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Session 1: Word List

illustrate

v. to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation

synonym: demonstrate, explain, exemplify

(1) **illustrate** a key point, (2) **illustrate** a story

The company's financial records **illustrate** how successful it has been.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym: fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

vocation

n. a strong feeling of suitability for a particular career or occupation; a person's employment or main occupation, seen as worthy of dedication and commitment; a calling or strong inclination toward a particular way of life

synonym: occupation, profession, career

(1) **vocation** training, (2) artistic **vocation**

Her **vocation** as a nurse gave her great satisfaction and purpose in life.

talented

adj. having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area

synonym : gifted, able, skilled

(1) a very **talented** actor, (2) **talented** athlete

She is a **talented** musician, able to play several instruments.

addict

n. a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful

synonym : devotee, buff, freak

(1) a drug **addict**, (2) Internet **addict**

We have become TV **addicts** due to video streaming services.

heroin

n. a highly addictive and illegal drug derived from morphine, typically administered by injection and often associated with serious health problems, including overdose and addiction

synonym : dope, smack, narcotics

(1) smoking **heroin**, (2) **heroin** overdose

The withdrawal symptoms from **heroin** can be intense and painful.

childhood

n. the state or time of being a child

synonym : youth, infancy, adolescence

(1) since **childhood**, (2) **childhood** development

He had fond memories of his **childhood** spent playing in the park with his friends.

incarcerate

v. to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape

synonym : confine, detain, imprison

(1) **incarcerate** the murderer, (2) **incarcerate** her for life

He was **incarcerated** for the duration of the war.

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.

grandparent

n. a parent of one's father or mother

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

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

maternal

adj. relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child

synonym: motherly, maternalistic, maternal-like

(1) on the **maternal** side, (2) **maternal** care

She had a very **maternal** instinct towards her newborn baby.

adopt

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

synonym: accept, assume, take on

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

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

depression

n. a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

synonym: recession, slump, despair

(1) the Great **Depression**, (2) the root problem of her

depression

Depression symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.

cousin

n. the child of your aunt or uncle

synonym: relative

(1) cross- **cousin** marriage, (2) **cousin's** family

I used to play with my younger male **cousins** when I was a little girl.

sitcom

n. a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations,

typically presented in a half-hour format

synonym : comedy, TV show

(1) **sitcom** series, (2) popular **sitcom**

I love to watch **sitcoms** when I need a good laugh.

nowhere

adv. not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere

(1) **nowhere** else to go, (2) come out of **nowhere**

I've been thinking all day and getting **nowhere**.

filter

n. any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light

synonym : strainer

(1) gas **filter**, (2) clogged **filter**

Ozone is a primary **filter** to protect Earth's surface from harmful UV rays.

comfort

n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

synonym : ease, solace, coziness

(1) words of **comfort**, (2) **comfort** level

He found **comfort** in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

twist

v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape

synonym : wrench, turn, twirl

(1) **twist** around to the left, (2) **twist** a wet towel

He **twisted** pieces of rope out of straw.

liquor

n. an alcoholic beverage that is distilled rather than fermented, such as whiskey or gin; alcohol, in general

synonym : alcohol, spirits, booze

(1) **liquor** store, (2) craft **liquor**

She poured a glass of her favorite **liquor** and enjoyed it slowly.

- hell**
- n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
- synonym*: inferno, agony, misery
- (1) run like **hell**, (2) **hell** broke loose
- The battlefield became **hell** on earth.
- creative**
- adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
- synonym*: imaginative, innovative, inventive
- (1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit
- All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.
- self-made**
- adj.* having succeeded in life unaided; having become wealthy or successful through one's efforts
- synonym*: self-sufficient, self-reliant
- (1) **self-made** entrepreneur, (2) **self-made** man
- He's a **self-made** millionaire who built his fortune from scratch.
- homemaking**
- n.* the act or practice of managing a household and taking care of domestic duties such as cooking, cleaning, and organizing; the work or occupation of being a homemaker
- synonym*: housekeeping, domestic management
- (1) traditional **homemaking** skills, (2) **homemaking** tools
- Homemaking** duties can include anything from cooking and cleaning to managing household finances.
- snoop**
- v.* to investigate or pry into something in a stealthy or nosy manner; to snoop through someone else's possessions or property
- synonym*: spy, pry, eavesdrop
- (1) **snoop** around the house, (2) **snoop** for information
- The nosy neighbor liked to **snoop** around and eavesdrop on

other people's conversations.

ninja

n. a Japanese warrior or assassin trained in martial arts and stealth tactics, associated with the feudal era of Japan

synonym : assassin, spy

(1) **ninja** costume, (2) **ninja** warrior

The skilled **ninja** moved stealthily through the shadows to carry out their mission.

lane

n. a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver

synonym : roadway, street, artery

(1) **lane** change, (2) first **lane**

We walked along a muddy **lane** to reach the farm.

elementary

adj. relating to the first principles or fundamental parts of a subject; fundamental or basic, often used to refer to a school or level of education that covers the fundamental principles of various subjects

synonym : fundamental, basic, primary

(1) **elementary** math, (2) **elementary** level

Elementary school students must learn basic math and reading skills.

notably

adv. particularly; especially; in a way that is worthy of attention

synonym : particularly, especially, distinctly

(1) improve **notably**, (2) **notably** different

The study found that the treatment was **notably** effective in most cases.

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.

monumental

adj. great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive

synonym : massive, awesome, enormous

(1) **monumental** task, (2) **monumental** sculpture

Everyone, even non-scholars, knows Einstein's **monumental** contributions to physics.

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.

afterward

adv. after the time mentioned

synonym : later, thereafter, following

(1) a few years **afterward**, (2) go there **afterward**

We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem **afterward**.

rendition

n. a performance or interpretation, often of a piece of music or artwork; a version or translation of something into another language or style; the act of surrendering someone to another country for interrogation or punishment

synonym : interpretation, performance, presentation

(1) **rendition** of judgment, (2) film **rendition**

The singer gave a beautiful **rendition** of the classic song during the concert.

rot

v. to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually

synonym :

perish, decay, corrode

(1) begin to **rot**, (2) **rot** with age

Please refrigerate the meat, or it will **rot**.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym: abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

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

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

doorway

n. an opening in a wall for a door to fit into

synonym: entrance, portal, gateway

(1) a wide **doorway**, (2) **doorway** to success

He leaned against the **doorway**, waiting for her to come home.

saunter

n. a leisurely and unhurried walk or stroll, often taken for pleasure or to enjoy the surroundings; (verb) to walk in a slow, relaxed, and leisurely way, often in a confident and self-assured manner

synonym: stroll, walk, amble

(1) leisurely **saunter**, (2) **saunter** down the street

I went for a **saunter** through the park on a beautiful afternoon.

aisle

n. a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure

synonym: corridor, passageway, gangway

(1) **aisle** seat, (2) the center **aisle** of a church

She walked down the **aisle** to the front of the church.

tap

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

synonym: knock, exploit, use

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

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

wander

v. to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction

synonym : ramble, roam, stroll

(1) **wander** alone in a strange country, (2) **wander** far from home

I often **wander** around the park for half an hour.

colossal

adj. extremely large and impressive

synonym : gigantic, huge, enormous

(1) **colossal** statue, (2) a **colossal** success

The new building is truly **colossal**, towering over the surrounding buildings.

owl

n. a nocturnal bird of prey with large eyes, a facial disc, and typically a loud hooting call

synonym : raptor, bird of prey, nocturnal bird

(1) a night **owl**, (2) an **owl** hooted

The snowy **owl** is a large, white bird often seen in the Arctic.

flier

n. (also "flyer") a person who travels by air or an airplane passenger; a leaflet or pamphlet designed to be handed out or posted to provide information or advertise something

synonym : aeronaut, pamphlet, handbill

(1) seasoned **flier**, (2) promotional **flier**

As a frequent **flier**, I accumulate a lot of miles that I use for vacation trips.

myth

n. an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

synonym : fable, legend, lore

(1) the **myth** of an old religion, (2) perpetuate a **myth**

With the financial bubble bursting, the **myth** of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.

cheat

v. to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws

synonym : deceive, swindle, defraud

(1) **cheat** on my taxes, (2) **cheat** in a game

Even though he knew it was wrong, he **cheated** on the exam.

bitter

adj. having a sharp, unpleasant taste; characterized by strong feelings of resentment, disappointment, or cynicism

synonym : harsh, acrid, sour

(1) feel **bitter**, (2) **bitter** disappointment

The **bitter** taste of the medicine made it difficult to swallow.

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.

property

n. a thing or things that belong to someone

synonym : belongings, possessions, equity

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

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

writ

n. a written legal order or command

synonym : legal document, order, legal process

(1) a **writ** of summons, (2) issue a **writ**

He was served with a **writ** of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.

scared

adj. afraid or frightened

synonym : frightened, fearful, dreading

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

I'm **scared** of insects.

