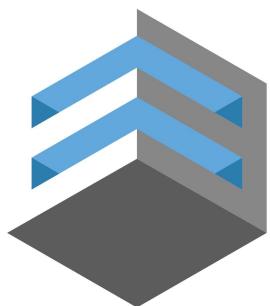


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Session 1: Word List

uneducated

adj. lacking knowledge or education

synonym: illiterate, unschooled, untaught

(1) **uneducated** poor people, (2) **uneducated** society

The lack of access to education has left many people **uneducated**.

glitter

v. to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines

synonym: sparkle, glisten, shine

(1) **glitter** against her skin, (2) **glitter** in her eyes

Her dress **glittered** in the sunlight as she walked down the street.

empire

n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

synonym: imperium, conglomerate, kingdom

(1) **empire** building, (2) **empire** of the Maya

He has built a thriving e-commerce **empire**.

depart

v. to go away or leave, especially to start a journey

synonym: go away, leave, vacate

(1) arrive and **depart** on time, (2) **depart** from the faith

We **departed** before the temperature fell below zero.

consummate

adj. complete or perfect in every aspect; supremely skilled or accomplished; (verb) to bring to a state of perfection or completion

synonym: experienced, perfect, flawless

(1) **consummate** professional, (2) **consummate** a transaction

Their wedding was a **consummate** display of elegance and love.

perfection

n. the state or condition of being without any flaws or defects; the highest level of excellence or accomplishment; the act of making something perfect or complete

synonym: flawlessness, excellence, completion

(1) absolute **perfection**, (2) **perfection** of beauty

The little girl practiced her ballet routine until she achieved **perfection**.

jewel

n. a precious stone that is cut and polished for use in jewelry

synonym: gem, precious stone, treasure

(1) **jewel** of the crown, (2) gleaming **jewel**

She treasured the small **jewel** that her grandmother had given her.

architecture

n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings

synonym: design, structure, layout

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

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

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.

grand

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

synonym: impressive, great, ambitious

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

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

surround

v. to be all around something or somebody

synonym: encircle, encompass, envelop

(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace

On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.

entourage

n. a group of people who attend or surround an important and influential person

synonym: retinue

(1) presidential **entourage**, (2) member of his **entourage**

The politician and his **entourage** arrived half an hour late.

scholar

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

synonym: professor, pupil, learner

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

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

salary

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

synonym: compensation, earnings, pay

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

What are your annual **salary** expectations?

flee

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

synonym: exit, escape, run away

(1) **flee** their homes, (2) **flee** abroad

It is a basic instinct to **flee** from a dangerous situation.

confiscate

v. to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules

synonym: seize, take, expropriate

(1) **confiscate** drugs, (2) **confiscate** property

The security officer had to **confiscate** the weapon from the suspect.

relentless

adj. persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks

synonym: unyielding, tireless, unremitting

(1) **relentless** attack, (2) face **relentless** pressure

The athlete's **relentless** training paid off in the end.

pursue

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

synonym: seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms

She intends to **pursue** a political career.

dropout

n. a person who leaves school, college, or a training program before completing it

synonym: noncompleter, quitter, school leaver

(1) the **dropout** rate, (2) **dropout** student

The high school **dropout** rate has decreased significantly in recent years thanks to educational initiatives and support programs.

formidable

adj. causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration

synonym: daunting, intimidating, fearful

(1) **formidable** challenge, (2) **formidable** competitor

The mountain range was a **formidable** obstacle for the hikers.

intellect

n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

synonym: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

cofounder

n. one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business

(1) **cofounder** of the university, (2) late **cofounder**

He is the **cofounder** and chairman of this tech company.

founder

n. a person who establishes an organization, institution, or business; the structural component of a ship or boat that provides stability and resistance against capsizing

synonym: establisher, originator, architect

(1) **founder** of a company, (2) non-profit **founder**

The company's **founder** envisioned creating innovative technology that would change the world.

acclaim

n. praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly

synonym: praise, admiration, welcome

(1) **acclaim** the winner, (2) treated with royal **acclaim**

The actor's performance in the play earned her widespread **acclaim** from the theater community.

imprint

v. to make a mark or impression on a surface; to leave a lasting impression or influence on someone or something; (noun) a mark or impression made by pressing or stamping something onto a surface; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is left by something or someone

synonym: impress, stamp, engrave

(1) DNA **imprint**, (2) **imprint** a memory

He wanted to **imprint** his brand logo on the product.

acquire

v. to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself

synonym: attain, earn, catch

(1) **acquire** knowledge, (2) **acquire** a new company
Children **acquire** language at a fantastic rate.

random

adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
synonym: incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated
(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**
To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

par

n. a state of being equal to someone or something
synonym: equality, standard, balance
(1) above **par** performance, (2) not up to **par**
Shares in the company finally fell below their **par** value.

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.

lifelong

adj. lasting for the whole of someone's life
synonym: enduring, eternal, permanent
(1) **lifelong** career, (2) **lifelong** commitment
He had a **lifelong** love of reading and spent hours daily with a book.

tenacious

adj. characterized by persistent determination, holding firmly onto something, or refusing to give up; not easily discouraged or defeated; showing strength or resolve in the face of challenges or obstacles
synonym: persistent, determined, relentless
(1) **tenacious** work ethic, (2) **tenacious** grip
She showed **tenacious** determination to achieve her goals despite numerous obstacles.

stack

n. a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated

synonym: accumulation, heap, pile

(1) high **stack**, (2) a large **stack** of paper

The earthquake caused a **stack** of lumber to crumble noisily.

artwork

n. the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.

synonym: painting, picture, graphics

(1) ancient **artwork**, (2) **artwork** conservation

Videos documenting the process of creating this pencil **artwork** have been popular worldwide.

vivid

adj. producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind

synonym: intense, powerful, dazzling

(1) **vivid** colors, (2) still **vivid** in my memory

She made a **vivid** impression.

norm

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

synonym: criterion, mean, standard

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

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

abacus

n. a counting device consisting of a frame with rods or wires on which beads or stones are moved to perform arithmetic calculations

synonym: bead frame, counting frame

(1) **abacus** calculations, (2) wooden **abacus** beads

The child was learning how to use an **abacus** in her math class.

ample

adj. enough or more than enough; having plenty of something

synonym: plentiful, rich, sufficient

(1) **ample** opportunities, (2) **ample** evidence

We have **ample** time to finish the project before the deadline.

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.

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.

educator

n. a person who teaches or educates people

synonym: teacher, instructor, lecturer

(1) business **educator**, (2) duty as an **educator**

She is an **educator** with progressive ideas.

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**.

environment

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

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

environment.

tease

- v. to make fun of someone or make jokes about them, either in a playful way or to upset them; to separate the fibers of something; to ruffle a person's or animal's hair by combing

synonym: bully, annoy, provoke

(1) **tease** the children, (2) **tease** wool

This ad is intended to **tease** a competing product.

exploration

- n. the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place

synonym: inquiry, quest, investigation

(1) future of space **exploration**, (2) an Arctic **exploration**

He called for a careful **exploration** of the consequences.

empower

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

synonym: authorize, endow, entitle

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

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

virtue

- n. high moral standards in behavior or attitudes

synonym: integrity, probity, goodness

(1) **virtue** of frugality, (2) acquire a **virtue**

She had many good **virtues** and few faults.

brilliant

- adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

synonym: luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance

The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

colleague

- n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**
I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

fascination

n. the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction
synonym: allure, attraction, charm

(1) rapt in **fascination**, (2) the **fascination** with classical music

I looked at the painting in **fascination**.

principle

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
synonym: rule, creed, code

(1) **principle** of treatment, (2) **principle** in business
Efficiency isn't an essential **principle** here; fairness is.

sophisticated

adj. having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
synonym: refined, cultured, worldly

(1) **sophisticated** look, (2) a **sophisticated** lifestyle
Marketing strategies are growing more **sophisticated**.

awe

n. a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
synonym: wonder, amazement, reverence

(1) a feeling of **awe**, (2) in **awe** of the situation

The **awe-inspiring** mountains dominate the landscape.

intensify

v. to increase or make something increase in extent or strength

synonym: amplify, boost, strengthen

(1) **intensify** diplomatic efforts, (2) **intensify** a good relationship

Rebels have pledged to **intensify** the armed struggle against the dictatorship.

profess

- v. to declare openly, often publicly or formally, that one has a particular skill, belief, or feeling; to admit or affirm
synonym: declare, claim, confess

(1) **profess** innocence, (2) **profess** law

He **professes** his love for her every day, showering her with gifts and affection.

frustrate

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

synonym: hinder, thwart, dishearten

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

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

phenomenon

- n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

synonym: marvel, wonder, splendor

(1) natural **phenomenon**, (2) historical **phenomenon**

A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

increasingly

- adv. more and more

synonym: more and more, progressively

(1) **increasingly** become common, (2) face **increasingly** complicated challenges

Our company found it **increasingly** difficult to keep up with the competition.

complexity

- n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory

The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

stud

n. a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

synonym: beam, scantling, framing

(1) horse **stud**, (2) wall **stud**

He bought a new **stud** to attach the strap to his watch.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

synonym: cooperate, combine, collaborate

(1) **interact** directly with customers, (2) **interact** with one another

He should **interact** more with his colleagues.

shroud

n. a length of cloth or other material used to cover or wrap a dead body; something that conceals or obscures something else, often used metaphorically

synonym: cover, veil, cloak

(1) **shroud** of mystery, (2) **shroud** of suspicion

The protective **shroud** covered the body in the coffin at the funeral.

numerous

adj. amounting to a large indefinite number

synonym: many, considerable, countless

(1) **numerous** countries, (2) as **numerous** as the sand

These descriptions are based on a number of **numerous** assumptions.

layer

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

synonym: stratum, sheet, coating

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

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

proprietor

n. a person who owns and runs a business, especially a hotel, a shop, or a company

synonym: owner, keeper, possessor

(1) **proprietor** of a business, (2) copyright **proprietor**

The **proprietor** of the small bakery was always friendly and welcoming.

software

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

synonym: program, system, operating system

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

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

insight

n. the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

synonym: wisdom, discernment, understanding

(1) a profound **insight**, (2) share my **insights**

We gained various **insights** by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.

marrow

n. a soft, fatty, vascular substance in the cavities of bones, in which blood cells are produced; the choicest or most essential part of some idea or experience

synonym: bone marrow, pith, center

(1) the **marrow** of a speech, (2) vegetable **marrow**

The soup was made with bone **marrow**, giving it a rich and savory flavor.

hardware

n. durable tools, machinery, and other equipment; the physical and electronic parts of a computer or other electronic systems

synonym: gear, apparatus, gadget

(1) the **hardware** department, (2) a vast inventory of **hardware**

The mouse and keyboard are essential **hardware** for

operating a PC.

