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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### silicon

*n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

(1) **silicon** wafer, (2) crystalline **silicon**

**Silicon** is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.

### valley

*n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

*synonym*: canyon, gorge, dale

(1) **valley** bottom, (2) basin-shaped **valley**

The **valley** had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

### intense

*adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe

*synonym*: extreme, fierce, harsh

(1) **intense** heat, (2) develop **intense** itching

That statement by the prime minister drew **intense** international criticism.

### disrupt

*v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by

causing a problem or disturbance

*synonym*: interrupt, disturb, break into

(1) **disrupt** a well-ordered condition, (2) **disrupt** sleep  
I'm so sorry to **disrupt** you when you're pretty busy.

## entirely

*adv.* completely

*synonym*: completely, fully, totally

(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame

Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

## engagement

*n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

*synonym*: betrothal, promise, commitment

(1) a prior **engagement**, (2) break off an **engagement**

They selected a gorgeous diamond **engagement** ring.

## transform

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

*synonym*: alter, convert, change

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

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

## cycle

*n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle

*synonym*: revolution, rotation, bike

(1) the **cycle** of the seasons, (2) go to the workplace by **cycle**

The food chain causes a material **cycle**.

## participate

*v.* to take part in something

*synonym*: take part, partake, enter

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

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

## professional

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

*synonym* : skilled, competent, accomplished

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

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

## investor

*n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns

*synonym* : financier, banker, stockholder

(1) **investor** lawsuit, (2) a real estate **investor**

Institutional **investors** refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.

## daylight

*n.* the natural light produced by the sun during the day, especially in contrast to artificial light or darkness

*synonym* : sunlight, daytime, day

(1) **daylight** hours, (2) natural **daylight**

The view of the city skyline from the top of the building looked amazing in the **daylight**.

## tricky

*adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with

*synonym* : thorny, problematic, crafty

(1) **tricky** problem, (2) a **tricky** recipe to follow

We have discussed the entirety of this **tricky** problem.

## literally

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

*synonym* : actually, truly, verily

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

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

## commentator

*n.* a person who provides commentary or analysis, particularly about a specific event, topic, or field, such as sports, news, or politics

*synonym* : announcer, analyst, presenter

(1) television **commentator**, (2) political **commentator**

The sports **commentator** provided detailed analysis throughout the game.

## refer

*v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

*synonym* : cite, allude, mention

(1) **refer** to a book, (2) **refer** to a map

Please **refer** to the instruction manual for further assistance.

## hypothesis

*n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate

*synonym* : assumption, conjecture, theory

(1) test my **hypothesis**, (2) a bold **hypothesis**

This evidence supports the big-bang **hypothesis**.

## revision

*n.* the act or process of reviewing, correcting, and improving something, such as written work, plans, or ideas; a revised version of something

*synonym* : editing, modification, alteration

(1) **revision** process, (2) a **revision** history

I made a **revision** to my paper based on feedback from my professor.

## elimination

*n.* the act or process of removing or getting rid of something or someone

*synonym* : removal, eradication, extinction

(1) waste **elimination**, (2) an **elimination** tournament

The government's efforts toward disease **elimination** have been successful in many regions.

## exposition

*n.* a comprehensive description and explanation of an idea or theory; a collection of things, such as goods or works of art, etc., for public display

*synonym*: explanation, description, account

(1) an international **exposition**, (2) rational **exposition**

The **exposition** in the novel provides background information on the characters and setting.

## industrious

*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

*synonym*: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

## debunk

*v.* to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless

*synonym*: expose, discredit, demystify

(1) **debunk** an urban legend, (2) **debunk** theory

The myth was **debunked** by scientists, who provided evidence to the contrary.

## collective

*adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people

*synonym*: composite, concerted, cumulative

(1) right to **collective** bargaining, (2) **collective** ownership

Product development is a **collective** effort.

## fairly

*adv.* to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner

*synonym*: moderately, reasonably, pretty

(1) **fairly** accurate, (2) have a **fairly** clear view

He deals **fairly** with his employees.

## obvious

*adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

*synonym*: apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

## disrespect

*n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something

*synonym* : impoliteness, rudeness, insult

(1) mean no **disrespect**, (2) **disrespect** for a customer  
His **disrespectful** behavior towards his elders earned him a stern warning from his parents.

## **maintain**

*v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

*synonym* : preserve, uphold, sustain

(1) **maintain** order, (2) **maintain** good health

I need to **maintain** my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

## **desktop**

*n.* a flat working surface or table that is usually placed on top of a desk, typically used for a computer or other work-related activities

*synonym* : computer, workstation, PC

(1) **desktop** software, (2) **desktop** wallpaper

I need to upgrade my **desktop** computer since it's become quite slow.

## **indicator**

*n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing

*synonym* : barometer, signal, index

(1) **indicator** lamp, (2) performance **indicators**

Several IT millionaires have shown that the level of education is a relatively poor **indicator** of whether a business can be successfully run.

## **smartphone**

*n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

(1) **smartphone** app developer, (2) **smartphone** addict  
Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of **smartphones**.

## **device**

*n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or

electronic

*synonym* : gadget, instrument, tool

(1) electronic **device**, (2) tracking **device**

I always carry a backup **device** in case my phone runs out of battery.

**precipitously**

*adv.* steeply or abruptly; quickly or suddenly, often referring to a dramatic change or decline

*synonym* : steeply, rapidly, abruptly

(1) fall **precipitously**, (2) the mountain face descends

**precipitously**

The athlete's performance started to decline **precipitously** after an injury.

**probable**

*adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true

*synonym* : likely, possible, potential

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

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

**retreat**

*n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life

*synonym* : escape, withdrawal, vacation

(1) **retreat** deeper into their territory, (2) **retreat** in a mountain region

Many people go on a **retreat** to recharge and reconnect with themselves.

**exchange**

*v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

*synonym* : trade, swap, interchange

(1) **exchange** rate, (2) **exchange** a few friendly words  
My sister and I frequently **exchange** books, as we love reading.

## crank

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

*synonym*: eccentric, oddball, kook

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

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

## 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.

## enterprise

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

*synonym*: business, company, industry

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

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

## software

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

*synonym*: program, system, operating system

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

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

## relate

*v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

*synonym*: connect, link, associate

(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message



He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

**sap** v. to gradually weaken or drain strength, energy, or resources; to undermine or impair someone's confidence or morale  
*synonym*: weaken, exhaust, drain  
(1) **sap** flow, (2) **sap** strength  
The disease has **sapped** all his energy, and he can barely get out of bed.

**doll** n. a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive  
*synonym*: puppet, dolly, toy  
(1) plastic **doll**, (2) rag **doll**  
The antique **doll** was worth thousands of dollars.

**revenue** n. the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business  
*synonym*: earnings, payment, remuneration  
(1) tax **revenue**, (2) annual **revenue**  
This graph indicates the city's tourism **revenue** over five years.

**economy** n. the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel  
*synonym*: finance, trade, business  
(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class  
The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

**commerce** n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale

*synonym* : trade, transaction, dealings

(1) interstate **commerce**, (2) the local chamber of **commerce**

This company has invested heavily in Internet **commerce**.

## railroad

*n.* metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization

*synonym* : railway, track, railway system

(1) coast-to-coast **railroad**, (2) **railroad** industry

The town was founded in the 19th century as a stop on the **railroad**, and it grew rapidly as a result.

## index

*n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index

*synonym* : list, directory, indicator

(1) a full-text **index**, (2) health **index**

The stock market **index** measures the performance of a group of stocks.

## volume

*n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound

*synonym* : capacity, amount, intensity

(1) **volume** of work, (2) high **volume**

This container has a **volume** of 10 cubic meters.

## garbage

*n.* waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse

*synonym* : waste, trash, debris

(1) **garbage** collection, (2) lump of **garbage**

The **garbage** truck will be coming to pick up the trash every Monday morning.

## digital

*adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially

the internet

*synonym* : numerical, computerized, cyber

(1) a **digital** watch, (2) **digital** electronic signature

Sensors convert physical phenomena into **digital** signals.

## compelling

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

*synonym* : tempting, captivating, influential

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

His **compelling** presentation deeply moved everyone.

## shock

*n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

*synonym* : amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**

He got an electric **shock** at work.

## Wikipedia

*n.* an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics

*synonym* : online encyclopedia, webpedia

(1) **Wikipedia** entry, (2) **Wikipedia** article

Not all teachers accept citing **Wikipedia** as a valid source for academic papers.

## yelp

*n.* a sharp, high-pitched bark or cry, typically made by a dog or fox

*synonym* : bark, cry, howl

(1) **yelp** in pain, (2) **yelp** of excitement

The dog let out a sharp **yelp** when he stepped on its tail.

## realtor

*n.* a professional in the real estate industry who is a member of the national association of realtors

*synonym* : real estate agent, broker

(1) **realtor** agency, (2) **realtor** services

The reliable **realtor** showed them several properties in the area.

## dictionary

*n.* a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation

*synonym*: lexicon, glossary, vocabulary

(1) **dictionary** definition, (2) online **dictionary**

I need to purchase a new English **dictionary**.

## recover

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

*synonym*: come back, convalesce, heal

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

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

## dominant

*adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

*synonym*: chief, predominant, prevailing

(1) achieve a **dominant** share, (2) **dominant** force

Her company soon won a **dominant** market share.