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.

staple

adj. essential, crucial, or regularly used

synonym: essential, fundamental, pivotal

(1) **staple** commodities, (2) **staple** crop

Rice and beans are a **staple** food in many cultures.

blank

adj. without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information

synonym: empty, void, barren

(1) **blank** expression, (2) **blank** paper

The computer screen displayed nothing but a **blank** white screen

lettuce

n. a leafy vegetable that is often used as a base for salads or sandwiches; it has green leaves and a mild flavor

synonym: greens, salad, cress

(1) crisp **lettuce**, (2) wilted **lettuce**

I want a sandwich with extra **lettuce**, please.

pumpkin

n. large, round, yellow or orange fruit with a thick rind and pulpy interior, often carved into a Halloween decoration or used as a base for pies, soups, or other dishes

synonym: gourd, squash, vegetable

(1) **pumpkin** soup, (2) **pumpkin** pie

The **pumpkin** festival was filled with giant carved pumpkins on display and pumpkin-themed food stalls.

refrigerator

n. an appliance or device used for preserving and cooling food and beverages by maintaining a low temperature within a closed compartment

synonym: fridge, cooler, icebox

(1) **refrigerator** magnet, (2) empty **refrigerator**

Don't forget to put the eggs in the **refrigerator** after you've used them.

adventure

n. a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous

synonym: experience, happening, incident

(1) gastronomic **adventures**, (2) **adventure** film

He sailed the Atlantic Ocean multiple times during his **adventures**.

haunted

adj. inhabited, visited, or frequented by ghosts or spirits; disturbed or troubled by persistent or disturbing memories or emotions

synonym: spooky, eerie, ghostly

(1) **haunted** house, (2) **haunted** by memories

The old mansion was known to be **haunted**, with strange noises and eerie sightings reported by visitors.

evil

adj. profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people

synonym: malign, corruption, immorality

(1) **evil** ways, (2) a charm against **evil**

Corruption is an **evil** act for any reason.

blend

v. to mix or combine two or more substances

synonym: combine, mix, intermingle

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

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

chop

v. to cut something into pieces with a sharp tool, such as a knife

synonym: cut, hack, slice

(1) **chop** wood, (2) **chop** a meet with a knife

The cook **chopped** the vegetables for the soup.

toast

n. slices of bread browned on both sides that have been put near a high heat; a drink in honor of or to the health of a person or even

(1) drink a **toast**, (2) slice of **toast**

We made a **toast** with everyone.

kidnapping

n. the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive

synonym: abduction, snatch, kidnap

(1) **kidnapping** attempt, (2) mass **kidnapping**

She received a year's imprisonment for aggravated **kidnapping**.

microwave

n. a form of electromagnetic radiation with wavelengths ranging from about one millimeter to one meter and frequencies between 300 MHz (0.3 GHz) and 300 GHz; an electric oven that cooks food by exposing it to high-frequency electromagnetic radiation, which causes the food molecules to vibrate and heat up quickly

synonym: oven, waveguide, radar range

(1) **microwave** radiation, (2) **microwave** popcorn

I heated my leftover food in the **microwave** oven, which tasted just as good as freshly cooked.

melt

v. to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating

synonym: disintegrate, soften, disappear

(1) **melt** the ice, (2) **melt** down gold

Her resistance **melted** under his persuasion.

stick

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

synonym: pierce, adhere, stay

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

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

out.

butt

v. to strike or push something with the flat end of your hip or buttocks; to hit or knock forcefully; (noun) the remaining end of a smoked cigarette

synonym: hit, punch, strike

(1) **butt** into several people, (2) cigarette **butt**

The goats often **butt** heads when they are fighting for dominance.

comic

adj. funny and making you laugh

synonym: amusing, funny, humorous

(1) **comic** books, (2) a **comic** hat

The novel is **comic** and tragic.

eliminate

v. to remove or get rid of someone or something

synonym: wipe out, destroy, eradicate

(1) **eliminate** contestants, (2) **eliminate** sexual barriers

We can **eliminate** this possibility from those consumptions.

thrill

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

synonym: exhilaration, delight, rush

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

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

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.

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.

yearbook

n. a book published annually by a school, college, or other organization featuring photographs and records of the previous year's events and the individuals involved in them

synonym : annual, yearly

(1) **yearbook** photography, (2) college **yearbook**

I still like flipping through my high school **yearbook** to remember old friends.

mascot

n. a person, animal, or object that is believed to bring good luck, often adopted by a sports team or organization as a symbol of their identity or values

synonym : symbol, emblem, icon

(1) team **mascot**, (2) corporate **mascot**

The city's **mascot** is a famous landmark that attracts tourists.

vanilla

n. a tropical climbing orchid of the genus *Vanilla*, particularly *vanilla planifolia* native to Mexico and Central America; a flavor derived from the vanilla bean, often used as a sweetening agent or condiment in desserts and beverages

(1) **vanilla** extract, (2) **vanilla** flavor

I love the taste of **vanilla** ice cream.

tempt

v. to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong

synonym : entice, lure, attract

(1) **tempt** young people, (2) **tempt** the taste buds

Though he was evil, he never **tempted** his friends into wrongdoing.

upset

adj. causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

synonym : disturbed, bothered, resentful

(1) get **upset**, (2) have an **upset** stomach
He was awfully **upset** by the news.

stab

v. to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife

synonym : poke, thrust, jab

(1) **stab** at the enemy with a knife, (2) **stab** in the chest
He was **stabbed** many times with scissors.

holy

adj. of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion

synonym : sacred, religious, divine

(1) a **holy** man, (2) a **holy** shrine

They gathered to hear the **holy** teachings of the guru.

coed

n. (a shortened form of "coeducational") a female student attending a coeducational institution (= an educational establishment where both males and females are taught together in the same environment or classrooms) alongside male students

(1) **coed** dormitory, (2) **coed** sports team

I joined a **coed** soccer league to meet new people and improve my skills.

decision

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

synonym : choice, determination, judgment

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

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

transition

n. the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another

synonym : change, growth, shift

(1) **transition** phase, (2) ensure a smooth **transition**

The nation's healthcare system is in **transition** at the

moment.

solace

n. comfort or consolation in a time of distress, sadness, or disappointment; (verb) to comfort or console someone in a time of distress, loss, or suffering

synonym: comfort, condolence, peace

(1) **solace** in music, (2) offer **solace**

The grieving widow found **solace** in reading her late husband's letters.

flourish

v. to grow or develop vigorously or successfully

synonym: boom, advance, succeed

(1) **flourish** economically, (2) **flourish** worldwide

The Ottoman Empire **flourished** for over five centuries.

passee

adj. no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date

synonym: outdated, old-fashioned, antique

(1) **passee** entertainment, (2) **passee** trend

Bell-bottom jeans, once considered **passee** fashion, have made a surprising comeback in recent years.

instantly

adv. immediately

synonym: immediately, right away, directly

(1) **instantly** cope with, (2) be killed **instantly**

I remembered that person **instantly** and never forgot.

commotion

n. a state of confused and noisy disturbance

synonym: disturbance, fuss, uproar

(1) a few minutes of **commotion**, (2) make **commotion**

The **commotion** in the classroom made it hard for the teacher to teach.

doom

n. death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

synonym: judgment, destiny, fate

(1) economic **doom**, (2) prophet of **doom**

Everyone was aware of the impending **doom** but was unable to prevent it.

hallway

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

(1) the head of a **hallway**, (2) wax a **hallway** floor

He dashed down a **hallway** to a bathroom.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym: quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

cartoon

n. a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption

synonym: illustration, drawing, caricature

(1) **cartoon** character, (2) **cartoon** industry

He spent his afternoon watching **cartoon** movies on TV.

drawing

n. the act of making a picture with a pencil, pen, or other instruments on paper, cardboard, or other material

synonym: sketch, depiction, illustration

(1) technical **drawing**, (2) **drawing** for design

She is talented at **drawing** and has won several awards for her artwork.

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.

introduction

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

synonym:

initiation, preamble, prologue

(1) **introduction** education, (2) self- **introduction**

The **introduction** to the new class was informative and engaging.

handle

v. to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
synonym: control, manage, deal with

(1) **handle** a precious object, (2) **handled** the incident

We all should learn how to **handle** stress.

freshman

n. a first-year student, typically in college or high school
synonym: freshie, newcomer, rookie

(1) **freshman** orientation, (2) **freshman** year

The **freshman** class was excited to start their first year of college.

nerd

n. a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.

synonym: geek, techie, wonk

(1) a computer **nerd**, (2) **nerd** neck

He was, by nature, a cyber **nerd**.

promenade

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

synonym: stroll, walkway, boulevard

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

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

headmaster

n. the chief administrator or principal of a school or educational institution, typically in charge of its daily operation and management

synonym: principal, headmistress, director

(1) **headmaster** position, (2) former **headmaster**
The school's **headmaster** announced the cancellation of classes due to inclement weather.

ongoing

adj. continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
synonym: continuous, current, proceeding

(1) still **ongoing**, (2) **ongoing** support

The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the **ongoing** economic crisis.

swear

v. to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language

synonym: declare, assert, curse

(1) **swear** an oath, (2) **swear** a blue streak

I **swear** I didn't mean to break your vase.

draft

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

synonym: blueprint, outline, rough drawing

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

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

fortune

n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

synonym: wealth, affluence, assets

(1) ill **fortune**, (2) bit of good **fortune**

Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal **fortune**.

rusty

adj. covered with rust (= a reddish-brown coating or corrosion layer); deteriorated or corroded due to lack of use or exposure to the elements; affected by disuse or neglect

synonym: corroded, oxidized, weathered

(1) **rusty** metal, (2) **rusty** nail

The **rusty** gate creaked loudly as it opened.

hamster

n. a small, furry rodent commonly kept as a pet; often used in research laboratories due to their small size and ease of handling

synonym : gerbil, guinea pig, mouse

(1) **hamster** wheel, (2) pet **hamster**

It's important to clean your **hamster's** cage frequently to ensure their health and comfort.

beg

v. to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something

synonym : plead, implore, entreat

(1) **beg** the question, (2) **beg** for help

She **begged** her parents to let her go to the concert.

plead

v. to make a serious and urgent request or appeal, especially for help or mercy

synonym : beg, implore, supplicate

(1) **plead** for mercy, (2) **plead** a political cause

He **pleaded** with the authorities to release his son, who had been wrongly accused.

secondhand

adj. having been previously owned or used by someone else

synonym : used, pre-owned, recycled

(1) **secondhand** car, (2) **secondhand** information

He was excited to find a vintage suit at the **secondhand** shop for a fraction of the price of a new one.

animation

n. the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave

synonym : motion, movement, liveliness

(1) **animation** studio, (2) **animation** film

The **animation** of the characters in the movie was so realistic, and it was as if they were there.

convinced

adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

synonym: confident, positive, indoctrinated

(1) **convinced** of the idea, (2) **convinced** criminal

The public is **convinced** that the prime minister has committed fraud.

misery

n. a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune

synonym: affliction, despair, anguish

(1) live in **misery**, (2) untold **misery**

Our company suffered **misery** from incurring a heavy loss.

animate

v. to make something full of interest and energy

synonym: invigorate, energize, enliven

(1) **animate** the body, (2) **animate** his soul

The positive attitude of the supervisor **animated** the discussion.

