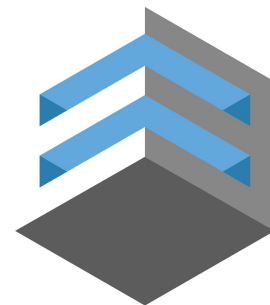


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Session 1: Word List

medium

adj. of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

synonym: average, intermediate, (noun) channel

(1) **medium** color, (2) an advertising **medium**

The **medium** size shirt fits him perfectly.

methodology

n. a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something

synonym: procedure, approach, process

(1) **methodology** for optimizing, (2) research **methodology**

We are developing a new **methodology** for assessing marketing measures.

specific

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

synonym: particular, definite, distinct

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

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

discipline

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

synonym : training, restraint, field

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

He quickly learned the military **discipline**.

technique

n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

synonym : approach, procedure, strategy

(1) a **technique** in martial arts, (2) the **technique** applied to construction

Jockey's superior **technique** brought him victory.

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**.

exhibition

n. a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery

synonym : display, show, presentation

(1) a personal **exhibition**, (2) **exhibition** opening

The art museum is hosting an **exhibition** of contemporary paintings next month.

oversea

adj. situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries

synonym : foreign, abroad, international

(1) **oversea** shipments, (2) for **oversea** use

The company enhanced **oversea** operations to tap into new markets.

agent

n. a person who represents and negotiates on behalf of someone else, such as a literary agent or talent agent; (of chemistry and medicine) a substance that brings about a chemical or physical effect; (of computer

science) a piece of software that performs a task autonomously

synonym : representative, delegate, envoy

(1) **agent** system, (2) antidiarrheal **agent**

The FBI **agent** went undercover to infiltrate the criminal organization.

quest

n. a long or challenging search for something

synonym : exploration, inquisition, pursuit

(1) the **quest** for truth, (2) on a **quest** for happiness

That adventurer traveled in **quest** of buried treasure.

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.

nowhere

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

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

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

appointment

n. a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility

synonym : assignment, selection, commission

(1) **appointment** calendar, (2) take up an **appointment**

We had to reschedule the dentist's **appointment**.

storage

n. the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

synonym : storehouse, depository, warehousing

(1) a **storage** battery, (2) **storage** at low temperature

We store customer data in cloud **storage**.

graduate

n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

synonym : alumna, alum, grad

(1) **graduate** degree program, (2) honor **graduate**

Many employers hire **graduate** trainees to train as managers.

stud

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

synonym : beam, scantling, framing

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

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

advance

v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

synonym : progress, boost, come along

(1) **advance** the technology, (2) **advance** a cooperative relationship

Scientific knowledge will **advance** significantly with the power of AI.

apartment

n. a self-contained living unit within a larger building or complex, typically consisting of one or more rooms or an open space used for living, cooking, and sleeping

synonym : flat, dwelling, unit

(1) rented **apartment**, (2) furnished **apartment**

I am seeking a spacious **apartment** with a balcony and a parking spot.

assorted

adj. consisting of a variety of different types or kinds; mixed, diverse, or varied in character, appearance, or function

synonym : various, different, mixed

(1) **assorted** candies, (2) **assorted** colors

My friend gave me an **assorted** collection of music CDs.

garage

n. a building or part of a building used to store a vehicle or vehicles, typically a car

synonym: carport, shed, barn

(1) electrical **garage** door, (2) **garage** repair

He parked his car in the private **garage**.

junk

n. discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition

synonym: trash, debris, waste

(1) **junk** mail, (2) hunk of **junk**

I need to clear out some of the **junk** in my garage.

confuse

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

synonym: confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

explosive

adj. easily able or likely to shatter violently or burst apart; sudden and loud

synonym: volatile, dangerous, fiery

(1) **explosive** device, (2) an **explosive** personality

This container stores an **explosive** substance.

terror

n. intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm

synonym: fear, alarm, horror

(1) **terror** attack, (2) **terror** group

The bomb blast spread **terror** among the people.

threat

n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

synonym: menace, danger, hazard

(1) economic **threat**, (2) environmental **threat**

The **threat** of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

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.

forth

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

synonym : forward, onwards, ahead

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

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

initiate

v. to begin or start something; to teach the basics or fundamentals of something to somebody; to formally admit someone into a group or organization

synonym : commence, start, begin

(1) **initiate** a project, (2) **initiate** a discussion

The committee will **initiate** an investigation into the company's financial records.

introduction

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

synonym : initiation, preamble, prologue

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

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

continuously

adv. without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly

synonym : constantly, frequently, always

(1) use one thing **continuously**, (2) **continuously** removed
The country's domestic coal consumption has been **continuously** declining for decades.