## long-tail

*adj.* referring to a business model or strategy that aims to sell a large number of unique items, each with relatively small sales volumes, usually through online stores and marketplaces

*synonym*: niche, specialized, specific

(1) **long-tail** distribution, (2) **long-tail** keywords

The company focuses on **long-tail** marketing for niche products.

## steppe

*n.* a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America

*synonym*: prairie, savannah, grassland

(1) **steppe** climate, (2) barren **steppe**

The nomadic tribes set up camp on the vast **steppe**.

## void

*n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force

*synonym*: emptiness, vacuity, (adjective) null

(1) **void** of expression, (2) **void** contract

The **void** in her heart was filled with the love of her family.

## leadership

*n.* the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization

*synonym*: captaincy, direction, initiative

(1) under his **leadership**, (2) **leadership** by politicians

The country's **leadership** has decided to take large-scale measures against global warming.

## implement

*v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect

*synonym*: execute, enforce, put through

(1) **implement** a corporate strategy, (2) **implement** security measures

The government promised to **implement** a new system to control the financial crisis.

## strategy

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

*synonym*: approach, procedure, scenario

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

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

## commoditize

*v.* to turn something into a commodity, typically by reducing its uniqueness or value and making it widely available

*synonym*: commercialize, standardize

(1) **commoditize** technology, (2) **commoditize** intellectual property

Amazon's strategy is to **commoditize** goods and services to

win over customers with lower prices.

## logo

*n.* a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials

*synonym* : emblem, symbol, crest

(1) **logo** design, (2) brand **logo**

The company's **logo** was on the side of the building.

## font

*n.* a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen

*synonym* : typeface, typography, lettering

(1) **font** size, (2) script **font**

I changed the **font** on my resume to make it more visually appealing.

## tremendous

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

*synonym* : enormous, giant, immense

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

We had a **tremendous** time yesterday.

## horrible

*adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

*synonym* : dreadful, terrible, awful

(1) **horrible** accident, (2) **horrible** smell

The experience was **horrible** and left a lasting impression.

## process

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

*synonym* : procedure, method, system

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

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

## **fraction**

*n.* a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers

*synonym*: piece, part, fragment

(1) a **fractional** share of the vote, (2) a numerator in a **fraction**

He spent only a **fraction** of his earnings.

## **controversial**

*adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute

*synonym*: contentious, disputed, questionable

(1) **controversial** book, (2) **controversial** policy

The issue of the death penalty is highly **controversial**.

## **equation**

*n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

(1) the **equation** of poverty with ignorance, (2) a chemical **equation**

In this class, you will learn how to solve quadratic **equations**.

## **absence**

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

*synonym*: dearth, scarcity, lack

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

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

## **regulation**

*n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule

*synonym*: constraint, restriction, rule

(1) a company **regulation**, (2) **regulation** by the government

The **regulation** approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.

## **security**

*n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives

value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation

*synonym* : safety, protection, stock

(1) national **security**, (2) **security** analyst

The building's **security** system includes cameras, alarms, and security guards.

## frontier

*n.* a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line

*synonym* : border, boundary, borderland

(1) **frontier** disputes, (2) the Italian **frontier** with Switzerland

He worked at the **frontier** of behavioral economics.

## vision

*n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

*synonym* : sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

## brand

*n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

*synonym* : trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car

There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

## thoughtful

*adj.* characterized by careful and considerate thinking; showing consideration for the feelings and needs of others; reflecting deep or serious thought

*synonym* : considerate, attentive, kind

(1) **thoughtful** consideration, (2) **thoughtful** gift

The company's CEO made a **thoughtful** decision to offer employees more flexibility in their work schedules.



## copyright

*n.* the legal right to be the only person or organization who can reproduce, publish, and sell a particular piece of work

*synonym* : patent, trademark, intellectual property

(1) artistic **copyright**, (2) **copyright** infringement

The company is taking legal action against those who have violated their **copyright** on the software.

## overwhelming

*adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it

*synonym* : overpowering, astounding, amazing

(1) **overwhelming** majority, (2) an **overwhelming** victory

He has shown signs of uneasiness and **overwhelming** worry.

## also-ran

*n.* a candidate, competitor, or participant in a race, competition, or contest who finishes outside of the top positions and is not significantly successful or recognized

*synonym* : underdog, loser, runner-up

(1) sports **also-ran**, (2) academic **also-ran**

The company was once a frontrunner but is now considered an **also-ran** in the industry.

## approximately

*adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time

*synonym* : about, around, roughly

(1) **approximately** 3 feet long, (2) **approximately** same

This trail takes **approximately** 2.5 hours.

## intolerant

*adj.* the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects

*synonym* : failure, impotence, shortcoming

(1) an **intolerant** person, (2) **intolerant** of criticism

His **intolerant** attitude towards other cultures made it difficult for him to get along with others.

## sacrifice

*n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

*synonym* : forfeit, immolation, gift

(1) small **sacrifice** for a great cause, (2) **sacrifice** anything to get ahead

You cannot accomplish great things without a **sacrifice** of your time or money.

## pendulum

*n.* a weight hung from a fixed point used to regulate the movement of a clock or other mechanism

*synonym* : oscillator, balance, clock

(1) **pendulum** swings, (2) political **pendulum**

The **pendulum** clock was a familiar sight in the old house.

## absolute

*adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

*synonym* : complete, infrangible, indisputable

(1) **absolute** loyalty, (2) an **absolute** must

Gandhi had an **absolute** zeal for nonviolence.

## 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.

## entertainment

*n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people

*synonym* : amusement, recreation, enjoyment

(1) an elegant **entertainment**, (2) hour of **entertainment**

The hotel is famous for its **entertainment**, including the

casino.

## journalism

*n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast

*synonym*: reporting, news media, writing

(1) **journalism** ethics, (2) tabloid **journalism**

She plans to study **journalism** in college and become a reporter.

## 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.

## HTML

*n.* (abbreviation for "Hypertext Markup Language") a coding language used for creating and structuring webpages on the Internet

(1) **HTML** coding, (2) **HTML** tag

He realized there was an error in the **HTML** syntax causing the page layout to break.

## generation

*n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

*synonym*: cohort, age group, era

(1) **generation** gap, (2) the **generation** of electricity

The younger **generation** has different values and beliefs than the older one.

## app

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

*synonym*: application, software

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

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

## differentiate

v. to recognize or establish as being distinct; to distinguish between things that are compared; to calculate a derivative

*synonym*: discern, distinguish, separate

(1) **differentiate** between fact and fiction, (2) **differentiate** a function

The teacher asked the students to **differentiate** between the two similar species of birds.

## profound

*adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

*synonym*: deep, unsounded, far-reaching

(1) a **profound** book, (2) the **profound** depths of the sea

My mother's illness had a **profound** impact on us all.

## construct

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

*synonym*: build, assemble, create

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

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

## embedded

*adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something

*synonym*: ingrained, implanted, inserted

(1) **embedded** systems, (2) LED- **embedded** glass

The **embedded** chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.

## interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

*synonym*: cooperate, combine, collaborate

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

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

## flash

*n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness

*synonym*: sparkle, gleam, glimmer

(1) a **flash** of lightning, (2) brilliant **flash**

These heavy rains caused **flash** floods on several islands.

## essentially

*adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

*synonym*: fundamentally, basically, virtually

(1) **essentially** correct, (2) become **essentially** same

**Essentially**, a society is an organism.

## canvas

*n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

(1) blank **canvas**, (2) oil on **canvas**

Life is a vast **canvas**; you should put as much paint on it as possible.

## suddenly

*adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

*synonym*: abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

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

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

## monetize

*v.* to earn money from something, such as an asset, business, etc.; to coin into money

*synonym*: mint, make profit

(1) **monetize** my skill, (2) **monetize** nickel

He explored ways to **monetize** his digital content.

## tablet

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

*synonym*: notepad, pill, medication

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

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

## ax

*n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials

*synonym*: hatchet, chopper, tomahawk

(1) chop wood with an **ax**, (2) an **ax** in the toolbox  
He used an **ax** to chop the firewood for the campfire.

## 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.

## palm

*n.* the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves

*synonym* : hand, fist

(1) the **palm** side of the forearm, (2) coconut **palm** trees

This high-performance camera is compact enough to fit in the **palm** of your hand.

## 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.

## challenging

*adj.* difficult, demanding, or requiring a high degree of skill or effort; presenting a difficult problem or obstacle

*synonym* : difficult, demanding, arduous

(1) **challenging** task, (2) mentally **challenging**

The advanced math problem was **challenging**, but the student was determined to solve it.

## structure

*n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

*synonym* : construction, architecture, establishment

(1) the **structure** of a machine, (2) **structure** and function of the brain

The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

### favorable

*adj.* having a positive or beneficial attitude or effect; expressing approval, support, or agreement

*synonym* : advantageous, beneficial, positive

(1) **favorable** conditions, (2) **favorable** response

The positive reviews were a **favorable** sign for the new restaurant in town.

### relative

*adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

*synonym* : comparative, proximate, congeneric

(1) a remote **relative**, (2) **relative** factors

Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close **relatives**.

### android

*n.* a robot with a human appearance; (operating system) Google's mobile operating system

*synonym* : droid, cyborg

(1) household **android**, (2) **Android** tablet

The lab is developing an **android** robot that assists in dangerous construction work.

### catching

*adj.* attracting attention or interest; likely to be noticed or remembered; appealing or compelling

*synonym* : contagious, alluring, captivating

(1) **catching** fire, (2) **catching** disease

The **catching** scent of freshly baked bread made my mouth water.