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.

lynch

v. to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance

synonym: hang, execute, mob

(1) **lynch** law, (2) **lynch** him to death

The mob wanted to **lynch** the suspect before he could be tried in court.

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.

halfway

adj. in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points

synonym: middle, median, center

(1) **halfway** through my journey, (2) **halfway** decent job
The famous restaurant stands **halfway** up the hill.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
synonym: thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion
The news of her promotion **excited** her.

beam

n. a long, sturdy piece of timber, metal, or other material used to support a structure or span a distance; a ray or stream of light emitted by a source

synonym: ray, ray of light, shaft of light

(1) **beam** of light, (2) a structural **beam** of a building
The sun's **beam** shone through the window and illuminated the room.

marvel

n. someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise

synonym: wonder, phenomenon, amazement

(1) a **marvel** of beauty, (2) technical **marvel**
The space shuttle is a modern engineering **marvel**.

superhero

n. a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public

(1) **superhero** movies, (2) **superhero** comics
Superman is a classic **superhero** known for his superhuman strength and flying ability.

suppose

v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
synonym: guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand
What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

drain

v. to empty or dry something by removing the liquid from it
synonym: draw off, bleed

(1) **drain** water from the swamp, (2) **drain** excess liquid
Push the button and let the water **drain** away.

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.

angst

n. a feeling of deep anxiety or dread, typically an unfocused one about the human condition or the state of the world in general

synonym: anxiety, worry, stress

(1) an endless stream of **angst**, (2) with no **angst**
He felt a sense of **angst** about the future and wasn't sure what would happen.

faceless

adj. lacking distinctive or individual features or characteristics; anonymous and impersonal

synonym: anonymous, impersonal, nameless

(1) **faceless** enemy, (2) **faceless** bureaucracy

The artist painted a series of **faceless** portraits to represent anonymity and self-discovery.

reject

v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

synonym: decline, turn down, repudiate

(1) **reject** the proposal, (2) **reject** all imperfect merchandise
The company **rejected** the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.

sunshine

n. the direct light and heat that comes from the sun
synonym : sunlight, daylight, rays

(1) warm **sunshine**, (2) morning **sunshine**

The **sunshine** was so bright that I had to wear sunglasses to protect my eyes.

volunteer

n. a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do

synonym : unpaid worker, draftee, enlistee

(1) seek **volunteers**, (2) my **volunteer** work

The teachers make full use of **volunteer** assistance.

leukemia

n. a type of cancer that affects the blood and bone marrow, in which abnormal white blood cells are produced and grow uncontrollably

synonym : blood cancer

(1) childhood **leukemia**, (2) acute **leukemia**

The symptoms of **leukemia** may include fatigue, weakness, and fever.

eventually

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

synonym : finally, someday, ultimately

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

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

transfer

v. to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another

synonym : move, relocate, shift

(1) **transfer** a file, (2) **transfer** power

She **transferred** the money from her savings account to her checking account.

sophomore

n. a student in their second year of college or high school; used more broadly to refer to someone who is experienced in a particular activity or field

synonym : second-year student, junior, apprentice

(1) **sophomore** in high school, (2) **sophomore** slump

The university student was now a **sophomore**, having completed their first year of studies.

giant

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

synonym : big, gigantic, huge

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

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

slug

n. a common name for any terrestrial gastropod mollusk that appears to lack a shell with soft and black or brown color; a bullet, a shot of alcoholic drink

(1) lazy **slug**, (2) reduce **slug** damage

I spotted a giant **slug** in the rain garden.

patience

n. the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry

synonym : forbearance, endurance, tolerance

(1) test my **patience**, (2) show **patience**

Healing a broken heart requires **patience**, as it takes time to heal.

involve

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

synonym : implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk

The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

gang

n. a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity

synonym : crew, posse, group

(1) a motorcycle **gang**, (2) **gang** member
The street **gang** was known for its violent behavior.

critic

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

synonym : pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

graduated

adj. having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees

synonym : completed, finished, earned

(1) **graduated** taxation, (2) **graduated** flask

She was a **graduated** student of a prestigious university.

studio

n. a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

synonym : workshop, atelier, room

(1) a photo **studio**, (2) music **studio**

She works at a recording **studio** in Los Angeles.

editorial

adj. relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media

synonym : comment, opinion, critique

(1) gain **editorial** help, (2) an **editorial** article

The newspaper published an **editorial** on the current state of the economy.

unanswered

adj. not responded to or explained

synonym : ignored, unrequited, undecided

(1) **unanswered** love, (2) **unanswered** e-mail

Pardon me for leaving some of your questions **unanswered**.

invest

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

synonym :

fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

significance

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

synonym: importance, value, worth

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

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

batch

n. a quantity or group of things that are made or produced together and are considered to be the same or similar; an amount produced during a specified period of time or process

synonym: group, lot, collection

(1) a **batch** of letters, (2) **batch** processing

I baked a **batch** of cookies for the office party.

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.

exclamation

n. a sudden outcry or shout, especially one expressing strong emotion

synonym: outcry, shout, yell

(1) an **exclamation** of surprise, (2) **exclamation** mark

Her sudden **exclamation** drew everyone's attention.

contract

n. a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

synonym: agreement, deal, arrangement

(1) employment **contract**, (2) **contract** law

The company signed a **contract** with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

celebrated

adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes

synonym : acclaimed, notable, prominent

(1) **celebrated** artist, (2) **celebrated** paper

Three **celebrated** tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

fan

n. a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

synonym : lover, devotee, blade

(1) a film **fan**, (2) engine cooling **fan**

I'm a big **fan** of French food.

tattoo

n. a form of body modification made by inserting ink, dyes, or pigments, either permanent or temporary, into the skin to form a design

synonym : emblem, symbol

(1) a **tattoo** artist, (2) a person who has a **tattoo**

Any activity on the Internet will be stored as a digital **tattoo** for life.

conscious

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

synonym : aware, cognizant, deliberate

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

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

frame

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

synonym : body, skeleton, scaffolding

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

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

punk

n. a type of a loud, fast-moving, and aggressive form of rock music originating in the 1970s; an aggressive and violent young man or boy

synonym : hoodlum, bully, thug

(1) **punk** rock, (2) clothes of the **punk** style

We are never intimidated when dealing with young **punks**.

purple

adj. of a color intermediate between red and blue

synonym : violet

(1) deep **purple**, (2) **purple** sweet potatoes

The plant has a stunning **purple** blossom.

fin

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

synonym : flipper, appendage, stabilizer

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

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

graphic

adj. relating to visual art or involving the use of diagrams or illustrations; very clear and powerful

synonym : illustrative, picturesque, visual

(1) **graphic** design, (2) a **graphic** description of an accident

The **graphic** novel was a masterpiece with stunning illustrations that brought the story to life.

novel

n. an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before

synonym : fiction, story, (adjective) innovative

(1) historical **novel**, (2) **novel** effect

The **novel** has largely gotten positive feedback.

release

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

synonym : free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back

into the wild.

chapter

n. a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled

synonym: section, phase, episode

(1) an introductory **chapter**, (2) **chapter** of a political party
The final **chapter** provides a summary of the discussion.

platypus

n. a semiaquatic, egg-laying mammal native to Australia and Tasmania, having a broad tail, webbed feet, and a bill resembling that of a duck

synonym: duckbill, monotreme, marsupial

(1) duck-billed **platypus**, (2) **platypus** habitat

The **platypus** diet consists mainly of small invertebrates, insects, and crustaceans.

squad

n. a small group of people organized for a particular purpose, especially a military one or a sports team

synonym: team, unit, group

(1) a bomb-disposal **squad**, (2) antiriot **squad**

The police department assembled a special **squad** to handle the situation.

croak

v. to make a hoarse sound, like a raven or frog; to make complaining remarks or noises under one's breath

synonym: cronk, mutter

(1) start to **croak**, (2) don't **croak** on this festive occasion
Because of her severe cold, she could only **croak**.

countless

adj. too numerous to be counted or very many

synonym: innumerable, myriad, numerous

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

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

display

v. to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value

synonym : show, exhibit, present

(1) **display** merchandise, (2) **display** artwork

We need to **display** our products in an attractive way to attract customers.

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.

nervous

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

synonym : neural, anxious, uneasy

(1) development of the **nervous** system, (2) get **nervous**
He suffers from **nervous** breakdowns.

well-being

n. the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

synonym : health, welfare, happiness

(1) the **well-being** of a nation, (2) a sense of **well-being**

We are responsible for the care and **well-being** of all our employees.

doorbell

n. a bell that is pressed or pulled to signal that someone wishes to enter a building

synonym : bell, buzzer, ring

(1) touch a **doorbell**, (2) **doorbell** chime

He rang the **doorbell** and waited for someone to answer.

honor

n. high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality;
(verb) to show respect towards someone

synonym : integrity, virtue, acclaim

(1) womanly **honor**, (2) **honor** our ancestors
I claim on my **honor** that it is true.

scholarship

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

synonym: grant, award, stipend

(1) a **scholarship** association, (2) college **scholarship**
She received a full **scholarship** to study abroad.

situ

adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance

synonym: situational, contextual, circumstantial

(1) ex- **situ** conservation, (2) in- **situ** control

Melanoma in **situ** is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.

caretaker

n. a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away

synonym: custodian, caregiver

(1) welfare **caretaker**, (2) the role of **caretaker**

He acted as a **caretaker** until a new president was elected.

afford

v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

(1) **afford** to buy a new car, (2) **afford** a high travel cost

He cannot **afford** a holiday.

inspiration

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

synonym: motivation, drive, encouragement

(1) source of **inspiration**, (2) get **inspiration** from nature

He found **inspiration** in the works of his favorite authors.

mural

adj. a large painting or other artwork that is applied directly to a wall or other surface

synonym: wall painting, fresco, wall art

(1) **mural** painting, (2) a **mural** decoration

The **mural** on the wall depicted the history of the city.

patio

n. an outdoor area, usually attached to a house, used for entertainment, dining, or relaxation

synonym: courtyard, terrace, deck

(1) **patio** furniture, (2) outdoor **patio**

We sat outside on the **patio**, enjoying the sunshine and fresh air.