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.

cathedral

n. the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area

synonym: church, basilica, temple

(1) **cathedral** school, (2) **cathedral** choir

The **cathedral's** stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.

trivial

adj. of little value or importance

synonym: insignificant, minor, unimportant

(1) a **trivial** man, (2) for **trivial** reasons

The problem seemed **trivial** initially, but it became a significant issue.

logic

n. a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

synonym: reasoning, reason, ratiocination

(1) an indisputable **logic**, (2) a demonstration in **logic**

There's no **logic** in his description.

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.

lowly

adj. characterized by a humble or modest status or position; of low rank, social class, or importance

synonym: humble, modest, unassuming

(1) **lowly** position, (2) **lowly** origins

The protagonist in the novel was a **lowly** servant who rose to prominence through a series of unexpected events.

humble

adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

synonym: modest, unpretentious, abject

(1) a **humble** cottage, (2) **humble** opinion

The nobler, the more **humble**.

elaborate

adj. containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts

synonym: detailed, intricate, complicated

(1) an **elaborate** hat, (2) **elaborate** Ponzi scheme

He proposed an **elaborate** program of public works.

sequence

n. a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order

synonym: arrangement, succession, series

(1) the **sequence** of the seasons, (2) the DNA **sequence**

We do move forward with those tasks in **sequence** next week.

gradual

adj. happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt

synonym: incremental, gradational, piecemeal

(1) a **gradual** process, (2) a **gradual** change

The country experienced a **gradual** increase in population.

chip

n. a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat

synonym: flake, fragment, chunk

(1) a **chip** of wood, (2) I don't care a **chip**

We can use this campaign as a bargaining **chip** in the negotiations.

platform

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

synonym: stage, podium, forum

- (1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise
The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

assemble

v. to collect in one place as a single group

synonym: gather, congregate, collect

- (1) **assemble** your colleagues, (2) **assemble** a jigsaw puzzle

The president began to **assemble** an army.

virtual

adj. being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

synonym: practical

- (1) a **virtual** image, (2) trading of **virtual** currencies
She is the **virtual** president of the company.

operate

v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something

synonym: work, use, employ

- (1) **operate** 24 hours a day, (2) manually **operate** a machine

This machine is too difficult to **operate** for me.

compile

v. to create a book, a list, a report, etc., by combining various objects, articles, music, etc.

synonym: assemble, collect, gather

- (1) **compile** a biography, (2) **compile** the data

We are attempting to **compile** a list of qualified candidates for the position.

jack

n. a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects

synonym: lever, crank, wrench

- (1) a **jack** of all trades, (2) a line-in **jack**

He used a **jack** to lift the car to change the tire.

celebrate

v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

synonym: praise, glorify, honor

(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas

He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

tremendous

adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

(1) **tremendous** amount, (2) **tremendous** popularity

We had a **tremendous** time yesterday.

triumph

n. a great victory or achievement

synonym: victory, success, conquest

(1) **triumph** of democracy, (2) **triumph** of the spirit

The team's **triumph** in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.

fantastically

adv. in a manner that is extremely or unbelievably good, impressive, or bizarre; in a fanciful or imaginative way

synonym: amazingly, astonishingly, incredibly

(1) **fantastically** dressed, (2) **fantastically** wealthy

She sang **fantastically** in the talent show and won first place.

facilitate

v. to make something easier or more likely to happen

synonym: aid, assist, help

(1) **facilitate** a smooth transition, (2) **facilitate** the process

The company implemented a new software system to

facilitate employee communication and collaboration.

ascent

n. the act of climbing or moving upwards, often referring to a physical ascent of a mountain or a spiritual ascent or improvement; an upward movement; the process of moving upwards

synonym: climb, rise, hike

(1) spiritual **ascent**, (2) the **ascent** of a rocket

The hikers experienced a difficult **ascent** to the summit due to the steep and rocky terrain.

infrastructure

n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

synonym: foundation, framework

(1) IT **infrastructure**, (2) **infrastructure** cost

Aging societies tend to require huge costs for **infrastructure** maintenance.

semester

n. one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term

(1) end of the **semester**, (2) during the **semester** breaks

We must complete all of these courses in the following **semester**.

decompose

v. to break down or cause to break down over time into simpler substances or elements

synonym: break down, rot, spoil

(1) **decompose** matter, (2) **decompose** into simpler molecules

After the earthquake, many of the buildings in the city were left in ruins and began to **decompose**.

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.

standalone

adj. (of computer hardware or software) able to operate the system without being connected to other hardware or software; (also stand-alone) capable of working independently

(1) **standalone** application, (2) **standalone** approach

We never prescribe medication as a **standalone** treatment.

module

n. a self-contained unit or component of a larger system or structure; a standardized unit of computer hardware or software designed to perform a specific function

synonym: component, unit, segment

(1) **module** software, (2) audio **module**

I must install a new programming **module** for my computer program to function properly.

individually

adv. separately or apart from others

synonym: separately, one by one, independently

(1) answer questions **individually**, (2) **individually** designed product

Each department has done its product costing **individually**.

specify

v. to explain or state something clearly and exactly

synonym: establish, pinpoint, identify

(1) **specify** a cause, (2) **specify** an option

You can **specify** the font color by clicking the Color tab.

isolation

n. the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups

synonym: aloneness, seclusion, separateness

(1) **isolation** booth, (2) the country's **isolation**

That incident led to his **isolation**.

specification

n. a detailed description of the characteristics, features, or requirements of something, typically a product or system; a written statement that outlines the standards, procedures, or requirements for a project or job

synonym: description, requirement, guideline

(1) functional **specification**, (2) engineering **specification**

The project's **specifications** outlined the goals and requirements for the team to complete.

simulate

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

synonym: pretend, imitate, mimic

(1) **simulate** climate change, (2) **simulate** a future scenario
He had painted the wood to **simulate** stone.

emulate

v. to imitate someone else's achievements to try to do something as well as somebody else

synonym: impersonate, mimic, imitate

(1) **emulate** a successful business model, (2) **emulate** his watercolors

They intend to **emulate** the footsteps of successful software companies.

slide

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

synonym: glide, drift, drop

(1) **slide** a card across the table, (2) **slide** a glance
If necessary, you can **slide** the front seats forward.

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.

fascinating

adj. extremely interesting

synonym: alluring, intriguing, captivating

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

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

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

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

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

observe

v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

synonym: watch, monitor, scrutinize

(1) **observe** a tradition, (2) **observe** wildlife

It is important to **observe** safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

spontaneously

adv. in a way that is natural, not planned or forced, and often sudden

synonym: impromptu, automatically, immediately

(1) recover **spontaneously** after five days, (2) this shift occurs **spontaneously**

The electrical cord **spontaneously** combusted.

spawn

v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop

synonym: beget, breed, generate

(1) **spawn** in spring, (2) **spawn** a new concept

The salmon swims upstream to **spawn** in the place they were released.

engineer

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

synonym: architect, creator, builder

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

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

organ

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

synonym: function, structure

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

These infections have the potential to impact practically every

organ system.

guidance

n. advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making

synonym: advice, direction, support

(1) vocational **guidance**, (2) **guidance** counselor

The mentor provided **guidance** to the young entrepreneur, helping her navigate the business world.

bundle

n. a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things

synonym: package, parcel, bale

(1) **bundle** of papers, (2) travel **bundle**

I tied up the **bundle** of newspapers and took them to the recycling center.

pioneering

adj. involving new ideas or methods; being the first of their kind; leading the way in a particular field

synonym: innovative, groundbreaking, trailblazing

(1) **pioneering** research, (2) **pioneering** spirit

The **pioneering** scientist developed a breakthrough technology that revolutionized the industry.

attract

v. to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

synonym: lure, entice, draw in

(1) **attract** attention, (2) **attract** customers

The government is eager to **attract** international investment.

typical

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

synonym: characteristic, usual, distinctive

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

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

hack

v. to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks

synonym: cut, chop, crack

(1) **hack** through the jungle, (2) **hack** into the program

This blog offers a variety of tips for **hacking** everyday life.

mentality

n. the characteristic way of thinking or mindset of an individual or group; the mental attitude or outlook that influences behavior, choices, and opinions

synonym: mindset, intellect, brainpower

(1) criminal **mentality**, (2) self-improvement **mentality**

Her positive **mentality** helped her overcome challenges and achieve her goals.

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

unpredictable

adj. not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain

synonym: uncertain, variable, random

(1) dangerously **unpredictable** person, (2) **unpredictable** outcome

The weather in this region is often **unpredictable**, with sudden rainstorms and strong winds.

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**.

develop

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

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

unfold

- v. to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown

synonym: open, spread out, expose

(1) **unfold** the story, (2) **unfold** the stroller

The mystery **unfolded** as the detectives gathered more clues.

maze

- n. a complex network of winding passages or pathways designed as a puzzle or challenge for people to navigate through

synonym: labyrinth, puzzle, network

(1) puzzle **maze**, (2) labyrinth **maze**

We got lost in the **maze** of streets while exploring the city.

engine

- n. a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose

synonym: motor, locomotive, driver

(1) a steam **engine**, (2) an air-cooled **engine**

The policies he announces can be the **engine** of economic growth in the country.

instant

adj. happening immediately, with no delay

synonym: immediate, urgent, moment

(1) get **instant** access, (2) an **instant** reply

His pleasant face turned cold in an **instant**.

celebrity

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

synonym: figure, star, VIP

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

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

pilgrim

n. a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion

synonym: traveler, wayfarer, sojourner

(1) shrine for **pilgrims**, (2) **pilgrim** site

The group of **pilgrims** walked in silence, deep in thought and prayer.

mathematics

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

synonym: arithmetic, calculation, calculus

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

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

victorious

adj. being the winner in a game, competition, election, war, etc.

synonym: triumphant, winning

(1) the **victorious** entry, (2) the **victorious** army

The **victorious** troops marched back to their homeland.

coursework

n. the work done by a student as part of a course of study, typically assessed and counting towards a final grade or degree

synonym: assignments, classwork, homework

(1) **coursework** deadline, (2) assign a lot of **coursework**

I have much **coursework** to complete before the end of the semester.

literacy

n. the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively

synonym: education, reading, writing

(1) digital **literacy**, (2) financial **literacy**

Many charities focus on improving **literacy** rates in underprivileged communities.

numeracy

n. the ability to understand and work with numbers, particularly in the context of everyday life and practical applications

synonym: numerical ability, math proficiency, math skills

(1) basic **numeracy**, (2) **numeracy** test results

Numeracy skills are important in many industries, including finance and science.

degree

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

synonym: level, qualification, diploma

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

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

capable

adj. having the ability, skill, or potential to do something; competent or proficient in a particular task or area of expertise

synonym: able, competent, proficient

(1) **capable** worker, (2) **capable** leader

She is highly **capable** of handling multiple tasks at once.

profoundly

adv. to a great or complete degree; deeply

synonym: deeply, greatly, completely

(1) **profoundly** insightful, (2) sleep **profoundly**

The novel affected her **profoundly**, causing her to question her beliefs and values.

demonstrate

v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience

synonym: show, illustrate, display

(1) **demonstrate** a difference, (2) **demonstrate** mastery

How can you **demonstrate** that the earth is a sphere?

traction

n. the action or ability to pull something along a surface without sliding

synonym: pulling, friction, suction

(1) increase **traction** on ice, (2) electronic **traction**

His leg was in **traction** for weeks after the accident.

initiative

n. the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need

synonym: enterprise, drive, ambition

(1) a peace **initiative**, (2) take **initiative**

The teacher's **initiative** to start a school garden project was met with enthusiasm from the students.

amazing

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

synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

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

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

grade

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

synonym: score, rate, degree

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

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

motivation

n. the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way

synonym: inspiration, incentive, reason

(1) understand his **motivation**, (2) **motivation** for a change

A significant amount of **motivation** is required to be a teacher.

passion

n. intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction

synonym: fervor, zeal, ardor

(1) **passion** hobby, (2) **passion** drive

Her **passion** for cooking is evident in every dish she prepares.