### gross

*adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant

*synonym* : before tax, total, abhorrent

(1) the **gross** amount, (2) **gross** injustice

The drastic reorganization has significantly increased this company's **gross** profits.

## margin

*n.* the space around the edge of a page or document;  
(finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

*synonym* : edge, border, periphery

(1) **margin** error, (2) a profit **margin**

Unfortunately, the book's **margin** was too small to make notes.

## exceed

*v.* to surpass or go beyond a limit, expectation, or requirement; to be better or greater than anticipated or desired

*synonym* : surpass, outdo, excel

(1) **exceed** sales targets, (2) **exceed** the speed limit

The athlete's performance **exceeded** all expectations, breaking a world record.

## retail

*n.* the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets

*synonym* : sales, trade, commerce

(1) **retail** store, (2) a **retail** dealer

The **retail** industry has been affected by the rise of online shopping.

## foremost

*adj.* most important, leading, or prominent

*synonym* : leading, primary, first

(1) **foremost** expert, (2) keep **foremost** in mind

The **foremost** priority is the safety of the passengers.

## mania

*n.* a psychological or emotional state that is marked by excessive enthusiasm, excitement, or delusions; a strong and uncontrollable desire or craving for something



*synonym* : obsession, craze, frenzy

(1) start-up **mania**, (2) dance **mania**

The **mania** for collecting rare books led him to spend his savings on a first edition.

## sideshow

*n.* a minor attraction or exhibit in a circus, fair, or amusement park that supplements the main entertainment

*synonym* : side attraction

(1) **sideshow** performer, (2) carnival **sideshow**

The circus **sideshow** featured a bearded lady and a human cannonball.

## phrase

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

*synonym* : expression, idiom, term

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

We bought a Spanish **phrase** book.

## platform

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

*synonym* : stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise

The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

## subordinate

*adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else

*synonym* : inferior, secondary, subservient

(1) **subordinate** position, (2) **subordinate** role

The CEO's **subordinate** employees were expected to follow his instructions without question.

## inability

*n.* the state of being unable to do something or achieve a particular task or goal; a lack of physical or mental capacity or skill

*synonym* : incapacity, disability, incompetence

(1) mental **inability**, (2) chronic **inability** to focus

Her **inability** to speak the local language made it difficult for her to communicate with the locals.

## start-up

*n.* a newly established company or business

(1) **start-up** business, (2) early-stage **start-up**

Our company's services are targeted at **start-up** executives.

## feat

*n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

*synonym* : achievement, accomplishment, exploit

(1) intellectual **feat**, (2) **feat** accomplishment

It is an incredible **feat** to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

## embed

*v.* to fix or set firmly in a surrounding mass

*synonym* : entrench, fix, set

(1) **embed** scripts in the message, (2) **embed** a sensor

The company **embedded** a tracking code in the product's packaging to monitor its shipment.

## gamification

*n.* the use of game design elements and techniques in non-game contexts to engage and motivate people to achieve their goals

(1) **gamification** of education, (2) use **gamification** to learning

The company implemented a **gamification** program to encourage employees to meet their sales targets.

## core

*n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something

*synonym* : center, basis, heart

(1) the **core** of an apple, (2) **core** business activity

These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic **cores**.

## hippie

*n.* a person who follows a counterculture movement that originated in the United States during the 1960s, characterized by the advocacy of nonviolence, communal living, and a rejection of traditional American values

*synonym*: bohemian, beatnik, free spirit

(1) **hippie** lifestyle, (2) **hippie** music

The fashion of the **hippie** movement included unconventional clothing such as tie-dye shirts and bell-bottom jeans.

## folk

*n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

*synonym*: community, family, person

(1) **folk** art, (2) the **folk** songs of a particular district

Some seaweed was used as **folk** medicine in ancient times.

## concert

*n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers

*synonym*: gig, musical, show

(1) have a **concert** again, (2) a benefit **concert**

This artist always packs the **concert** halls.

## distribute

*v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

*synonym*: broadcast, disperse, hand out

(1) **distribute** wealth evenly, (2) **distribute** video content

His estate was **distributed** to his sons.

## stream

*n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.

*synonym*: flow, current, brook

(1) the **stream** of time, (2) an endless **stream** of cars

Jet **streams** are the common name for air currents that form high in the atmosphere.

## satellite

*n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.

*synonym* : orbiter, asteroid, moon

(1) a GPS **satellite**, (2) a meteorological **satellite**

Launching an artificial **satellite** contributed to the technological development of our country.

## broadcast

*v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television

*synonym* : air, announce, advertise

(1) **broadcast** a concert, (2) **broadcast** a radio ad

Most of the programs are **broadcast** in this area.

## upgrade

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

*synonym* : improve, boost, enrich

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

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

## practically

*adv.* almost or nearly

*synonym* : almost, nearly, virtually

(1) **practically** constant, (2) **practically** impossible to find a parking spot

The store is **practically** empty.

## teeny

*adj.* extremely small; tiny

*synonym* : tiny, mini, minuscule

(1) **teeny** bit, (2) so **teeny** tiny

The ring was so **teeny** that it almost looked like a toy.

## wee

*adj.* very small or tiny; referring to a short amount of time

*synonym* : tiny, small, diminutive

(1) **wee** child, (2) a **wee** bit

The toddler was excited to wear his new **wee-sized** shoes.

## fundamental

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

*synonym*: basic, essential, entire

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

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

## 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**.

## poster

*n.* a large sheet or picture that is placed either on a public space to promote or announce something or on a wall to decorate it

*synonym*: banner, billboard, sign

(1) eye-catching **posters**, (2) a wanted **poster**

We noticed a **poster** advertising a bargain.

## photograph

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

*synonym*: photo, picture, snapshot

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

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

## notion

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

*synonym*: idea, concept, belief

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

The **notion** of time travel has long fascinated scientists and

fiction writers alike.

## stifle

*v.* to suppress or restrain something, particularly a feeling, emotion, or action; to suffocate or prevent proper breathing or ventilation

*synonym*: smother, suppress, suffocate

(1) **stifle** a laugh, (2) **stifle** creativity

The oppressive regime tried to **stifle** free speech and dissent.

## deteriorate

*v.* to become worse in quality; to decline or degenerate

*synonym*: decline, degenerate, regress

(1) **deteriorate** at a slow pace, (2) **deteriorate** condition

The patient's health **deteriorated** rapidly after being diagnosed with the disease.

## unwilling

*adj.* not ready or wanting to do something

*synonym*: disinclined, involuntary, reluctant

(1) **unwilling** look, (2) in an **unwilling** voice

They were **unwilling** to take any risks.

## educated

*adj.* having received a high standard of education

*synonym*: knowledgeable, erudite, enlightened

(1) **educated** adult, (2) **educated** speech

Excellent speech is a characteristic of an **educated** man.

## ritual

*n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies

*synonym*: tradition, ceremony, routine

(1) a **ritual** dance, (2) morning **ritual**

The woman of the house does the holy **ritual** of lighting two candles.

## independence

*n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence

*synonym*: freedom, liberty, autonomy

(1) financial **independence**, (2) **independence** ceremony

There is nothing more valuable than **independence** and

freedom.

## **glimmer**

*n.* a flash of light especially unsteady or reflected light; a slight sign of something

*synonym* : gleam, dazzle, gleam

(1) without a **glimmer** of truth, (2) give a **glimmer** of light  
There is however a **glimmer** of hope.

## **exciting**

*adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement

*synonym* : exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

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

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

## **replace**

*v.* to take the place of something

*synonym* : substitute, supersede, displace

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

## **tweet**

*n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

*synonym* : peep, chirp, post (on Twitter)

(1) a chick's **tweet**, (2) his latest **tweets**

We could hear the **tweet** of baby birds.

## **advertise**

*v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it

*synonym* : publicize, announce, promote

(1) **advertise** the campaign, (2) **advertise** on social media

We want to **advertise** our company through your media.

## **instance**

*n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something

*synonym* : example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**

These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

## 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.

## satisfy

v. to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need

*synonym*: please, amuse, meet

(1) **satisfy** a desire, (2) **satisfy** a user's needs

Did this response **satisfy** your request?

## elevator

n. a mechanical device used for vertical transportation, typically in multi-story buildings, consisting of a compartmentalized platform that moves between floors

*synonym*: lift, hoist

(1) **elevator** ride, (2) modern **elevator**

The hotel's **elevator** was out of order, so we had to take the stairs to our room on the fifth floor.