Session 2: Spelling

1. run like h__l
n. the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
2. ha____y decent job
adj. in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
3. sc____d dog
adj. afraid or frightened
4. get ne____s
adj. worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
5. ill_____te a key point
v. to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
6. a night o_l
n. a nocturnal bird of prey with large eyes, a facial disc, and typically a loud hooting call
7. ru__y metal
adj. covered with rust (= a reddish-brown coating or corrosion layer); deteriorated or corroded due to lack of use or exposure to the elements; affected by disuse or neglect
8. live in mi____y
n. a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune
9. fl____sh economically
v. to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
10. the th___l of speed
n. a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

ANSWERS: 1. hell, 2. halfway, 3. scared, 4. nervous, 5. illustrate, 6. owl, 7. rusty, 8. misery, 9. flourish, 10. thrill

11. gain ed_____al help *adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
12. pa__e trend *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
13. a f_n of a plane *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
14. s__b in the chest *v.* to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife
15. inc_____te the murderer *v.* to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape
16. pu_____n soup *n.* large, round, yellow or orange fruit with a thick rind and pulpy interior, often carved into a Halloween decoration or used as a base for pies, soups, or other dishes
17. mon_____al task *adj.* great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive
18. an endless stream of an__t *n.* a feeling of deep anxiety or dread, typically an unfocused one about the human condition or the state of the world in general
19. ch_____od development *n.* the state or time of being a child
20. co___n's family *n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
21. an ed_____al article *adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
22. students at all gr__e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

ANSWERS: 11. editorial, 12. passe, 13. fin, 14. stab, 15. incarcerate, 16. pumpkin, 17. monumental, 18. angst, 19. childhood, 20. cousin, 21. editorial, 22. grade

23. duty as an ed____or *n.* a person who teaches or educates people
24. issue a w__t *n.* a written legal order or command
25. a stone wall su____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
26. int____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
27. c__d sports team *n.* (a shortened form of "coeducational") a female student attending a coeducational institution (= an educational establishment where both males and females are taught together in the same environment or classrooms) alongside male students
28. outdoor pa__o *n.* an outdoor area, usually attached to a house, used for entertainment, dining, or relaxation
29. no__l effect *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
30. don't cr__k on this festive occasion *v.* to make a hoarse sound, like a raven or frog; to make complaining remarks or noises under one's breath
31. technical dr____g *n.* the act of making a picture with a pencil, pen, or other instruments on paper, cardboard, or other material

ANSWERS: 23. educator, 24. writ, 25. surround, 26. introduction, 27. coed, 28. patio, 29. novel, 30. croak, 31. drawing

32. pa____n hobby *n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction
33. bi___r disappointment *adj.* having a sharp, unpleasant taste; characterized by strong feelings of resentment, disappointment, or cynicism
34. severe cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
35. pu___e sweet potatoes *adj.* of a color intermediate between red and blue
36. tr_____er a file *v.* to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another
37. employment co_____ct *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
38. engine cooling f_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
39. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
40. ad_____re film *n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
41. bl__d all the elements *v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
42. ad__t a child *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

ANSWERS: 32. passion, 33. bitter, 34. critic, 35. purple, 36. transfer, 37. contract, 38. fan, 39. excite, 40. adventure, 41. blend, 42. adopt

43. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
44. ch__t in a game *v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws
45. ye____ok photography *n.* a book published annually by a school, college, or other organization featuring photographs and records of the previous year's events and the individuals involved in them
46. st__k a key in a lock *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
47. pl__d for mercy *v.* to make a serious and urgent request or appeal, especially for help or mercy
48. learn new co____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
49. in-s__u control *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
50. a few years af____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
51. co____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
52. b_g for help *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
53. t_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

ANSWERS: 43. amazing, 44. cheat, 45. yearbook, 46. stick, 47. plead, 48. concept, 49. situ, 50. afterward, 51. concept, 52. beg, 53. tap

54. bombs fell at ra___m *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
55. ce_____te his election *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
56. a drug ad___t *n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
57. g__g member *n.* a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity
58. re_____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
59. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
60. ele_____ry level *adj.* relating to the first principles or fundamental parts of a subject; fundamental or basic, often used to refer to a school or level of education that covers the fundamental principles of various subjects
61. no_____e else to go *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
62. morning su_____ne *n.* the direct light and heat that comes from the sun
63. seasoned fl__r *n.* (also "flyer") a person who travels by air or an airplane passenger; a leaflet or pamphlet designed to be handed out or posted to provide information or advertise something

ANSWERS: 54. random, 55. celebrate, 56. addict, 57. gang, 58. release, 59. imaginary, 60. elementary, 61. nowhere, 62. sunshine, 63. flier

64. not up to p_r *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
65. a photo st___o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
66. sig_____nce level *n.* the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy
67. the fr__e of the policy *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
68. si___t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
69. el_____te sexual barriers *v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something
70. ha_____d house *adj.* inhabited, visited, or frequented by ghosts or spirits; disturbed or troubled by persistent or disturbing memories or emotions
71. b__m of light *n.* a long, sturdy piece of timber, metal, or other material used to support a structure or span a distance; a ray or stream of light emitted by a source
72. a mu__l decoration *adj.* a large painting or other artwork that is applied directly to a wall or other surface
73. bit of good fo_____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

ANSWERS: 64. par, 65. studio, 66. significance, 67. frame, 68. silent, 69. eliminate, 70. haunted, 71. beam, 72. mural, 73. fortune

74. do_____ll chime *n.* a bell that is pressed or pulled to signal that someone wishes to enter a building
75. pa__e entertainment *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
76. so_____re slump *n.* a student in their second year of college or high school; used more broadly to refer to someone who is experienced in a particular activity or field
77. childhood le_____ia *n.* a type of cancer that affects the blood and bone marrow, in which abnormal white blood cells are produced and grow uncontrollably
78. prophet of d__m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
79. re_____on of judgment *n.* a performance or interpretation, often of a piece of music or artwork; a version or translation of something into another language or style; the act of surrendering someone to another country for interrogation or punishment
80. inc_____te her for life *v.* to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape
81. seek vo_____ers *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
82. human in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

ANSWERS: 74. doorbell, 75. passe, 76. sophomore, 77. leukemia, 78. doom, 79. rendition, 80. incarcerate, 81. volunteer, 82. intellect

83. write the first dr__t *n.* a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form
84. su____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
85. ha____y through my journey *adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
86. ni__a warrior *n.* a Japanese warrior or assassin trained in martial arts and stealth tactics, associated with the feudal era of Japan
87. a charm against e__l *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
88. the wel_____ng of a nation *n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous
89. feel bi____r *adj.* having a sharp, unpleasant taste; characterized by strong feelings of resentment, disappointment, or cynicism
90. co____al statue *adj.* extremely large and impressive
91. a ta____o artist *n.* a form of body modification made by inserting ink, dyes, or pigments, either permanent or temporary, into the skin to form a design
92. above p_r performance *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
93. so_____re in high school *n.* a student in their second year of college or high school; used more broadly to refer to someone who is experienced in a particular activity or field

ANSWERS: 83. draft, 84. suppose, 85. halfway, 86. ninja, 87. evil, 88. well-being, 89. bitter, 90. colossal, 91. tattoo, 92. par, 93. sophomore

94. ch____r of a political party *n.* a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled
95. be killed in_____ly *adv.* immediately
96. te__t the taste buds *v.* to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
97. smoking he____n *n.* a highly addictive and illegal drug derived from morphine, typically administered by injection and often associated with serious health problems, including overdose and addiction
98. on_____g support *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
99. reduce s__g damage *n.* a common name for any terrestrial gastropod mollusk that appears to lack a shell with soft and black or brown color; a bullet, a shot of alcoholic drink
100. fr_____an orientation *n.* a first-year student, typically in college or high school
101. 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
102. sa_____r down the street *n.* a leisurely and unhurried walk or stroll, often taken for pleasure or to enjoy the surroundings; (verb) to walk in a slow, relaxed, and leisurely way, often in a confident and self-assured manner

ANSWERS: 94. chapter, 95. instantly, 96. tempt, 97. heroin, 98. ongoing, 99. slug, 100. freshman, 101. develop, 102. saunter

103. hea_____er position *n.* the chief administrator or principal of a school or educational institution, typically in charge of its daily operation and management
104. college ye_____ok *n.* a book published annually by a school, college, or other organization featuring photographs and records of the previous year's events and the individuals involved in them
105. s__b at the enemy with a knife *v.* to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife
106. st___e commodities *adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used
107. p__k rock *n.* a type of a loud, fast-moving, and aggressive form of rock music originating in the 1970s; an aggressive and violent young man or boy
108. a film f_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
109. re___t the proposal *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
110. co_____ss hours *adj.* too numerous to be counted or very many
111. ly__h him to death *v.* to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance

ANSWERS: 103. headmaster, 104. yearbook, 105. stab, 106. staple, 107. punk, 108. fan, 109. reject, 110. countless, 111. lynch

112. business ed____or *n.* a person who teaches or educates people
113. a ba__h of letters *n.* a quantity or group of things that are made or produced together and are considered to be the same or similar; an amount produced during a specified period of time or process
114. pa__o furniture *n.* an outdoor area, usually attached to a house, used for entertainment, dining, or relaxation
115. re____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
116. wax a ha____y floor *n.* an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
117. sec____nd information *adj.* having been previously owned or used by someone else
118. eve____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
119. college sch____ip *n.* a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements
120. gi__t trees *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
121. an introductory ch____r *n.* a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled
122. ill fo____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

ANSWERS: 112. educator, 113. batch, 114. patio, 115. release, 116. hallway, 117. secondhand, 118. eventually, 119. scholarship, 120. giant, 121. chapter, 122. fortune

