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Session 1: Word List

skip

v. to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

synonym : bounce, spring, neglect

(1) **skip** across the country, (2) **skip** breakfast

We **skipped** the topic because it was too complicated.

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.

paradoxical

adj. seemingly contradictory or absurd because of having two opposite features or facts, though it is probably true

synonym : contradictory, conflicting, perplexing

(1) a **paradoxical** anecdote, (2) apparently **paradoxical** it is **paradoxical** that the French, who prefer animal foods, live longer than people in other countries.

reaction

n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more

substances are changed into others

synonym : response, reply, answer

(1) chemical **reaction**, (2) trigger a **reaction**

There was a chemical **reaction** of the lime with the groundwater.

delight

n. a feeling of great pleasure or happiness

synonym : pleasure, joy, satisfaction

(1) a tremor of **delight**, (2) with **delight**

The **delight** on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.

invitation

n. a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something

synonym : request, asking, proposal

(1) a letter of **invitation**, (2) **invitation** of foreign investment

I will be very happy to accept your **invitation**.

compose

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

synonym : compile, constitute, build

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

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

presumably

adv. believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof

synonym : likely, seemingly, supposedly

(1) **presumably** accurate, (2) **presumably** refuse the offer

The witness's testimony was **presumably** based on what he had seen and heard.

appeal

n. a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest

synonym : request, charm, attraction

(1) draw out your **appeal**, (2) an **appeal** for help
He needed to resolve the problem as soon as possible, so he made an **appeal** directly.

abundant

adj. present in great quantity
synonym: ample, plentiful, generative

(1) live an **abundant** life, (2) an **abundant** supply of water
The country has **abundant** oil and natural gas resources.

narcissist

n. a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements
synonym: egotist, boaster, braggart

(1) relationship with a **narcissist**, (2) somatic **narcissist**
He thinks she is a high **narcissist** because she always talks about herself and her accomplishments.

dilemma

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

(1) chicken-and-egg **dilemma**, (2) be in a **dilemma**
The choice between bureaucracy and adocracy represents a common **dilemma**.

bore

v. to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources
synonym: bear, tire, weary

(1) **bore** diameter, (2) **bore** him with his stories
The lecture on quantum physics **bored** me to tears.

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.

boredom

n. a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation

synonym: ennui, tedium, monotony

(1) **boredom** relief, (2) chronic **boredom**

The long lecture on a topic I already knew left me struggling to fight off **boredom**.

presentation

n. the act of formally introducing or displaying something to others; the manner in which something is presented or given visually, verbally, or otherwise

synonym: exhibition, display, speech

(1) **presentation** skills, (2) **presentation** slides

She gave a fantastic **presentation** at the conference and received a standing ovation.

catalyst

n. a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself

synonym: accelerator, stimulant, motivation

(1) a **catalyst** in the process of hydrolysis, (2) **catalyst** for reform

The global financial crisis acted as a **catalyst** to unite the country.

creative

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

synonym: imaginative, innovative, inventive

(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit

All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.

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**.

fundamental

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

synonym: basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

discipline

n. the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence

synonym: training, restraint, field

(1) break **discipline**, (2) rigid **discipline**

He quickly learned the military **discipline**.

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym: custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

definition

n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

synonym: description, connotation, meaning

(1) a precise **definition**, (2) the **definition** of a word

Parallel lines are, by **definition**, lines on the same plane that never cross.

excerpt

v. to take a short piece of speech, book, film, etc. from a longer whole; (noun) a short extract from a speech, book, film, etc.

synonym : extract, take out, quote

(1) **excerpt** a passage from a book, (2) **excerpt** comments from the news release

Here are **excerpts** from several recent books on quantum computing.

function

n. the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

synonym : purpose, mapping, job

(1) **function** properly, (2) immune **function**

The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's **function**.

interpreter

n. a person who translates spoken or written language from one language to another

synonym : translator, interpreter, mediator

(1) **interpreter** for the hard of hearing, (2) sign language **interpreter**

She worked as an **interpreter** at the United Nations.

rhetoric

n. speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form

synonym : oratory, eloquence, persuasion

(1) the **rhetoric** of a debate, (2) high-flown **rhetoric**

He was known for his powerful **rhetoric** and ability to persuade people with his words.

concede

v. to acknowledge or admit the truth or existence of something often reluctantly

synonym : admit, acknowledge, allow

(1) **concede** a territory, (2) **concede** a point

He had to **concede** defeat after losing the game.

brain

n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

synonym : intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage

X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

refrain

v. to avoid or stop doing something; to hold oneself back from an action

synonym : abstain, desist, forgo

(1) **refrain** from alcohol, (2) **refrain** from religious activity

He **refrained** from commenting on the controversial topic.

boring

adj. lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull

synonym : dull, tedious, monotonous

(1) **boring** work, (2) **boring** day

The lecture was so **boring** that many people fell asleep.

hush

v. to make or become silent, especially by urging or persuading others to be quiet or by speaking softly or gently; to keep something secret or confidential

synonym : clam up, quieten, settle down

(1) **hush** for a while, (2) **hush** up a case

Please **hush** your voice so that the baby can sleep.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym : alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power

My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

personalize

v. to make something or an experience specific to an individual or group, often through adding personal details or tailoring it to their preferences or needs; to add personal details or information to something

synonym : customize, individualize, tailor

(1) **personalize** social media profile, (2) **personalize** my workspace

I like to **personalize** my phone case with a picture of my dog.

substitute

n. a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one

synonym: alternate, replacement, reserve

(1) **substitute** coffee, (2) **substitute** teacher

I **substitute** skim milk for regular milk because we are on a strict diet.

improvise

v. to create or perform something on the spot, without preparation or planning; to use what one has available to do or create something

synonym: ad-lib, extemporize

(1) **improvise** a joke, (2) **improvise** an escape plan

We had to **improvise** a tent using a tarp and sticks since we didn't have a proper one.

melody

n. a succession of musical tones forming part of a larger piece of music

synonym: tune, song, piece

(1) a simple **melody**, (2) the **melody** of a tune

This harmonious **melody** immortalized its composer.

necessarily

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

synonym: inevitable, certainly, automatically

(1) not **necessarily** a problem, (2) **necessarily** true

This accident was something that happened **necessarily**.

lean

adj. having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture

synonym: skinny, slender, (verb) slant

(1) a **lean** horse, (2) **lean** athletic figure

Lean operational improvements often lead to better environmental performance.

decision

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

transformation

n. a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something

synonym: change, conversion, renewal

(1) the **transformation** of a tadpole into a frog, (2) cast a **transformation** spell

Understanding unitary **transformations** of a normal matrix require considerable mathematical sophistication.

engaging

adj. attracting, pleasant, or charming

synonym: alluring, interesting, engrossing

(1) **engaging** story, (2) an **engaging** smile

She was disbarred for her **engaging** in fraud.

enterprise

n. a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort

synonym: business, company, industry

(1) undertake an **enterprise**, (2) his business **enterprise**

A growing **enterprise** requires a bold leader.

pronoun

n. a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it"

(1) **pronoun** usage, (2) possessive **pronoun**

In English, personal **pronouns** such as "he," "she," and "they" can replace a person's name to avoid repetition.

solipsism

n. a philosophical idea that only the self and its experiences are sure to exist or can be proven to exist; an extreme form of subjectivity in which only the individual's mind is considered valid or certain

synonym : self-absorption, egoism, self-centeredness

(1) ethical **solipsism**, (2) the philosopher's theories on **solipsism**

The novel portrays the protagonist's journey from youthful **solipsism** to a more empathetic understanding of those around him

instrument

n. an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work

synonym : apparatus, tool, device

(1) musical **instruments**, (2) surgical **instruments**

This electronic **instrument** is required to undergo periodic inspections to ensure precision.

timbre

n. the quality of sound that is produced by particular voices or musical instruments sounds different from each other

synonym : resonance, tone, inflection

(1) the **timbre** of a musical sound, (2) the **timbre** of her soprano

His voice had a deep **timbre**.

compress

v. to press or squeeze together to make something take up less space

synonym : condense, constrict, squeeze

(1) **compress** the chest, (2) **compress** gas

She **compressed** the files into a single ZIP archive to save space on her computer.

keyboard

n. device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work

synonym : console, piano

(1) numeric **keyboard**, (2) **keyboard** instruments

Please strike the "enter" on the **keyboard**.

eventually

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

synonym : finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

construct

v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

synonym : build, assemble, create

(1) **construct** a 3D image, (2) **construct** a dam

He **constructs** hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

mount

v. to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone

synonym : climb, increase, get on

(1) **mount** a hill, (2) **mount** a counterattack

They **mounted** pictures on the paper in preparation for the birthday card.

violin

n. a four-stringed wooden musical instrument held against the neck and played by passing a bow across the strings

synonym : fiddle

(1) **violin** soloist, (2) play the **violin**

The cello is a member of the **violin** family.

bow

v. to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows

synonym : bend, curve, arch

(1) **bow** and greet, (2) a **bow** wave

She **bowed** to the audience after her performance.

chopstick

n. a pair of thin, tapered sticks used in East Asian cultures to pick up and eat food

(1) **chopstick** holder, (2) wooden **chopstick**

She struggled to grab the sushi with **chopsticks**.

electronics

n. the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems

synonym: technology, gadgets, circuitry

(1) **electronics** industry, (2) **electronics** store

The company specializes in manufacturing and selling cutting-edge **electronics**.

radical

adj. relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions

synonym: extreme, revolutionary

(1) a **radical** flaw in the plan, (2) a **radical** cure

The government established by the coup was more **radical** than before.

forth

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

synonym: forward, onwards, ahead

(1) bring **forth** a beautiful vase, (2) call **forth** demand

I pushed **forth** with my new project, even though it would take much hard work.

regard

v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

synonym: consider, see, reckon

(1) **regard** him as an enemy, (2) **regard** the situation as unfortunate

Frugality and industry are still **regarded** as virtues.

privilege

n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and

powerful in a society

synonym : benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership

In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the **privilege** of royalty and nobility.

dose

n. a quantity or amount of medicine or a drug that is taken or administered at one time, typically measured out in specific units; a similar measure of exposure to a harmful substance or radiation

synonym : portion, amount, measure

(1) **dose** adjustment, (2) daily **dose**

She took the recommended **dose** of medication to treat her headache.

egocentric

adj. centered on oneself or one's interests to the exclusion of others; overly focused on one's own needs, desires, or opinions and disregarding those of others

synonym : self-centered, narcissistic, egotistical

(1) **egocentric** personality, (2) **egocentric** world view

His **egocentric** behavior was causing problems in his personal and professional life.

bingo

n. a game of chance in which players match numbers on a card with randomly drawn numbers to be the first to complete a specific pattern or sequence; sudden realization, success, or achievement

synonym : lotto, raffle, sweepstakes

(1) **bingo** game, (2) online **bingo** website

They won big at **bingo** last night, taking home the grand prize.

distinction

n. a difference or contrast between similar things or people

synonym : eminence, noteworthiness, excellence

(1) important **distinction**, (2) draw a **distinction**

I can't see any **distinction** between these two concepts.