## panel

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

*synonym*: board, commission, discussion

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

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



## Session 2: Spelling

1. H\_\_L coding *n.* (abbreviation for "Hypertext Markup Language") a coding language used for creating and structuring webpages on the Internet
2. in\_\_\_\_e heat *adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
3. a wanted po\_\_\_\_r *n.* a large sheet or picture that is placed either on a public space to promote or announce something or on a wall to decorate it
4. pho\_\_\_\_ph memories *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
5. certified pro\_\_\_\_nal secretary *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
6. in\_\_\_\_ct directly with customers *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
7. a real estate in\_\_\_\_or *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
8. in\_\_\_\_or lamp *n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing
9. small sa\_\_\_\_ce for a great cause *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

ANSWERS: 1. HTML, 2. intense, 3. poster, 4. photograph, 5. professional, 6. interact, 7. investor, 8. indicator, 9. sacrifice

10. bite his tongue li\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
11. translate li\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
12. re\_\_\_\_\_r approval ratings *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
13. pra\_\_\_\_\_ly impossible to find a parking spot *adv.* almost or nearly
14. undertake an ent\_\_\_\_\_se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
15. tre\_\_\_\_\_us popularity *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
16. ess\_\_\_\_\_ly correct *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
17. cr\_\_k caller *n.* a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person
18. up\_\_\_\_\_e a product *v.* to improve the value or usefulness of something such as a machine, computer system, etc., or to replace it with something newer or of a higher standard
19. start-up ma\_\_a *n.* a psychological or emotional state that is marked by excessive enthusiasm, excitement, or delusions; a strong and uncontrollable desire or craving for something

ANSWERS: 10. literally, 11. literally, 12. recover, 13. practically, 14. enterprise, 15. tremendous, 16. essentially, 17. crank, 18. upgrade, 19. mania

20. reg\_\_\_\_\_on by the government      *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
21. sh\_\_k-resistant      *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
22. st\_\_\_e creativity      *v.* to suppress or restrain something, particularly a feeling, emotion, or action; to suffocate or prevent proper breathing or ventilation
23. cha\_\_\_\_\_ng task      *adj.* difficult, demanding, or requiring a high degree of skill or effort; presenting a difficult problem or obstacle
24. com\_\_\_\_\_ze intellectual property      *v.* to turn something into a commodity, typically by reducing its uniqueness or value and making it widely available
25. a leave of ab\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
26. con\_\_\_\_\_ial book      *adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
27. interstate co\_\_\_\_\_ce      *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
28. pra\_\_\_\_\_ly constant      *adv.* almost or nearly
29. fall pre\_\_\_\_\_sly      *adv.* steeply or abruptly; quickly or suddenly, often referring to a dramatic change or decline

ANSWERS: 20. regulation, 21. shock, 22. stifle, 23. challenging, 24. commoditize, 25. absence, 26. controversial, 27. commerce, 28. practically, 29. precipitously

30. under his lea\_\_\_\_\_ip                    *n.* the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
31. sports al\_\_\_\_\_an                    *n.* a candidate, competitor, or participant in a race, competition, or contest who finishes outside of the top positions and is not significantly successful or recognized
32. rational exp\_\_\_\_\_on                    *n.* a comprehensive description and explanation of an idea or theory; a collection of things, such as goods or works of art, etc., for public display
33. morning ri\_\_\_\_\_l                    *n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies
34. a re\_\_\_\_\_l dealer                    *n.* the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets
35. ex\_\_\_\_\_ge a few friendly words                    *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
36. test my hyp\_\_\_\_\_is                    *n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
37. barren st\_\_\_\_\_e                    *n.* a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America

ANSWERS: 30. leadership, 31. also-ran, 32. exposition, 33. ritual, 34. retail, 35. exchange, 36. hypothesis, 37. steppe

38. a full-text in\_\_x *n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index
39. carnival si\_\_\_\_ow *n.* a minor attraction or exhibit in a circus, fair, or amusement park that supplements the main entertainment
40. vague no\_\_\_\_n *n.* a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts
41. a fl\_\_h of lightning *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
42. re\_\_\_\_r a loss *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
43. im\_\_\_\_nt security measures *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
44. fr\_\_\_\_er disputes *n.* a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line
45. re\_\_r to a map *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
46. ex\_\_\_\_ge rate *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

ANSWERS: 38. index, 39. sideshow, 40. notion, 41. flash, 42. recover, 43. implement, 44. frontier, 45. refer, 46. exchange

47. plastic d\_\_l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
48. chronic in\_\_\_\_\_ty to focus *n.* the state of being unable to do something or achieve a particular task or goal; a lack of physical or mental capacity or skill
49. high vo\_\_\_e *n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
50. television com\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person who provides commentary or analysis, particularly about a specific event, topic, or field, such as sports, news, or politics
51. di\_\_\_\_\_l electronic signature *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
52. pr\_\_\_\_\_le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
53. fun\_\_\_\_\_al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
54. gr\_\_s injustice *adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant
55. modern el\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a mechanical device used for vertical transportation, typically in multi-story buildings, consisting of a compartmentalized platform that moves between floors

ANSWERS: 47. doll, 48. inability, 49. volume, 50. commentator, 51. digital, 52. probable, 53. fundamental, 54. gross, 55. elevator

56. military st\_\_\_\_gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
57. in\_\_\_t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
58. sma\_\_\_\_\_ne addict *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
59. a tr\_\_\_y recipe to follow *adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with
60. gen\_\_\_\_\_on gap *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
61. tr\_\_\_\_\_rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
62. a pr\_\_\_\_\_nd book *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
63. col\_\_\_\_\_ve ownership *adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people
64. health in\_\_x *n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index
65. natural da\_\_\_\_\_ht *n.* the natural light produced by the sun during the day, especially in contrast to artificial light or darkness
66. ind\_\_\_\_\_us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

ANSWERS: 56. strategy, 57. invest, 58. smartphone, 59. tricky, 60. generation, 61. transform, 62. profound, 63. collective, 64. index, 65. daylight, 66. industrious

67. el\_\_\_\_\_or ride *n.* a mechanical device used for vertical transportation, typically in multi-story buildings, consisting of a compartmentalized platform that moves between floors
68. die su\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
69. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
70. do\_\_\_\_\_nt force *adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type
71. fun\_\_\_\_\_al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
72. dif\_\_\_\_\_ate between fact and fiction *v.* to recognize or establish as being distinct; to distinguish between things that are compared; to calculate a derivative
73. im\_\_\_\_\_nt a corporate strategy *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
74. par\_\_\_\_\_te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
75. ex\_\_\_d sales targets *v.* to surpass or go beyond a limit, expectation, or requirement; to be better or greater than anticipated or desired
76. se\_\_\_\_\_ty analyst *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation

ANSWERS: 67. elevator, 68. suddenly, 69. eventually, 70. dominant, 71. fundamental, 72. differentiate, 73. implement, 74. participate, 75. exceed, 76. security



77. An\_\_\_\_\_d tablet *n.* a robot with a human appearance; (operating system) Google's mobile operating system
78. te\_\_y bit *adj.* extremely small; tiny
79. dis\_\_\_\_\_ct for a customer *n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something
80. performance in\_\_\_\_\_ors *n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing
81. tre\_\_\_\_\_us amount *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
82. si\_\_\_\_\_n wafer *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
83. pa\_\_l discussion *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
84. co\_\_\_\_\_ht infringement *n.* the legal right to be the only person or organization who can reproduce, publish, and sell a particular piece of work
85. de\_\_k an urban legend *v.* to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless
86. sig\_\_\_\_\_nce level *n.* the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy

ANSWERS: 77. android, 78. teeny, 79. disrespect, 80. indicator, 81. tremendous, 82. silicon, 83. panel, 84. copyright, 85. debunk, 86. significance

87. hi\_\_\_e music *n.* a person who follows a counterculture movement that originated in the United States during the 1960s, characterized by the advocacy of nonviolence, communal living, and a rejection of traditional American values
88. br\_\_\_\_\_st a concert *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television
89. electronic de\_\_\_e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
90. ind\_\_\_\_\_nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
91. the gr\_\_s amount *adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant
92. 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
93. basin-shaped va\_\_\_y *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
94. artistic co\_\_\_\_\_ht *n.* the legal right to be the only person or organization who can reproduce, publish, and sell a particular piece of work
95. achieve a do\_\_\_\_\_nt share *adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

ANSWERS: 87. hippie, 88. broadcast, 89. device, 90. independence, 91. gross, 92. novel, 93. valley, 94. copyright, 95. dominant

96. 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
97. annual re\_\_\_\_e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
98. keep fo\_\_\_\_st in mind *adj.* most important, leading, or prominent
99. tr\_\_\_\_rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
100. fa\_\_\_\_le conditions *adj.* having a positive or beneficial attitude or effect; expressing approval, support, or agreement
101. pe\_\_\_\_um swings *n.* a weight hung from a fixed point used to regulate the movement of a clock or other mechanism
102. a fr\_\_\_\_onal share of the vote *n.* a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers
103. in\_\_\_\_ct with one another *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
104. dis\_\_\_\_te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
105. the f\_\_k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
106. hour of ent\_\_\_\_ent *n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people

ANSWERS: 96. develop, 97. revenue, 98. foremost, 99. transform, 100. favorable, 101. pendulum, 102. fraction, 103. interact, 104. distribute, 105. folk, 106. entertainment

107. a di\_\_\_\_l watch *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
108. eye-catching po\_\_\_\_rs *n.* a large sheet or picture that is placed either on a public space to promote or announce something or on a wall to decorate it
109. sa\_\_\_\_ce anything to get ahead *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
110. coast-to-coast ra\_\_\_\_ad *n.* metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization
111. re\_\_\_\_ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
112. mean no dis\_\_\_\_ct *n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something
113. an arrival pl\_\_\_\_rm *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
114. an ove\_\_\_\_ing victory *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
115. lo\_\_\_\_il keywords *adj.* referring to a business model or strategy that aims to sell a large number of unique items, each with relatively small sales volumes, usually through online stores and marketplaces

ANSWERS: 107. digital, 108. poster, 109. sacrifice, 110. railroad, 111. relative, 112. disrespect, 113. platform, 114. overwhelming, 115. long-tail