123. die su____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
124. get up__t *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
125. vo_____on training *n.* a strong feeling of suitability for a particular career or occupation; a person's employment or main occupation, seen as worthy of dedication and commitment; a calling or strong inclination toward a particular way of life
126. pa_____n drive *n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction
127. bl__k paper *adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
128. a computer n__d *n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
129. ni__a costume *n.* a Japanese warrior or assassin trained in martial arts and stealth tactics, associated with the feudal era of Japan
130. ho__r our ancestors *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

ANSWERS: 123. suddenly, 124. upset, 125. vocation, 126. passion, 127. blank, 128. nerd, 129. ninja, 130. honor

131. have an up__t stomach *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
132. so___e in music *n.* comfort or consolation in a time of distress, sadness, or disappointment; (verb) to comfort or console someone in a time of distress, loss, or suffering
133. co_____ed criminal *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
134. e__l ways *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
135. dr__n excess liquid *v.* to empty or dry something by removing the liquid from it
136. su_____ro comics *n.* a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public
137. dr_____g for design *n.* the act of making a picture with a pencil, pen, or other instruments on paper, cardboard, or other material
138. se_____de man *adj.* having succeeded in life unaided; having become wealthy or successful through one's efforts
139. c__p a meet with a knife *v.* to cut something into pieces with a sharp tool, such as a knife
140. no_____y different *adv.* particularly; especially; in a way that is worthy of attention

ANSWERS: 131. upset, 132. solace, 133. convinced, 134. evil, 135. drain, 136. superhero, 137. drawing, 138. self-made, 139. chop, 140. notably

141. incredible th___l *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
142. offer so___e *n.* comfort or consolation in a time of distress, sadness, or disappointment; (verb) to comfort or console someone in a time of distress, loss, or suffering
143. te__t young people *v.* to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
144. with no an__t *n.* a feeling of deep anxiety or dread, typically an unfocused one about the human condition or the state of the world in general
145. pl__d a political cause *v.* to make a serious and urgent request or appeal, especially for help or mercy
146. a ma___l of beauty *n.* someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise
147. since ch____od *n.* the state or time of being a child
148. give si___t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
149. li___r store *n.* an alcoholic beverage that is distilled rather than fermented, such as whiskey or gin; alcohol, in general
150. corporate ma___t *n.* a person, animal, or object that is believed to bring good luck, often adopted by a sports team or organization as a symbol of their identity or values

ANSWERS: 141. thrill, 142. solace, 143. tempt, 144. angst, 145. plead, 146. marvel, 147. childhood, 148. silent, 149. liquor, 150. mascot

151. in_____ly cope with *adv.* immediately
152. fa_____ss bureaucracy *adj.* lacking distinctive or individual features or characteristics; anonymous and impersonal
153. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
154. he____n overdose *n.* a highly addictive and illegal drug derived from morphine, typically administered by injection and often associated with serious health problems, including overdose and addiction
155. ru__y nail *adj.* covered with rust (= a reddish-brown coating or corrosion layer); deteriorated or corroded due to lack of use or exposure to the elements; affected by disuse or neglect
156. ill_____te a story *v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
157. ref_____tor magnet *n.* an appliance or device used for preserving and cooling food and beverages by maintaining a low temperature within a closed compartment
158. re____t all imperfect merchandise *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

ANSWERS: 151. instantly, 152. faceless, 153. decision, 154. heroin, 155. rusty, 156. illustrate, 157. refrigerator, 158. reject

159. c__d dormitory *n.* (a shortened form of "coeducational") a female student attending a coeducational institution (= an educational establishment where both males and females are taught together in the same environment or classrooms) alongside male students
160. show pa_____ce *n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry
161. film re_____on *n.* a performance or interpretation, often of a piece of music or artwork; a version or translation of something into another language or style; the act of surrendering someone to another country for interrogation or punishment
162. clothes of the p__k style *n.* a type of a loud, fast-moving, and aggressive form of rock music originating in the 1970s; an aggressive and violent young man or boy
163. back f_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
164. an exc_____on of surprise *n.* a sudden outcry or shout, especially one expressing strong emotion
165. ca_____n industry *n.* a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption

ANSWERS: 159. coed, 160. patience, 161. rendition, 162. punk, 163. fin, 164. exclamation, 165. cartoon

166. a w__t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
167. co_____us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
168. b__t into several people *v.* to strike or push something with the flat end of your hip or buttocks; to hit or knock forcefully; (noun) the remaining end of a smoked cigarette
169. ch__t on my taxes *v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws
170. tr_____er power *v.* to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another
171. a co_____al success *adj.* extremely large and impressive
172. va_____a flavor *n.* a tropical climbing orchid of the genus Vanilla, particularly vanilla planifolia native to Mexico and Central America; a flavor derived from the vanilla bean, often used as a sweetening agent or condiment in desserts and beverages
173. slice of to__t *n.* slices of bread browned on both sides that have been put near a high heat; a drink in honor of or to the health of a person or even
174. womanly ho__r *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
175. ha_____d by memories *adj.* inhabited, visited, or frequented by ghosts or spirits; disturbed or troubled by persistent or disturbing memories or emotions

ANSWERS: 166. writ, 167. conscious, 168. butt, 169. cheat, 170. transfer, 171. colossal, 172. vanilla, 173. toast, 174. honor, 175. haunted

176. cel_____ed artist *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
177. wa___r alone in a strange country *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
178. an o_l hooted *n.* a nocturnal bird of prey with large eyes, a facial disc, and typically a loud hooting call
179. enrich my in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
180. person of gra_____nt age *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
181. crisp le_____e *n.* a leafy vegetable that is often used as a base for salads or sandwiches; it has green leaves and a mild flavor
182. antiriot sq__d *n.* a small group of people organized for a particular purpose, especially a military one or a sports team
183. in___t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
184. craft li___r *n.* an alcoholic beverage that is distilled rather than fermented, such as whiskey or gin; alcohol, in general
185. mon_____al sculpture *adj.* great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive
186. si___m series *n.* a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations, typically presented in a half-hour format

ANSWERS: 176. celebrated, 177. wander, 178. owl, 179. intellect, 180. grandparent, 181. lettuce, 182. squad, 183. invest, 184. liquor, 185. monumental, 186. sitcom

187. ma____al care *adj.* relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child
188. go there af_____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
189. cel_____ed paper *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
190. start to cr__k *v.* to make a hoarse sound, like a raven or frog; to make complaining remarks or noises under one's breath
191. a co__c hat *adj.* funny and making you laugh
192. ex-s__u conservation *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
193. lazy s__g *n.* a common name for any terrestrial gastropod mollusk that appears to lack a shell with soft and black or brown color; a bullet, a shot of alcoholic drink
194. pr_____de in the park *n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern
195. an_____on studio *n.* the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave

ANSWERS: 187. maternal, 188. afterward, 189. celebrated, 190. croak, 191. comic, 192. situ, 193. slug, 194. promenade, 195. animation

196. co__c books *adj.* funny and making you laugh
197. a motorcycle g__g *n.* a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity
198. co_____t level *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
199. mass kid_____ng *n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
200. first l__e *n.* a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver
201. horse s__d *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
202. evening pr_____de *n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern
203. cross-co___n marriage *n.* the child of your aunt or uncle
204. gas fi___r *n.* any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light

ANSWERS: 196. comic, 197. gang, 198. comfort, 199. kidnapping, 200. lane, 201. stud, 202. promenade, 203. cousin, 204. filter

205. l__e change *n.* a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver
206. acute le____ia *n.* a type of cancer that affects the blood and bone marrow, in which abnormal white blood cells are produced and grow uncontrollably
207. fr____an year *n.* a first-year student, typically in college or high school
208. af____d to buy a new car *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
209. h__l broke loose *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
210. boys in the twelfth gr__e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
211. ha____e a precious object *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
212. a person who has a ta____o *n.* a form of body modification made by inserting ink, dyes, or pigments, either permanent or temporary, into the skin to form a design
213. dr__n water from the swamp *v.* to empty or dry something by removing the liquid from it
214. warm su____ne *n.* the direct light and heat that comes from the sun
215. wall s__d *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

ANSWERS: 205. lane, 206. leukemia, 207. freshman, 208. afford, 209. hell, 210.

grade, 211. handle, 212. tattoo, 213. drain, 214. sunshine, 215. stud

216. in___t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
217. an_____on film *n.* the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave
218. the role of ca_____er *n.* a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away
219. artistic vo_____on *n.* a strong feeling of suitability for a particular career or occupation; a person's employment or main occupation, seen as worthy of dedication and commitment; a calling or strong inclination toward a particular way of life
220. ele_____ry math *adj.* relating to the first principles or fundamental parts of a subject; fundamental or basic, often used to refer to a school or level of education that covers the fundamental principles of various subjects
221. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

ANSWERS: 216. invest, 217. animation, 218. caretaker, 219. vocation, 220. elementary, 221. introduction

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| 222. una_____ed e-mail | <i>adj.</i> not responded to or explained |
| 223. an_____e the body | <i>v.</i> to make something full of interest and energy |
| 224. mu__l painting | <i>adj.</i> a large painting or other artwork that is applied directly to a wall or other surface |
| 225. in_____e a high degree of risk | <i>v.</i> to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else |
| 226. a sense of wel_____ng | <i>n.</i> the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous |
| 227. sw__r a blue streak | <i>v.</i> to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language |
| 228. duck-billed pl_____us | <i>n.</i> a semiaquatic, egg-laying mammal native to Australia and Tasmania, having a broad tail, webbed feet, and a bill resembling that of a duck |
| 229. ex___e the crowd | <i>v.</i> to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager |
| 230. a sch_____ip association | <i>n.</i> a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements |
| 231. a line-in j__k | <i>n.</i> a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects |
| 232. a j__k of all trades | <i>n.</i> a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects |
| 233. Internet ad___t | <i>n.</i> a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful |

ANSWERS: 222. unanswered, 223. animate, 224. mural, 225. involve, 226. well-being, 227. swear, 228. platypus, 229. excite, 230. scholarship, 231. jack, 232. jack, 233. addict