tenure

n. the holding or possessing of a specific position, job, or property; the right to hold a position or property for a period of time

synonym: term, occupancy, possession

(1) **tenure** track, (2) job **tenure**

The professor's **tenure** at the university ends this year, and she is still determining her future career options.

divide

v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

synonym: separate, disconnect, split

(1) **divide** the cake into two pieces, (2) **divide** money equally

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

scar

n. a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed

synonym: blemish, imperfection, blotch

(1) burn **scar**, (2) carry a **scar**

Even after the wound has healed, a **scar** remains.

multiplicity

n. a large number or variety of something; the quality or state of being multiple or manifold

synonym: abundance, variety, diversity

(1) functional **multiplicity**, (2) **multiplicity** of languages

The **multiplicity** of colors in the sunset was truly breathtaking.

solitary

adj. existing, living, or doing without others

synonym: lonely, unsociable, singular

(1) use of **solitary** confinement, (2) a **solitary** traveler

He never uttered a **solitary** word.

communion

n. the act or condition of exchanging or sharing thoughts and feelings; (Christianity) the act of participating in the celebration of the Eucharist

synonym: affinity, intimacy, camaraderie

(1) **communion** with God, (2) spiritual **communion** with

nature

We use this tableware in a **communion** service.

soloist

n. a person who performs a solo, especially a solo musician or singer

synonym : solo performer, solo artist

(1) a vocal **soloist**, (2) **soloist** musician

The **soloist's** performance was the highlight of the concert.

orchestra

n. a large group of musicians who play classical music together, usually with instruments such as strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion

synonym : ensemble, symphony, band

(1) full **orchestra**, (2) **orchestra** conductor

The accomplished **orchestra** will give two more performances this week.

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.

professional

adj. having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful

synonym : skilled, competent, accomplished

(1) **professional** athlete, (2) certified **professional** secretary

He has a **professional** demeanor and always presents himself in a polished manner.

tedious

adj. tiresome or boring because of being repetitive, dull, or too long; causing mental or physical fatigue due to its unrelenting nature

synonym : boring, monotonous, dull

(1) **tedious** task, (2) **tedious** routine

The work of data entry can be **tedious**, but it is important for maintaining accurate records.

chunk

n. a thick and solid mass or piece of something

synonym: block, lump, piece

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

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

suppose

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

synonym: guess, assume, presume

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

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

tiresome

adj. causing weariness, boredom, or annoyance; dull, monotonous, or tedious

synonym: dreary, boring, tedious

(1) **tiresome** task, (2) a **tiresome** person

The **tiresome** argument between the two politicians seems to have no end.

process

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

synonym: procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

notate

v. to write or mark down musical notes or symbols on a sheet of music or a musical manuscript; to make a written record or notation of something

synonym: record, jot down, annotate

(1) **notate** a transcription, (2) **notate** a poem

As a musician, you must **notate** your compositions accurately

for others to read and understand.

notation

n. a system of symbols or signs used to represent information or communicate ideas; a written or printed mark or signs used to indicate musical notes, mathematical formulas, or linguistic elements

synonym: annotation, record, symbol

(1) numeric **notation**, (2) mathematical **notation**

The music sheet had a complex musical **notation** that was difficult to understand.

metaphysics

n. the branch of philosophy that deals with the fundamental nature and the first principles of reality, including abstract concepts such as being, knowing, identity, time, and space

(1) **metaphysics** study, (2) the nature of **metaphysics**

Kant's thoughts provided the foundational ideas for treating **metaphysics** as a discipline.

bunch

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

synonym: group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls

One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym: insane, absurd, bizarre

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

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

pictograph

n. a symbol or picture that represents a word, phrase, or concept; a form of communication that uses pictures or symbols to convey information

synonym: symbol, glyph, icon

(1) hand-drawn **pictograph**, (2) **pictograph** symbols

The cave paintings are ancient **pictographs** that tell stories of the past.

zoom

v. to move along very quickly; (noun) the act of rising upward into the air

synonym : move quickly, dive, buzz

(1) **zoom** in on a photo, (2) **zoom** lens

He **zoomed** back in time to the soccer game.

sect

n. a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

synonym : group, faction, cult

(1) **sect** beliefs, (2) secret **sect**

The minority **sect** believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

draft

n. a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form

synonym : blueprint, outline, rough drawing

(1) a working **draft**, (2) write the first **draft**

During debates in the legislature, the **draft** of the law caused a lot of controversies.

template

n. a pre-designed file or document used as a starting point for a particular application so that the format does not have to be created from scratch

synonym : pattern, model, blueprint

(1) **template** file, (2) **template** design

The **template** format provided a useful guide for creating the budget.

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.

curve

n. a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in

direction or shape

synonym : bend, arc, turn

(1) learning **curve**, (2) yield **curve**

The **curve** in the road was so sharp that I had to slow down to navigate it safely.

freehand

adj. done or created without the use of aids, tools, or guidelines; drawn, sketched, or created by hand without the use of stencils or other mechanical methods

synonym : hand-drawn, sketchy

(1) **freehand** drawing, (2) **freehand** signature

She drew a **freehand** sketch of the landscape, accurately capturing the mountains and rivers.

split

v. to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line

synonym : break, divide, break apart

(1) **split** a bill, (2) **split** a reward equally

Companies often **split** their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.

panel

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

synonym : board, commission, discussion

(1) **panel** discussion, (2) cost of solar **panels**

A **panel** of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

install

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

synonym : establish, inaugurate, lodge

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

The new president was **installed** immediately after the

national election.

lobby

n. a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation

synonym : entrance, hall, anteroom

(1) **lobby** for legislation, (2) a hotel **lobby**

That **lobby** group actively advocated environmental protection to the government.

balcony

n. a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space

synonym : terrace, veranda, deck

(1) **balcony** view, (2) **balcony** seating

They enjoyed a romantic dinner on the **balcony** overlooking the city.

visual

adj. relating to seeing or sight

synonym : optical, graphical, visible

(1) **visual** navigation, (2) field of **visual** arts

The building makes a remarkable **visual** impact.

performer

n. a person who entertains an audience or group by presenting artistic or theatrical acts, such as an actor, musician, dancer, or singer

synonym : artist, entertainer, actor

(1) circus **performer**, (2) professional **performer**

The talented **performer** captivated the audience with his impressive magic tricks.

interpret

v. to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.

synonym : decode, decipher, analyze

(1) **interpret** a graph, (2) **interpret** the question

Different people might **interpret** this news differently.

define

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

synonym: characterize, depict, express

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

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

hieroglyph

n. a writing system using picture symbols, such as the one used in ancient Egypt

synonym: character, cipher, figure

(1) Egyptian **hieroglyph**, (2) the **hieroglyph** of the bird

Each beautiful **hieroglyph** represents either an idea or a sound.

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym: exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

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

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

gratify

v. to give pleasure or satisfaction to; to provide someone with what they want or need; to indulge or satisfy a desire or appetite

synonym: please, satisfy, fulfill

(1) **gratify** desires, (2) **gratify** curiosity

I always try to **gratify** my boss by achieving the sales target every month.

multitude

n. a large number of things or people

synonym: mass, assembly, hive

(1) great **multitude**, (2) from a **multitude** of sources

This company is faced with a **multitude** of problems.

dilettante

adj. referring to a person who dabbles or shows superficial interest in a subject, field, or art without serious commitment or expertise, often conveys a lack of depth or serious dedication

synonym : amateurish, unskilled, non-professional

(1) **dilettante** artist, (2) **dilettante** enthusiast

The company's **dilettante** approach to marketing was evident when its campaign lacked a clear target audience.

pedigree

n. the recorded ancestry or genealogical background of a person or animal; a list of ancestors, especially of purebred animals, that documents the genetic lineage of a particular animal or line of animals

synonym : lineage, ancestry, genealogy

(1) family **pedigree**, (2) **pedigree** chart

The dog's **pedigree** proved that it came from a long line of champion show dogs.

extension

n. a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line

synonym : addition, augment, supplement

(1) time **extension**, (2) telephone **extension**

They are building an **extension** to the house to add more bedrooms.

composition

n. the different parts of something's elements or ingredients; the way in which the different components are organized; a piece of music written by someone

synonym : creating, formatting, arrangement

(1) age **composition** of the population, (2) the piano passages in the **composition**

Their innovative concepts were consistent across their bodies of **composition**.

impulse

n. a sudden strong and unreflective wish or need to do something; the electrical discharge that travels along a nerve fiber

synonym : stimulation, provocation, urge

(1) a combative **impulse**, (2) profound religious **impulses**
Nerve **impulses** cross a synapse through the action of neurotransmitters.

implicit

adj. suggested but not directly expressed

synonym: implied, unstated, hinted

(1) **implicit** bias, (2) give **implicit** consent

The **implicit** meaning behind his words was clear, even though he did not explicitly say it.

criticism

n. the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure

synonym: critique, commentary, review

(1) **criticism** from the public, (2) harsh **criticism**

Constructive **criticism** is always helpful to help improving one's work.

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.

rename

v. to give a new name to something; to change the name of something

synonym: rebrand, rechristen, re-label

(1) **rename** the street, (2) **rename** in plain English

The new owners **renamed** the restaurant to give it a fresh start.

statistics

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

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

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment

are genuine problems.

abstract

adj. based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence

synonym : conceptual, theoretical, ideational

(1) an **abstract** noun, (2) **abstract** science

The invention of the camera triggered the development of **abstract** painting.

provocation

n. action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired

synonym : agitation, incitement, stimulus

(1) **provocation** tactics, (2) verbal **provocation**

The politician's speech was seen as a **provocation** to the opposition party.

synchronize

v. to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate

synonym : coordinate, accompany, harmonize

(1) **synchronize** movements, (2) **synchronize** our watches

The ball speed will increase when the lower body movements are perfectly **synchronized**.

timetable

n. a schedule or plan that shows the times at which particular events or activities are intended to occur; a list of train, bus, or airplane departures and arrivals

synonym : schedule, itinerary, agenda

(1) exam **timetable**, (2) adjust the **timetable**

The airline's **timetable** showed a delay of three hours for our flight to London.

adapt

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

synonym : adjust, acclimate, accustom

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

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

adaptation

n. the action or process of changing to suit different conditions

synonym: adaption, adjustment, transformation

(1) **adaptation** ability, (2) language **adaptation**

The company's **adaptation** approach has been highly effective.

wristwatch

n. a small timepiece designed to be worn on the wrist typically comprised of a strap or bracelet and a clock face with hour, minute, and sometimes second hands

synonym: watch, timepiece, wristlet

(1) quartz **wristwatch**, (2) classic **wristwatch**

I received a beautiful **wristwatch** as a graduation gift from my parents.

fabricate

v. to make something, especially by assembling parts or constructing it from raw materials; to invent and present something false as true or real to deceive someone

synonym: manufacture, assemble, falsify

(1) **fabricate** a chemical, (2) **fabricate** an excuse

The detective discovered that the witness had **fabricated** her story about the crime.

symbol

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

synonym: mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness

The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

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.

scavenger

n. an animal or bird that feeds on carrion, dead animals, or other scavenged material; a person who searches for and collects discarded or unwanted items, often to sell or reuse them

synonym : vulture, hyena, magpie

(1) **scavenger** bird, (2) marine **scavenger**

Crows are common **scavengers** in urban areas and will eat almost anything.

weird

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

synonym : bizarre, creepy, peculiar

(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**

My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

theatrical

adj. relating to drama, acting, or the theater; having the quality of a performance or show

synonym : dramatic, histrionic, melodramatic

(1) a **theatrical** company, (2) **theatrical** production

The **theatrical** performance was a spectacular display of talent and creativity.

element

n. a fundamental or essential part of something

synonym : component, feature, essence

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

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

clip

n. a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip

synonym : buckle, hook, pin

(1) tie **clip**, (2) short video **clip**

He fastens some sheets of paper with a **clip**.

extraordinary

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

synonym : exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

(1) **extraordinary** ability, (2) **extraordinary** weather
He narrated the **extraordinary** story of his adventure.

drill *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
synonym: exercise, routine, training
(1) the **drill** hit the well, (2) fire **drill**
Several military **drill** programs have become popular methods of exercise.

intonation *n.* the rise and fall of the voice pitch in speaking
synonym: pitch, accent, emphasis
(1) question **intonation**, (2) an unchanging **intonation**
Some questions have a rising **intonation** in English.