116. ed\_\_\_\_ed speech *adj.* having received a high standard of education
117. a remote re\_\_\_\_ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
118. gam\_\_\_\_\_ion of education *n.* the use of game design elements and techniques in non-game contexts to engage and motivate people to achieve their goals
119. an international exp\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a comprehensive description and explanation of an idea or theory; a collection of things, such as goods or works of art, etc., for public display
120. st\_\_\_\_up business *n.* a newly established company or business
121. a bold hyp\_\_\_\_\_is *n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
122. a digital pl\_\_\_\_\_rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
123. sma\_\_\_\_\_ne app developer *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
124. a numerator in a fr\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers
125. da\_\_\_\_ht hours *n.* the natural light produced by the sun during the day, especially in contrast to artificial light or darkness

ANSWERS: 116. educated, 117. relative, 118. gamification, 119. exposition, 120. start-up, 121. hypothesis, 122. platform, 123. smartphone, 124. fraction, 125. daylight

126. a multivitamin ta\_\_\_t      *n.* a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine
127. w\_e child      *adj.* very small or tiny; referring to a short amount of time
128. his conclusion was ob\_\_\_\_s      *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
129. go to the workplace by cy\_\_e      *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
130. a chick's tw\_\_t      *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
131. re\_\_\_\_t deeper into their territory      *n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life
132. ab\_\_\_\_te loyalty      *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
133. coconut p\_\_m trees      *n.* the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves
134. the pr\_\_\_\_nd depths of the sea      *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
135. ho\_\_\_\_le accident      *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

ANSWERS: 126. tablet, 127. wee, 128. obvious, 129. cycle, 130. tweet, 131. retreat, 132. absolute, 133. palm, 134. profound, 135. horrible

136. st\_\_\_\_\_re and function of the brain     *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
137. re\_\_\_\_\_e a phone     *v.* to take the place of something
138. ra\_\_\_\_\_ad industry     *n.* metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization
139. barren of cr\_\_\_\_\_ve spirit     *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
140. tax re\_\_\_\_\_e     *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
141. a w\_e bit     *adj.* very small or tiny; referring to a short amount of time
142. re\_\_\_\_\_t in a mountain region     *n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life
143. br\_\_\_\_\_st a radio ad     *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television
144. int\_\_\_\_\_nt of criticism     *adj.* the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects
145. an ax in the toolbox     *n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials

ANSWERS: 136. structure, 137. replace, 138. railroad, 139. creative, 140. revenue, 141. wee, 142. retreat, 143. broadcast, 144. intolerant, 145. ax

146. det\_\_\_\_\_te condition      *v.* to become worse in quality; to decline or degenerate
147. Wi\_\_\_\_\_ia entry      *n.* an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics
148. si\_\_\_\_\_ow performer      *n.* a minor attraction or exhibit in a circus, fair, or amusement park that supplements the main entertainment
149. con\_\_\_\_\_ial policy      *adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
150. killer a\_p      *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
151. f\_\_k art      *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
152. an elegant ent\_\_\_\_\_ent      *n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people
153. his latest tw\_\_ts      *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
154. re\_\_\_\_\_r agency      *n.* a professional in the real estate industry who is a member of the national association of realtors
155. l\_\_o design      *n.* a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials

ANSWERS: 146. deteriorate, 147. Wikipedia, 148. sideshow, 149. controversial, 150. app, 151. folk, 152. entertainment, 153. tweet, 154. realtor, 155. logo



156. ex\_\_\_d the speed limit      *v.* to surpass or go beyond a limit, expectation, or requirement; to be better or greater than anticipated or desired
157. political com\_\_\_\_\_or      *n.* a person who provides commentary or analysis, particularly about a specific event, topic, or field, such as sports, news, or politics
158. up\_\_\_\_\_e work performance      *v.* to improve the value or usefulness of something such as a machine, computer system, etc., or to replace it with something newer or of a higher standard
159. re\_\_\_e a message      *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
160. ex\_\_\_\_\_ng news      *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
161. 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
162. an int\_\_\_\_\_nt person      *adj.* the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects
163. re\_\_\_\_\_r services      *n.* a professional in the real estate industry who is a member of the national association of realtors
164. app\_\_\_\_\_ely same      *adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time

ANSWERS: 156. exceed, 157. commentator, 158. upgrade, 159. relate, 160. exciting, 161. novel, 162. intolerant, 163. realtor, 164. approximately

165. chop wood with an ax *n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials
166. copyrighted so\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
167. ho\_\_\_\_\_le smell *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
168. a prodigious vi\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
169. cost of solar pa\_\_ls *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
170. tho\_\_\_\_\_ul gift *adj.* characterized by careful and considerate thinking; showing consideration for the feelings and needs of others; reflecting deep or serious thought
171. in an un\_\_\_\_\_ng voice *adj.* not ready or wanting to do something
172. en\_\_\_\_\_ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely
173. fo\_\_\_\_\_st expert *adj.* most important, leading, or prominent
174. y\_\_p of excitement *n.* a sharp, high-pitched bark or cry, typically made by a dog or fox

ANSWERS: 165. ax, 166. software, 167. horrible, 168. vision, 169. panel, 170. thoughtful, 171. unwilling, 172. entirely, 173. foremost, 174. yelp

175. re\_\_r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
176. the br\_\_d of the new car *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
177. re\_\_\_l store *n.* the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets
178. crystalline si\_\_\_\_n *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
179. the Italian fr\_\_\_\_\_er with Switzerland *n.* a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line
180. un\_\_\_\_\_ng look *adj.* not ready or wanting to do something
181. a benefit co\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
182. in\_\_\_\_\_or lawsuit *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
183. death from sh\_\_k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

ANSWERS: 175. refer, 176. brand, 177. retail, 178. silicon, 179. frontier, 180. unwilling, 181. concert, 182. investor, 183. shock

184. a meteorological sa\_\_\_\_\_te      *n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
185. ma\_\_\_\_\_in order      *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
186. re\_\_\_\_\_on process      *n.* the act or process of reviewing, correcting, and improving something, such as written work, plans, or ideas; a revised version of something
187. tracking de\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
188. ad\_\_\_\_\_se on social media      *v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
189. dif\_\_\_\_\_ate a function      *v.* to recognize or establish as being distinct; to distinguish between things that are compared; to calculate a derivative
190. a profit ma\_\_\_\_\_n      *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
191. co\_\_\_\_\_ct a 3D image      *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

ANSWERS: 184. satellite, 185. maintain, 186. revision, 187. device, 188. advertise, 189. differentiate, 190. margin, 191. construct

192. fa\_\_\_\_\_le response *adj.* having a positive or beneficial attitude or effect; expressing approval, support, or agreement
193. c\_\_e business activity *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
194. mentally cha\_\_\_\_\_ng *adj.* difficult, demanding, or requiring a high degree of skill or effort; presenting a difficult problem or obstacle
195. a re\_\_\_\_\_on history *n.* the act or process of reviewing, correcting, and improving something, such as written work, plans, or ideas; a revised version of something
196. di\_\_\_\_\_t sleep *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
197. st\_\_\_e a laugh *v.* to suppress or restrain something, particularly a feeling, emotion, or action; to suffocate or prevent proper breathing or ventilation
198. the st\_\_\_m of time *n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
199. di\_\_\_\_\_y artwork *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
200. develop a st\_\_\_\_\_gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
201. ed\_\_\_\_\_ed adult *adj.* having received a high standard of education

ANSWERS: 192. favorable, 193. core, 194. challenging, 195. revision, 196. disrupt, 197. stifle, 198. stream, 199. display, 200. strategy, 201. educated

202. cr\_\_\_\_ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
203. ad\_\_\_\_\_se the campaign *v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
204. mental in\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the state of being unable to do something or achieve a particular task or goal; a lack of physical or mental capacity or skill
205. an endless st\_\_\_\_m of cars *n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
206. va\_\_\_\_y bottom *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
207. ma\_\_\_\_n error *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
208. brand l\_\_o *n.* a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials
209. su\_\_\_\_\_ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
210. tabloid jou\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast
211. the eq\_\_\_\_\_on of poverty with ignorance *n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

ANSWERS: 202. creative, 203. advertise, 204. inability, 205. stream, 206. valley, 207. margin, 208. logo, 209. suddenly, 210. journalism, 211. equation

212. blank ca\_\_\_s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
213. break off an eng\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
214. ready-made ph\_\_\_es *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
215. no\_\_\_n of success *n.* a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts
216. have a fa\_\_\_y clear view *adv.* to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
217. co\_\_\_\_\_ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
218. re\_\_\_e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
219. oil on ca\_\_\_s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
220. rag d\_\_l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive

ANSWERS: 212. canvas, 213. engagement, 214. phrase, 215. notion, 216. fairly, 217. construct, 218. relate, 219. canvas, 220. doll

221. di\_\_\_\_\_t a well-ordered condition      *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
222. ind\_\_\_\_\_us student      *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
223. the c\_\_\_e of an apple      *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
224. Wi\_\_\_\_\_ia article      *n.* an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics
225. sub\_\_\_\_\_te role      *adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else
226. di\_\_\_\_\_y merchandise      *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
227. pr\_\_\_\_\_s improvement      *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
228. so\_\_\_\_\_re architect      *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs

ANSWERS: 221. disrupt, 222. industrious, 223. core, 224. Wikipedia, 225. subordinate, 226. display, 227. process, 228. software