234. pl_____us habitat *n.* a semiaquatic, egg-laying mammal native to Australia and Tasmania, having a broad tail, webbed feet, and a bill resembling that of a duck
235. test my pa_____ce *n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry
236. sec_____nd car *adj.* having been previously owned or used by someone else
237. the center ai__e of a church *n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure
238. the head of a ha_____y *n.* an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
239. n__d neck *n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
240. se_____de entrepreneur *adj.* having succeeded in life unaided; having become wealthy or successful through one's efforts
241. wa____r far from home *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
242. di_____y merchandise *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value

ANSWERS: 234. platypus, 235. patience, 236. secondhand, 237. aisle, 238. hallway, 239. nerd, 240. self-made, 241. wander, 242. display

243. get ins_____on from nature *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
244. mi_____ve popcorn *n.* a form of electromagnetic radiation with wavelengths ranging from about one millimeter to one meter and frequencies between 300 MHz (0.3 GHz) and 300 GHz; an electric oven that cooks food by exposing it to high-frequency electromagnetic radiation, which causes the food molecules to vibrate and heat up quickly
245. a h__y shrine *adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion
246. su_____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
247. co_____us of having succeeded *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
248. a wide do_____y *n.* an opening in a wall for a door to fit into
249. fire st__k *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
250. perpetuate a m__h *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
251. a ra____m choice *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

ANSWERS: 243. inspiration, 244. microwave, 245. holy, 246. suddenly, 247. conscious, 248. doorway, 249. stick, 250. myth, 251. random

252. ha___ed the incident *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
253. tra_____on phase *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
254. mi_____ve radiation *n.* a form of electromagnetic radiation with wavelengths ranging from about one millimeter to one meter and frequencies between 300 MHz (0.3 GHz) and 300 GHz; an electric oven that cooks food by exposing it to high-frequency electromagnetic radiation, which causes the food molecules to vibrate and heat up quickly
255. tw__t a wet towel *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
256. clogged fi___r *n.* any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light
257. r_t with age *v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
258. promotional fl__r *n.* (also "flyer") a person who travels by air or an airplane passenger; a leaflet or pamphlet designed to be handed out or posted to provide information or advertise something
259. art cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
260. c__p wood *v.* to cut something into pieces with a sharp tool, such as a knife

ANSWERS: 252. handle, 253. transition, 254. microwave, 255. twist, 256. filter, 257. rot, 258. flier, 259. critic, 260. chop

261. source of ins_____on *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
262. bl__k expression *adj.* without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
263. economic d__m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
264. drink a to__t *n.* slices of bread browned on both sides that have been put near a high heat; a drink in honor of or to the health of a person or even
265. gastronomic ad_____res *n.* a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous
266. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
267. sn__p around the house *v.* to investigate or pry into something in a stealthy or nosy manner; to snoop through someone else's possessions or property
268. a few minutes of co_____on *n.* a state of confused and noisy disturbance
269. on the ma_____al side *adj.* relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child
270. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

ANSWERS: 261. inspiration, 262. blank, 263. doom, 264. toast, 265. adventure, 266. amazing, 267. snoop, 268. commotion, 269. maternal, 270. eventually

271. former hea_____er *n.* the chief administrator or principal of a school or educational institution, typically in charge of its daily operation and management
272. ta_____ed athlete *adj.* having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area
273. do_____y to success *n.* an opening in a wall for a door to fit into
274. the m__h of an old religion *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
275. sn__p for information *v.* to investigate or pry into something in a stealthy or nosy manner; to snoop through someone else's possessions or property
276. sc____d all the time *adj.* afraid or frightened
277. empty ref_____tor *n.* an appliance or device used for preserving and cooling food and beverages by maintaining a low temperature within a closed compartment
278. m__t down gold *v.* to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating
279. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
280. technical ma____l *n.* someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise

ANSWERS: 271. headmaster, 272. talented, 273. doorway, 274. myth, 275. snoop, 276. scared, 277. refrigerator, 278. melt, 279. involve, 280. marvel

281. mystical sig_____nce
n. the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy
282. a very ta_____ed actor
adj. having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area
283. m__t the ice
v. to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating
284. fa_____ss enemy
adj. lacking distinctive or individual features or characteristics; anonymous and impersonal
285. su_____ro movies
n. a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public
286. ha_____r wheel
n. a small, furry rodent commonly kept as a pet; often used in research laboratories due to their small size and ease of handling
287. great-gra_____nt
n. a parent of one's father or mother
288. co_____ed of the idea
adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
289. a man of pr_____ty
n. a thing or things that belong to someone
290. b_g the question
v. to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
291. words of co_____t
n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

ANSWERS: 281. significance, 282. talented, 283. melt, 284. faceless, 285. superhero, 286. hamster, 287. grandparent, 288. convinced, 289. property, 290. beg, 291. comfort

292. my vo_____er work *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
293. gr_____ed flask *adj.* having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
294. untold mi____y *n.* a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune
295. gi__t tech company *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
296. ad__t a bill *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
297. pu_____n pie *n.* large, round, yellow or orange fruit with a thick rind and pulpy interior, often carved into a Halloween decoration or used as a base for pies, soups, or other dishes
298. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
299. music st____o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
300. t_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

ANSWERS: 292. volunteer, 293. graduated, 294. misery, 295. giant, 296. adopt, 297. pumpkin, 298. decision, 299. studio, 300. tap

301. answer co_____ss questions *adj.* too numerous to be counted or very many
302. sw__r an oath *v.* to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language
303. leisurely sa_____r *n.* a leisurely and unhurried walk or stroll, often taken for pleasure or to enjoy the surroundings; (verb) to walk in a slow, relaxed, and leisurely way, often in a confident and self-assured manner
304. co_____ct law *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
305. welfare ca_____er *n.* a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away
306. an_____e his soul *v.* to make something full of interest and energy
307. tw__t around to the left *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
308. popular si____m *n.* a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations, typically presented in a half-hour format
309. una_____ed love *adj.* not responded to or explained
310. deep pu___e *adj.* of a color intermediate between red and blue

ANSWERS: 301. countless, 302. swear, 303. saunter, 304. contract, 305. caretaker, 306. animate, 307. twist, 308. sitcom, 309. unanswered, 310. purple

311. gr____c design *adj.* relating to visual art or involving the use of diagrams or illustrations; very clear and powerful
312. gr_____ed taxation *adj.* having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
313. wilted le_____e *n.* a leafy vegetable that is often used as a base for salads or sandwiches; it has green leaves and a mild flavor
314. the Great Dep_____on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
315. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
316. improve no_____y *adv.* particularly; especially; in a way that is worthy of attention
317. va_____a extract *n.* a tropical climbing orchid of the genus Vanilla, particularly vanilla planifolia native to Mexico and Central America; a flavor derived from the vanilla bean, often used as a sweetening agent or condiment in desserts and beverages
318. a working dr__t *n.* a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form
319. a gr_____c description of an accident *adj.* relating to visual art or involving the use of diagrams or illustrations; very clear and powerful

ANSWERS: 311. graphic, 312. graduated, 313. lettuce, 314. depression, 315. creative, 316. notably, 317. vanilla, 318. draft, 319. graphic

320. traditional hom_____ng skills *n.* the act or practice of managing a household and taking care of domestic duties such as cooking, cleaning, and organizing; the work or occupation of being a homemaker
321. ce_____te Christmas *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
322. di_____y artwork *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
323. the root problem of her dep_____on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
324. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
325. still on_____g *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
326. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
327. af____d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
328. el_____te contestants *v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something
329. hom_____ng tools *n.* the act or practice of managing a household and taking care of domestic duties such as cooking, cleaning, and organizing; the work or occupation of being a homemaker

ANSWERS: 320. homemaking, 321. celebrate, 322. display, 323. depression, 324. suppose, 325. ongoing, 326. imaginary, 327. afford, 328. eliminate, 329. homemaking

330. ai__e seat *n.* a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure
331. fl____sh worldwide *v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
332. make co_____on *n.* a state of confused and noisy disturbance
333. begin to r_t *v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually
334. de____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
335. barren of cr____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
336. exc_____on mark *n.* a sudden outcry or shout, especially one expressing strong emotion
337. bl__d milk and cream *v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
338. pet ha____r *n.* a small, furry rodent commonly kept as a pet; often used in research laboratories due to their small size and ease of handling
339. su____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody

ANSWERS: 330. aisle, 331. flourish, 332. commotion, 333. rot, 334. develop, 335. creative, 336. exclamation, 337. blend, 338. hamster, 339. surround

340. a structural b__m of a building *n.* a long, sturdy piece of timber, metal, or other material used to support a structure or span a distance; a ray or stream of light emitted by a source
341. a picture fr__e *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
342. st___e crop *adj.* essential, crucial, or regularly used
343. development of the ne____s system *adj.* worried and anxious about something; relating to the nerves
344. chemical pr____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
345. ly__h law *v.* to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance
346. a h__y man *adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion
347. touch a do____ll *n.* a bell that is pressed or pulled to signal that someone wishes to enter a building
348. ensure a smooth tra____on *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
349. historical no__l *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before

ANSWERS: 340. beam, 341. frame, 342. staple, 343. nervous, 344. property, 345. lynch, 346. holy, 347. doorbell, 348. transition, 349. novel

350. come out of no____e *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
351. a bomb-disposal sq__d *n.* a small group of people organized for a particular purpose, especially a military one or a sports team
352. cigarette b__t *v.* to strike or push something with the flat end of your hip or buttocks; to hit or knock forcefully; (noun) the remaining end of a smoked cigarette
353. kid_____ng attempt *n.* the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive
354. ca_____n character *n.* a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption
355. ba__h processing *n.* a quantity or group of things that are made or produced together and are considered to be the same or similar; an amount produced during a specified period of time or process
356. team ma____t *n.* a person, animal, or object that is believed to bring good luck, often adopted by a sports team or organization as a symbol of their identity or values

ANSWERS: 350. nowhere, 351. squad, 352. butt, 353. kidnapping, 354. cartoon, 355. batch, 356. mascot

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I _____ I didn't mean to break your vase.
v. to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language
2. You _____ a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.
v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
3. The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the _____ economic crisis.
adj. continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
4. He cannot _____ a holiday.
v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
5. Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal _____.
n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
6. The boardwalk by the beach was a beautiful _____ for tourists and locals alike.
n. a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern
7. The _____ has largely gotten positive feedback.
n. an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before