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

mayhem *n.* a state of chaos, disorder, and violence, typically caused by a riot, violent confrontation, or rapid and widespread destruction; a situation of extreme confusion, disorder, and damage
synonym: chaos, disorder, havoc
(1) snowstorm **mayhem**, (2) create **mayhem**
The rioters caused **mayhem** in the streets, breaking windows and starting fires.

clarinet *n.* a musical instrument of the woodwind family, with a single reed, a cylindrical bore, and a curved mouthpiece, known for its versatility and rich, warm tone
synonym: reed instrument
(1) **clarinet** reed, (2) **clarinet** player

The **clarinet's** unique sound added to the jazz ensemble.

trumpet

n. a brass musical instrument with a flared bell and a bright, penetrating tone; (verb) to announce or praise loudly or publicly

synonym : bugle, cornet, flugelhorn

(1) **trumpet** player, (2) **trumpet** solo

She played a beautiful melody on the **trumpet**.

flute

n. a musical instrument consisting of a metal, wood, or bamboo tube with a row of fingerholes and sometimes keys, played by blowing across a hole near one end

synonym : pipe, recorder, whistle

(1) **flute** music, (2) play the **flute**

The **flute** solo in the symphony was beautiful and elevated the overall performance.

peculiar

adj. odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way

synonym : bizarre, abnormal, odd

(1) **peculiar** way, (2) **peculiar** people

The juice has a **peculiar** taste.

conductor

n. someone who leads the performance of musicians or a piece of music; (in physics) an object, substance, or material that readily allows the flow of electricity, heat, etc.

synonym : director, manager

(1) **conductor** directing a symphony, (2) oxide **conductor**

Diamonds are employed as thermal **conductors** as well.

virulent

adj. extremely harmful or poisonous, especially in a physical or biological sense; highly infectious or contagious; intensely bitter or hostile

synonym : poisonous, venomous, toxic

(1) **virulent** disease, (2) **virulent** criticism

The **virulent** virus spread rapidly through the close-knit community.

argument

n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

synonym : debate, discourse, discussion

(1) a blazing **argument**, (2) the **argument** against capital punishment

The **argument** between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

decibel

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

synonym : dB, sound level, volume

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

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

affective

adj. relating to emotions or feelings; able to influence or evoke emotions

synonym : emotive, heartfelt, touching

(1) **affective** communication, (2) **affective** response

The **affective** bond between the mother and child was evident.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

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

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

appliance

n. a device or machine, usually powered by electricity or fuel, designed for a specific function or task, typically used in the home or workplace, such as a refrigerator, oven, or washing machine

synonym : device, gadget, apparatus

(1) **appliance** store, (2) electronic **appliance**

The kitchen **appliance** stopped working, so I had to call for a repair.

absence

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

synonym : dearth, scarcity, lack

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

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

conventional

adj. based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.

synonym : ancestral, customary, established

(1) a **conventional** style, (2) get a **conventional** loan

She is very **conventional** in her thoughts.

glut

n. an excessive amount of something, especially of a commodity, that results in a decline in price

synonym : surplus, excess, overflow

(1) **glut** of information, (2) capital **glut**

The restaurant had a **glut** of food left over from the weekend.

concerto

n. a composition for one or more solo instruments and an orchestra, typically in three movements

synonym : symphony, composition, piece

(1) piano **concerto**, (2) violin **concerto**

A renowned symphony orchestra performed the piano **concerto**.

mischievous

adj. causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way

synonym : naughty, prankish, impish

(1) **mischievous** grin, (2) **mischievous** sense of humor

The **mischievous** child played pranks on his siblings all day long.

florist

n. a person who sells and arranges flowers, often as their profession

synonym : flower arranger, horticulturist

(1) **florist** shop, (2) **florist** arrangement

The **florist's** shop was decorated with colorful flowers and plants that gave a welcoming feeling.

dramatist

n. (also "dramaturge") a writer of plays, dramas, or theatrical pieces

synonym: playwright, author, scriptwriter

(1) the **dramatist's** latest production, (2) modern **dramatist**

The famous **dramatist** wrote many successful plays during his career.

ontology

n. a branch of metaphysics concerned with the nature of being and the existence

synonym: metaphysics, philosophy of being, study of existence

(1) medical **ontology**, (2) **ontology** theory

The **ontology** of the universe is a complex and constantly evolving concept.

conventionally

adv. in a way that follows accepted customs, rules, or standards; in a way that is typical or traditional

synonym: traditionally, customarily, conventionally

(1) **conventionally** dressed, (2) **conventionally** grown crops

Conventionally, doctors recommend getting at least 8 hours of sleep per night for optimal health.

aphasia

n. a language disorder that affects a person's ability to use or understand words, often caused by brain damage, such as stroke, brain injury, or neurological condition, which can result in difficulty speaking, writing, reading, or comprehending language

synonym: dysphasia, speech impairment, language disorder

(1) global **aphasia**, (2) amnesic **aphasia**

After her stroke, my grandmother suffered from expressive **aphasia**, making it difficult for her to articulate her thoughts.

gesture

n. a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning

synonym: motion, expression, gesticulation

(1) **gesture** of goodwill, (2) hand **gesture**

She made a facial **gesture** to express disagreement.

invite

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

synonym: ask, request, summon

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

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

choreograph

v. to compose a sequence of dance steps, often to music

(1) **choreograph** a stage performance, (2) exquisitely **choreographed**

He had **choreographed** the dance in this play himself.

instruct

v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

synonym: train, coach, guide

(1) **instruct** a student, (2) **instruct** a computer

The facility manager **instructed** the security guards to be on high alert.

specific

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

synonym: particular, definite, distinct

(1) **specific** instructions, (2) industry- **specific** regulations

The scientist conducted a study that provided **specific** details about the species' behavior.

tap

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

synonym: knock, exploit, use

(1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger

To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.

exclusive

adj. not divided or shared with others

synonym : sole, deluxe, limited

(1) **exclusive** authority, (2) **exclusive** clubs

The condo offers **exclusive** access to the beach.

awesome

adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

synonym : miraculous, marvelous, astounding

(1) **awesome** mental faculty, (2) have an **awesome** birthday

There is a lot of **awesome** nature and food in Hawaii.

warp

v. to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something

synonym : twist, distort, deform

(1) **warp** under pressure, (2) become **warped**

The ship's hull was **warped** from years of use in rough seas.

countless

adj. too numerous to be counted or very many

synonym : innumerable, myriad, numerous

(1) **countless** hours, (2) answer **countless** questions

There are **countless** methods for dealing with stress.

soundtrack

n. the recorded audio that accompanies a movie, television program, or video game

synonym : score, background music, accompaniment

(1) **soundtrack** album, (2) a motion picture with a **soundtrack**

The **soundtrack** to the movie was composed by a famous musician.

conclude

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

synonym : complete, finish, decide

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

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym : highest, maximum, foremost

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

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

notion

n. a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts

synonym : idea, concept, belief

(1) **notion** of success, (2) vague **notion**

The **notion** of time travel has long fascinated scientists and fiction writers alike.

paradigm

n. a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model

synonym : example, standard, epitome

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

He postulated a completely different **paradigm** to explain all these phenomena.

urge

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

synonym : push for, advise, (noun) impulse

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

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

extent

n. the point or degree or area to which something extends

synonym : amount, degree, intensity

(1) certain **extent**, (2) the **extent** of the damage

I was amazed at the **extent** of her generosity.

footnote

n. a note of additional information provided at the bottom of a page in a book or document, often indicated by a superscript number or symbol in the main text

synonym: annotation, comment, reference

(1) **footnote** citation, (2) add a **footnote**

I included a **footnote** in my essay to provide additional information and sources for my argument.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

synonym: reference, allude, cite

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

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

defect

n. an imperfection, shortcoming, or lack of something or someone

synonym: fault, blemish, flaw

(1) visual **defects**, (2) **defects** of character

Defects in the design could cause much worse issues.

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.

delusion

n. a false belief or impression that is firmly held despite evidence to the contrary

synonym: hallucination, illusion, fantasy

(1) grand **delusion**, (2) labor under a **delusion**

He had a **delusion** that he was a millionaire.

loathe

v. to feel strong hatred or disgust for someone or something; to be unwilling or reluctant to do something

synonym: despise, hate, abominate

(1) **loathe** violence, (2) **loathe** broccoli

I absolutely **loathe** spiders and can't stand to be near them.

schizophrenia

n. a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior

synonym: psychosis, disorder, mental illness

(1) **schizophrenia** spectrum disorder, (2) **schizophrenia** treatment

The **schizophrenia** patient was experiencing severe auditory hallucinations.

dissociative

adj. characterized by a disconnect or separation from reality, often due to trauma or stress; inducing a separation or division of a previously unified whole

synonym: disconnected, detached, dissociated

(1) **dissociative** identity disorder, (2) **dissociative** state

The **dissociative** drug ketamine has been used to treat depression in some cases.

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

synonym: character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

disorder

n. an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions

synonym: chaos, disturbance, disease

(1) the files are in complete **disorder**, (2) people with bipolar **disorder**

The doctor prescribed some medicine for the mental **disorder**.

peril

n. serious and great danger or risk

synonym: hazard, danger, threat

(1) the **peril** of the sea, (2) environmental **peril**

Due to hunger, the lives of the refugees were in **peril**.