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.

obsess

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

synonym: torment, beset, engross

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

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

courage

n. the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

synonym: bravery, valor, fearlessness

(1) mental **courage**, (2) inspire **courage**

It takes a lot of **courage** to stand up for what you believe is right.

defeat

v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt

synonym: conquer, beat, overpower

(1) **defeat** a global power, (2) **defeat** body odor

Despite his best efforts, he was unable to **defeat** the enemy.

enthusiasm

n. a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it

synonym: eagerness, zeal, willingness

(1) unflagging **enthusiasm**, (2) lose **enthusiasm**

We are tackling the development for updates with **enthusiasm**.

discovery

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

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

tolerate

v. to allow something to exist or happen, even if it is disliked or opposed

synonym: endure, put up with, bear

(1) **tolerate** his disrespectful behavior, (2) **tolerate** ambiguity

I can't **tolerate** spicy food, and it always gives me heartburn

worship

v. to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god

synonym: adore, idolize

(1) **worship** god, (2) absolutely **worship**

They traditionally **worship** their guru.

minus

adj. subtracting or taking away; having a value less than zero

synonym: without, lacking, negative

(1) **minus** sign, (2) **minus** temperature

The recipe calls for four cups of flour **minus** one tablespoon.

aggregate

n. a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items

synonym: total, sum, whole

(1) data **aggregate**, (2) an **aggregate** of people

The **aggregate** amount of money raised for the charity was over a million dollars.

forehead

n. the part of the face above the eyebrows and below the hairline; the upper part of the face that extends from the eyes to the hairline

synonym: brow, frontal bone, temple

(1) **forehead** wrinkles, (2) kiss on the **forehead**

The athlete had sweat dripping down her **forehead** after the intense workout.

nonsense

n. an idea, behavior, or something spoken or written that has no meaning or makes no sense or that is silly or unacceptable

synonym: ludicrousness, gabble, absurdity

(1) talk **nonsense**, (2) sheer **nonsense**

The parents spoke to their children in no- **nonsense** tones.

degrade

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

synonym: demean, disgrace, impair

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

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

upgrade

v. to improve the value or usefulness of something such as a machine, computer system, etc., or to replace it with something newer or of a higher standard

synonym: improve, boost, enrich

(1) **upgrade** a product, (2) **upgrade** work performance

It's an excellent opportunity to **upgrade** our networking.

glimpse

n. a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly

synonym: glance, peek, sighting

(1) a momentary **glimpse**, (2) passing **glimpse**

Our team caught a **glimpse** of the world-class technique in

this game.

characteristic

n. a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody

synonym: feature, quality, attribute

(1) stripes **characteristic** of the zebra, (2) my friend's **characteristic** laugh

Bananas have their **characteristic** taste and odor.

tablet

n. a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine

synonym: notepad, pill, medication

(1) a multivitamin **tablet**, (2) **tablet** keyboard

The new **tablet** device has a faster processor and better graphics than its predecessor.

app

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

synonym: application, software

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

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

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym: idea, notion, vision

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

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

experiment

n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

synonym: experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

moving

adj. causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy

synonym: emotional, poignant, touching

(1) **moving** experience, (2) **moving** ceremony

His **moving** speech about his struggles with addiction brought tears to the audience's eyes.

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.

legitimate

adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful

synonym: lawful, honest, fair

(1) a **legitimate** child, (2) **legitimate** question

Public political demonstrations are considered **legitimate** rights for citizens.

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.

rearrange

v. to change the order or position of things already made; to change the time, date, or place of an event already planned

synonym: readjust, reorganize, reconstruct

(1) **rearrange** the furniture, (2) **rearrange** his schedule

Please **rearrange** these files as we start a new project

tomorrow.

glue

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

synonym: adhesive, paste, gum

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

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

proceed

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

synonym: advance, progress, move ahead

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

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

algorithm

n. a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

synonym: logic, method, rule

(1) the RSA **algorithm**, (2) **algorithm** for image processing

We can evaluate the performance of an **algorithm** in terms of computation time.

compute

v. to make a mathematical calculation

synonym: calculate

(1) **compute** an average score, (2) **compute** the value

I tried to **compute** the efficiency of the investment.

parallelogram

n. a four-sided geometric shape with opposite sides parallel to each other, characterized by its angles, sides, and area

synonym: rectangle, quadrangle, oblong

(1) base of **parallelogram**, (2) opposite angles of a **parallelogram**

In geometry class, we learned how to calculate the area of a **parallelogram**.

replace

v. to take the place of something

synonym: substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone
Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

triangle

n. a three-sided polygon with three angles; something that has three sides or parts

synonym: trilateral, delta, triad

(1) **triangle** shape, (2) love **triangle**

The Pythagorean theorem is used to calculate the length of the sides of a right **triangle**.

duplicate

v. to make or be an exact copy of something; to reproduce something

synonym: copy, replicate, reproduce

(1) **duplicate** my efforts, (2) **duplicate** his action

I need to **duplicate** this document before I send it.

transpose

v. to change the position, order, or arrangement of something, especially in music, by changing the key or pitch; to transfer or move something from one place or context to another

synonym: switch, invert, interchange

(1) **transpose** letters, (2) **transpose** data

We must **transpose** the melody from key C to key G for the singer.

pasty

n. a type of baked pastry that typically consists of a filling of meat, vegetables, or other ingredients, enclosed in a pastry shell; (adjective) pale, lacking in color, or dull

synonym: pastry, pie

(1) **pasty** face, (2) Cornish **pasty**

I plan to pick up a chicken **pasty** at that bakery on my way home from work.

rectangle

n. a four-sided geometric shape with four right angles, where opposite sides are parallel and of equal length

synonym: oblong, square, quadrangle

(1) orthogonal **rectangle**, (2) **rectangle** box

The living room had a **rectangle-shaped** coffee table in the center of it.

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?

addition

n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

synonym: accumulation, expansion, addendum

(1) chemical **addition**, (2) **addition** of vectors

In **addition**, private corporations provide healthcare services.

geometry

n. the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces

(1) Euclidean **geometry**, (2) spherical **geometry**

The mathematician pioneered fractal **geometry**.

exposed

adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

synonym: endangered, revealed, disclosed

(1) **exposed** to radiation, (2) an **exposed** rock

Tech companies often employ **exposed** ducts and other materials in their office interiors.

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym: approach, procedure, scenario

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

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

reduction

n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree

synonym: diminution, decrease, cutback

(1) **reduction** strategy, (2) a gradual **reduction**

The **reduction** in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.

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.

generalization

n. the act of making a broad statement or conclusion based on limited information or experience; a statement that applies to a large group or category of things or people, often without considering the unique qualities or circumstances of each individual

synonym: stereotype, oversimplification, abstraction

(1) hasty **generalization**, (2) **generalization** of the problem

It's unfair to make a **generalization** about an entire group of people based on stereotypes.

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**.

invariable

adj. unable to be changed or altered; always the same or consistent, with no variation or deviation

synonym: constant, unchanging, fixed

(1) **invariable** law, (2) **invariable** rule

The **invariable** smile on his face made him well-liked by everyone.

curriculum

n. a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.

synonym: program, syllabus, course of study

(1) a **curriculum** vitae, (2) an academic **curriculum**

A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the **curriculum**.

fancy

v. to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy

synonym: imagine, visualize, (noun) fantasy

(1) **fancy** a cup of coffee, (2) a flight of **fancy**

I don't **fancy** acting in such an important role.

adaptive

adj. capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions

synonym: flexible, adjustable, pliant

(1) the **adaptive** coloring, (2) **adaptive** technology

The **adaptive** learning system adjusts the difficulty level of the lessons based on the student's performance.

ecosystem

n. all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

(1) marine **ecosystem**, (2) change the **ecosystem**

Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the **ecosystem**.

evolve

v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

synonym: develop, mature, grow

(1) **evolve**, (2) **evolve** over the past decade

Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

graffiti

n. writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place

synonym: street art, tagging, vandalism

(1) **graffiti** art, (2) **graffiti** tag

The city spent a lot of money cleaning up the **graffiti** on the buildings downtown.

compelling

adj. arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration

synonym: tempting, captivating, influential

(1) tell a **compelling** story, (2) new and **compelling** evidence

His **compelling** presentation deeply moved everyone.

preach

v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

synonym: expound, advocate, sermonize

(1) **preach** the gospel, (2) **preach** to the masses

The pastor **preached** about the importance of forgiveness.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym: specialized, technical

(1) **technological** advancement, (2) **technological** policy

Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

Session 2: Spelling

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|--------------------------------|---|
| 1. new and com_____ng evidence | <i>adj.</i> arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration |
| 2. damage to internal or__ns | <i>n.</i> a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job |
| 3. nu____cy test results | <i>n.</i> the ability to understand and work with numbers, particularly in the context of everyday life and practical applications |
| 4. pu___e a goal | <i>v.</i> to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them |
| 5. pi____m site | <i>n.</i> a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion |
| 6. spherical ge____ry | <i>n.</i> the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces |
| 7. self-improvement me_____ty | <i>n.</i> the characteristic way of thinking or mindset of an individual or group; the mental attitude or outlook that influences behavior, choices, and opinions |
| 8. la__r cake | <i>n.</i> a sheet, quantity, or thickness of the material, typically one of several, covering a surface or body; a level or part within a system or set of ideas |

ANSWERS: 1. compelling, 2. organ, 3. numeracy, 4. pursue, 5. pilgrim, 6. geometry, 7. mentality, 8. layer

9. military st_____gy
10. chaotic env_____nt
11. de_____e environmental quality
12. di____e the cake into two pieces
13. fan_____lly dressed
14. pio_____ng spirit
15. ev____e over the past decade
16. fairly ty____l symptoms
17. pr____s innocence
18. un____d the stroller
- n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
- n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
- v.* to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
- v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
- adv.* in a manner that is extremely or unbelievably good, impressive, or bizarre; in a fanciful or imaginative way
- adj.* involving new ideas or methods; being the first of their kind; leading the way in a particular field
- v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
- adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
- v.* to declare openly, often publicly or formally, that one has a particular skill, belief, or feeling; to admit or affirm
- v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown

ANSWERS: 9. strategy, 10. environment, 11. degrade, 12. divide, 13. fantastically, 14. pioneering, 15. evolve, 16. typical, 17. profess, 18. unfold

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| 19. f__e their homes | v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger |
| 20. im____t a memory | v. to make a mark or impression on a surface; to leave a lasting impression or influence on someone or something; (noun) a mark or impression made by pressing or stamping something onto a surface; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is left by something or someone |
| 21. functional spe_____ion | n. a detailed description of the characteristics, features, or requirements of something, typically a product or system; a written statement that outlines the standards, procedures, or requirements for a project or job |
| 22. a peace ini____ve | n. the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need |
| 23. 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 |
| 24. a gradual re____on | n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree |
| 25. hasty gen_____ion | n. the act of making a broad statement or conclusion based on limited information or experience; a statement that applies to a large group or category of things or people, often without considering the unique qualities or circumstances of each individual |

ANSWERS: 19. flee, 20. imprint, 21. specification, 22. initiative, 23. tradition, 24. reduction, 25. generalization

26. a gr__d meal *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
27. Cornish pa__y *n.* a type of baked pastry that typically consists of a filling of meat, vegetables, or other ingredients, enclosed in a pastry shell; (adjective) pale, lacking in color, or dull
28. the ha____re department *n.* durable tools, machinery, and other equipment; the physical and electronic parts of a computer or other electronic systems
29. mi__s sign *adj.* subtracting or taking away; having a value less than zero
30. gen_____ion of the problem *n.* the act of making a broad statement or conclusion based on limited information or experience; a statement that applies to a large group or category of things or people, often without considering the unique qualities or circumstances of each individual
31. to____te ambiguity *v.* to allow something to exist or happen, even if it is disliked or opposed
32. fo____r of a company *n.* a person who establishes an organization, institution, or business; the structural component of a ship or boat that provides stability and resistance against capsizing
33. in a_e of the situation *n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired

ANSWERS: 26. grand, 27. pasty, 28. hardware, 29. minus, 30. generalization, 31. tolerate, 32. founder, 33. awe

34. wo____p god	v. to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
35. opposite angles of a par_____ram	n. a four-sided geometric shape with opposite sides parallel to each other, characterized by its angles, sides, and area
36. unflagging ent_____sm	n. a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it
37. en____er shortage	n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
38. the vic_____us entry	adj. being the winner in a game, competition, election, war, etc.
39. unp_____ble outcome	adj. not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain
40. as____le a jigsaw puzzle	v. to collect in one place as a single group
41. hu____e opinion	adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
42. con____te property	v. to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules
43. IT inf_____ure	n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
44. love tr____le	n. a three-sided polygon with three angles; something that has three sides or parts

ANSWERS: 34. worship, 35. parallelogram, 36. enthusiasm, 37. engineer, 38. victorious, 39. unpredictable, 40. assemble, 41. humble, 42. confiscate, 43. infrastructure, 44. triangle

45. break dis_____ne	<i>n.</i> 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
46. in_____fy diplomatic efforts	<i>v.</i> to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
47. classic arc_____ure	<i>n.</i> the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
48. an academic cur_____um	<i>n.</i> a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
49. horse s__d	<i>n.</i> a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
50. killer a_p	<i>n.</i> (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
51. ty____l leader	<i>adj.</i> having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
52. basic nu____cy	<i>n.</i> the ability to understand and work with numbers, particularly in the context of everyday life and practical applications
53. co____e the data	<i>v.</i> to create a book, a list, a report, etc., by combining various objects, articles, music, etc.

ANSWERS: 45. discipline, 46. intensify, 47. architecture, 48. curriculum, 49. stud, 50. app, 51. typical, 52. numeracy, 53. compile

54. not up to p_r	<i>n.</i> a state of being equal to someone or something
55. bachelor's de___e	<i>n.</i> a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
56. sta____cs for cancer	<i>n.</i> the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
57. com____ty theory	<i>n.</i> the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
58. gl____r in her eyes	<i>v.</i> to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines
59. sp__n in spring	<i>v.</i> to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
60. late co____er	<i>n.</i> one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
61. em___e of the Maya	<i>n.</i> a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
62. bu___e of papers	<i>n.</i> a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things
63. gl____r against her skin	<i>v.</i> to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines
64. tr____h of democracy	<i>n.</i> a great victory or achievement

ANSWERS: 54. par, 55. degree, 56. statistics, 57. complexity, 58. glitter, 59. spawn, 60. cofounder, 61. empire, 62. bundle, 63. glitter, 64. triumph

65. de____e a question	v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
66. con_____te a transaction	adj. complete or perfect in every aspect; supremely skilled or accomplished; (verb) to bring to a state of perfection or completion
67. noted sc_____r	n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
68. g__e stick	n. a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials
69. DNA im____t	v. to make a mark or impression on a surface; to leave a lasting impression or influence on someone or something; (noun) a mark or impression made by pressing or stamping something onto a surface; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is left by something or someone
70. a handsome sa____y	n. a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
71. ma____e amounts	adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid
72. bombs fell at ra____m	adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

ANSWERS: 65. decide, 66. consummate, 67. scholar, 68. glue, 69. imprint, 70. salary, 71. massive, 72. random

73. talk no_____se	<i>n.</i> an idea, behavior, or something spoken or written that has no meaning or makes no sense or that is silly or unacceptable
74. inc_____gly become common	<i>adv.</i> more and more
75. for_____le competitor	<i>adj.</i> causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration
76. tec_____cal policy	<i>adj.</i> based on scientific and industrial progress
77. mot_____on for a change	<i>n.</i> the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way
78. co____e an average score	<i>v.</i> to make a mathematical calculation
79. f__e abroad	<i>v.</i> to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
80. sub_____te teacher	<i>n.</i> a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one
81. te__e wool	<i>v.</i> to make fun of someone or make jokes about them, either in a playful way or to upset them; to separate the fibers of something; to ruffle a person's or animal's hair by combing
82. a profound in____t	<i>n.</i> the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

ANSWERS: 73. nonsense, 74. increasingly, 75. formidable, 76. technological, 77. motivation, 78. compute, 79. flee, 80. substitute, 81. tease, 82. insight

83. nec_____ly true	<i>adv.</i> in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
84. is_____on booth	<i>n.</i> the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups
85. understand his mot_____on	<i>n.</i> the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way
86. decision-making pr_____s	<i>n.</i> 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
87. ar____k conservation	<i>n.</i> the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.
88. lo___y position	<i>adj.</i> characterized by a humble or modest status or position; of low rank, social class, or importance
89. co____e a biography	<i>v.</i> to create a book, a list, a report, etc., by combining various objects, articles, music, etc.
90. sh____d of suspicion	<i>n.</i> a length of cloth or other material used to cover or wrap a dead body; something that conceals or obscures something else, often used metaphorically
91. at____t customers	<i>v.</i> to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

ANSWERS: 83. necessarily, 84. isolation, 85. motivation, 86. process, 87. artwork, 88. lowly, 89. compile, 90. shroud, 91. attract

92. end of the se____er	<i>n.</i> one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term
93. mo____g experience	<i>adj.</i> causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
94. change the ec_____em	<i>n.</i> all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
95. the ad____ve coloring	<i>adj.</i> capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions
96. audio mo____e	<i>n.</i> a self-contained unit or component of a larger system or structure; a standardized unit of computer hardware or software designed to perform a specific function
97. lose ent_____sm	<i>n.</i> a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it
98. arrive and de____t on time	<i>v.</i> to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
99. re____e a phone	<i>v.</i> to take the place of something
100. the vic_____us army	<i>adj.</i> being the winner in a game, competition, election, war, etc.
101. baseball ce_____ty	<i>n.</i> someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
102. sta_____ne approach	<i>adj.</i> (of computer hardware or software) able to operate the system without being connected to other hardware or software; (also stand-alone) capable of working independently

ANSWERS: 92. semester, 93. moving, 94. ecosystem, 95. adaptive, 96. module, 97. enthusiasm, 98. depart, 99. replace, 100. victorious, 101. celebrity, 102. standalone

103. mi__s temperature	<i>adj.</i> subtracting or taking away; having a value less than zero
104. the ul____te luxury	<i>adj.</i> furthest or highest in degree or order
105. a momentary gl____e	<i>n.</i> a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly
106. assign a lot of cou_____rk	<i>n.</i> the work done by a student as part of a course of study, typically assessed and counting towards a final grade or degree
107. du_____te my efforts	<i>v.</i> to make or be an exact copy of something; to reproduce something
108. an ag_____te of people	<i>n.</i> a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items
109. still vi__d in my memory	<i>adj.</i> producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind
110. re_____ge his schedule	<i>v.</i> to change the order or position of things already made; to change the time, date, or place of an event already planned
111. re_____le box	<i>n.</i> a four-sided geometric shape with four right angles, where opposite sides are parallel and of equal length
112. the DNA se____ce	<i>n.</i> a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
113. sl__e a glance	<i>v.</i> to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

ANSWERS: 103. minus, 104. ultimate, 105. glimpse, 106. coursework, 107. duplicate, 108. aggregate, 109. vivid, 110. rearrange, 111. rectangle, 112. sequence, 113. slide

114. base of par_____ram	<i>n.</i> a four-sided geometric shape with opposite sides parallel to each other, characterized by its angles, sides, and area
115. ac____e a new company	<i>v.</i> to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself
116. series of exp_____nts	<i>n.</i> the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
117. so____re architect	<i>n.</i> a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
118. je__l of the crown	<i>n.</i> a precious stone that is cut and polished for use in jewelry
119. travel bu____e	<i>n.</i> a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things
120. ca_____al choir	<i>n.</i> the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
121. n____m of action	<i>n.</i> something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
122. br_____nt idea	<i>adj.</i> extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
123. ce_____ty known worldwide	<i>n.</i> someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
124. gr____d bargain	<i>adj.</i> important and large in size, scope, or extent

ANSWERS: 114. parallelogram, 115. acquire, 116. experiment, 117. software, 118. jewel, 119. bundle, 120. cathedral, 121. norm, 122. brilliant, 123. celebrity, 124. grand

125. an in____t reply	<i>adj.</i> happening immediately, with no delay
126. li____ng commitment	<i>adj.</i> lasting for the whole of someone's life
127. a good grounding in mat_____cs	<i>n.</i> the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
128. ind_____lly designed product	<i>adv.</i> separately or apart from others
129. a vi____l image	<i>adj.</i> being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact
130. manually op____e a machine	<i>v.</i> to work in a particular way; to supervise something
131. de____e centigrade	<i>n.</i> a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
132. al____hm for image processing	<i>n.</i> a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
133. dangerously unp_____ble person	<i>adj.</i> not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain
134. non-profit fo____r	<i>n.</i> a person who establishes an organization, institution, or business; the structural component of a ship or boat that provides stability and resistance against capsizing
135. ac____e knowledge	<i>v.</i> to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself

ANSWERS: 125. instant, 126. lifelong, 127. mathematics, 128. individually, 129. virtual, 130. operate, 131. degree, 132. algorithm, 133. unpredictable, 134. founder, 135. acquire

136. electronic tr____on	<i>n.</i> the action or ability to pull something along a surface without sliding
137. trading of vi____l currencies	<i>adj.</i> being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact
138. ca____e worker	<i>adj.</i> having the ability, skill, or potential to do something; competent or proficient in a particular task or area of expertise
139. de____e on a course of action	<i>v.</i> to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
140. develop a st____gy	<i>n.</i> a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
141. kiss on the fo____ad	<i>n.</i> the part of the face above the eyebrows and below the hairline; the upper part of the face that extends from the eyes to the hairline
142. fac____te a smooth transition	<i>v.</i> to make something easier or more likely to happen
143. cast a tra_____ion spell	<i>n.</i> a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
144. in____e criticism	<i>v.</i> to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
145. te____us grip	<i>adj.</i> characterized by persistent determination, holding firmly onto something, or refusing to give up; not easily discouraged or defeated; showing strength or resolve in the face of challenges or obstacles

ANSWERS: 136. traction, 137. virtual, 138. capable, 139. decide, 140. strategy, 141. forehead, 142. facilitate, 143. transformation, 144. invite, 145. tenacious

146. digital li____cy	<i>n.</i> the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively
147. the great di____ry of the century	<i>n.</i> the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
148. une____ed poor people	<i>adj.</i> lacking knowledge or education
149. a j__k of all trades	<i>n.</i> a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects
150. em____e a successful business model	<i>v.</i> to imitate someone else's achievements to try to do something as well as somebody else
151. tec_____cal advancement	<i>adj.</i> based on scientific and industrial progress
152. mo___e software	<i>n.</i> a self-contained unit or component of a larger system or structure; a standardized unit of computer hardware or software designed to perform a specific function
153. la__r of paint	<i>n.</i> a sheet, quantity, or thickness of the material, typically one of several, covering a surface or body; a level or part within a system or set of ideas
154. a vast inventory of ha____re	<i>n.</i> durable tools, machinery, and other equipment; the physical and electronic parts of a computer or other electronic systems
155. puzzle m__e	<i>n.</i> a complex network of winding passages or pathways designed as a puzzle or challenge for people to navigate through

ANSWERS: 146. literacy, 147. discovery, 148. uneducated, 149. jack, 150. emulate, 151. technological, 152. module, 153. layer, 154. hardware, 155. maze

156. vocational gu____ce	<i>n.</i> advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making
157. a gr____l change	<i>adj.</i> happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
158. the fas_____on with classical music	<i>n.</i> the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction
159. pr___h the gospel	<i>v.</i> to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
160. the ma___w of a speech	<i>n.</i> a soft, fatty, vascular substance in the cavities of bones, in which blood cells are produced; the choicest or most essential part of some idea or experience
161. mat_____cs competition	<i>n.</i> the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
162. ob____e a tradition	<i>v.</i> to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
163. in___e guests	<i>v.</i> to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
164. rigid dis____ne	<i>n.</i> 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: 156. guidance, 157. gradual, 158. fascination, 159. preach, 160. marrow, 161. mathematics, 162. observe, 163. invite, 164. discipline

165. a demonstration in lo__c	<i>n.</i> a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments
166. I don't care a c__p	<i>n.</i> a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat
167. boys in the twelfth gr__e	<i>n.</i> a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
168. pio_____ng research	<i>adj.</i> involving new ideas or methods; being the first of their kind; leading the way in a particular field
169. chemical ad____on	<i>n.</i> the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
170. tr_____rm heat into power	<i>v.</i> to change in outward structure or looks;
171. ob___s over her weight	<i>v.</i> to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
172. sa___y after taxes	<i>n.</i> a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
173. co____er of the university	<i>n.</i> one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
174. natural phe____on	<i>n.</i> something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
175. fr____te other team members	<i>v.</i> to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

ANSWERS: 165. logic, 166. chip, 167. grade, 168. pioneering, 169. addition, 170. transform, 171. obsess, 172. salary, 173. cofounder, 174. phenomenon, 175. frustrate

176. mo___g ceremony	<i>adj.</i> causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
177. for tr___l reasons	<i>adj.</i> of little value or importance
178. pr____le of treatment	<i>n.</i> a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
179. rapt in fas_____on	<i>n.</i> the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction
180. wooden ab___s beads	<i>n.</i> a counting device consisting of a frame with rods or wires on which beads or stones are moved to perform arithmetic calculations
181. fr____te the advancement	<i>v.</i> to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
182. business ed____or	<i>n.</i> a person who teaches or educates people
183. lo__y origins	<i>adj.</i> characterized by a humble or modest status or position; of low rank, social class, or importance
184. ce____te Christmas	<i>v.</i> to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
185. acquire a vi___e	<i>n.</i> high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
186. a digital pl___rm for enterprise	<i>n.</i> the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

ANSWERS: 176. moving, 177. trivial, 178. principle, 179. fascination, 180. abacus, 181. frustrate, 182. educator, 183. lowly, 184. celebrate, 185. virtue, 186. platform

187. mental co____e	<i>n.</i> the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
188. per____on of beauty	<i>n.</i> the state or condition of being without any flaws or defects; the highest level of excellence or accomplishment; the act of making something perfect or complete
189. pr____h to the masses	<i>v.</i> to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
190. tr____se data	<i>v.</i> to change the position, order, or arrangement of something, especially in music, by changing the key or pitch; to transfer or move something from one place or context to another
191. an indisputable lo__c	<i>n.</i> a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments
192. si____te climate change	<i>v.</i> to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes
193. tre____us amount	<i>adj.</i> very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
194. gr____ti tag	<i>n.</i> writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place

ANSWERS: 187. courage, 188. perfection, 189. preach, 190. transpose, 191. logic, 192. simulate, 193. tremendous, 194. graffiti

195. ab___s calculations	<i>n.</i> a counting device consisting of a frame with rods or wires on which beads or stones are moved to perform arithmetic calculations
196. ex___d to radiation	<i>adj.</i> having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
197. learn new co___ts	<i>n.</i> an idea or principle associated with something abstract
198. h__k into the program	<i>v.</i> to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
199. future of space exp_____on	<i>n.</i> the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place
200. engineering spe_____ion	<i>n.</i> a detailed description of the characteristics, features, or requirements of something, typically a product or system; a written statement that outlines the standards, procedures, or requirements for a project or job
201. the RSA al____hm	<i>n.</i> a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
202. br____nt performance	<i>adj.</i> extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
203. up____e a product	<i>v.</i> to improve the value or usefulness of something such as a machine, computer system, etc., or to replace it with something newer or of a higher standard

ANSWERS: 195. abacus, 196. exposed, 197. concept, 198. hack, 199. exploration, 200. specification, 201. algorithm, 202. brilliant, 203. upgrade

204. a gr____l process	<i>adj.</i> happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
205. marine ec_____em	<i>n.</i> all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
206. criminal me_____ty	<i>n.</i> the characteristic way of thinking or mindset of an individual or group; the mental attitude or outlook that influences behavior, choices, and opinions
207. recover spo_____sly after five days	<i>adv.</i> in a way that is natural, not planned or forced, and often sudden
208. take ini_____ve	<i>n.</i> the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need
209. during the se____er breaks	<i>n.</i> one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term
210. el_____te Ponzi scheme	<i>adj.</i> containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts
211. inf_____ure cost	<i>n.</i> the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
212. pa____n hobby	<i>n.</i> intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction
213. an Arctic exp_____on	<i>n.</i> the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place

ANSWERS: 204. gradual, 205. ecosystem, 206. mentality, 207. spontaneously, 208. initiative, 209. semester, 210. elaborate, 211. infrastructure, 212. passion, 213. exploration

214. co____al swimming pool	<i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
215. up____e work performance	<i>v.</i> to improve the value or usefulness of something such as a machine, computer system, etc., or to replace it with something newer or of a higher standard
216. une_____ed society	<i>adj.</i> lacking knowledge or education
217. inv_____le rule	<i>adj.</i> unable to be changed or altered; always the same or consistent, with no variation or deviation
218. de____t body odor	<i>v.</i> to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
219. treated with royal ac____m	<i>n.</i> praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly
220. gleaming je__l	<i>n.</i> a precious stone that is cut and polished for use in jewelry
221. tell a com_____ng story	<i>adj.</i> arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
222. human in_____ct	<i>n.</i> the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
223. the ul____te goal in life	<i>adj.</i> furthest or highest in degree or order
224. am__e evidence	<i>adj.</i> enough or more than enough; having plenty of something
225. vi__d colors	<i>adj.</i> producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind

ANSWERS: 214. communal, 215. upgrade, 216. uneducated, 217. invariable, 218. defeat, 219. acclaim, 220. jewel, 221. compelling, 222. intellect, 223. ultimate, 224. ample, 225. vivid

226. pu___e freedoms	v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
227. a scientific di____ry	n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
228. official sta_____cs	n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
229. cou_____rk deadline	n. the work done by a student as part of a course of study, typically assessed and counted towards a final grade or degree
230. not nec_____ly a problem	adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
231. gr____ti art	n. writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place
232. the dr_____t rate	n. a person who leaves school, college, or a training program before completing it
233. tre_____us popularity	adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
234. above p_r performance	n. a state of being equal to someone or something
235. co____al combination of funds	adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
236. dem_____te mastery	v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience

ANSWERS: 226. pursue, 227. discovery, 228. statistics, 229. coursework, 230. necessarily, 231. graffiti, 232. dropout, 233. tremendous, 234. par, 235. communal, 236. demonstrate

237. shrine for pi____ms	<i>n.</i> a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion
238. dem_____te a difference	<i>v.</i> to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
239. de___t a global power	<i>v.</i> to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
240. sub_____te coffee	<i>n.</i> a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one
241. em____r my life	<i>v.</i> to give someone the power or authority to do something
242. get in____t access	<i>adj.</i> happening immediately, with no delay
243. tr____h of the spirit	<i>n.</i> a great victory or achievement
244. pro____or of a business	<i>n.</i> a person who owns and runs a business, especially a hotel, a shop, or a company
245. de___t from the faith	<i>v.</i> to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
246. pa____n drive	<i>n.</i> intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction
247. pr____le in business	<i>n.</i> a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
248. for____le challenge	<i>adj.</i> causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration

ANSWERS: 237. pilgrim, 238. demonstrate, 239. defeat, 240. substitute, 241. empower, 242. instant, 243. triumph, 244. proprietor, 245. depart, 246. passion, 247. principle, 248. formidable

249. my friend's cha_____tic laugh	<i>n.</i> a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody
250. tr_____rm an education system	<i>v.</i> to change in outward structure or looks;
251. sleep pro_____ly	<i>adv.</i> to a great or complete degree; deeply
252. sp____y a cause	<i>v.</i> to explain or state something clearly and exactly
253. pr____d with caution	<i>v.</i> to move forward or to continue with a process or action; to advance or progress
254. pr____s improvement	<i>n.</i> 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
255. co_____ct a dam	<i>v.</i> to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
256. ca____e leader	<i>adj.</i> having the ability, skill, or potential to do something; competent or proficient in a particular task or area of expertise
257. de_____se into simpler molecules	<i>v.</i> to break down or cause to break down over time into simpler substances or elements
258. inspire co____e	<i>n.</i> the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