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.

statistics

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

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

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

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.

federal

adj. relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level

synonym: national, central, governmental

(1) **federal** regulations, (2) **federal** funding

The **federal** government announced new regulations to protect the environment.

wit

n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

synonym: humor, comedy, funniness

(1) the **wit** of man, (2) full of **wit**

He has the **wit** to keep talking about this topic.

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.

detrimental

adj. causing harm or damage

synonym: harmful, damaging, injurious

(1) **detrimental** eating habits, (2) **detrimental** to good health

The new policy had a **detrimental** impact on small businesses.

nation

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

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

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.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

polygraph

n. a machine that measures physiological responses such as heart rate, respiration, and skin conductance, used especially as a lie detector in criminal investigations or other circumstances where truthfulness is questioned

synonym: lie detector, truth detector

(1) **polygraph** interrogation, (2) **polygraph** machine

Some people refuse to take a **polygraph** test because they believe it is unreliable.

consecutive

adj. following in a sequence or order without interruption or break; occurring one after another

synonym: successive, sequential, uninterrupted

(1) **consecutive** holidays, (2) suffer **consecutive** defeats

The athlete won three **consecutive** championships in her sport.

belong

v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

synonym: fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group

All the books in this section **belong** to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

colleague

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

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

discuss

v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

synonym: talk about, converse, debate

(1) **discuss** options, (2) **discuss** solutions

We need to **discuss** the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

- odd** *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
synonym : strange, bizarre, abnormal
(1) in an **odd** way, (2) **odd** behavior
His grandfather was an **odd** man.
- memo** *n.* a short written message or communication intended for internal use within an organization or company
synonym : memorandum, note, reminder
(1) a **memo** pad, (2) **memo** content
I received a **memo** from the CEO outlining the new company policies.
- sincere** *adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
synonym : earnest, fervent, candid
(1) a **sincere** man, (2) express **sincere** regret
Please accept my **sincere** condolences on your friend's death.
- flee** *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
synonym : exit, escape, run away
(1) **flee** their homes, (2) **flee** abroad
It is a basic instinct to **flee** from a dangerous situation.
- tip** *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
synonym : edge, advice, gratuity
(1) the **tip** of a paintbrush, (2) give the waiter a **tip** .
I will introduce some **tips** on learning English in this class.
- 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.

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.

delta

n. a triangular area of low and flat land that is formed when a river flows into a larger body of water and deposits sediment; an object shaped like an equilateral triangle

synonym : floodplain, estuary

(1) river **deltas**, (2) **delta** cone

The Nile **Delta** is a rich and fertile region that has supported agriculture for thousands of years.

anonymous

adj. having no known name, identity, or known source

synonym : nameless, unidentified, unnamed

(1) **anonymous** letter, (2) **anonymous** house

She received several **anonymous** calls.

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.

replay

v. play something, such as a recording, a piece of music, or a game again

synonym : repeat, play again, go over again

(1) **replay** the game, (2) **replay** in my mind

He pushed the button and **replayed** the video again.

roll

v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
synonym: spin, swirl, wheel

(1) **roll** a ball, (2) **roll** down his cheeks

He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.

justify

v. to provide a valid or reasonable explanation, reasoning, or evidence in support of a belief, action, or decision; to defend or vindicate something as right or valid
synonym: validate, defend, support

(1) **justify** my beliefs, (2) **justify** your decision

The lawyer tried to **justify** his client's actions by presenting evidence of their difficult upbringing.

existence

n. the state or fact of someone or something existing
synonym: fact, being, reality

(1) the biggest tree in **existence**, (2) the struggle for **existence**

He was an atheist and therefore did not believe in the **existence** of heaven or hell.

react

v. to take action in response to something
synonym: respond, reply, oppose

(1) **react** at a high temperature, (2) **react** against his way of thinking

How did he **react** to your idea?

evolve

v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
synonym: develop, mature, grow

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

Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

flavor

n. the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth

synonym : taste, savor, essence

(1) a delicate **flavor**, (2) **flavor** enhancer

The **flavor** of the coffee was rich and full-bodied.

pastry

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

synonym : pastry, pie

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

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

ranch

n. a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house

synonym : farm, estate, homestead

(1) cattle **ranch**, (2) dude **ranch**

The cowboys rode their horses through the dusty trails of the **ranch**.

kimchi

n. a spicy, fermented Korean side dish made of cabbage, radish, or other vegetables, often served as a condiment with rice or meat dishes

synonym : pickled vegetables, spicy cabbage, Korean food

(1) **kimchi** recipe, (2) spicy **kimchi** paste

There are many different varieties of **kimchi**, each with its unique taste and texture.