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

synonym: chance, prospect, likelihood

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

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

fling

v. to throw or push something or someone with force or recklessness, especially because you are angry

synonym: throw, dump, hurl

(1) **fling** a stream of abuse, (2) **fling** a door open forcefully

He was provoked to **fling** the draft on the floor.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. medical on_____gy | <i>n.</i> a branch of metaphysics concerned with the nature of being and the existence |
| 2. mis_____us sense of humor | <i>adj.</i> causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way |
| 3. ad__t fully to the environment | <i>v.</i> to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment |
| 4. major pa_____gm shift | <i>n.</i> a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model |
| 5. certain ex____t | <i>n.</i> the point or degree or area to which something extends |
| 6. pr_____ge of membership | <i>n.</i> a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society |
| 7. eve_____ly become obsolete | <i>adv.</i> finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on |
| 8. ad__t as needed | <i>v.</i> to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment |
| 9. get a con_____nal loan | <i>adj.</i> based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc. |
| 10. ba_____y view | <i>n.</i> a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space |

ANSWERS: 1. ontology, 2. mischievous, 3. adapt, 4. paradigm, 5. extent, 6. privilege, 7. eventually, 8. adapt, 9. conventional, 10. balcony

11. break dis_____ne *n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence
12. sch_____nia spectrum disorder *n.* a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior
13. numeric no_____on *n.* a system of symbols or signs used to represent information or communicate ideas; a written or printed mark or signs used to indicate musical notes, mathematical formulas, or linguistic elements
14. bo____g work *adj.* lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull
15. a ti_____me person *adj.* causing weariness, boredom, or annoyance; dull, monotonous, or tedious
16. learning cu__e *n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
17. rigid dis_____ne *n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence

ANSWERS: 11. discipline, 12. schizophrenia, 13. notation, 14. boring, 15. tiresome, 16. curve, 17. discipline

18. lo___e violence *v.* to feel strong hatred or disgust for someone or something; to be unwilling or reluctant to do something
19. cr_____sm from the public *n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure
20. profound religious im_____es *n.* a sudden strong and unreflective wish or need to do something; the electrical discharge that travels along a nerve fiber
21. fl_____t shop *n.* a person who sells and arranges flowers, often as their profession
22. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
23. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
24. re_____n from alcohol *v.* to avoid or stop doing something; to hold oneself back from an action
25. pr_____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true

ANSWERS: 18. loathe, 19. criticism, 20. impulse, 21. florist, 22. decision, 23. process, 24. refrain, 25. probable

26. a leave of ab____e *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
27. dil_____te enthusiast *adj.* referring to a person who dabbles or shows superficial interest in a subject, field, or art without serious commitment or expertise, often conveys a lack of depth or serious dedication
28. a working dr__t *n.* a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form
29. electronic ap_____ce *n.* a device or machine, usually powered by electricity or fuel, designed for a specific function or task, typically used in the home or workplace, such as a refrigerator, oven, or washing machine
30. di___e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
31. important dis_____on *n.* a difference or contrast between similar things or people
32. harsh cr_____sm *n.* the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure
33. undertake an ent_____se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
34. te_____s task *adj.* tiresome or boring because of being repetitive, dull, or too long; causing mental or physical fatigue due to its unrelenting nature

ANSWERS: 26. absence, 27. dilettante, 28. draft, 29. appliance, 30. divide, 31. distinction, 32. criticism, 33. enterprise, 34. tedious

35. syn_____ze our watches *v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
36. secret s__t *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
37. me_____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
38. short video c__p *n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
39. a st_____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
40. d__e adjustment *n.* a quantity or amount of medicine or a drug that is taken or administered at one time, typically measured out in specific units; a similar measure of exposure to a harmful substance or radiation
41. que_____ble ingredients *adj.* doubtful or uncertain and may be open to question or criticism
42. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
43. a tiny ch__k of meat *n.* a thick and solid mass or piece of something
44. in_____ct a computer *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

ANSWERS: 35. synchronize, 36. sect, 37. mention, 38. clip, 39. straight, 40. dose, 41. questionable, 42. crazy, 43. chunk, 44. instruct

45. in_____ct a student *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
46. fr_____nd signature *adj.* done or created without the use of aids, tools, or guidelines; drawn, sketched, or created by hand without the use of stencils or other mechanical methods
47. great mu_____de *n.* a large number of things or people
48. so_____t musician *n.* a person who performs a solo, especially a solo musician or singer
49. lo_____e broccoli *v.* to feel strong hatred or disgust for someone or something; to be unwilling or reluctant to do something
50. a par_____al anecdote *adj.* seemingly contradictory or absurd because of having two opposite features or facts, though it is probably true
51. mistaken id_____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
52. co_____ss the chest *v.* to press or squeeze together to make something take up less space
53. nec_____ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
54. 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: 45. instruct, 46. freehand, 47. multitude, 48. soloist, 49. loathe, 50. paradoxical, 51. identity, 52. compress, 53. necessarily, 54. obsessive

55. ap_____ce store *n.* a device or machine, usually powered by electricity or fuel, designed for a specific function or task, typically used in the home or workplace, such as a refrigerator, oven, or washing machine
56. relationship with a nar_____st *n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements
57. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
58. no___e a transcription *v.* to write or mark down musical notes or symbols on a sheet of music or a musical manuscript; to make a written record or notation of something
59. que_____ble methods *adj.* doubtful or uncertain and may be open to question or criticism
60. co_____e my thoughts *v.* to write music, poetry, or formal writing; to constitute or make up a whole, or a specified part of it
61. cl_____et player *n.* a musical instrument of the woodwind family, with a single reed, a cylindrical bore, and a curved mouthpiece, known for its versatility and rich, warm tone
62. an unchanging int_____on *n.* the rise and fall of the voice pitch in speaking
63. professional pe_____er *n.* a person who entertains an audience or group by presenting artistic or theatrical acts, such as an actor, musician, dancer, or singer

ANSWERS: 55. appliance, 56. narcissist, 57. extraordinary, 58. notate, 59. questionable, 60. compose, 61. clarinet, 62. intonation, 63. performer

64. amnesic ap____a *n.* a language disorder that affects a person's ability to use or understand words, often caused by brain damage, such as stroke, brain injury, or neurological condition, which can result in difficulty speaking, writing, reading, or comprehending language
65. co_____or directing a symphony *n.* someone who leads the performance of musicians or a piece of music; (in physics) an object, substance, or material that readily allows the flow of electricity, heat, etc.
66. b__e diameter *v.* to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources
67. sp__t a reward equally *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
68. add a fo_____te *n.* a note of additional information provided at the bottom of a page in a book or document, often indicated by a superscript number or symbol in the main text
69. circus pe_____er *n.* a person who entertains an audience or group by presenting artistic or theatrical acts, such as an actor, musician, dancer, or singer

ANSWERS: 64. aphasia, 65. conductor, 66. bore, 67. split, 68. footnote, 69. performer

70. piano co____to *n.* a composition for one or more solo instruments and an orchestra, typically in three movements
71. syn_____ze movements *v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
72. met_____cs study *n.* the branch of philosophy that deals with the fundamental nature and the first principles of reality, including abstract concepts such as being, knowing, identity, time, and space
73. con_____lly dressed *adv.* in a way that follows accepted customs, rules, or standards; in a way that is typical or traditional
74. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
75. the files are in complete di_____er *n.* an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions
76. marine sc_____er *n.* an animal or bird that feeds on carrion, dead animals, or other scavenged material; a person who searches for and collects discarded or unwanted items, often to sell or reuse them
77. a hotel lo__y *n.* a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation

ANSWERS: 70. concerto, 71. synchronize, 72. metaphysics, 73. conventionally, 74. tradition, 75. disorder, 76. scavenger, 77. lobby

78. fo____te citation *n.* a note of additional information provided at the bottom of a page in a book or document, often indicated by a superscript number or symbol in the main text
79. the dr_____st's latest production *n.* (also "dramaturge") a writer of plays, dramas, or theatrical pieces
80. re____d the situation as unfortunate *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
81. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
82. co_____e a point *v.* to acknowledge or admit the truth or existence of something often reluctantly
83. play the vi____n *n.* a four-stringed wooden musical instrument held against the neck and played by passing a bow across the strings
84. a motion picture with a sou_____ck *n.* the recorded audio that accompanies a movie, television program, or video game
85. co_____ss hours *adj.* too numerous to be counted or very many
86. industry-sp_____ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
87. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
88. co_____de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

ANSWERS: 78. footnote, 79. dramatist, 80. regard, 81. construct, 82. concede, 83. violin, 84. soundtrack, 85. countless, 86. specific, 87. suppose, 88. conclude

89. pe____ee chart *n.* the recorded ancestry or genealogical background of a person or animal; a list of ancestors, especially of purebred animals, that documents the genetic lineage of a particular animal or line of animals
90. the ul____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
91. fl__g a door open forcefully *v.* to throw or push something or someone with force or recklessness, especially because you are angry
92. cr____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
93. a tremor of de____t *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
94. no____n of success *n.* a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts
95. the philosopher's theories on so____sm *n.* a philosophical idea that only the self and its experiences are sure to exist or can be proven to exist; an extreme form of subjectivity in which only the individual's mind is considered valid or certain
96. ele____cs store *n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems

ANSWERS: 89. pedigree, 90. ultimate, 91. fling, 92. creative, 93. delight, 94. notion, 95. solipsism, 96. electronics

97. in_____et a graph *v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
98. mis_____us grin *adj.* causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way
99. w__p under pressure *v.* to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something
100. the ul_____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
101. vi____n soloist *n.* a four-stringed wooden musical instrument held against the neck and played by passing a bow across the strings
102. u__e a total ban *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
103. pre_____ion slides *n.* the act of formally introducing or displaying something to others; the manner in which something is presented or given visually, verbally, or otherwise
104. yield cu__e *n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
105. the ti____e of her soprano *n.* the quality of sound that is produced by particular voices or musical instruments sounds different from each other

ANSWERS: 97. interpret, 98. mischievous, 99. warp, 100. ultimate, 101. violin, 102. urge, 103. presentation, 104. curve, 105. timbre

106. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
107. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
108. bo_____m relief *n.* a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation
109. spiritual co_____on with nature *n.* the act or condition of exchanging or sharing thoughts and feelings; (Christianity) the act of participating in the celebration of the Eucharist
110. cho_____ph a stage performance *v.* to compose a sequence of dance steps, often to music
111. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
112. ex_____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
113. draw a dis_____on *n.* a difference or contrast between similar things or people
114. b__e him with his stories *v.* to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources

ANSWERS: 106. invention, 107. possibility, 108. boredom, 109. communion, 110. choreograph, 111. invention, 112. exciting, 113. distinction, 114. bore

115. answer co_____ss questions *adj.* too numerous to be counted or very many
116. pr_____n usage *n.* a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it"
117. a ca_____st in the process of hydrolysis *n.* a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself
118. b_w and greet *v.* to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows
119. sub_____te coffee *n.* a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one
120. de___e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
121. somatic nar_____st *n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements
122. ex_____t comments from the news release *v.* to take a short piece of speech, book, film, etc. from a longer whole; (noun) a short extract from a speech, book, film, etc.
123. fl__e music *n.* a musical instrument consisting of a metal, wood, or bamboo tube with a row of fingerholes and sometimes keys, played by blowing across a hole near one end