ANSWERS: 249. characteristic, 250. transform, 251. profoundly, 252. specify, 253. proceed, 254. process, 255. construct, 256. capable, 257. decompose, 258. courage

259. tie c__p	<i>n.</i> 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
260. ancient ar____k	<i>n.</i> the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.
261. h__k through the jungle	<i>v.</i> to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
262. a ra___m choice	<i>adj.</i> made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
263. em____r the secretary to do the same	<i>v.</i> to give someone the power or authority to do something
264. ma____e stars	<i>adj.</i> enormous amount; very heavy and solid
265. stripes cha_____tic of the zebra	<i>n.</i> a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody
266. to____te his disrespectful behavior	<i>v.</i> to allow something to exist or happen, even if it is disliked or opposed
267. he is ob___sed with the fear	<i>v.</i> to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
268. increase tr ___ on on ice	<i>n.</i> the action or ability to pull something along a surface without sliding
269. di___e money equally	<i>v.</i> to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

ANSWERS: 259. clip, 260. artwork, 261. hack, 262. random, 263. empower, 264. massive, 265. characteristic, 266. tolerate, 267. obsess, 268. traction, 269. divide

270. te__e the children	v. to make fun of someone or make jokes about them, either in a playful way or to upset them; to separate the fibers of something; to ruffle a person's or animal's hair by combing
271. a sop_____ted lifestyle	adj. having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
272. sp____y an option	v. to explain or state something clearly and exactly
273. an arrival pl____rm	n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
274. cultural n__m	n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
275. copyrighted so____re	n. a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
276. absolute per_____on	n. the state or condition of being without any flaws or defects; the highest level of excellence or accomplishment; the act of making something perfect or complete
277. the as___t of a rocket	n. the act of climbing or moving upwards, often referring to a physical ascent of a mountain or a spiritual ascent or improvement; an upward movement; the process of moving upwards

ANSWERS: 270. tease, 271. sophisticated, 272. specify, 273. platform, 274. norm, 275. software, 276. perfection, 277. ascent

278. ca_____al school	<i>n.</i> the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
279. ob_____e wildlife	<i>v.</i> to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
280. the country's is_____on	<i>n.</i> the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups
281. or____n bleeding	<i>n.</i> a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job
282. in____ct directly with customers	<i>v.</i> to communicate or react with somebody
283. de_____se matter	<i>v.</i> to break down or cause to break down over time into simpler substances or elements
284. a large st____k of paper	<i>n.</i> a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
285. fas_____ng story	<i>adj.</i> extremely interesting
286. an ex____d rock	<i>adj.</i> having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
287. inv_____le law	<i>adj.</i> unable to be changed or altered; always the same or consistent, with no variation or deviation

ANSWERS: 278. cathedral, 279. observe, 280. isolation, 281. organ, 282. interact, 283. decompose, 284. stack, 285. fascinating, 286. exposed, 287. invariable

288. em_____e his watercolors	v. to imitate someone else's achievements to try to do something as well as somebody else
289. orthogonal re_____le	n. a four-sided geometric shape with four right angles, where opposite sides are parallel and of equal length
290. fan_____lly wealthy	adj. in a manner that is extremely or unbelievably good, impressive, or bizarre; in a fanciful or imaginative way
291. sheer no____se	n. an idea, behavior, or something spoken or written that has no meaning or makes no sense or that is silly or unacceptable
292. historical phe_____on	n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
293. the se____ce of the seasons	n. a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
294. dr____t student	n. a person who leaves school, college, or a training program before completing it
295. as____le your colleagues	v. to collect in one place as a single group
296. 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
297. a leg____te child	adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful

ANSWERS: 288. emulate, 289. rectangle, 290. fantastically, 291. nonsense, 292. phenomenon, 293. sequence, 294. dropout, 295. assemble, 296. notion, 297. legitimate

298. at____t attention	v. to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
299. de____e his public image	v. to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
300. re____on strategy	n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree
301. in____ct with one another	v. to communicate or react with somebody
302. re____ge the furniture	v. to change the order or position of things already made; to change the time, date, or place of an event already planned
303. 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
304. tr____le shape	n. a three-sided polygon with three angles; something that has three sides or parts
305. sl____e a card across the table	v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
306. op____e 24 hours a day	v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something
307. a feeling of a_e	n. a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired

ANSWERS: 298. attract, 299. degrade, 300. reduction, 301. interact, 302. rearrange, 303. notion, 304. triangle, 305. slide, 306. operate, 307. awe

308. un____d the story	v. to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
309. pr____d to the next step	v. to move forward or to continue with a process or action; to advance or progress
310. de____p a skill	v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
311. fac____te the process	v. to make something easier or more likely to happen
312. ac____m the winner	n. praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly
313. si____te a future scenario	v. to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes
314. li____ng career	adj. lasting for the whole of someone's life
315. am__e opportunities	adj. enough or more than enough; having plenty of something
316. enrich my in____ct	n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

ANSWERS: 308. unfold, 309. proceed, 310. develop, 311. facilitate, 312. acclaim, 313. simulate, 314. lifelong, 315. ample, 316. intellect

317. arc_____ure design	<i>n.</i> the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
318. a line-in j__k	<i>n.</i> a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects
319. sp__n a new concept	<i>v.</i> to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
320. share my in____ts	<i>n.</i> the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
321. a cur_____um vitae	<i>n.</i> a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
322. fa__y a cup of coffee	<i>v.</i> to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
323. this shift occurs spo_____sly	<i>adv.</i> in a way that is natural, not planned or forced, and often sudden
324. te_____us work ethic	<i>adj.</i> characterized by persistent determination, holding firmly onto something, or refusing to give up; not easily discouraged or defeated; showing strength or resolve in the face of challenges or obstacles
325. am____g advances	<i>adj.</i> extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
326. pr____s law	<i>v.</i> to declare openly, often publicly or formally, that one has a particular skill, belief, or feeling; to admit or affirm

ANSWERS: 317. architecture, 318. jack, 319. spawn, 320. insight, 321. curriculum, 322. fancy, 323. spontaneously, 324. tenacious, 325. amazing, 326. profess

327. exp_____nt design	<i>n.</i> the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
328. nu_____us countries	<i>adj.</i> amounting to a large indefinite number
329. co_____ct a 3D image	<i>v.</i> to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
330. students at all gr___e levels	<i>n.</i> a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
331. a hu___e cottage	<i>adj.</i> having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
332. answer questions ind_____lly	<i>adv.</i> separately or apart from others
333. an el_____te hat	<i>adj.</i> containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts
334. su_____nd a town	<i>v.</i> to be all around something or somebody
335. wall s___d	<i>n.</i> a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
336. a steam en___e	<i>n.</i> a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose

ANSWERS: 327. experiment, 328. numerous, 329. construct, 330. grade, 331. humble, 332. individually, 333. elaborate, 334. surround, 335. stud, 336. engine

337. sc_____r in international politics	<i>n.</i> professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
338. a tr_____l man	<i>adj.</i> of little value or importance
339. the most am_____g feeling	<i>adj.</i> extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
340. tr_____se letters	<i>v.</i> to change the position, order, or arrangement of something, especially in music, by changing the key or pitch; to transfer or move something from one place or context to another
341. copyright pro_____or	<i>n.</i> a person who owns and runs a business, especially a hotel, a shop, or a company
342. a breach of pr_____ge	<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
343. former co_____ue	<i>n.</i> one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
344. cannot log in to the a_p	<i>n.</i> (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
345. a c__p of wood	<i>n.</i> a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat
346. passing gl_____e	<i>n.</i> a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly

ANSWERS: 337. scholar, 338. trivial, 339. amazing, 340. transpose, 341. proprietor, 342. privilege, 343. colleague, 344. app, 345. chip, 346. glimpse

347. 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
348. a civil en_____er	<i>n.</i> a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
349. ad_____ve technology	<i>adj.</i> capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions
350. data ag_____te	<i>n.</i> a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items
351. de_____p a strategy	<i>v.</i> to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
352. co_____e the value	<i>v.</i> to make a mathematical calculation
353. a stone wall su_____nds the palace	<i>v.</i> to be all around something or somebody
354. a multivitamin ta____t	<i>n.</i> a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine
355. du_____te his action	<i>v.</i> to make or be an exact copy of something; to reproduce something
356. face rel_____ss pressure	<i>adj.</i> persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks

ANSWERS: 347. privilege, 348. engineer, 349. adaptive, 350. aggregate, 351. develop, 352. compute, 353. surround, 354. tablet, 355. duplicate, 356. relentless

357. gu____ce counselor	<i>n.</i> advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making
358. leg____te question	<i>adj.</i> accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
359. the tra_____ion of a tadpole into a frog	<i>n.</i> a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
360. cognitive com____ty	<i>n.</i> the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
361. sta____ne application	<i>adj.</i> (of computer hardware or software) able to operate the system without being connected to other hardware or software; (also stand-alone) capable of working independently
362. labyrinth m__e	<i>n.</i> a complex network of winding passages or pathways designed as a puzzle or challenge for people to navigate through
363. financial li____cy	<i>n.</i> the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively
364. presidential en_____ge	<i>n.</i> a group of people who attend or surround an important and influential person
365. high st__k	<i>n.</i> a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
366. as nu____us as the sand	<i>adj.</i> amounting to a large indefinite number

ANSWERS: 357. guidance, 358. legitimate, 359. transformation, 360. complexity, 361. standalone, 362. maze, 363. literacy, 364. entourage, 365. stack, 366. numerous

367. collaborate with co_____ues	<i>n.</i> one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
368. fo_____ad wrinkles	<i>n.</i> the part of the face above the eyebrows and below the hairline; the upper part of the face that extends from the eyes to the hairline
369. pa____y face	<i>n.</i> a type of baked pastry that typically consists of a filling of meat, vegetables, or other ingredients, enclosed in a pastry shell; (adjective) pale, lacking in color, or dull
370. duty as an ed_____or	<i>n.</i> a person who teaches or educates people
371. a tr_____on of a culture	<i>n.</i> a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
372. in_____fy a good relationship	<i>v.</i> to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
373. re_____e one word with another	<i>v.</i> to take the place of something
374. em____e building	<i>n.</i> a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
375. epoxy g____e	<i>n.</i> a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials
376. absolutely wo____p	<i>v.</i> to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
377. short video c____p	<i>n.</i> 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

ANSWERS: 367. colleague, 368. forehead, 369. pasty, 370. educator, 371. tradition, 372. intensify, 373. replace, 374. empire, 375. glue, 376. worship, 377. clip