229. vo\_\_\_e of work *n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
230. fa\_\_\_y accurate *adv.* to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
231. have a co\_\_\_\_\_t again *n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
232. sa\_\_\_\_\_y a user's needs *v.* to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need
233. lea\_\_\_\_\_ip by politicians *n.* the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
234. LED-em\_\_\_\_\_ed glass *adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
235. develop in\_\_\_\_\_e itching *adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe
236. 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
237. without a gl\_\_\_\_\_r of truth *n.* a flash of light especially unsteady or reflected light; a slight sign of something
238. H\_\_L tag *n.* (abbreviation for "Hypertext Markup Language") a coding language used for creating and structuring webpages on the Internet
239. a company reg\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule

ANSWERS: 229. volume, 230. fairly, 231. concert, 232. satisfy, 233. leadership, 234. embedded, 235. intense, 236. develop, 237. glimmer, 238. HTML, 239. regulation

240. script f\_\_t *n.* a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen
241. a chemical eq\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
242. the st\_\_\_\_\_re of a machine *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
243. ob\_\_\_\_\_s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
244. f\_\_t size *n.* a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen
245. s\_p flow *v.* to gradually weaken or drain strength, energy, or resources; to undermine or impair someone's confidence or morale
246. ta\_\_\_\_t keyboard *n.* a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine
247. academic al\_\_\_\_\_an *n.* a candidate, competitor, or participant in a race, competition, or contest who finishes outside of the top positions and is not significantly successful or recognized

ANSWERS: 240. font, 241. equation, 242. structure, 243. obvious, 244. font, 245. sap, 246. tablet, 247. also-ran

248. online dic\_\_\_\_\_ry                    *n.* a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation
249. the local chamber of co\_\_\_\_\_ce                    *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
250. for in\_\_\_\_\_ce                    *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
251. sa\_\_\_\_\_y a desire                    *v.* to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need
252. a prior eng\_\_\_\_\_nt                    *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
253. ec\_\_\_\_\_y class                    *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
254. the cy\_\_e of the seasons                    *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
255. so te\_\_y tiny                    *adj.* extremely small; tiny
256. dance ma\_\_a                    *n.* a psychological or emotional state that is marked by excessive enthusiasm, excitement, or delusions; a strong and uncontrollable desire or craving for something

ANSWERS: 248. dictionary, 249. commerce, 250. instance, 251. satisfy, 252. engagement, 253. economy, 254. cycle, 255. teeny, 256. mania

257. sub\_\_\_\_\_te position *adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else
258. ca\_\_\_\_\_ng fire *adj.* attracting attention or interest; likely to be noticed or remembered; appealing or compelling
259. decision-making pr\_\_\_\_\_s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
260. dic\_\_\_\_\_ry definition *n.* a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation
261. pr\_\_\_\_\_le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
262. s\_p strength *v.* to gradually weaken or drain strength, energy, or resources; to undermine or impair someone's confidence or morale
263. a GPS sa\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
264. an ab\_\_\_\_\_te must *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

ANSWERS: 257. subordinate, 258. catching, 259. process, 260. dictionary, 261. probable, 262. sap, 263. satellite, 264. absolute

265. cannot log in to the a\_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
266. national se\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
267. his business ent\_\_\_\_\_se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
268. jou\_\_\_\_\_sm ethics *n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast
269. v\_\_d of expression *n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force
270. de\_\_\_\_\_p software *n.* a flat working surface or table that is usually placed on top of a desk, typically used for a computer or other work-related activities
271. em\_\_\_\_\_ed systems *adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
272. financial ind\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
273. ec\_\_\_\_\_y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 265. app, 266. security, 267. enterprise, 268. journalism, 269. void, 270. desktop, 271. embedded, 272. independence, 273. economy

274. he was en\_\_\_\_\_ly to blame *adv.* completely
275. a ri\_\_\_l dance *n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies
276. det\_\_\_\_\_te at a slow pace *v.* to become worse in quality; to decline or degenerate
277. pho\_\_\_\_\_ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
278. em\_\_d scripts in the message *v.* to fix or set firmly in a surrounding mass
279. noun ph\_\_\_e *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
280. use gam\_\_\_\_\_ion to learning *n.* the use of game design elements and techniques in non-game contexts to engage and motivate people to achieve their goals
281. cr\_\_k handle *n.* a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person
282. household an\_\_\_\_\_d *n.* a robot with a human appearance; (operating system) Google's mobile operating system
283. the gen\_\_\_\_\_on of electricity *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

ANSWERS: 274. entirely, 275. ritual, 276. deteriorate, 277. photograph, 278. embed, 279. phrase, 280. gamification, 281. crank, 282. android, 283. generation

284. em\_\_d a sensor *v.* to fix or set firmly in a surrounding mass
285. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
286. pro\_\_\_\_\_nal athlete *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
287. ove\_\_\_\_\_ing majority *adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
288. the mountain face descends  
pre\_\_\_\_\_sly *adv.* steeply or abruptly; quickly or suddenly, often referring to a dramatic change or decline
289. lump of ga\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse
290. tho\_\_\_\_\_ul consideration *adj.* characterized by careful and considerate thinking; showing consideration for the feelings and needs of others; reflecting deep or serious thought
291. in\_\_\_t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
292. re\_\_\_\_\_e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
293. de\_\_\_\_\_p wallpaper *n.* a flat working surface or table that is usually placed on top of a desk, typically used for a computer or other work-related activities
294. v\_\_d contract *n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force

ANSWERS: 284. embed, 285. eventually, 286. professional, 287. overwhelming, 288. precipitously, 289. garbage, 290. thoughtful, 291. invest, 292. replace, 293. desktop, 294. void

295. lo\_\_\_\_\_il distribution *adj.* referring to a business model or strategy that aims to sell a large number of unique items, each with relatively small sales volumes, usually through online stores and marketplaces
296. ex\_\_\_\_\_ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
297. app\_\_\_\_\_ely 3 feet long *adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
298. right to col\_\_\_\_\_ve bargaining *adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people
299. par\_\_\_\_\_te in the program *v.* to take part in something
300. ma\_\_\_\_\_in good health *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
301. dis\_\_\_\_\_te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
302. mo\_\_\_\_\_ze nickel *v.* to earn money from something, such as an asset, business, etc.; to coin into money
303. ca\_\_\_\_\_ng disease *adj.* attracting attention or interest; likely to be noticed or remembered; appealing or compelling
304. telescopic vi\_\_\_\_n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
305. hi\_\_\_\_e lifestyle *n.* a person who follows a counterculture movement that originated in the United States during the 1960s, characterized by the advocacy of nonviolence, communal living, and a rejection of traditional American values

ANSWERS: 295. long-tail, 296. exciting, 297. approximately, 298. collective, 299. participate, 300. maintain, 301. distribute, 302. monetize, 303. catching, 304. vision, 305. hippie



306. st\_\_\_e climate *n.* a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America
307. political pe\_\_\_\_um *n.* a weight hung from a fixed point used to regulate the movement of a clock or other mechanism
308. become ess\_\_\_\_\_ly same *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
309. early-stage st\_\_\_\_up *n.* a newly established company or business
310. waste eli\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act or process of removing or getting rid of something or someone
311. the p\_\_m side of the forearm *n.* the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves
312. new and com\_\_\_\_\_ng evidence *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
313. give a gl\_\_\_\_r of light *n.* a flash of light especially unsteady or reflected light; a slight sign of something
314. tell a com\_\_\_\_\_ng story *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
315. notable in\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something

ANSWERS: 306. steppe, 307. pendulum, 308. essentially, 309. start-up, 310. elimination, 311. palm, 312. compelling, 313. glimmer, 314. compelling, 315. instance

316. mo\_\_\_\_ze my skill      *v.* to earn money from something, such as an asset, business, etc.; to coin into money
317. de\_\_\_k theory      *v.* to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless
318. y\_\_p in pain      *n.* a sharp, high-pitched bark or cry, typically made by a dog or fox
319. f\_\_t accomplishment      *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
320. tr\_\_\_y problem      *adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with
321. an eli\_\_\_\_\_on tournament      *n.* the act or process of removing or getting rid of something or someone
322. brilliant fl\_\_h      *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
323. ab\_\_\_\_\_e from work      *n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be
324. com\_\_\_\_\_ze technology      *v.* to turn something into a commodity, typically by reducing its uniqueness or value and making it widely available
325. ga\_\_\_\_\_e collection      *n.* waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse
326. intellectual f\_\_t      *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
327. create a br\_\_d logo      *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

ANSWERS: 316. monetize, 317. debunk, 318. yelp, 319. feat, 320. tricky, 321. elimination, 322. flash, 323. absence, 324. commoditize, 325. garbage, 326. feat, 327. brand

328. mystical sig\_\_\_\_\_nce

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

ANSWERS: 328. significance

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. A growing \_\_\_\_\_ requires a bold leader.  
*n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
2. This artist always packs the \_\_\_\_\_ halls.  
*n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
3. The positive reviews were a \_\_\_\_\_ sign for the new restaurant in town.  
*adj.* having a positive or beneficial attitude or effect; expressing approval, support, or agreement
4. He has a \_\_\_\_\_ demeanor and always presents himself in a polished manner.  
*adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
5. The patient's health \_\_\_\_\_ rapidly after being diagnosed with the disease.  
*v.* to become worse in quality; to decline or degenerate
6. The new \_\_\_\_\_ device has a faster processor and better graphics than its predecessor.  
*n.* a small flat electronic device used for browsing the internet, reading, writing, or playing games; a small, solid pill of medicine
7. The fishing reel had a \_\_\_\_\_ that made it easy to reel in the catch.  
*n.* a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person