ANSWERS: 1. swear, 2. stick, 3. ongoing, 4. afford, 5. fortune, 6. promenade, 7. novel

8. The positive attitude of the supervisor _____ the discussion.
v. to make something full of interest and energy
9. They gathered to hear the _____ teachings of the guru.
adj. of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion
10. The public is _____ that the prime minister has committed fraud.
adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
11. The computer screen displayed nothing but a _____ white screen
adj. without any writing or printing; empty or devoid of ideas, information, or meaning; unable to remember or recall information
12. He had fond memories of his _____ spent playing in the park with his friends.
n. the state or time of being a child
13. The _____ class was excited to start their first year of college.
n. a first-year student, typically in college or high school
14. The _____ on the wall depicted the history of the city.
adj. a large painting or other artwork that is applied directly to a wall or other surface
15. The news of her promotion _____ her.
v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
16. The nosy neighbor liked to _____ around and eavesdrop on other people's conversations.
v. to investigate or pry into something in a stealthy or nosy manner; to snoop through someone else's possessions or property

ANSWERS: 8. animated, 9. holy, 10. convinced, 11. blank, 12. childhood, 13. freshman, 14. mural, 15. excited, 16. snoop

17. As a frequent _____ I accumulate a lot of miles that I use for vacation trips.
n. (also "flyer") a person who travels by air or an airplane passenger; a leaflet or pamphlet designed to be handed out or posted to provide information or advertise something
18. He dashed down a _____ to a bathroom.
n. an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
19. With the financial bubble bursting, the _____ of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.
n. an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
20. The national assembly has _____ the budget.
v. to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
21. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.
v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
22. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.
n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
23. We can _____ this possibility from those consumptions.
v. to remove or get rid of someone or something

ANSWERS: 17. flier, 18. hallway, 19. myth, 20. adopted, 21. invest, 22. introduction, 23. eliminate

24. The singer gave a beautiful _____ of the classic song during the concert.
- n.* a performance or interpretation, often of a piece of music or artwork; a version or translation of something into another language or style; the act of surrendering someone to another country for interrogation or punishment
25. We need to _____ our products in an attractive way to attract customers.
- v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
26. She _____ her parents to let her go to the concert.
- v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
27. He used a _____ to lift the car to change the tire.
- n.* a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects
28. She poured a glass of her favorite _____ and enjoyed it slowly.
- n.* an alcoholic beverage that is distilled rather than fermented, such as whiskey or gin; alcohol, in general
29. He acted as a _____ until a new president was elected.
- n.* a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away
30. Melanoma in _____ is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.
- adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance

ANSWERS: 24. rendition, 25. display, 26. begged, 27. jack, 28. liquor, 29. caretaker, 30. situ

31. Everyone, even non-scholars, knows Einstein's _____ contributions to physics.

adj. great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive

32. Rice and beans are a _____ food in many cultures.

adj. essential, crucial, or regularly used

33. He was _____ many times with scissors.

v. to cause harm with a sharp, pointed object, such as a knife

34. The cook _____ the vegetables for the soup.

v. to cut something into pieces with a sharp tool, such as a knife

35. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

36. The shark's powerful _____ allowed it to swim at high speeds.

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

37. He sailed the Atlantic Ocean multiple times during his _____.

n. a journey or a series of events that is unusual, exciting, or dangerous

38. He spent his afternoon watching _____ movies on TV.

n. a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption

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

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

ANSWERS: 31. monumental, 32. staple, 33. stabbed, 34. chopped, 35. concept, 36. fins, 37. adventures, 38. cartoon, 39. decision

40. The university student was now a _____ having completed their first year of studies.
- n.* a student in their second year of college or high school; used more broadly to refer to someone who is experienced in a particular activity or field
41. The symptoms of _____ may include fatigue, weakness, and fever.
- n.* a type of cancer that affects the blood and bone marrow, in which abnormal white blood cells are produced and grow uncontrollably
42. Ozone is a primary _____ to protect Earth's surface from harmful UV rays.
- n.* any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light
43. Push the button and let the water _____ away.
- v.* to empty or dry something by removing the liquid from it
44. The space shuttle is a modern engineering _____.
- n.* someone something that causes feelings of wonder or surprise
45. She had a very _____ instinct towards her newborn baby.
- adj.* relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child
46. Pardon me for leaving some of your questions _____.
- adj.* not responded to or explained
47. The new building is truly _____ towering over the surrounding buildings.
- adj.* extremely large and impressive

ANSWERS: 40. sophomore, 41. leukemia, 42. filter, 43. drain, 44. marvel, 45. maternal, 46. unanswered, 47. colossal,

48. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.
n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
49. The final _____ provides a summary of the discussion.
n. a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled
50. Everyone was aware of the impending _____ but was unable to prevent it.
n. death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
51. He was _____ for the duration of the war.
v. to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape
52. To find drunk drivers, police conduct _____ tests.
adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
53. I'm _____ of insects.
adj. afraid or frightened
54. He became _____ that he was being followed.
adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
55. _____ duties can include anything from cooking and cleaning to managing household finances.
n. the act or practice of managing a household and taking care of domestic duties such as cooking, cleaning, and organizing; the work or occupation of being a homemaker
56. I often _____ around the park for half an hour.
v. to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction

ANSWERS: 48. grade, 49. chapter, 50. doom, 51. incarcerated, 52. random, 53. scared, 54. conscious, 55. Homemaking, 56. wander

57. She works at a recording _____ in Los Angeles.

- n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

58. The company signed a _____ with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

- n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

59. _____ school students must learn basic math and reading skills.

- adj.* relating to the first principles or fundamental parts of a subject; fundamental or basic, often used to refer to a school or level of education that covers the fundamental principles of various subjects

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

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

61. Please refrigerate the meat, or it will _____.

- v.* to decay, or cause something to decay, naturally and gradually

62. The _____ gate creaked loudly as it opened.

- adj.* covered with rust (= a reddish-brown coating or corrosion layer); deteriorated or corroded due to lack of use or exposure to the elements; affected by disuse or neglect

63. The famous restaurant stands _____ up the hill.

- adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points

64. I love to watch _____ when I need a good laugh.

- n.* a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations, typically presented in a half-hour format

ANSWERS: 57. studio, 58. contract, 59. Elementary, 60. suppose, 61. rot, 62. rusty, 63. halfway, 64. sitcoms

65. Three _____ tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes

66. The company's financial records _____ how successful it has been.

v. to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation

67. I've been thinking all day and getting _____.

adv. not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere

68. I still like flipping through my high school _____ to remember old friends.

n. a book published annually by a school, college, or other organization featuring photographs and records of the previous year's events and the individuals involved in them

69. The study found that the treatment was _____ effective in most cases.

adv. particularly; especially; in a way that is worthy of attention

70. The mob wanted to _____ the suspect before he could be tried in court.

v. to put to death or punish (usually by hanging) without legal authorization or due process, often as an act of mob justice or vigilante action; (noun) a violent punishment, often extrajudicial, in which a mob or group of people seize and kill someone, usually by hanging, as a form of punishment or vengeance

71. He _____ pieces of rope out of straw.

v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape

72. Though he was evil, he never _____ his friends into wrongdoing.

v. to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong

ANSWERS: 65. celebrated, 66. illustrate, 67. nowhere, 68. yearbook, 69. notably, 70. lynch, 71. twisted, 72. tempted

73. He was awfully _____ by the news.

adj. causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

74. I used to play with my younger male _____ when I was a little girl.

n. the child of your aunt or uncle

75. Her resistance _____ under his persuasion.

v. to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating

76. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

77. Skydiving is an overwhelming _____ for many people.

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

78. The skilled _____ moved stealthily through the shadows to carry out their mission.

n. a Japanese warrior or assassin trained in martial arts and stealth tactics, associated with the feudal era of Japan

79. 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

80. Corruption is an _____ act for any reason.

adj. profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people

ANSWERS: 73. upset, 74. cousins, 75. melted, 76. release, 77. thrill, 78. ninja, 79. stud, 80. evil

81. 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

82. The _____ taste of the medicine made it difficult to swallow.

- adj.* having a sharp, unpleasant taste; characterized by strong feelings of resentment, disappointment, or cynicism

83. The snowy ____ is a large, white bird often seen in the Arctic.

- n.* a nocturnal bird of prey with large eyes, a facial disc, and typically a loud hooting call

84. I spotted a giant _____ in the rain garden.

- n.* a common name for any terrestrial gastropod mollusk that appears to lack a shell with soft and black or brown color; a bullet, a shot of alcoholic drink

85. The nation's healthcare system is in _____ at the moment.

- n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another

86. We all should learn how to _____ stress.

- v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

87. Any activity on the Internet will be stored as a digital _____ for life.

- n.* a form of body modification made by inserting ink, dyes, or pigments, either permanent or temporary, into the skin to form a design

88. He's a _____ millionaire who built his fortune from scratch.

- adj.* having succeeded in life unaided; having become wealthy or successful through one's efforts

ANSWERS: 81. develop, 82. bitter, 83. owl, 84. slug, 85. transition, 86. handle, 87. tattoo, 88. self-made

89. The _____ of his discovery cannot be overstated.
- n.* the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy
90. The _____ diet consists mainly of small invertebrates, insects, and crustaceans.
- n.* a semiaquatic, egg-laying mammal native to Australia and Tasmania, having a broad tail, webbed feet, and a bill resembling that of a duck
91. We are never intimidated when dealing with young _____.
- n.* a type of a loud, fast-moving, and aggressive form of rock music originating in the 1970s; an aggressive and violent young man or boy
92. The street _____ was known for its violent behavior.
- n.* a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity
93. I remembered that person _____ and never forgot.
- adv.* immediately
94. I love the taste of _____ ice cream.
- n.* a tropical climbing orchid of the genus *Vanilla*, particularly *vanilla planifolia* native to Mexico and Central America; a flavor derived from the vanilla bean, often used as a sweetening agent or condiment in desserts and beverages
95. He was served with a _____ of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.
- n.* a written legal order or command
96. The teachers make full use of _____ assistance.
- n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do