378. face inc_____gly complicated challenges	<i>adv.</i> more and more
379. con_____te drugs	<i>v.</i> to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules
380. sh____d of mystery	<i>n.</i> a length of cloth or other material used to cover or wrap a dead body; something that conceals or obscures something else, often used metaphorically
381. ta____t keyboard	<i>n.</i> a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine
382. spiritual as____t	<i>n.</i> the act of climbing or moving upwards, often referring to a physical ascent of a mountain or a spiritual ascent or improvement; an upward movement; the process of moving upwards
383. rel_____ss attack	<i>adj.</i> persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks
384. a flight of fa____y	<i>v.</i> to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
385. env_____nt affairs	<i>n.</i> the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
386. ev____e	<i>v.</i> to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

ANSWERS: 378. increasingly, 379. confiscate, 380. shroud, 381. tablet, 382. ascent, 383. relentless, 384. fancy, 385. environment, 386. evolve

387. ad____on of vectors	<i>n.</i> the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
388. an air-cooled en____e	<i>n.</i> a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
389. Euclidean ge____ry	<i>n.</i> the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces
390. sop_____ted look	<i>adj.</i> having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
391. member of his en____ge	<i>n.</i> a group of people who attend or surround an important and influential person
392. con____te professional	<i>adj.</i> complete or perfect in every aspect; supremely skilled or accomplished; (verb) to bring to a state of perfection or completion
393. vi____e of frugality	<i>n.</i> high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
394. co____t car	<i>n.</i> an idea or principle associated with something abstract
395. pro____ly insightful	<i>adv.</i> to a great or complete degree; deeply
396. completely fas____ing to me	<i>adj.</i> extremely interesting
397. vegetable ma____w	<i>n.</i> a soft, fatty, vascular substance in the cavities of bones, in which blood cells are produced; the choicest or most essential part of some idea or experience

ANSWERS: 387. addition, 388. engine, 389. geometry, 390. sophisticated, 391. entourage, 392. consummate, 393. virtue, 394. concept, 395. profoundly, 396. fascinating, 397. marrow

398. ce_____te his election v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

ANSWERS: 398. celebrate

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Understanding unitary _____ of a normal matrix require considerable mathematical sophistication.
n. a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
2. The recipe calls for four cups of flour ____ one tablespoon.
adj. subtracting or taking away; having a value less than zero
3. We do move forward with those tasks in ____ next week.
n. a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
4. They traditionally _____ their guru.
v. to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
5. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.
n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract
6. Our team caught a _____ of the world-class technique in this game.
n. a brief or partial view; the act of seeing something or someone for a very short time or only partly
7. The _____ mountains dominate the landscape.
n. a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
8. The pastor _____ about the importance of forgiveness.
v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

ANSWERS: 1. transformations, 2. minus, 3. sequence, 4. worship, 5. concept, 6. glimpse, 7. awe-inspiring, 8. preached

9. The _____ of frost on the ground was so thick it was difficult to walk on.
- n. a sheet, quantity, or thickness of the material, typically one of several, covering a surface or body; a level or part within a system or set of ideas
10. I plan to pick up a chicken _____ at that bakery on my way home from work.
- n. a type of baked pastry that typically consists of a filling of meat, vegetables, or other ingredients, enclosed in a pastry shell; (adjective) pale, lacking in color, or dull
11. I need to _____ this document before I send it.
- v. to make or be an exact copy of something; to reproduce something
12. He called for a careful _____ of the consequences.
- n. the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place
13. Tech companies often employ _____ ducts and other materials in their office interiors.
- adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
14. The company _____ employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.
- v. to give someone the power or authority to do something
15. The teacher's _____ to start a school garden project was met with enthusiasm from the students.
- n. the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need
16. It's an excellent opportunity to _____ our networking.
- v. to improve the value or usefulness of something such as a machine, computer system, etc., or to replace it with something newer or of a higher standard

ANSWERS: 9. layer, 10. pastry, 11. duplicate, 12. exploration, 13. exposed, 14. empowered, 15. initiative, 16. upgrade

17. 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
18. The city is known for its impressive _____ and beautiful old buildings.
- n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
19. The _____ scientist developed a breakthrough technology that revolutionized the industry.
- adj. involving new ideas or methods; being the first of their kind; leading the way in a particular field
20. The salmon swims upstream to _____ in the place they were released.
- v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
21. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
- v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
22. This artwork is _____ of her work.
- adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
23. This blog offers a variety of tips for _____ everyday life.
- v. to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
24. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.
- n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

ANSWERS: 17. discipline, 18. architecture, 19. pioneering, 20. spawn, 21. develop, 22. typical, 23. hacking, 24. infrastructure

25. We are tackling the development for updates with _____.
n. a strong feeling of excitement and interest in a particular subject or cause and an eagerness to become involved in it
26. This year's _____ gathering will be held in Canada.
adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent
27. Public political demonstrations are considered _____ rights for citizens.
adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
28. She is an _____ with progressive ideas.
n. a person who teaches or educates people
29. It takes a lot of _____ to stand up for what you believe is right.
n. the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous
30. Many charities focus on improving _____ rates in underprivileged communities.
n. the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively
31. The mystery _____ as the detectives gathered more clues.
v. to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
32. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.
adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

ANSWERS: 25. enthusiasm, 26. grand, 27. legitimate, 28. educator, 29. courage, 30. literacy, 31. unfolded, 32. massive

33. The protective _____ covered the body in the coffin at the funeral.
- n.* a length of cloth or other material used to cover or wrap a dead body; something that conceals or obscures something else, often used metaphorically
34. Bananas have their _____ taste and odor.
- n.* a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody
35. I don't _____ acting in such an important role.
- v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
36. The mountain range was a _____ obstacle for the hikers.
- adj.* causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration
37. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.
- n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
38. She intends to _____ a political career.
- v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
39. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
- n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

ANSWERS: 33. shroud, 34. characteristic, 35. fancy, 36. formidable, 37. platform, 38. pursue, 39. environment

40. Marketing strategies are growing more _____.

adj. having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion

41. He should _____ more with his colleagues.

v. to communicate or react with somebody

42. The _____ smile on his face made him well-liked by everyone.

adj. unable to be changed or altered; always the same or consistent, with no variation or deviation

43. This machine is too difficult to _____ for me.

v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something

44. The _____ stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.

n. the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area

45. The _____ of the small bakery was always friendly and welcoming.

n. a person who owns and runs a business, especially a hotel, a shop, or a company

46. Each department has done its product costing _____.

adv. separately or apart from others

47. The city spent a lot of money cleaning up the _____ on the buildings downtown.

n. writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place

ANSWERS: 40. sophisticated, 41. interact, 42. invariable, 43. operate, 44. cathedral's, 45. proprietor, 46. individually, 47. graffiti

48. Her research team made an important _____.
n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
49. The soup was made with bone _____ giving it a rich and savory flavor.
n. a soft, fatty, vascular substance in the cavities of bones, in which blood cells are produced; the choicest or most essential part of some idea or experience
50. The Pythagorean theorem is used to calculate the length of the sides of a right _____.
n. a three-sided polygon with three angles; something that has three sides or parts
51. 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
52. We must complete all of these courses in the following _____.
n. one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term
53. He has built a thriving e-commerce _____.
n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
54. Rebels have pledged to _____ the armed struggle against the dictatorship.
v. to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
55. The high school _____ rate has decreased significantly in recent years thanks to educational initiatives and support programs.
n. a person who leaves school, college, or a training program before completing it

ANSWERS: 48. discovery, 49. marrow, 50. triangle, 51. substitute, 52. semester, 53. empire, 54. intensify, 55. dropout

56. The living room had a _____ coffee table in the center of it.
- n. a four-sided geometric shape with four right angles, where opposite sides are parallel and of equal length
57. The electrical cord _____ combusted.
- adv. in a way that is natural, not planned or forced, and often sudden
58. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.
- adj. based on scientific and industrial progress
59. I must install a new programming _____ for my computer program to function properly.
- n. a self-contained unit or component of a larger system or structure; a standardized unit of computer hardware or software designed to perform a specific function
60. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.
- adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
61. The _____ amount of money raised for the charity was over a million dollars.
- n. a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items
62. 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
63. We got lost in the ____ of streets while exploring the city.
- n. a complex network of winding passages or pathways designed as a puzzle or challenge for people to navigate through

ANSWERS: 56. rectangle-shaped, 57. spontaneously, 58. Technological, 59. module, 60. brilliant, 61. aggregate, 62. clip, 63. maze

64. The novel affected her _____ causing her to question her beliefs and values.

adv. to a great or complete degree; deeply

65. He _____ his love for her every day, showering her with gifts and affection.

v. to declare openly, often publicly or formally, that one has a particular skill, belief, or feeling; to admit or affirm

66. The athlete had sweat dripping down her _____ after the intense workout.

n. the part of the face above the eyebrows and below the hairline; the upper part of the face that extends from the eyes to the hairline

67. Our company found it _____ difficult to keep up with the competition.

adv. more and more

68. Please _____ these files as we start a new project tomorrow.

v. to change the order or position of things already made; to change the time, date, or place of an event already planned

69. The mathematician pioneered fractal _____.

n. the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces

70. This ad is intended to _____ a competing product.

v. to make fun of someone or make jokes about them, either in a playful way or to upset them; to separate the fibers of something; to ruffle a person's or animal's hair by combing

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

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

ANSWERS: 64. profoundly, 65. professes, 66. forehead, 67. increasingly, 68. rearrange, 69. geometry, 70. tease, 71. statistics

72. After the earthquake, many of the buildings in the city were left in ruins and began to _____.
v. to break down or cause to break down over time into simpler substances or elements
73. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?
v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
74. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.
v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
75. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the _____.
n. all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
76. The team's _____ in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.
n. a great victory or achievement
77. He's utterly _____ with his promotion.
v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
78. These descriptions are based on a number of _____ assumptions.
adj. amounting to a large indefinite number
79. The coach explained a strategy to _____ the opponent's schemes to the players.
v. to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

ANSWERS: 72. decompose, 73. divide, 74. flee, 75. ecosystem, 76. triumph, 77. obsessed, 78. numerous, 79. frustrate

80. The carpenter applied _____ to the cabinet joints before nailing them together.
- n.* a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials
81. He proposed an _____ program of public works.
- adj.* containing a lot of carefully prepared and organized or many complicated and detailed parts
82. The protagonist in the novel was a _____ servant who rose to prominence through a series of unexpected events.
- adj.* characterized by a humble or modest status or position; of low rank, social class, or importance
83. He used a _____ to lift the car to change the tire.
- n.* a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects
84. His _____ showed highly positive results.
- n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
85. We have _____ time to finish the project before the deadline.
- adj.* enough or more than enough; having plenty of something
86. We can use this campaign as a bargaining _____ in the negotiations.
- n.* a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat
87. You can _____ the font color by clicking the Color tab.
- v.* to explain or state something clearly and exactly

ANSWERS: 80. glue, 81. elaborate, 82. lowly, 83. jack, 84. experiments, 85. ample, 86. chip, 87. specify