ANSWERS: 1. enterprise, 2. concert, 3. favorable, 4. professional, 5. deteriorated, 6. tablet, 7. crank

8. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
- n.* the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
9. The store is \_\_\_\_\_ empty.
- adv.* almost or nearly
10. The speaker mounted the \_\_\_\_\_ and started to speak.
- n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
11. Several IT millionaires have shown that the level of education is a relatively poor \_\_\_\_\_ of whether a business can be successfully run.
- n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing
12. 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
13. She is still \_\_\_\_\_ from a shot to her shoulder.
- v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
14. His \_\_\_\_\_ presentation deeply moved everyone.
- adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
15. Another critical factor of child poverty is the father's \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the fact or condition of being away from a place where they are typically anticipated to be

ANSWERS: 8. economy, 9. practically, 10. platform, 11. indicator, 12. display, 13. recovering, 14. compelling, 15. absence

16. The \_\_\_\_\_ clock was a familiar sight in the old house.
- n.* a weight hung from a fixed point used to regulate the movement of a clock or other mechanism
17. The teacher asked the students to \_\_\_\_\_ between the two similar species of birds.
- v.* to recognize or establish as being distinct; to distinguish between things that are compared; to calculate a derivative
18. The company specializes in both hardware and \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
19. A \_\_\_\_\_ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.
- n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
20. The ring was so \_\_\_\_\_ that it almost looked like a toy.
- adj.* extremely small; tiny
21. The athlete's performance \_\_\_\_\_ all expectations, breaking a world record.
- v.* to surpass or go beyond a limit, expectation, or requirement; to be better or greater than anticipated or desired
22. His \_\_\_\_\_ behavior towards his elders earned him a stern warning from his parents.
- n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something

ANSWERS: 16. pendulum, 17. differentiate, 18. software, 19. panel, 20. teeny, 21. exceeded, 22. disrespectful

23. The organizational \_\_\_\_\_ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.
- n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
24. He realized there was an error in the \_\_\_\_\_ syntax causing the page layout to break.
- n.* (abbreviation for "Hypertext Markup Language") a coding language used for creating and structuring webpages on the Internet
25. The stock market \_\_\_\_\_ measures the performance of a group of stocks.
- n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index
26. They selected a gorgeous diamond \_\_\_\_\_ ring.
- n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
27. The nomadic tribes set up camp on the vast \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America
28. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the \_\_\_\_\_ release.
- n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
29. The hotel's \_\_\_\_\_ was out of order, so we had to take the stairs to our room on the fifth floor.
- n.* a mechanical device used for vertical transportation, typically in multi-story buildings, consisting of a compartmentalized platform that moves between floors

ANSWERS: 23. structure, 24. HTML, 25. index, 26. engagement, 27. steppe, 28. app's, 29. elevator

30. The younger \_\_\_\_\_ has different values and beliefs than the older one.  
*n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
31. The majority of students actively \_\_\_\_\_ in the college's intramural sports program.  
*v.* to take part in something
32. My father's death \_\_\_\_\_ my life completely.  
*v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
33. There is nothing more valuable than \_\_\_\_\_ and freedom.  
*n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
34. He worked at the \_\_\_\_\_ of behavioral economics.  
*n.* a border that separates two countries, or the area near this line
35. I always carry a backup \_\_\_\_\_ in case my phone runs out of battery.  
*n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
36. Our company's services are targeted at \_\_\_\_\_ executives.  
*n.* a newly established company or business
37. We had a \_\_\_\_\_ time yesterday.  
*adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
38. The dog let out a sharp \_\_\_\_\_ when he stepped on its tail.  
*n.* a sharp, high-pitched bark or cry, typically made by a dog or fox

ANSWERS: 30. generation, 31. participated, 32. transformed, 33. independence, 34. frontier, 35. device, 36. start-up, 37. tremendous, 38. yelp



39. The \_\_\_\_\_ approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.
- n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
40. This high-performance camera is compact enough to fit in the \_\_\_\_\_ of your hand.
- n.* the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves
41. He has shown signs of uneasiness and \_\_\_\_\_ worry.
- adj.* very great or intense; so powerful that you cannot fight or react against it
42. I changed the \_\_\_\_\_ on my resume to make it more visually appealing.
- n.* a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen
43. The town was founded in the 19th century as a stop on the \_\_\_\_\_ and it grew rapidly as a result.
- n.* metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization
44. We want to \_\_\_\_\_ our company through your media.
- v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
45. The \_\_\_\_\_ priority is the safety of the passengers.
- adj.* most important, leading, or prominent
46. We could hear the \_\_\_\_\_ of baby birds.
- n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

ANSWERS: 39. regulation, 40. palm, 41. overwhelming, 42. font, 43. railroad, 44. advertise, 45. foremost, 46. tweet

47. The CEO's \_\_\_\_\_ employees were expected to follow his instructions without question.
- adj.* of lower rank or importance, often used to describe a person in a position of inferiority or inferior status; serving as a secondary or supporting element to something else
48. The \_\_\_\_\_ of time travel has long fascinated scientists and fiction writers alike.
- n.* a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts
49. The \_\_\_\_\_ industry has been affected by the rise of online shopping.
- n.* the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets
50. The advanced math problem was \_\_\_\_\_ but the student was determined to solve it.
- adj.* difficult, demanding, or requiring a high degree of skill or effort; presenting a difficult problem or obstacle
51. It seems \_\_\_\_\_ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.
- adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
52. He deals \_\_\_\_\_ with his employees.
- adv.* to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
53. The food chain causes a material \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle

ANSWERS: 47. subordinate, 48. notion, 49. retail, 50. challenging, 51. probable, 52. fairly, 53. cycle

54. The \_\_\_\_\_ scent of freshly baked bread made my mouth water.  
*adj.* attracting attention or interest; likely to be noticed or remembered; appealing or compelling
55. The \_\_\_\_\_ chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.  
*adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
56. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.  
*v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
57. The toddler was excited to wear his new \_\_\_\_\_ shoes.  
*adj.* very small or tiny; referring to a short amount of time
58. Institutional \_\_\_\_\_ refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.  
*n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
59. The experience was \_\_\_\_\_ and left a lasting impression.  
*adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
60. The disease has \_\_\_\_\_ all his energy, and he can barely get out of bed.  
*v.* to gradually weaken or drain strength, energy, or resources; to undermine or impair someone's confidence or morale
61. The \_\_\_\_\_ of his discovery cannot be overstated.  
*n.* the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy

ANSWERS: 54. catching, 55. embedded, 56. maintain, 57. wee-sized, 58. investors, 59. horrible, 60. sapped, 61. significance

62. His estate was \_\_\_\_\_ to his sons.

- v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

63. Jet \_\_\_\_\_ are the common name for air currents that form high in the atmosphere.

- n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.

64. The company focuses on \_\_\_\_\_ marketing for niche products.

- adj.* referring to a business model or strategy that aims to sell a large number of unique items, each with relatively small sales volumes, usually through online stores and marketplaces

65. He tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

- v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

66. The company is taking legal action against those who have violated their \_\_\_\_\_ on the software.

- n.* the legal right to be the only person or organization who can reproduce, publish, and sell a particular piece of work

67. The corporation \_\_\_\_\_ dominated the entire tobacco business.

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

68. The \_\_\_\_\_ had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

- n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

ANSWERS: 62. distributed, 63. streams, 64. long-tail, 65. relate, 66. copyright, 67. eventually, 68. valley

69. Most of the programs are \_\_\_\_\_ in this area.

*v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television

70. This trail takes \_\_\_\_\_ 2.5 hours.

*adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time

71. The country's \_\_\_\_\_ has decided to take large-scale measures against global warming.

*n.* the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization

72. The government's efforts toward disease \_\_\_\_\_ have been successful in many regions.

*n.* the act or process of removing or getting rid of something or someone

73. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

74. They were \_\_\_\_\_ to take any risks.

*adj.* not ready or wanting to do something

75. These heavy rains caused \_\_\_\_\_ floods on several islands.

*n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness

76. There are \_\_\_\_\_ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

*adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

77. The athlete's performance started to decline \_\_\_\_\_ after an injury.

*adv.* steeply or abruptly; quickly or suddenly, often referring to a dramatic change or decline

ANSWERS: 69. broadcast, 70. approximately, 71. leadership, 72. elimination, 73. vision, 74. unwilling, 75. flash, 76. obvious, 77. precipitously

78. Excellent speech is a characteristic of an \_\_\_\_\_ man.

*adj.* having received a high standard of education

79. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

80. The woman of the house does the holy \_\_\_\_\_ of lighting two candles.

*n.* any customary observance or practice; any prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies

81. Amazon's strategy is to \_\_\_\_\_ goods and services to win over customers with lower prices.

*v.* to turn something into a commodity, typically by reducing its uniqueness or value and making it widely available

82. There is however a \_\_\_\_\_ of hope.

*n.* a flash of light especially unsteady or reflected light; a slight sign of something

83. We have discussed the entirety of this \_\_\_\_\_ problem.

*adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with

84. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing \_\_\_\_\_.