crab

n. a sea creature with two large claws and a flattened back (e.g., blue crab or king crab); a sour or grumpy person who is prone to complaining or criticizing

synonym : crustacean, shellfish, crusty

(1) **crab** cakes, (2) **crab** legs

I ordered a plate of fresh **crab** at the seafood restaurant.

laundry

n. the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed

synonym : wash, clothes, linen

(1) send out the **laundry**, (2) **laundry** room

I need to do the **laundry** before I run out of clean clothes.

detergent

n. a substance used for washing or cleaning, especially one that can remove dirt or stains effectively

synonym : soap, cleanser, disinfectant

(1) **detergent** solution, (2) laundry **detergent**

I use environmentally friendly **detergent** when I wash my clothes and dishes.

pickle

n. vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation

synonym : jam, predicament, quagmire

(1) **pickle** a cucumber, (2) **pickle** barrel

The **pickle** must have an acidity level high enough to inhibit the growth of bacteria.

jellyfish

n. a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging

synonym : medusa, sea nettle, moon jelly

(1) spineless **jellyfish**, (2) **jellyfish** sting

The beach was filled with hundreds of **jellyfish**, so swimming was not recommended.

fuel

n. a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy

synonym : energy, power, gas

(1) biomass **fuel**, (2) smokeless **fuel**

The **fuel** scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector

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.

verify

v. to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct

synonym: affirm, ascertain, confirm

(1) **verify** a document, (2) **verify** identity

We always **verify** all critical information independently.

verification

n. the process of confirming the accuracy or truth of something, usually through investigation or experimentation; the act of validating or authenticating something

synonym: confirmation, validation, authentication

(1) **verification** of the accuracy, (2) identity **verification**

The **verification** process for the new job is taking longer than expected.

transaction

n. an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something

synonym: trade, dealing, commerce

(1) card with no foreign **transaction** fees, (2) **transaction** balance

Electronic **transactions** remain incomplete due to system errors.

fee

n. a sum of money charged for a particular service

synonym: charge, cost, expense

(1) **fee** calculation, (2) service **fee**

The lawyer's **fee** for the case was \$10,000.

extract

n. a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

synonym: excerpt, quote, distillation

(1) a brief **extract** from the book, (2) botanical **extract**
Anesthetize the gum before **extracting** the teeth.

hallway

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

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

database

n. a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily

(1) **database** administrator, (2) employee **database**
Each country's officials can access the central **database**.

visual

adj. relating to seeing or sight
synonym: optical, graphical, visible

(1) **visual** navigation, (2) field of **visual** arts
The building makes a remarkable **visual** impact.

locate

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

synonym: discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor
The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

categorize

v. to put people or things into groups according to their features, types, etc.

synonym: classify, pigeonhole, sort

(1) **categorize** the image, (2) **categorize** the cause of failure

The biologist **categorized** the viruses into four groups.

bunch

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

synonym: group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls
One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

detective

n. a person whose job it is to find out information about crimes and find out who did them

synonym: gumshoe, investigator, hawkshaw

(1) **detective** work, (2) **detective** movie

The **detective** diligently pursued his cases.

timestamp

n. a record in printed or digital form that shows when a specific event happened, usually giving the date and time of day

(1) the **timestamp** on a file, (2) a UNIX **timestamp**

The engineer checked the log records' **timestamps** to investigate the system's bug.

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**.

straight

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

synonym: linear, honest, consecutive

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

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

server

n. a computer program or a device from which other computers get information; a person who serves food in a restaurant

synonym: computer, waiter, waitperson

(1) a mail **server**, (2) work as a **server** in a restaurant

After the airing of the TV commercial, many people accessed the website, and the **server** went down.

back-end

n. the part of a system or technology that is not directly visible to the user but which handles data processing, storage, retrieval, and other behind-the-scenes tasks; the operational aspects of a company or project that are

not visible to customers or end-users

(1) **back-end** development, (2) **back-end** operations

The website's **back-end** is where all the data processing and storage happens.

interface

n. (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things

synonym : junction, surface, UI

(1) **interface** between gas and liquid, (2) the user **interface**

Detergent weakens the surface tension at the **interface** of two liquids.

barrage

n. a concentrated and continuous outpouring or overwhelming amount of something, such as bombs, questions, criticisms, or comments; a defensive barrier of artillery fire or gunfire

synonym : onslaught, bombardment, hail

(1) **barrage** of questions, (2) artillery **barrage**

She used a **barrage** of facts and figures to make her argument.

incredibly

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

synonym : enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

(1) **incredibly** cheerful character, (2) get **incredibly** insecure

Several cities are experiencing **incredibly** high unemployment rates.