ANSWERS: 115. countless, 116. pronoun, 117. catalyst, 118. bow, 119. substitute, 120. define, 121. narcissist, 122. excerpt, 123. flute

124. ab_____ct science *adj.* based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
125. chicken-and-egg di_____a *n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones
126. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
127. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
128. di_____e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
129. lo__y for legislation *n.* a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation
130. violin co_____to *n.* a composition for one or more solo instruments and an orchestra, typically in three movements
131. con_____lly grown crops *adv.* in a way that follows accepted customs, rules, or standards; in a way that is typical or traditional
132. telephone ex_____on *n.* a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line

ANSWERS: 124. abstract, 125. dilemma, 126. fundamental, 127. decision, 128. divide, 129. lobby, 130. concerto, 131. conventionally, 132. extension

133. 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
134. online bi___o website *n.* a game of chance in which players match numbers on a card with randomly drawn numbers to be the first to complete a specific pattern or sequence; sudden realization, success, or achievement
135. t_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
136. 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
137. the state of being we__d *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
138. trigger a re_____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
139. ba_____y seating *n.* a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space
140. af_____ve response *adj.* relating to emotions or feelings; able to influence or evoke emotions
141. tr_____t solo *n.* a brass musical instrument with a flared bell and a bright, penetrating tone; (verb) to announce or praise loudly or publicly

ANSWERS: 133. decide, 134. bingo, 135. tap, 136. realization, 137. weird, 138. reaction, 139. balcony, 140. affective, 141. trumpet

142. gr____y desires *v.* to give pleasure or satisfaction to; to provide someone with what they want or need; to indulge or satisfy a desire or appetite
143. rapid transit su____y *n.* an underground railway system, typically in a city
144. im_____se a joke *v.* to create or perform something on the spot, without preparation or planning; to use what one has available to do or create something
145. ex_____ve clubs *adj.* not divided or shared with others
146. z__m in on a photo *v.* to move along very quickly; (noun) the act of rising upward into the air
147. sy___l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
148. family pe_____ee *n.* the recorded ancestry or genealogical background of a person or animal; a list of ancestors, especially of purebred animals, that documents the genetic lineage of a particular animal or line of animals
149. get ne_____s *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
150. s__p across the country *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do
151. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

ANSWERS: 142. gratify, 143. subway, 144. improvise, 145. exclusive, 146. zoom, 147. symbol, 148. pedigree, 149. nervous, 150. skip, 151. suppose

152. hand-drawn pic_____ph *n.* a symbol or picture that represents a word, phrase, or concept; a form of communication that uses pictures or symbols to convey information
153. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
154. a precise def_____on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
155. field of vi____l arts *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
156. bo____g day *adj.* lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull
157. functional mul_____ity *n.* a large number or variety of something; the quality or state of being multiple or manifold
158. basic br____n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
159. an ab_____ct noun *adj.* based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
160. wooden ch_____ck *n.* a pair of thin, tapered sticks used in East Asian cultures to pick up and eat food
161. re_____n from religious activity *v.* to avoid or stop doing something; to hold oneself back from an action
162. sub_____te teacher *n.* a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one

ANSWERS: 152. pictograph, 153. eventually, 154. definition, 155. visual, 156. boring, 157. multiplicity, 158. brain, 159. abstract, 160. chopstick, 161. refrain, 162. substitute

163. a so____ry traveler *adj.* existing, living, or doing without others
164. from a mu_____de of sources *n.* a large number of things or people
165. sign language int_____er *n.* a person who translates spoken or written language from one language to another
166. possessive pr_____n *n.* a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it"
167. exquisitely cho_____phed *v.* to compose a sequence of dance steps, often to music
168. pre_____ly refuse the offer *adv.* believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof
169. a ra_____l flaw in the plan *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
170. ego_____ic personality *adj.* centered on oneself or one's interests to the exclusion of others; overly focused on one's own needs, desires, or opinions and disregarding those of others
171. vi_____nt disease *adj.* extremely harmful or poisonous, especially in a physical or biological sense; highly infectious or contagious; intensely bitter or hostile
172. time ex_____on *n.* a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line

ANSWERS: 163. solitary, 164. multitude, 165. interpreter, 166. pronoun, 167. choreographer, 168. presumably, 169. radical, 170. egocentric, 171. virulent, 172. extension

173. pre_____ion skills *n.* the act of formally introducing or displaying something to others; the manner in which something is presented or given visually, verbally, or otherwise
174. sy___l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
175. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
176. te_____te file *n.* a pre-designed file or document used as a starting point for a particular application so that the format does not have to be created from scratch
177. fire dr___l *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
178. the ti___e of a musical sound *n.* the quality of sound that is produced by particular voices or musical instruments sounds different from each other
179. or_____ra conductor *n.* a large group of musicians who play classical music together, usually with instruments such as strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion
180. pre_____ly accurate *adv.* believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof
181. re___e in plain English *v.* to give a new name to something; to change the name of something

ANSWERS: 173. presentation, 174. symbol, 175. statistics, 176. template, 177. drill, 178. timbre, 179. orchestra, 180. presumably, 181. rename

182. int_____er for the hard of hearing *n.* a person who translates spoken or written language from one language to another
183. a bu__h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
184. his business ent_____se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
185. te___e track *n.* the holding or possessing of a specific position, job, or property; the right to hold a position or property for a period of time
186. the hie_____ph of the bird *n.* a writing system using picture symbols, such as the one used in ancient Egypt
187. inv_____on of foreign investment *n.* a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something
188. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
189. re___d him as an enemy *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
190. g__t of information *n.* an excessive amount of something, especially of a commodity, that results in a decline in price
191. full or_____ra *n.* a large group of musicians who play classical music together, usually with instruments such as strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion

ANSWERS: 182. interpreter, 183. bunch, 184. enterprise, 185. tenure, 186. hieroglyph, 187. invitation, 188. fundamental, 189. regard, 190. glut, 191. orchestra

192. a blazing ar_____nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
193. ego_____ic world view *adj.* centered on oneself or one's interests to the exclusion of others; overly focused on one's own needs, desires, or opinions and disregarding those of others
194. sp_____ic instructions *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
195. bring fo__h a beautiful vase *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
196. gr_____y curiosity *v.* to give pleasure or satisfaction to; to provide someone with what they want or need; to indulge or satisfy a desire or appetite
197. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
198. per_____ze social media profile *v.* to make something or an experience specific to an individual or group, often through adding personal details or tailoring it to their preferences or needs; to add personal details or information to something

ANSWERS: 192. argument, 193. egocentric, 194. specific, 195. forth, 196. gratify, 197. process, 198. personalize

199. ada_____on ability *n.* the action or process of changing to suit different conditions
200. im_____se an escape plan *v.* to create or perform something on the spot, without preparation or planning; to use what one has available to do or create something
201. the_____al production *adj.* relating to drama, acting, or the theater; having the quality of a performance or show
202. mul_____ity of languages *n.* a large number or variety of something; the quality or state of being multiple or manifold
203. co_____e an essay *v.* to write music, poetry, or formal writing; to constitute or make up a whole, or a specified part of it
204. a the_____al company *adj.* relating to drama, acting, or the theater; having the quality of a performance or show
205. the me____y of a tune *n.* a succession of musical tones forming part of a larger piece of music
206. adjust the de_____l *n.* (also "dB") a unit used to measure the intensity of sound or the comparative loudness of two sounds based on a logarithmic scale
207. te_____te design *n.* a pre-designed file or document used as a starting point for a particular application so that the format does not have to be created from scratch
208. per_____ze my workspace *v.* to make something or an experience specific to an individual or group, often through adding personal details or tailoring it to their preferences or needs; to add personal details or information to something

ANSWERS: 199. adaptation, 200. improvise, 201. theatrical, 202. multiplicity, 203. compose, 204. theatrical, 205. melody, 206. decibel, 207. template, 208. personalize

209. a bu__h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
210. a con_____nal style *adj.* based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.
211. in____l a chairperson *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
212. vague no___n *n.* a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts
213. write the first dr__t *n.* a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form
214. dil_____te artist *adj.* referring to a person who dabbles or shows superficial interest in a subject, field, or art without serious commitment or expertise, often conveys a lack of depth or serious dedication
215. development of the ne____s system *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
216. live an ab_____nt life *adj.* present in great quantity
217. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
218. co_____e a territory *v.* to acknowledge or admit the truth or existence of something often reluctantly
219. ti_____me task *adj.* causing weariness, boredom, or annoyance; dull, monotonous, or tedious

ANSWERS: 209. bunch, 210. conventional, 211. install, 212. notion, 213. draft, 214. dilettante, 215. nervous, 216. abundant, 217. straight, 218. concede, 219. tiresome

220. h__h for a while *v.* to make or become silent, especially by urging or persuading others to be quiet or by speaking softly or gently; to keep something secret or confidential
221. pe____ar people *adj.* odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way
222. cultural pa____gm *n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
223. fu____on properly *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
224. an en____ng smile *adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
225. a breach of pr____ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
226. a b_w wave *v.* to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows
227. co____on with God *n.* the act or condition of exchanging or sharing thoughts and feelings; (Christianity) the act of participating in the celebration of the Eucharist

ANSWERS: 220. hush, 221. peculiar, 222. paradigm, 223. function, 224. engaging, 225. privilege, 226. bow, 227. communion

228. barren of cr____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
229. adjust the ti_____le *n.* a schedule or plan that shows the times at which particular events or activities are intended to occur; a list of train, bus, or airplane departures and arrivals
230. in_____l a door *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
231. fr_____nd drawing *adj.* done or created without the use of aids, tools, or guidelines; drawn, sketched, or created by hand without the use of stencils or other mechanical methods
232. cast a tra_____ion spell *n.* a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
233. af_____ve communication *adj.* relating to emotions or feelings; able to influence or evoke emotions
234. fl__g a stream of abuse *v.* to throw or push something or someone with force or recklessness, especially because you are angry
235. ge_____e of goodwill *n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
236. en_____ng story *adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
237. give im_____it consent *adj.* suggested but not directly expressed
238. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
239. exam ti_____le *n.* a schedule or plan that shows the times at which particular events or activities are intended to occur; a list of train, bus, or airplane departures and arrivals

ANSWERS: 228. creative, 229. timetable, 230. install, 231. freehand, 232. transformation, 233. affective, 234. fling, 235. gesture, 236. engaging, 237. implicit, 238. define, 239. timetable

240. in___e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
241. cost of solar pa__ls *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
242. te____s routine *adj.* tiresome or boring because of being repetitive, dull, or too long; causing mental or physical fatigue due to its unrelenting nature
243. the nature of met____cs *n.* the branch of philosophy that deals with the fundamental nature and the first principles of reality, including abstract concepts such as being, knowing, identity, time, and space
244. pr____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
245. hand ge____e *n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
246. a ch__k of money *n.* a thick and solid mass or piece of something
247. environmental pe__l *n.* serious and great danger or risk
248. chronic bo____m *n.* a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation
249. im____it bias *adj.* suggested but not directly expressed