88. Her positive _____ helped her overcome challenges and achieve her goals.
- n. the characteristic way of thinking or mindset of an individual or group; the mental attitude or outlook that influences behavior, choices, and opinions
89. The problem seemed _____ initially, but it became a significant issue.
- adj. of little value or importance
90. My father's death _____ my life completely.
- v. to change in outward structure or looks;
91. The company implemented a new software system to _____ employee communication and collaboration.
- v. to make something easier or more likely to happen
92. You should not _____ yourself by allowing them to use you.
- v. to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
93. What are your annual _____ expectations?
- n. a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
94. Shares in the company finally fell below their ____ value.
- n. a state of being equal to someone or something
95. I tried to _____ the efficiency of the investment.
- v. to make a mathematical calculation

ANSWERS: 88. mentality, 89. trivial, 90. transformed, 91. facilitate, 92. degrade, 93. salary, 94. par, 95. compute

96. These infections have the potential to impact practically every _____ system.
- n. a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job
97. The little girl practiced her ballet routine until she achieved _____.
- n. the state or condition of being without any flaws or defects; the highest level of excellence or accomplishment; the act of making something perfect or complete
98. His _____ speech about his struggles with addiction brought tears to the audience's eyes.
- adj. causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
99. You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a _____.
- n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
100. Their wedding was a _____ display of elegance and love.
- adj. complete or perfect in every aspect; supremely skilled or accomplished; (verb) to bring to a state of perfection or completion
101. We can evaluate the performance of an _____ in terms of computation time.
- n. a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
102. He has a flair for _____.
- n. the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

ANSWERS: 96. organ, 97. perfection, 98. moving, 99. scholar, 100. consummate, 101. algorithm, 102. mathematics

103. We _____ before the temperature fell below zero.

- v. to go away or leave, especially to start a journey

104. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.

- n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

105. The policies he announces can be the _____ of economic growth in the country.

- n. a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose

106. The hikers experienced a difficult _____ to the summit due to the steep and rocky terrain.

- n. the act of climbing or moving upwards, often referring to a physical ascent of a mountain or a spiritual ascent or improvement; an upward movement; the process of moving upwards

107. She showed _____ determination to achieve her goals despite numerous obstacles.

- adj. characterized by persistent determination, holding firmly onto something, or refusing to give up; not easily discouraged or defeated; showing strength or resolve in the face of challenges or obstacles

108. He had painted the wood to _____ stone.

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

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

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

ANSWERS: 103. departed, 104. principle, 105. engine, 106. ascent, 107. tenacious, 108. simulate, 109. proceed

110. The earthquake caused a _____ of lumber to crumble noisily.

- n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated

111. His pleasant face turned cold in an _____.

- adj.* happening immediately, with no delay

112. I looked at the painting in _____.

- n.* the state of being intensely interested in someone or something, or a powerful attraction

113. We never prescribe medication as a _____ treatment.

- adj.* (of computer hardware or software) able to operate the system without being connected to other hardware or software; (also stand-alone) capable of working independently

114. That incident led to his _____.

- n.* the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups

115. The company specializes in both hardware and _____.

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

116. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

- n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

117. The athlete's _____ training paid off in the end.

- adj.* persistent and determined; continuing despite difficulties or setbacks

ANSWERS: 110. stack, 111. instant, 112. fascination, 113. standalone, 114. isolation, 115. software, 116. intellect, 117. relentless

118. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.

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

119. The lack of access to education has left many people _____.

- adj. lacking knowledge or education

120. I can't _____ spicy food, and it always gives me heartburn

- v. to allow something to exist or happen, even if it is disliked or opposed

121. It is important to _____ safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

- v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

122. The popularity of the show made her an instant _____.

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

123. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.

- n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

124. Her dress _____ in the sunlight as she walked down the street.

- v. to shine with bright, sparkling light; to reflect light in a way that sparkles and shines

125. This accident was something that happened _____.

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

ANSWERS: 118. norms, 119. uneducated, 120. tolerate, 121. observe, 122. celebrity, 123. addition, 124. glittered, 125. necessarily

126. The _____ troops marched back to their homeland.
adj. being the winner in a game, competition, election, war, etc.
127. 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
128. It's unfair to make a _____ about an entire group of people based on stereotypes.
n. the act of making a broad statement or conclusion based on limited information or experience; a statement that applies to a large group or category of things or people, often without considering the unique qualities or circumstances of each individual
129. I have much _____ to complete before the end of the semester.
n. the work done by a student as part of a course of study, typically assessed and counting towards a final grade or degree
130. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.
v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
131. The actor's performance in the play earned her widespread _____ from the theater community.
n. praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly
132. The child was learning how to use an _____ in her math class.
n. a counting device consisting of a frame with rods or wires on which beads or stones are moved to perform arithmetic calculations

ANSWERS: 126. victorious, 127. tradition, 128. generalization, 129. coursework, 130. slide, 131. acclaim, 132. abacus

133. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.

- n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

134. The country experienced a _____ increase in population.

- adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt

135. A significant amount of _____ is required to be a teacher.

- n.* the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way

136. The group of _____ walked in silence, deep in thought and prayer.

- n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion

137. She is highly _____ of handling multiple tasks at once.

- adj.* having the ability, skill, or potential to do something; competent or proficient in a particular task or area of expertise

138. Despite his best efforts, he was unable to _____ the enemy.

- v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt

139. 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

140. She is the _____ president of the company.

- adj.* being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

141. She had many good _____ and few faults.

- n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes

ANSWERS: 133. strategy, 134. gradual, 135. motivation, 136. pilgrims, 137. capable, 138. defeat, 139. constructs, 140. virtual, 141. virtues

142. In geometry class, we learned how to calculate the area of a _____.
n. a four-sided geometric shape with opposite sides parallel to each other, characterized by its angles, sides, and area
143. A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the _____.
n. a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
144. We must _____ the melody from key C to key G for the singer.
v. to change the position, order, or arrangement of something, especially in music, by changing the key or pitch; to transfer or move something from one place or context to another
145. He _____ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.
v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
146. He had a _____ love of reading and spent hours daily with a book.
adj. lasting for the whole of someone's life
147. The project's _____ outlined the goals and requirements for the team to complete.
n. a detailed description of the characteristics, features, or requirements of something, typically a product or system; a written statement that outlines the standards, procedures, or requirements for a project or job
148. The _____ learning system adjusts the difficulty level of the lessons based on the student's performance.
adj. capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions
149. The parents spoke to their children in no-_____ tones.
n. an idea, behavior, or something spoken or written that has no meaning or makes no sense or that is silly or unacceptable

ANSWERS: 142. parallelogram, 143. curriculum, 144. transpose, 145. celebrated, 146. lifelong, 147. specifications, 148. adaptive, 149. nonsense

150. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the _____ release.
- n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
151. 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
152. The nobler, the more _____.
adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
153. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.
- n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
154. The security officer had to _____ the weapon from the suspect.
- v.* to seize, take or appropriate something by authority, often as a penalty for breaking laws or rules
155. The politician and his _____ arrived half an hour late.
- n.* a group of people who attend or surround an important and influential person
156. He wanted to _____ his brand logo on the product.
- v.* to make a mark or impression on a surface; to leave a lasting impression or influence on someone or something; (noun) a mark or impression made by pressing or stamping something onto a surface; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is left by something or someone
157. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
- n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

ANSWERS: 150. app's, 151. invite, 152. humble, 153. degree, 154. confiscate, 155. entourage, 156. imprint, 157. complexity

158. We gained various _____ by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.

- n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

159. Her _____ for cooking is evident in every dish she prepares.

- n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction

160. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.

- v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

161. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.

- v.* to take the place of something

162. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.

- adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order

163. _____ skills are important in many industries, including finance and science.

- n.* the ability to understand and work with numbers, particularly in the context of everyday life and practical applications

164. He bought a new _____ to attach the strap to his watch.

- n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

165. To find drunk drivers, police conduct _____ tests.

- adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

ANSWERS: 158. insights, 159. passion, 160. evolved, 161. replace, 162. ultimate, 163. Numeracy, 164. stud, 165. random

166. I tied up the _____ of newspapers and took them to the recycling center.
- n.* a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things
167. We had a _____ time yesterday.
- adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
168. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.
- n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
169. 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
170. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.
- v.* to be all around something or somebody
171. A rainbow is a natural _____.
- n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
172. The weather in this region is often _____ with sudden rainstorms and strong winds.
- adj.* not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain
173. He is the _____ and chairman of this tech company.
- n.* one of several people who establishes an organization or starts a business
174. His _____ presentation deeply moved everyone.
- adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration

ANSWERS: 166. bundle, 167. tremendous, 168. grade, 169. decide, 170. surround, 171. phenomenon, 172. unpredictable, 173. cofounder, 174. compelling

175. She made a _____ impression.

adj. producing very clear, powerful, and detailed images in the mind

176. 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

177. 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

178. We are attempting to _____ a list of qualified candidates for the position.

v. to create a book, a list, a report, etc., by combining various objects, articles, music, etc.

179. 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

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

adj. extremely interesting

181. The mentor provided _____ to the young entrepreneur, helping her navigate the business world.

n. advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making

ANSWERS: 175. vivid, 176. notion, 177. privilege, 178. compile, 179. process, 180. fascinating, 181. guidance

182. The mouse and keyboard are essential _____ for operating a PC.

- n.* durable tools, machinery, and other equipment; the physical and electronic parts of a computer or other electronic systems

183. Children _____ language at a fantastic rate.

- v.* to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself

184. The new _____ device has a faster processor and better graphics than its predecessor.

- n.* a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine

185. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

186. She sang _____ in the talent show and won first place.

- adv.* in a manner that is extremely or unbelievably good, impressive, or bizarre; in a fanciful or imaginative way

187. The government is eager to _____ international investment.

- v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

188. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.

- n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

189. Videos documenting the process of creating this pencil _____ have been popular worldwide.

- n.* the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.

ANSWERS: 182. hardware, 183. acquire, 184. tablet, 185. Communal, 186. fantastically, 187. attract, 188. colleague, 189. artwork

190. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

191. She treasured the small _____ that her grandmother had given her.

n. a precious stone that is cut and polished for use in jewelry

192. How can you _____ that the earth is a sphere?

v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience

193. The _____ in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.

n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree

194. The company's _____ envisioned creating innovative technology that would change the world.

n. a person who establishes an organization, institution, or business; the structural component of a ship or boat that provides stability and resistance against capsizing

195. There's no _____ in his description.

n. a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

196. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

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

197. The president began to _____ an army.

v. to collect in one place as a single group

ANSWERS: 190. amazing, 191. jewel, 192. demonstrate, 193. reduction, 194. founder, 195. logic, 196. engineer, 197. assemble

198. They intend to _____ the footsteps of successful software companies.
- v. to imitate someone else's achievements to try to do something as well as somebody else
199. His leg was in _____ for weeks after the accident.
- n. the action or ability to pull something along a surface without sliding

ANSWERS: 198. emulate, 199. traction