. pager, 35. bin, 36. reef, 37. norms, 38. efficiency, 39. develop, 40. heaven, 41. gum

42. I'm _____ of insects.

adj. afraid or frightened

43. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.

v. to take part in something

44. Different cultures have different comfortable word rhythms, so the composition of _____ varies greatly.

n. poems in general as a genre of literature

45. The detective found the clues _____ and couldn't solve the case immediately.

adj. confusing or difficult to understand; mysterious

46. Cultural norms strongly influence _____ expectations.

n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

47. The search and rescue team sent a team of _____ to search for the missing plane wreckage.

n. a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey

48. A great _____ is a fountain forever overflowing with the waters of wisdom and delight.

n. a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery

ANSWERS: 42. scared, 43. participated, 44. poetry, 45. puzzling, 46. gender, 47. divers, 48. poem

49. We need to _____ this proposal as soon as the budget is more apparent than before.

v. to go to a place again, especially after a long period

50. This artwork is _____ of her work.

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

51. The Milky Way _____ has numerous water-bearing planets.

n. an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity

52. The construction company _____ the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

53. We conducted a _____ assessment of intellectual and cultural history.

adj. taking all sides or opinions into account equally; being in a state of proper equilibrium

54. The satellite _____ slowly ascended into the sky.

n. a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated

55. During the Habsburg _____ colonization began.

n. a sequence of influential leaders who are all from the same family or a period when they rule a country

56. She organized her to-do list on a bulletin board using multiple _____.

n. a small, pointed pin used to fasten paper or other materials to a corkboard or other surface

ANSWERS: 49. revisit, 50. typical, 51. galaxy, 52. equipped, 53. balanced, 54. balloon, 55. dynasty, 56. thumbtacks

57. The doctor examined the patient's X-rays and noticed a _____ image indicating a bone fracture.

adj. referring to an image, display, or visual representation that uses shades of gray, ranging from black to white, rather than colors; (noun) a range of gray shades from white to black, as used in a monochrome display or printout

58. He sprained his _____ while playing basketball.

n. the joint between the hand and the forearm; the narrow part of the hand near this joint

59. There was a crack in the _____ that I found.

n. a room's top interior surface

60. The _____ airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

adj. longer than usual or anticipated

61. He took the _____ to work every day to avoid traffic congestion.

n. an underground railway system, typically in a city

62. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

63. Her _____ behavior towards perfectionism often led to burnout.

adj. relating to or characterized by an obsession or excessive interest in a particular thing or activity; tending to dwell on or repeat certain thoughts or behaviors

64. Battles between whites and blacks _____ immediately.

v. (of a volcano) to become active and eject rocks, smoke, etc.; to start abruptly and violently

ANSWERS: 57. grayscale, 58. wrist, 59. ceiling, 60. extended, 61. subway, 62. decide, 63. obsessive, 64. erupted

65. Bright light can cause me to squint and strain my eyes, resulting in twitchy _____.

- n.* a thin fold of skin that covers and protects the human eye, which helps to keep the eye moist by spreading tears over the surface and prevents foreign objects from entering the eye

66. Necessity is the mother of _____.

- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

67. He created an _____ shaped torso.

- adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way

68. This bridge is the third largest _____ bridge in the world.

- n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure

69. He _____ jumped out of his chair when he heard the news.

- adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively

70. The door _____ when I opened it slowly.

- v.* to make a high-pitched, sharp, and screeching sound, especially made when you step on the door, floorboard, etc.,

71. The _____ of hair on the cat's head stood straight in alarm.

- n.* a small cluster or clump of something, typically hair, grass, or feathers, that stands upright and apart from the surrounding material

72. The shuttle _____ trained for months before embarking on the space mission.

- n.* a person trained by a space agency to travel outside the Earth's atmosphere

ANSWERS: 65. eyelids, 66. invention, 67. imperfectly, 68. steel, 69. literally, 70. creaked, 71. tuft, 72. astronaut

73. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.
- v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
74. She _____ confidently across the stage to accept her award.
- v.* to walk with long steps in a particular direction; (noun) an important and positive progress
75. I packed my _____ with all the necessary camping gear for our trip.
- n.* a bag or pack that is worn on the back, often used for carrying books, equipment, or supplies
76. 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
77. Some critics say this exhibition will be a big _____.
- n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship
78. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
- n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
79. He was _____ with joy to see the results.
- adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
80. The sudden change in plans threw him into a _____.
- n.* a state of extreme agitation, excitement, or confusion; a frenzied or flustered condition