ANSWERS: 240. invite, 241. panel, 242. tedious, 243. metaphysics, 244. probable, 245. gesture, 246. chunk, 247. peril, 248. boredom, 249. implicit

250. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
251. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
252. z__m lens *v.* to move along very quickly; (noun) the act of rising upward into the air
253. question int_____on *n.* the rise and fall of the voice pitch in speaking
254. global ap_____a *n.* a language disorder that affects a person's ability to use or understand words, often caused by brain damage, such as stroke, brain injury, or neurological condition, which can result in difficulty speaking, writing, reading, or comprehending language
255. the ar_____nt against capital punishment *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
256. become w__ped *v.* to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something
257. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
258. apparently par_____al *adj.* seemingly contradictory or absurd because of having two opposite features or facts, though it is probably true

ANSWERS: 250. psychology, 251. construct, 252. zoom, 253. intonation, 254. aphasia, 255. argument, 256. warp, 257. brain, 258. paradoxical

259. the pe__l of the sea *n.* serious and great danger or risk
260. the dr__l hit the well *n.* a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice
261. be in a di_____a *n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones
262. sp__t a bill *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
263. play the fl__e *n.* a musical instrument consisting of a metal, wood, or bamboo tube with a row of fingerholes and sometimes keys, played by blowing across a hole near one end
264. new design el_____ts *n.* a fundamental or essential part of something
265. a simple me___y *n.* a succession of musical tones forming part of a larger piece of music
266. fl_____t arrangement *n.* a person who sells and arranges flowers, often as their profession
267. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
268. a l__n horse *adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
269. language ada_____on *n.* the action or process of changing to suit different conditions

ANSWERS: 259. peril, 260. drill, 261. dilemma, 262. split, 263. flute, 264. element, 265. melody, 266. florist, 267. statistics, 268. lean, 269. adaptation

270. daily d__e *n.* a quantity or amount of medicine or a drug that is taken or administered at one time, typically measured out in specific units; a similar measure of exposure to a harmful substance or radiation
271. ex_____ve authority *adj.* not divided or shared with others
272. chemical re_____on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
273. s__p breakfast *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do
274. ex_____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
275. use of so_____ry confinement *adj.* existing, living, or doing without others
276. pa__l discussion *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
277. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
278. modern dr_____st *n.* (also "dramaturge") a writer of plays, dramas, or theatrical pieces
279. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;

ANSWERS: 270. dose, 271. exclusive, 272. reaction, 273. skip, 274. exciting, 275. solitary, 276. panel, 277. psychology, 278. dramatist, 279. transform

280. t_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
281. with de_____t *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
282. a letter of inv_____on *n.* a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something
283. draw out your ap____l *n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
284. pro_____on tactics *n.* action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired
285. age com_____on of the population *n.* the different parts of something's elements or ingredients; the way in which the different components are organized; a piece of music written by someone
286. high-flown rh_____ic *n.* speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form
287. grand de_____on *n.* a false belief or impression that is firmly held despite evidence to the contrary
288. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;

ANSWERS: 280. tap, 281. delight, 282. invitation, 283. appeal, 284. provocation, 285. composition, 286. rhetoric, 287. delusion, 288. transform

289. sc_____er bird *n.* an animal or bird that feeds on carrion, dead animals, or other scavenged material; a person who searches for and collects discarded or unwanted items, often to sell or reuse them
290. numeric ke_____rd *n.* device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work
291. an ab_____nt supply of water *adj.* present in great quantity
292. a cr___y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
293. l___n athletic figure *adj.* having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
294. immune fu_____on *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
295. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
296. on_____gy theory *n.* a branch of metaphysics concerned with the nature of being and the existence
297. visual de___ts *n.* an imperfection, shortcoming, or lack of something or someone

ANSWERS: 289. scavenger, 290. keyboard, 291. abundant, 292. crazy, 293. lean, 294. function, 295. decide, 296. ontology, 297. defect

298. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
299. capital g__t *n.* an excessive amount of something, especially of a commodity, that results in a decline in price
300. vi_____nt criticism *adj.* extremely harmful or poisonous, especially in a physical or biological sense; highly infectious or contagious; intensely bitter or hostile
301. ab_____e from work *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
302. ch_____ck holder *n.* a pair of thin, tapered sticks used in East Asian cultures to pick up and eat food
303. a sexual u__e *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
304. in___e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
305. a we__d dress *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
306. mo__t a counterattack *v.* to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone

ANSWERS: 298. possibility, 299. glut, 300. virulent, 301. absence, 302. chopstick, 303. urge, 304. invite, 305. weird, 306. mount

307. ex____t a passage from a book *v.* to take a short piece of speech, book, film, etc. from a longer whole; (noun) a short extract from a speech, book, film, etc.
308. oxide co_____or *n.* someone who leads the performance of musicians or a piece of music; (in physics) an object, substance, or material that readily allows the flow of electricity, heat, etc.
309. mathematical no_____on *n.* a system of symbols or signs used to represent information or communicate ideas; a written or printed mark or signs used to indicate musical notes, mathematical formulas, or linguistic elements
310. tr_____t player *n.* a brass musical instrument with a flared bell and a bright, penetrating tone; (verb) to announce or praise loudly or publicly
311. 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
312. pic_____ph symbols *n.* a symbol or picture that represents a word, phrase, or concept; a form of communication that uses pictures or symbols to convey information
313. Egyptian hie_____ph *n.* a writing system using picture symbols, such as the one used in ancient Egypt

ANSWERS: 307. excerpt, 308. conductor, 309. notation, 310. trumpet, 311. realization, 312. pictograph, 313. hieroglyph

314. an ap___l for help *n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
315. burn s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
316. have an aw_____e birthday *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
317. pe_____ar way *adj.* odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way
318. job te___e *n.* the holding or possessing of a specific position, job, or property; the right to hold a position or property for a period of time
319. a vocal so_____t *n.* a person who performs a solo, especially a solo musician or singer
320. in_____et the question *v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
321. nonmetallic el_____ts *n.* a fundamental or essential part of something
322. aw_____e mental faculty *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
323. verbal pro_____on *n.* action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired
324. create ma___m *n.* a state of chaos, disorder, and violence, typically caused by a riot, violent confrontation, or rapid and widespread destruction; a situation of extreme confusion, disorder, and damage

ANSWERS: 314. appeal, 315. scar, 316. awesome, 317. peculiar, 318. tenure, 319. soloist, 320. interpret, 321. element, 322. awesome, 323. provocation, 324. mayhem

325. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
326. mo__t a hill *v.* to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone
327. no___e a poem *v.* to write or mark down musical notes or symbols on a sheet of music or a musical manuscript; to make a written record or notation of something
328. sch_____nia treatment *n.* a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior
329. id_____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
330. cl_____et reed *n.* a musical instrument of the woodwind family, with a single reed, a cylindrical bore, and a curved mouthpiece, known for its versatility and rich, warm tone
331. dis_____ive identity disorder *adj.* characterized by a disconnect or separation from reality, often due to trauma or stress; inducing a separation or division of a previously unified whole

ANSWERS: 325. tradition, 326. mount, 327. notate, 328. schizophrenia, 329. identity, 330. clarinet, 331. dissociative

332. the tra_____ion of a tadpole into a frog *n.* a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
333. the piano passages in the com_____on *n.* the different parts of something's elements or ingredients; the way in which the different components are organized; a piece of music written by someone
334. h__h up a case *v.* to make or become silent, especially by urging or persuading others to be quiet or by speaking softly or gently; to keep something secret or confidential
335. surgical ins_____nts *n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work
336. not nec_____ly a problem *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
337. pro_____nal athlete *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
338. a ra_____l cure *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
339. re___e the street *v.* to give a new name to something; to change the name of something
340. de_____l level *n.* (also "dB") a unit used to measure the intensity of sound or the comparative loudness of two sounds based on a logarithmic scale

ANSWERS: 332. transformation, 333. composition, 334. hush, 335. instrument, 336. necessarily, 337. professional, 338. radical, 339. rename, 340. decibel

341. people with bipolar di_____er *n.* an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions
342. a combative im_____e *n.* a sudden strong and unreflective wish or need to do something; the electrical discharge that travels along a nerve fiber
343. musical ins_____nts *n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work
344. the ex____t of the damage *n.* the point or degree or area to which something extends
345. co_____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
346. quartz wri_____ch *n.* a small timepiece designed to be worn on the wrist typically comprised of a strap or bracelet and a clock face with hour, minute, and sometimes second hands
347. vi____l navigation *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
348. carry a s__r *n.* a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed
349. ethical so_____sm *n.* a philosophical idea that only the self and its experiences are sure to exist or can be proven to exist; an extreme form of subjectivity in which only the individual's mind is considered valid or certain

ANSWERS: 341. disorder, 342. impulse, 343. instrument, 344. extent, 345. conclude, 346. wristwatch, 347. visual, 348. scar, 349. solipsism

350. s__t beliefs *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
351. dis_____ive state *adj.* characterized by a disconnect or separation from reality, often due to trauma or stress; inducing a separation or division of a previously unified whole
352. certified pro_____nal secretary *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
353. the def_____on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
354. classic wri_____ch *n.* a small timepiece designed to be worn on the wrist typically comprised of a strap or bracelet and a clock face with hour, minute, and sometimes second hands
355. fa_____te a chemical *v.* to make something, especially by assembling parts or constructing it from raw materials; to invent and present something false as true or real to deceive someone
356. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
357. snowstorm ma___m *n.* a state of chaos, disorder, and violence, typically caused by a riot, violent confrontation, or rapid and widespread destruction; a situation of extreme confusion, disorder, and damage

ANSWERS: 350. sect, 351. dissociative, 352. professional, 353. definition, 354. wristwatch, 355. fabricate, 356. extraordinary, 357. mayhem

358. the rh____ic of a debate *n.* speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form
359. 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
360. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
361. ca_____st for reform *n.* a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself
362. ke_____rd instruments *n.* device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work
363. sou_____ck album *n.* the recorded audio that accompanies a movie, television program, or video game
364. su___y train *n.* an underground railway system, typically in a city
365. bi__o game *n.* a game of chance in which players match numbers on a card with randomly drawn numbers to be the first to complete a specific pattern or sequence; sudden realization, success, or achievement

ANSWERS: 358. rhetoric, 359. obsessive, 360. mention, 361. catalyst, 362. keyboard, 363. soundtrack, 364. subway, 365. bingo

366. co____ss gas *v.* to press or squeeze together to make something take up less space
367. tie c__p *n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
368. labor under a de____on *n.* a false belief or impression that is firmly held despite evidence to the contrary
369. de___ts of character *n.* an imperfection, shortcoming, or lack of something or someone
370. call fo__h demand *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
371. ele____cs industry *n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems
372. fa____te an excuse *v.* to make something, especially by assembling parts or constructing it from raw materials; to invent and present something false as true or real to deceive someone

ANSWERS: 366. compress, 367. clip, 368. delusion, 369. defect, 370. forth, 371. electronics, 372. fabricate