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

85. The findings of the experiment were both \_\_\_\_\_ and unexpected.

*adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement

86. You cannot accomplish great things without a \_\_\_\_\_ of your time or money.

*n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important

ANSWERS: 78. educated, 79. relatives, 80. ritual, 81. commoditize, 82. glimmer, 83. tricky, 84. strategy, 85. exciting, 86. sacrifice

87. The view of the city skyline from the top of the building looked amazing in the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the natural light produced by the sun during the day, especially in contrast to artificial light or darkness
88. The hotel is famous for its \_\_\_\_\_ including the casino.
- n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people
89. \_\_\_\_\_ is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.
- n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
90. He \_\_\_\_\_ jumped out of his chair when he heard the news.
- adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
91. The antique \_\_\_\_\_ was worth thousands of dollars.
- n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
92. Later, his claim was found to be \_\_\_\_\_ false.
- adv.* completely
93. The issue of the death penalty is highly \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* causing a lot of hot public discussion and dispute
94. We noticed a \_\_\_\_\_ advertising a bargain.
- n.* a large sheet or picture that is placed either on a public space to promote or announce something or on a wall to decorate it

ANSWERS: 87. daylight, 88. entertainment, 89. Silicon, 90. literally, 91. doll, 92. entirely, 93. controversial, 94. poster

95. 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
96. Some seaweed was used as \_\_\_\_\_ medicine in ancient times.
- n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
97. I found an old \_\_\_\_\_ of my grandparents from their wedding day.
- n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
98. I need to upgrade my \_\_\_\_\_ computer since it's become quite slow.
- n.* a flat working surface or table that is usually placed on top of a desk, typically used for a computer or other work-related activities
99. In this class, you will learn how to solve quadratic \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
100. The fashion of the \_\_\_\_\_ movement included unconventional clothing such as tie-dye shirts and bell-bottom jeans.
- n.* a person who follows a counterculture movement that originated in the United States during the 1960s, characterized by the advocacy of nonviolence, communal living, and a rejection of traditional American values
101. The reliable \_\_\_\_\_ showed them several properties in the area.
- n.* a professional in the real estate industry who is a member of the national association of realtors

ANSWERS: 95. novel, 96. folk, 97. photograph, 98. desktop, 99. equations, 100. hippie, 101. realtor



102. The \_\_\_\_\_ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

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

103. 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

104. The oppressive regime tried to \_\_\_\_\_ free speech and dissent.

*v.* to suppress or restrain something, particularly a feeling, emotion, or action; to suffocate or prevent proper breathing or ventilation

105. It is an incredible \_\_\_\_\_ to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

*n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

106. The company \_\_\_\_\_ a tracking code in the product's packaging to monitor its shipment.

*v.* to fix or set firmly in a surrounding mass

107. He was known to be very \_\_\_\_\_ and would often work late into the night.

*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

108. He used an \_\_\_ to chop the firewood for the campfire.

*n.* a tool with a metal blade that is usually attached to a wooden handle and is used for chopping wood or other materials

ANSWERS: 102. process, 103. creative, 104. stifle, 105. feat, 106. embedded, 107. industrious, 108. ax

109. Gandhi had an \_\_\_\_\_ zeal for nonviolence.

*adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

110. I'm so sorry to \_\_\_\_\_ you when you're pretty busy.

*v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

111. The company's \_\_\_\_\_ was on the side of the building.

*n.* a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials

112. The circus \_\_\_\_\_ featured a bearded lady and a human cannonball.

*n.* a minor attraction or exhibit in a circus, fair, or amusement park that supplements the main entertainment

113. Her company soon won a \_\_\_\_\_ market share.

*adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

114. Launching an artificial \_\_\_\_\_ contributed to the technological development of our country.

*n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.

115. Who answers \_\_\_\_\_ knows little.

*adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

116. Life is a vast \_\_\_\_\_ you should put as much paint on it as possible.

*n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

ANSWERS: 109. absolute, 110. disrupt, 111. logo, 112. sideshow, 113. dominant, 114. satellite, 115. suddenly, 116. canvas;

117. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the novel provides background information on the characters and setting.

*n.* a comprehensive description and explanation of an idea or theory; a collection of things, such as goods or works of art, etc., for public display

118. The government promised to \_\_\_\_\_ a new system to control the financial crisis.

*v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect

119. 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

120. Many people go on a \_\_\_\_\_ to recharge and reconnect with themselves.

*n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life

121. The building's \_\_\_\_\_ system includes cameras, alarms, and security guards.

*n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation

122. \_\_\_\_\_ a society is an organism.

*adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

123. Eventually, the new design will \_\_\_\_\_ all older models.

*v.* to take the place of something

ANSWERS: 117. exposition, 118. implement, 119. invest, 120. retreat, 121. security, 122. Essentially, 123. replace

124. His \_\_\_\_\_ attitude towards other cultures made it difficult for him to get along with others.

*adj.* the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects

125. It's an excellent opportunity to \_\_\_\_\_ our networking.

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

126. Unfortunately, the book's \_\_\_\_\_ was too small to make notes.

*n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

127. He got an electric \_\_\_\_\_ at work.

*n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

128. Did this response \_\_\_\_\_ your request?

*v.* to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need

129. He explored ways to \_\_\_\_\_ his digital content.

*v.* to earn money from something, such as an asset, business, etc.; to coin into money

130. 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

ANSWERS: 124. intolerant, 125. upgrade, 126. margin, 127. shock, 128. satisfy, 129. monetize, 130. develop

131. The company's CEO made a \_\_\_\_\_ decision to offer employees more flexibility in their work schedules.  
*adj.* characterized by careful and considerate thinking; showing consideration for the feelings and needs of others; reflecting deep or serious thought
132. This container has a \_\_\_\_\_ of 10 cubic meters.  
*n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
133. The company implemented a \_\_\_\_\_ program to encourage employees to meet their sales targets.  
*n.* the use of game design elements and techniques in non-game contexts to engage and motivate people to achieve their goals
134. These articles cite five \_\_\_\_\_ of climate change.  
*n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
135. The sports \_\_\_\_\_ provided detailed analysis throughout the game.  
*n.* a person who provides commentary or analysis, particularly about a specific event, topic, or field, such as sports, news, or politics
136. The company was once a frontrunner but is now considered an \_\_\_\_\_ in the industry.  
*n.* a candidate, competitor, or participant in a race, competition, or contest who finishes outside of the top positions and is not significantly successful or recognized
137. He \_\_\_\_\_ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.  
*v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

ANSWERS: 131. thoughtful, 132. volume, 133. gamification, 134. instances, 135. commentator, 136. also-ran, 137. constructs

138. This graph indicates the city's tourism \_\_\_\_\_ over five years.

*n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business

139. I made a \_\_\_\_\_ to my paper based on feedback from my professor.

*n.* the act or process of reviewing, correcting, and improving something, such as written work, plans, or ideas; a revised version of something

140. Not all teachers accept citing \_\_\_\_\_ as a valid source for academic papers.

*n.* an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics

141. Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

142. We bought a Spanish \_\_\_\_\_ book.

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

143. The myth was \_\_\_\_\_ by scientists, who provided evidence to the contrary.

*v.* to expose or dismiss as false, exaggerated, or worthless

144. He spent only a \_\_\_\_\_ of his earnings.

*n.* a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers

145. The drastic reorganization has significantly increased this company's \_\_\_\_\_ profits.

*adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant

ANSWERS: 138. revenue, 139. revision, 140. Wikipedia, 141. smartphones, 142. phrase, 143. debunked, 144. fraction, 145. gross

146. Human behavior has \_\_\_\_\_ characteristics.

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

147. The \_\_\_\_\_ truck will be coming to pick up the trash every Monday morning.

*n.* waste material, especially food waste and kitchen refuse

148. The lab is developing an \_\_\_\_\_ robot that assists in dangerous construction work.

*n.* a robot with a human appearance; (operating system) Google's mobile operating system

149. This company has invested heavily in Internet \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale

150. My sister and I frequently \_\_\_\_\_ books, as we love reading.

*v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

151. Sensors convert physical phenomena into \_\_\_\_\_ signals.

*adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

152. She plans to study \_\_\_\_\_ in college and become a reporter.

*n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast

ANSWERS: 146. fundamental, 147. garbage, 148. android, 149. commerce, 150. exchange, 151. digital, 152. journalism

153. I need to purchase a new English \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation

154. Please \_\_\_\_\_ to the instruction manual for further assistance.

- v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

155. Her \_\_\_\_\_ to speak the local language made it difficult for her to communicate with the locals.

- n.* the state of being unable to do something or achieve a particular task or goal; a lack of physical or mental capacity or skill

156. Product development is a \_\_\_\_\_ effort.

- adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people

157. The \_\_\_\_\_ in her heart was filled with the love of her family.

- n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force

158. He should \_\_\_\_\_ more with his colleagues.

- v.* to communicate or react with somebody

159. This evidence supports the big-bang \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate

160. The \_\_\_\_\_ for collecting rare books led him to spend his savings on a first edition.

- n.* a psychological or emotional state that is marked by excessive enthusiasm, excitement, or delusions; a strong and uncontrollable desire or craving for something

ANSWERS: 153. dictionary, 154. refer, 155. inability, 156. collective, 157. void, 158. interact, 159. hypothesis, 160. mania



161. That statement by the prime minister drew \_\_\_\_\_ international criticism.

*adj.* (especially of a feeling) very strong; extremely sharp or severe

162. My mother's illness had a \_\_\_\_\_ impact on us all.

*adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

163. There's a new \_\_\_\_\_ of hero in the movies now.

*n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

164. These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something

ANSWERS: 161. intense, 162. profound, 163. brand, 164. cores