ANSWERS: 73. recognize, 74. strides, 75. backpack, 76. tick, 77. affair, 78. movement, 79. mad, 80. tizzy

81. The _____ once lived in the vast palace.

n. the male ruler of an empire

82. She is a talented _____ who has been recognized for her work.

n. a person who writes poetry

83. The _____ officer was responsible for the safety and well-being of the crew on his ship.

adj. of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy

84. The _____ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

85. Being a doctor is considered a highly respected _____.

n. an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training

86. The volcanic _____ covered the island after the eruption.

n. the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation

87. I need to buy a new coat _____ to organize my winter jackets.

n. a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish

88. He was exhausted and _____ into bed as soon as he got home.

v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

ANSWERS: 81. Emperor, 82. poet, 83. naval, 84. giant, 85. profession, 86. ash, 87. rack, 88. rolled

89. She successfully completed her first _____ with a personal best time.
n. a long-distance race of 42.195 kilometers
90. He suffers from _____ breakdowns.
adj. worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
91. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.
n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract
92. _____ is generally the foundation of the ocean food chain.
n. tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed
93. His _____ of his brother's success caused a rift in their relationship.
n. a feeling of resentment or bitterness towards someone because they have something that you desire
94. Public _____ is an essential service for many cities.
n. the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation
95. It's intriguing to compare and _____ the two authors.
v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
96. The castle was _____ several years later.
v. to leave a place, thing, or person with no intention of returning; (noun) a feeling of extreme emotional intensity
97. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.
n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

ANSWERS: 89. marathon, 90. nervous, 91. concept, 92. Plankton, 93. jealousy, 94. transit, 95. contrast, 96. abandoned, 97. engineer

98. The experienced _____ calmly steered the ship through the rough waters.

- n.* a person who works on a ship or other seafaring vessel, often responsible for operating the ship and performing various duties onboard

99. He was sick for five _____ days.

- adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

100. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.

- v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

101. It would be _____ to dress nicely for the wedding.

- adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

102. Please _____ your new theory.

- v.* to make something bigger or larger; to become bigger or larger

103. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.

- v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

104. The _____ launch platform is visible from this hill.

- n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon

105. To enhance the flavor, the chef decided to _____ the meat with a flavorful marinade.

- v.* to completely fill or soak something with a substance; to completely permeate or imbue something with a particular quality or element; to make something thoroughly absorbed

ANSWERS: 98. sailor, 99. straight, 100. slide, 101. appropriate, 102. enlarge, 103. launch, 104. rocket, 105. saturate

106. The _____ perched on the windowsill, pecking at the bread crumbs left for it.
n. a stout-bodied bird with a small head, short legs, and a short, cooing call, typically found in cities and domesticated for food
107. The salespeople speak in technical terms to _____ that they are more knowledgeable than the customer.
v. to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
108. He was determined to _____ everything.
v. to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident
109. He couldn't _____ the actual value of the artwork.
v. to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics
110. The _____ divers explored the coral reefs to learn more about the ecosystem.
n. an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
111. She _____ a quick picture of the beautiful sunset before it disappeared.
v. to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands
112. He lay down and fell _____ immediately.
adj. in a state of sleep
113. Many people worry that the current real estate market is a _____ that could burst soon.
n. a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses

ANSWERS: 106. pigeon, 107. imply, 108. spill, 109. calculate, 110. scuba, 111. snapped, 112. asleep, 113. bubble

114. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.

v. to frighten someone very much

115. 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

116. Her sudden _____ of her mistake caused her great regret.

n. the act or process of understanding or becoming aware of something; the act of achieving or completing something that was planned or desired; the act of making something real or tangible

117. I have a _____ for nicotine.

n. a strong desire of wanting something

118. We can calculate the position of the _____ statistically.

n. a small piece of something; a word or piece of a term with grammatical function but little or no significance

119. I love to relax on the _____ and watch movies on the weekends.

n. a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

120. The abandoned ship slowly began to _____ into the murky waters of the harbor.

v. to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

121. The _____ of the ocean breeze was refreshing on a hot summer day.

n. a strong, sharp taste or smell; a perceptible or distinctive flavor or aftertaste; a metallic ringing or sound

ANSWERS: 114. terrify, 115. photograph, 116. realization, 117. craving, 118. particles, 119. couch, 120. sink, 121. tang