ANSWERS: 89. significance, 90. platypus, 91. punks, 92. gang, 93. instantly, 94. vanilla, 95. writ, 96. volunteer

97. The _____ novel was a masterpiece with stunning illustrations that brought the story to life.
adj. relating to visual art or involving the use of diagrams or illustrations; very clear and powerful
98. We made a _____ with everyone.
n. slices of bread browned on both sides that have been put near a high heat; a drink in honor of or to the health of a person or even
99. _____ symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.
n. a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
100. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.
adj. without any or little sound
101. To expand the company, we must _____ new human resources.
v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
102. He found _____ in the works of his favorite authors.
n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
103. I heated my leftover food in the _____ oven, which tasted just as good as freshly cooked.
n. a form of electromagnetic radiation with wavelengths ranging from about one millimeter to one meter and frequencies between 300 MHz (0.3 GHz) and 300 GHz; an electric oven that cooks food by exposing it to high-frequency electromagnetic radiation, which causes the food molecules to vibrate and heat up quickly

ANSWERS: 97. graphic, 98. toast, 99. Depression, 100. silent, 101. tap, 102. inspiration, 103. microwave

104. She was close to her paternal _____ and often spent summers with them.
n. a parent of one's father or mother
105. She was a _____ student of a prestigious university.
adj. having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
106. Shares in the company finally fell below their ____ value.
n. a state of being equal to someone or something
107. He was excited to find a vintage suit at the _____ shop for a fraction of the price of a new one.
adj. having been previously owned or used by someone else
108. The Ottoman Empire _____ for over five centuries.
v. to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
109. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.
n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
110. The company _____ the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.
v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
111. Little children tend to have _____ friends.
adj. existing only in someone's mind

ANSWERS: 104. grandparents, 105. graduated, 106. par, 107. secondhand, 108. flourished, 109. intellect, 110. rejected, 111. imaginary

112. He stood to inherit a million-dollar _____.

n. a thing or things that belong to someone

113. The artist painted a series of _____ portraits to represent anonymity and self-discovery.

adj. lacking distinctive or individual features or characteristics; anonymous and impersonal

114. The newspaper published an _____ on the current state of the economy.

adj. relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media

115. She is an _____ with progressive ideas.

n. a person who teaches or educates people

116. She walked down the _____ to the front of the church.

n. a passage between rows of seats in a theater, airplane, or other public building, typically one of two or more running parallel with the main body of the structure

117. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

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

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

119. The novel is _____ and tragic.

adj. funny and making you laugh

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

n. intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction

ANSWERS: 112. property, 113. faceless, 114. editorial, 115. educator, 116. aisle, 117. critics, 118. giant, 119. comic, 120. passion

121. Even though he knew it was wrong, he _____ on the exam.

- v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws

122. She is a _____ musician, able to play several instruments.

- adj.* having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area

123. Her sudden _____ drew everyone's attention.

- n.* a sudden outcry or shout, especially one expressing strong emotion

124. Because of her severe cold, she could only _____.

- v.* to make a hoarse sound, like a raven or frog; to make complaining remarks or noises under one's breath

125. The police department assembled a special _____ to handle the situation.

- n.* a small group of people organized for a particular purpose, especially a military one or a sports team

126. We walked along a muddy _____ to reach the farm.

- n.* a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver

127. He rang the _____ and waited for someone to answer.

- n.* a bell that is pressed or pulled to signal that someone wishes to enter a building

128. Don't forget to put the eggs in the _____ after you've used them.

- n.* an appliance or device used for preserving and cooling food and beverages by maintaining a low temperature within a closed compartment

ANSWERS: 121. cheated, 122. talented, 123. exclamation, 124. croak, 125. squad, 126. lane, 127. doorbell, 128. refrigerator

129. The _____ in the classroom made it hard for the teacher to teach.

n. a state of confused and noisy disturbance

130. It's important to clean your _____ cage frequently to ensure their health and comfort.

n. a small, furry rodent commonly kept as a pet; often used in research laboratories due to their small size and ease of handling

131. The sun's _____ shone through the window and illuminated the room.

n. a long, sturdy piece of timber, metal, or other material used to support a structure or span a distance; a ray or stream of light emitted by a source

132. Who answers _____ knows little.

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

133. The old mansion was known to be _____ with strange noises and eerie sightings reported by visitors.

adj. inhabited, visited, or frequented by ghosts or spirits; disturbed or troubled by persistent or disturbing memories or emotions

134. We sat outside on the _____ enjoying the sunshine and fresh air.

n. an outdoor area, usually attached to a house, used for entertainment, dining, or relaxation

135. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.

v. to be all around something or somebody

136. I claim on my _____ that it is true.

n. high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

ANSWERS: 129. commotion, 130. hamster's, 131. beam, 132. suddenly, 133. haunted, 134. patio, 135. surround, 136. honor

137. The _____ of the characters in the movie was so realistic, and it was as if they were there.

- n.* the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave

138. The withdrawal symptoms from _____ can be intense and painful.

- n.* a highly addictive and illegal drug derived from morphine, typically administered by injection and often associated with serious health problems, including overdose and addiction

139. I joined a _____ soccer league to meet new people and improve my skills.

- n.* (a shortened form of "coeducational") a female student attending a coeducational institution (= an educational establishment where both males and females are taught together in the same environment or classrooms) alongside male students

140. He found _____ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.

- n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint

141. He suffers from _____ breakdowns.

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

142. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.

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

143. Healing a broken heart requires _____ as it takes time to heal.

- n.* the ability to remain calm and composed in the face of adversity, delay, or frustration; the capacity to tolerate or endure difficult or unpleasant situations without becoming upset or angry

ANSWERS: 137. animation, 138. heroin, 139. coed, 140. comfort, 141. nervous, 142. creative, 143. patience,

144. I'm a big ____ of French food.

- n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

145. The grieving widow found _____ in reading her late husband's letters.

- n.* comfort or consolation in a time of distress, sadness, or disappointment; (verb) to comfort or console someone in a time of distress, loss, or suffering

146. We are responsible for the care and _____ of all our employees.

- n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

147. The toad altered its appearance to better _____ in with its new environments.

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

148. He felt a sense of _____ about the future and wasn't sure what would happen.

- n.* a feeling of deep anxiety or dread, typically an unfocused one about the human condition or the state of the world in general

149. The school's _____ announced the cancellation of classes due to inclement weather.

- n.* the chief administrator or principal of a school or educational institution, typically in charge of its daily operation and management

150. The _____ was so bright that I had to wear sunglasses to protect my eyes.

- n.* the direct light and heat that comes from the sun

151. He _____ with the authorities to release his son, who had been wrongly accused.

- v.* to make a serious and urgent request or appeal, especially for help or mercy

ANSWERS: 144. fan, 145. solace, 146. well-being, 147. blend, 148. angst, 149. headmaster, 150. sunshine, 151. pleaded

152. She is talented at _____ and has won several awards for her artwork.

n. the act of making a picture with a pencil, pen, or other instruments on paper, cardboard, or other material

153. We have become TV _____ due to video streaming services.

n. a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful

154. Our company suffered _____ from incurring a heavy loss.

n. a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune

155. The plant has a stunning _____ blossom.

adj. of a color intermediate between red and blue

156. She _____ the money from her savings account to her checking account.

v. to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another

157. I went for a _____ through the park on a beautiful afternoon.

n. a leisurely and unhurried walk or stroll, often taken for pleasure or to enjoy the surroundings; (verb) to walk in a slow, relaxed, and leisurely way, often in a confident and self-assured manner

158. I baked a _____ of cookies for the office party.

n. a quantity or group of things that are made or produced together and are considered to be the same or similar; an amount produced during a specified period of time or process

159. The battlefield became _____ on earth.

n. the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

ANSWERS: 152. drawing, 153. addicts, 154. misery, 155. purple, 156. transferred, 157. saunter, 158. batch, 159. hell

160. He was, by nature, a cyber _____.

n. a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.

161. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

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

162. He _____ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

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

163. I want a sandwich with extra _____ please.

n. a leafy vegetable that is often used as a base for salads or sandwiches; it has green leaves and a mild flavor

164. Superman is a classic _____ known for his superhuman strength and flying ability.

n. a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public

165. She received a year's imprisonment for aggravated _____.

n. the act of taking somebody away illegally and holding them captive

166. The city's _____ is a famous landmark that attracts tourists.

n. a person, animal, or object that is believed to bring good luck, often adopted by a sports team or organization as a symbol of their identity or values

167. Her _____ as a nurse gave her great satisfaction and purpose in life.

n. a strong feeling of suitability for a particular career or occupation; a person's employment or main occupation, seen as worthy of dedication and commitment; a calling or strong inclination toward a particular way of life

ANSWERS: 160. nerd, 161. eventually, 162. celebrated, 163. lettuce, 164. superhero, 165. kidnapping, 166. mascot, 167. vocation

168. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

169. We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem _____.

adv. after the time mentioned

170. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

171. The _____ festival was filled with giant carved pumpkins on display and pumpkin-themed food stalls.

n. large, round, yellow or orange fruit with a thick rind and pulpy interior, often carved into a Halloween decoration or used as a base for pies, soups, or other dishes

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

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

173. Bell-bottom jeans, once considered _____ fashion, have made a surprising comeback in recent years.

adj. no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date

174. He leaned against the _____ waiting for her to come home.

n. an opening in a wall for a door to fit into

175. There are _____ methods for dealing with stress.

adj. too numerous to be counted or very many

ANSWERS: 168. amazing, 169. afterward, 170. involves, 171. pumpkin, 172. frame, 173. passe, 174. doorway, 175. countless

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

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

177. She received a full _____ to study abroad.

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

178. The goats often _____ heads when they are fighting for dominance.

v. to strike or push something with the flat end of your hip or buttocks; to hit or knock forcefully; (noun) the remaining end of a smoked cigarette

ANSWERS: 176. draft, 177. scholarship, 178. butt