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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
2. I received a beautiful _____ as a graduation gift from my parents.
n. a small timepiece designed to be worn on the wrist typically comprised of a strap or bracelet and a clock face with hour, minute, and sometimes second hands
3. The condo offers _____ access to the beach.
adj. not divided or shared with others
4. He needed to resolve the problem as soon as possible, so he made an _____ directly.
n. a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
5. The juice has a _____ taste.
adj. odd and uncommon, sometimes in an unpleasant way
6. The dragon is considered a _____ of bravery.
n. something visible that is used to represent something else
7. There was a chemical _____ of the lime with the groundwater.
n. a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others

ANSWERS: 1. obsessive, 2. wristwatch, 3. exclusive, 4. appeal, 5. peculiar, 6. symbol, 7. reaction

8. I included a _____ in my essay to provide additional information and sources for my argument.
- n.* a note of additional information provided at the bottom of a page in a book or document, often indicated by a superscript number or symbol in the main text
9. They enjoyed a romantic dinner on the _____ overlooking the city.
- n.* a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space
10. 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
11. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
- n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
12. He was known for his powerful _____ and ability to persuade people with his words.
- n.* speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form
13. The long lecture on a topic I already knew left me struggling to fight off _____.
- n.* a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation
14. The _____ in the road was so sharp that I had to slow down to navigate it safely.
- n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape

ANSWERS: 8. footnote, 9. balcony, 10. decide, 11. tradition, 12. rhetoric, 13. boredom, 14. curve

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

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

16. It seems _____ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.

adj. likely to happen or likely to be true

17. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

18. The witness's testimony was _____ based on what he had seen and heard.

adv. believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof

19. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

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

20. The famous _____ wrote many successful plays during his career.

n. (also "dramaturge") a writer of plays, dramas, or theatrical pieces

21. The _____ argument between the two politicians seems to have no end.

adj. causing weariness, boredom, or annoyance; dull, monotonous, or tedious

22. Several military _____ programs have become popular methods of exercise.

n. a tool or machine used for making round holes or driving fasteners; a training or practice

ANSWERS: 15. questionable, 16. probable, 17. identity, 18. presumably, 19. statistics, 20. dramatist, 21. tiresome, 22. drill

23. She made a facial _____ to express disagreement.
n. a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
24. She took the recommended _____ of medication to treat her headache.
n. a quantity or amount of medicine or a drug that is taken or administered at one time, typically measured out in specific units; a similar measure of exposure to a harmful substance or radiation
25. The company specializes in manufacturing and selling cutting-edge _____.
n. the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems
26. He fastens some sheets of paper with a _____.
n. a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
27. The building makes a remarkable _____ impact.
adj. relating to seeing or sight
28. The _____ performance was the highlight of the concert.
n. a person who performs a solo, especially a solo musician or singer
29. She drew a _____ sketch of the landscape, accurately capturing the mountains and rivers.
adj. done or created without the use of aids, tools, or guidelines; drawn, sketched, or created by hand without the use of stencils or other mechanical methods
30. Kant's thoughts provided the foundational ideas for treating _____ as a discipline.
n. the branch of philosophy that deals with the fundamental nature and the first principles of reality, including abstract concepts such as being, knowing, identity, time, and space

ANSWERS: 23. gesture, 24. dose, 25. electronics, 26. clip, 27. visual, 28. soloist's, 29. freehand, 30. metaphysics

31. She _____ the files into a single ZIP archive to save space on her computer.
- v.* to press or squeeze together to make something take up less space
32. She played a beautiful melody on the _____.
- n.* a brass musical instrument with a flared bell and a bright, penetrating tone; (verb) to announce or praise loudly or publicly
33. The _____ unique sound added to the jazz ensemble.
- n.* a musical instrument of the woodwind family, with a single reed, a cylindrical bore, and a curved mouthpiece, known for its versatility and rich, warm tone
34. I like to _____ my phone case with a picture of my dog.
- v.* to make something or an experience specific to an individual or group, often through adding personal details or tailoring it to their preferences or needs; to add personal details or information to something
35. The novel portrays the protagonist's journey from youthful _____ to a more empathetic understanding of those around him
- n.* a philosophical idea that only the self and its experiences are sure to exist or can be proven to exist; an extreme form of subjectivity in which only the individual's mind is considered valid or certain
36. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
- n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
37. Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's _____.
- n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

ANSWERS: 31. compressed, 32. trumpet, 33. clarinet's, 34. personalize, 35. solipsism, 36. process, 37. absence

38. Frugality and industry are still _____ as virtues.
v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
39. I can't see any _____ between these two concepts.
n. a difference or contrast between similar things or people
40. The _____ on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.
n. a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
41. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.
v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
42. Please strike the "enter" on the _____.
n. device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work
43. After her stroke, my grandmother suffered from expressive _____ making it difficult for her to articulate her thoughts.
n. a language disorder that affects a person's ability to use or understand words, often caused by brain damage, such as stroke, brain injury, or neurological condition, which can result in difficulty speaking, writing, reading, or comprehending language
44. _____ operational improvements often lead to better environmental performance.
adj. having a noticeably small amount of body fat; (verb) to bend or move from a straight to a sloping posture
45. I always try to _____ my boss by achieving the sales target every month.
v. to give pleasure or satisfaction to; to provide someone with what they want or need; to indulge or satisfy a desire or appetite

ANSWERS: 38. regarded, 39. distinction, 40. delight, 41. define, 42. keyboard, 43. aphasia, 44. Lean, 45. gratify

46. The lobbyist _____ Congress not to approve the measure.
- v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
47. That _____ group actively advocated environmental protection to the government.
- n.* a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation
48. The ship's hull was _____ from years of use in rough seas.
- v.* to twist or bend out of shape, especially as a result of being heated; to distort or twist the meaning or sense of something
49. The rioters caused _____ in the streets, breaking windows and starting fires.
- n.* a state of chaos, disorder, and violence, typically caused by a riot, violent confrontation, or rapid and widespread destruction; a situation of extreme confusion, disorder, and damage
50. _____ doctors recommend getting at least 8 hours of sleep per night for optimal health.
- adv.* in a way that follows accepted customs, rules, or standards; in a way that is typical or traditional
51. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.
- adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
52. The _____ solo in the symphony was beautiful and elevated the overall performance.
- n.* a musical instrument consisting of a metal, wood, or bamboo tube with a row of fingerholes and sometimes keys, played by blowing across a hole near one end

ANSWERS: 46. urged, 47. lobby, 48. warped, 49. mayhem, 50. Conventionally, 51. ultimate, 52. flute

53. Please _____ your voice so that the baby can sleep.

- v. to make or become silent, especially by urging or persuading others to be quiet or by speaking softly or gently; to keep something secret or confidential

54. The _____ to the movie was composed by a famous musician.

- n. the recorded audio that accompanies a movie, television program, or video game

55. The facility manager _____ the security guards to be on high alert.

- v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

56. They won big at _____ last night, taking home the grand prize.

- n. a game of chance in which players match numbers on a card with randomly drawn numbers to be the first to complete a specific pattern or sequence; sudden realization, success, or achievement

57. The cave paintings are ancient _____ that tell stories of the past.

- n. a symbol or picture that represents a word, phrase, or concept; a form of communication that uses pictures or symbols to convey information

58. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.

- n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

59. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.

- adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

60. He was provoked to _____ the draft on the floor.

- v. to throw or push something or someone with force or recklessness, especially because you are angry

ANSWERS: 53. hush, 54. soundtrack, 55. instructed, 56. bingo, 57. pictographs, 58. privilege, 59. exciting, 60. fling

61. There are _____ methods for dealing with stress.

adj. too numerous to be counted or very many

62. The company's _____ approach has been highly effective.

n. the action or process of changing to suit different conditions

63. He had a _____ that he was a millionaire.

n. a false belief or impression that is firmly held despite evidence to the contrary

64. As a musician, you must _____ your compositions accurately for others to read and understand.

v. to write or mark down musical notes or symbols on a sheet of music or a musical manuscript; to make a written record or notation of something

65. The structure is _____ of three main components.

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

66. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.

n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

67. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?

v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

68. The new president was _____ immediately after the national election.

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

69. He has a _____ demeanor and always presents himself in a polished manner.

adj. having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful

ANSWERS: 61. countless, 62. adaptation, 63. delusion, 64. notate, 65. composed, 66. definition, 67. divide, 68. installed, 69. professional

70. The _____ shop was decorated with colorful flowers and plants that gave a welcoming feeling.
- n.* a person who sells and arranges flowers, often as their profession
71. 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
72. My computer has been acting _____ recently.
- adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
73. I will be very happy to accept your _____.
- n.* a spoken or written request to participate or be present or take part in something
74. The dog's _____ proved that it came from a long line of champion show dogs.
- n.* the recorded ancestry or genealogical background of a person or animal; a list of ancestors, especially of purebred animals, that documents the genetic lineage of a particular animal or line of animals
75. She worked as an _____ at the United Nations.
- n.* a person who translates spoken or written language from one language to another
76. _____ in the design could cause much worse issues.
- n.* an imperfection, shortcoming, or lack of something or someone
77. The _____ virus spread rapidly through the close-knit community.
- adj.* extremely harmful or poisonous, especially in a physical or biological sense; highly infectious or contagious; intensely bitter or hostile

ANSWERS: 70. florist's, 71. realization, 72. weird, 73. invitation, 74. pedigree, 75. interpreter, 76. Defects, 77. virulent

78. The scientist conducted a study that provided _____ details about the species' behavior.

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

79. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

80. Due to hunger, the lives of the refugees were in _____.

n. serious and great danger or risk

81. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

82. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.

n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

83. it is _____ that the French, who prefer animal foods, live longer than people in other countries.

adj. seemingly contradictory or absurd because of having two opposite features or facts, though it is probably true

84. The invention of the camera triggered the development of _____ painting.

adj. based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence

85. Necessity is the mother of _____.

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

ANSWERS: 78. specific, 79. decision, 80. peril, 81. eventually, 82. brain, 83. paradoxical, 84. abstract, 85. invention

86. The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's _____.
- n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
87. This harmonious _____ immortalized its composer.
- n.* a succession of musical tones forming part of a larger piece of music
88. The restaurant had a _____ of food left over from the weekend.
- n.* an excessive amount of something, especially of a commodity, that results in a decline in price
89. The doctor prescribed some medicine for the mental _____.
- n.* an untidy state or a lack of organization; a physical condition or illness that causes problems with how a section of the body or brain functions
90. The company's _____ approach to marketing was evident when its campaign lacked a clear target audience.
- adj.* referring to a person who dabbles or shows superficial interest in a subject, field, or art without serious commitment or expertise, often conveys a lack of depth or serious dedication
91. A _____ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.
- n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

ANSWERS: 86. function, 87. melody, 88. glut, 89. disorder, 90. dilettante, 91. panel

92. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.
- adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
93. Their innovative concepts were consistent across their bodies of _____.
- n.* the different parts of something's elements or ingredients; the way in which the different components are organized; a piece of music written by someone
94. The talented _____ captivated the audience with his impressive magic tricks.
- n.* a person who entertains an audience or group by presenting artistic or theatrical acts, such as an actor, musician, dancer, or singer
95. The government established by the coup was more _____ than before.
- adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
96. The airline's _____ showed a delay of three hours for our flight to London.
- n.* a schedule or plan that shows the times at which particular events or activities are intended to occur; a list of train, bus, or airplane departures and arrivals
97. The _____ of the universe is a complex and constantly evolving concept.
- n.* a branch of metaphysics concerned with the nature of being and the existence
98. Some questions have a rising _____ in English.
- n.* the rise and fall of the voice pitch in speaking
99. He _____ back in time to the soccer game.
- v.* to move along very quickly; (noun) the act of rising upward into the air

ANSWERS: 92. creative, 93. composition, 94. performer, 95. radical, 96. timetable, 97. ontology, 98. intonation, 99. zoomed

100. She gave a fantastic _____ at the conference and received a standing ovation.
- n.* the act of formally introducing or displaying something to others; the manner in which something is presented or given visually, verbally, or otherwise
101. The _____ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.
- n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
102. I _____ skim milk for regular milk because we are on a strict diet.
- n.* a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one
103. The _____ of colors in the sunset was truly breathtaking.
- n.* a large number or variety of something; the quality or state of being multiple or manifold
104. Understanding unitary _____ of a normal matrix require considerable mathematical sophistication.
- n.* a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
105. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.
- n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
106. The minority _____ believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.
- n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
107. The _____ performance was a spectacular display of talent and creativity.
- adj.* relating to drama, acting, or the theater; having the quality of a performance or show

ANSWERS: 100. presentation, 101. argument, 102. substitute, 103. multiplicity, 104. transformations, 105. bunch, 106. sect, 107. theatrical

108. He postulated a completely different _____ to explain all these phenomena.
n. a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
109. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.
v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
110. He _____ from commenting on the controversial topic.
v. to avoid or stop doing something; to hold oneself back from an action
111. The _____ of time travel has long fascinated scientists and fiction writers alike.
n. a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts
112. He thinks she is a high _____ because she always talks about herself and her accomplishments.
n. a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements
113. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.
v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly
114. I advised him to _____ to his new surroundings.
v. to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
115. Constructive _____ is always helpful to help improving one's work.
n. the act of analyzing, evaluating, or judging something, especially literary or artistic work, to find fault with it or to offer suggestions for improvement; the expression of disapproval or censure

ANSWERS: 108. paradigm, 109. invite, 110. refrained, 111. notion, 112. narcissist, 113. mentioned, 114. adapt, 115. criticism

116. His _____ behavior was causing problems in his personal and professional life.

adj. centered on oneself or one's interests to the exclusion of others; overly focused on one's own needs, desires, or opinions and disregarding those of others

117. Different people might _____ this news differently.

v. to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.

118. The professor's _____ at the university ends this year, and she is still determining her future career options.

n. the holding or possessing of a specific position, job, or property; the right to hold a position or property for a period of time

119. I absolutely _____ spiders and can't stand to be near them.

v. to feel strong hatred or disgust for someone or something; to be unwilling or reluctant to do something

120. He never uttered a _____ word.

adj. existing, living, or doing without others

121. Even after the wound has healed, a _____ remains.

n. a mark that remains on the skin after a wound has healed

122. Companies often _____ their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.

v. to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line

123. The _____ format provided a useful guide for creating the budget.

n. a pre-designed file or document used as a starting point for a particular application so that the format does not have to be created from scratch

ANSWERS: 116. egocentric, 117. interpret, 118. tenure, 119. loathe, 120. solitary, 121. scar, 122. split, 123. template

124. He had to _____ defeat after losing the game.

v. to acknowledge or admit the truth or existence of something often reluctantly

125. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

126. The accomplished _____ will give two more performances this week.

n. a large group of musicians who play classical music together, usually with instruments such as strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion

127. The choice between bureaucracy and adhococracy represents a common _____.

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

128. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

129. The lecture on quantum physics _____ me to tears.

v. to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources

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

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

131. This company is faced with a _____ of problems.

n. a large number of things or people

ANSWERS: 124. concede, 125. crazy, 126. orchestra, 127. dilemma, 128. constructs, 129. bored, 130. possibility, 131. multitude

132. Each beautiful _____ represents either an idea or a sound.
- n.* a writing system using picture symbols, such as the one used in ancient Egypt
133. The detective discovered that the witness had _____ her story about the crime.
- v.* to make something, especially by assembling parts or constructing it from raw materials; to invent and present something false as true or real to deceive someone
134. The ball speed will increase when the lower body movements are perfectly _____.
- v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
135. Crows are common _____ in urban areas and will eat almost anything.
- n.* an animal or bird that feeds on carrion, dead animals, or other scavenged material; a person who searches for and collects discarded or unwanted items, often to sell or reuse them
136. The country has _____ oil and natural gas resources.
- adj.* present in great quantity
137. The work of data entry can be _____ but it is important for maintaining accurate records.
- adj.* tiresome or boring because of being repetitive, dull, or too long; causing mental or physical fatigue due to its unrelenting nature
138. She was disbarred for her _____ in fraud.
- adj.* attracting, pleasant, or charming
139. The cello is a member of the _____ family.
- n.* a four-stringed wooden musical instrument held against the neck and played by passing a bow across the strings

ANSWERS: 132. hieroglyph, 133. fabricated, 134. synchronized, 135. scavengers, 136. abundant, 137. tedious, 138. engaging, 139. violin

140. They _____ pictures on the paper in preparation for the birthday card.

- v.* to increase, go up, or advance gradually or continuously; to prepare and supply with the necessary equipment for execution or performance; to ride on something or someone

141. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.

- adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

142. The kitchen _____ stopped working, so I had to call for a repair.

- n.* a device or machine, usually powered by electricity or fuel, designed for a specific function or task, typically used in the home or workplace, such as a refrigerator, oven, or washing machine

143. The new owners _____ the restaurant to give it a fresh start.

- v.* to give a new name to something; to change the name of something

144. The _____ patient was experiencing severe auditory hallucinations.

- n.* a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior

145. She is very _____ in her thoughts.

- adj.* based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.

146. The _____ drug ketamine has been used to treat depression in some cases.

- adj.* characterized by a disconnect or separation from reality, often due to trauma or stress; inducing a separation or division of a previously unified whole

147. He quickly learned the military _____.

- n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence

ANSWERS: 140. mounted, 141. fundamental, 142. appliance, 143. renamed, 144. schizophrenia, 145. conventional, 146. dissociative, 147. discipline

148. There is a lot of _____ nature and food in Hawaii.

adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

149. The _____ meaning behind his words was clear, even though he did not explicitly say it.

adj. suggested but not directly expressed

150. I pushed _____ with my new project, even though it would take much hard work.

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

151. Natural selection is an essential _____ in Darwin's theory of evolution.

n. a fundamental or essential part of something

152. The lecture was so _____ that many people fell asleep.

adj. lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull

153. The music sheet had a complex musical _____ that was difficult to understand.

n. a system of symbols or signs used to represent information or communicate ideas; a written or printed mark or signs used to indicate musical notes, mathematical formulas, or linguistic elements

154. He was sick for five _____ days.

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

155. During debates in the legislature, the _____ of the law caused a lot of controversies.

n. a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form

ANSWERS: 148. awesome, 149. implicit, 150. forth, 151. element, 152. boring, 153. notation, 154. straight, 155. draft

156. He had _____ the dance in this play himself.

- v.* to compose a sequence of dance steps, often to music

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

- n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

158. We use this tableware in a _____ service.

- n.* the act or condition of exchanging or sharing thoughts and feelings;
(Christianity) the act of participating in the celebration of the Eucharist

159. She _____ to the audience after her performance.

- v.* to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows

160. Nerve _____ cross a synapse through the action of neurotransmitters.

- n.* a sudden strong and unreflective wish or need to do something; the electrical discharge that travels along a nerve fiber

161. We had to _____ a tent using a tarp and sticks since we didn't have a proper one.

- v.* to create or perform something on the spot, without preparation or planning; to use what one has available to do or create something

162. This electronic _____ is required to undergo periodic inspections to ensure precision.

- n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work

163. His voice had a deep _____.

- n.* the quality of sound that is produced by particular voices or musical instruments sounds different from each other

ANSWERS: 156. choreographed, 157. psychology, 158. communion, 159. bowed, 160. impulses, 161. improvise, 162. instrument, 163. timbre

164. A renowned symphony orchestra performed the piano _____.

- n.* a composition for one or more solo instruments and an orchestra, typically in three movements

165. I was amazed at the _____ of her generosity.

- n.* the point or degree or area to which something extends

166. He suffers from _____ breakdowns.

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

167. Here are _____ from several recent books on quantum computing.

- v.* to take a short piece of speech, book, film, etc. from a longer whole; (noun) a short extract from a speech, book, film, etc.

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

- n.* an underground railway system, typically in a city

169. We _____ a cease-fire.

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

170. She struggled to grab the sushi with _____.

- n.* a pair of thin, tapered sticks used in East Asian cultures to pick up and eat food

171. The politician's speech was seen as a _____ to the opposition party.

- n.* action or speech that intentionally causes someone to become angry, irritated, or frustrated; a reason or motive for something, often negative or undesired

172. They are building an _____ to the house to add more bedrooms.

- n.* a thing that is added to something to make it longer, larger, or wider; an educational opportunity provided by colleges and universities to people who are not enrolled as regular students; an additional telephone set that is connected to the same telephone line

ANSWERS: 164. concerto, 165. extent, 166. nervous, 167. excerpts, 168. subway, 169. concluded, 170. chopsticks, 171. provocation, 172. extension

173. Diamonds are employed as thermal _____ as well.

- n.* someone who leads the performance of musicians or a piece of music; (in physics) an object, substance, or material that readily allows the flow of electricity, heat, etc.

174. The _____ bond between the mother and child was evident.

- adj.* relating to emotions or feelings; able to influence or evoke emotions

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

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

176. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.

- adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

177. We _____ the topic because it was too complicated.

- v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

178. The concert reached 100 _____ causing many people to cover their ears.

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

179. In English, personal _____ such as "he," "she," and "they" can replace a person's name to avoid repetition.

- n.* a word that takes the place of a noun in a sentence, such as "he," "she," "they," or "it"

180. A growing _____ requires a bold leader.

- n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort

ANSWERS: 173. conductors, 174. affective, 175. chunk, 176. extraordinary, 177. skipped, 178. decibels, 179. pronouns, 180. enterprise

181. To expand the company, we must ____ new human resources.

- v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

182. The global financial crisis acted as a _____ to unite the country.

- n.* a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself

183. The _____ child played pranks on his siblings all day long.

- adj.* causing or showing a fondness for playfully causing trouble; harmful or troublesome, especially in a playful or amusing way

184. This accident was something that happened _____.

- adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

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

- v.* to change in outward structure or looks;

186. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?

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

ANSWERS: 181. tap, 182. catalyst, 183. mischievous, 184. necessarily, 185. transformed, 186. suppose