122. The receiver _____ the ball, and the other team recovered it.
v. to handle something awkwardly; to make mistakes or errors in attempting something
123. 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
124. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
125. She _____ the potatoes with a fork until they were smooth and creamy.
v. to crush or grind something into a soft, wet, pulpy mass; to talk or behave amorously, without serious intentions; (noun) a mixture of crushed malt grains and hot water
126. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
127. The main cabin is located in front of the _____.
n. a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails
128. The city is taking measures to reduce the amount of _____ in the streets.
n. discarded material, refuse, or waste
129. The fishing reel had a _____ that made it easy to reel in the catch.
n. a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person

ANSWERS: 122. fumbled, 123. metaphors, 124. nation, 125. mashed, 126. Communal, 127. mast, 128. trash, 129. crank

130. The storm had _____ all paint off the siding.

v. to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables

131. The boardwalk by the beach was a beautiful _____ for tourists and locals alike.

n. a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern

132. The photographer took this photo using a telephoto _____.

n. a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

133. He couldn't help but _____ when he heard her absurd excuse.

v. to smile in a way that suggests one is pleased or amused by someone or something, often in a smug or self-satisfied manner

134. The bride wore a _____ dress that was designed to fit her perfectly.

adj. made to order or custom-designed for a particular customer or client, tailored to meet individual needs or specifications

135. He _____ serious accounting irregularities that only people in the company's executive could know.

v. to allow liquid or gas to get in or out from a hole or crack in a pipe or container

136. The woods _____ the house.

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

ANSWERS: 130. peeled, 131. promenade, 132. lens, 133. smirk, 134. custom-made, 135. leaked, 136. embrace

137. I need to _____ most of the essay with feedback from my teacher.
- v.* to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information
138. When I asked my father for more money, he became furious and _____ at me.
- v.* to shout in a sudden and loud way
139. He's utterly _____ with his promotion.
- v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
140. The outermost _____ shell determines the chemical properties of an atom.
- n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
141. Many people see the _____ of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.
- n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
142. The cardiac monitor displays the intensity of your _____.
- n.* the regular heartbeat as it sends blood around the body, especially when it is felt at the wrist or side of the neck; a solid regular vibration of sound, electric current, light, or other waves
143. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.
- v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
144. I will introduce some _____ on learning English in this class.
- n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services

ANSWERS: 137. rewrite, 138. yelled, 139. obsessed, 140. electron, 141. upside, 142. pulse, 143. combine, 144. tips

145. The firm has grown into a large _____ manufacturing.
adj. relating to or connected with chemistry;
146. 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
147. The eagle gracefully _____ on the thermals, soaring above the mountains.
v. to move smoothly and effortlessly
148. Gambling became an _____ for him, and he eventually lost everything.
n. the state in which a person's mind is filled with thoughts of one single object or particular person
149. The table leg was _____ causing all the cups to slide to one side.
adj. not straight or aligned; bent or curved to one side; not honest or fair; characterized by deception, fraud, or wrongdoing; irregular, uneven, or jagged in shape or form
150. The _____ graceful movements were a joy to watch.
n. a female ballet (= a type of performance dance that tells a dramatic story or expresses an idea with music but no talking or singing) dancer
151. The cat _____ into a ball and went to sleep.
v. to form or make something form into a curved or spiral shape; (noun) a round shape formed by a series of concentric circles
152. I need to change the _____ of the sailboat to avoid hitting the rocks.
n. a method of changing the course of a sailing vessel by turning the bow through the wind so that the wind switches from one side of the vessel to the other; a course of action or strategy, particularly in politics or business; (verb) to fasten or attach something, such as pinning or nailing an object in place

ANSWERS: 145. chemical, 146. fins, 147. glided, 148. obsession, 149. crooked, 150. ballerina's, 151. curled, 152. tack

153. The detective looked for fingerprints on the window _____.

- n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

154. The priest _____ the couple as they knelt before him.

- v.* to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify

155. 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

156. He _____ in the dazzling sunlight.

- v.* to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way

157. There was no _____ of a problem.

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

158. The Chief editor checks all _____ for plagiarism with software.

- n.* a short piece of writing on a particular topic, usually written by a student as a part of a course of study

159. My mom baked a delicious cake with chocolate _____ for my birthday.

- n.* a sweet, often sugary, mixture used to cover or decorate cakes, pastries, or desserts; a thin layer of ice formed on a surface, often caused by freezing rain or excessive condensation

160. Her research team made an important _____.

- n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 153. frame, 154. blessed, 155. treasure, 156. blinked, 157. hint, 158. essays, 159. icing, 160. discovery

161. He gently touched her apple-red _____ and whispered that he loved her.

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

ANSWERS: 161. cheek