conclude

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

synonym : complete, finish, decide

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

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

privacy

n. someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people

synonym: seclusion, aloneness, solitariness

(1) **privacy** abuse, (2) trespass on a person's **privacy**

This conduct would be an invasion of **privacy**.

era

n. a period that is distinct from others, typically in history

synonym: epoch, age, period

(1) dawn of a new **era**, (2) the **era** of the Renaissance

Political corruption was common throughout the postwar **era**.

catalog

n. a complete list of items, often including technical details and prices

synonym: directory, list, register

(1) a classified **catalog**, (2) **catalog** card

She used the online **catalog** to find the perfect pair of earrings for her sister's birthday.

arch

n. a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building

synonym: turn, bow, arc

(1) the **arch** of a person's foot, (2) an **arch-shaped** stone structure

The **arch** bears the weight of the overhead bridge.

delete

v. to remove something, especially that has been written; to wipe out digitally or magnetically recorded information

synonym: erase, wipe out, remove

(1) **delete** a file, (2) **delete** this modification

Highlight the sentences that you want to **delete**.

identity

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

synonym: character, personality, individuality

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

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

intelligence

n. the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

synonym: brains, brightness, cleverness

(1) an **intelligence** test, (2) field of artificial **intelligence**

In terms of **intelligence**, he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

agency

n. an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action

synonym: organization, bureau, institution

(1) real estate **agency**, (2) intelligence **agency**

The government **agency** regulated the country's food and drug safety standards.

operate

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

synonym: work, use, employ

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

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

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.

commodity

n. a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold

synonym: merchandise, goods, entity

(1) **commodity** tax, (2) international **commodity**

The government announced a policy to control the rise in

commodity prices.

restricted

adj. limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

synonym : limited, determinate, fixed

(1) **restricted** area, (2) lactose **restricted** diet

The country has designated our products as **restricted** import goods.

devalue

v. to reduce the value or worth of something

synonym : diminish, depreciate, reduce

(1) **devalue** the pound, (2) **devalue** a brand

Her negative comments about the project only **devalued** the team's efforts.

currency

n. a system of money in general use in a particular country

synonym : money, tender, cash

(1) **currency** exchange, (2) digital **currency**

The **currency** used in this country is the Euro.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

synonym : person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

purity

n. the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature

synonym : sinlessness, innocence, cleanliness

(1) the degree of **purity**, (2) high **purity**

Higher **purity** requires additional equipment and energy.

symbol

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

synonym : mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness
The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

redesign

v. to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again

synonym: revamp, rework, remodel

(1) **redesign** project, (2) **redesign** of lifestyle
The company is planning to **redesign** its website.

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.

mess

n. a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy

synonym: disarray, confusion, predicament

(1) have a whole **mess**, (2) get into a **mess**
He made a frightful **mess** in his room.

poke

v. to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger

synonym: prod, jab, push

(1) **poke** around the desk, (2) **poke** a fire
They **poked** fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.

obsolete

adj. no longer in use or helpful because something newer or better has been invented and introduced

synonym: ancient, bygone, outdated

(1) an **obsolete** word, (2) become **obsolete**
New technology has rendered my old smartphone **obsolete**.

basis

n. the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

synonym: foundation, base, ground

(1) on an equal **basis**, (2) **basis** for calculation
This evidence will form the **basis** for our discussion.

archives

n. a collection of historical documents or records providing information about a place, institution, or group of people
synonym: records, documents, repository

(1) historical **archives**, (2) digital **archives**

The **archives** at the library contain a wealth of information about the city's history.

paranoid

adj. unreasonably or obsessively believing that other people do not like you or want to harm you

(1) **paranoid** about issues, (2) **paranoid** disorder

A **paranoid** person may have delusions that people want to harm.

bother

v. to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
synonym: annoy, pester, irritate

(1) **bother** the neighbors, (2) **bother** with details

Please don't **bother** me while I'm trying to concentrate.

surveillance

n. the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected

synonym: administration, overseeing, control

(1) he is kept under **surveillance**, (2) **surveillance** cameras

The novel contains a criticism of the **surveillance** society.

homeland

n. a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs

synonym: motherland, native country, fatherland

(1) beloved **homeland**, (2) **homeland** pride

I miss my **homeland** and the familiar sights, sounds, and smells.

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.

executive

- n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

synonym: administrator, manager, director

(1) **executive** editor at the publishing house, (2) **executive** vice president

As the **executive** director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.

president

- n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym: leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

patron

- n.* a person who gives financial or other support to a person, organization, or activity; a loyal or regular customer of a particular shop, restaurant, etc.

synonym: contributor, sponsor, supporter

(1) the **patron** saint of a place, (2) political **patron**

They have been a **patron** of this restaurant for many years.

appreciate

v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

synonym : acknowledge, admire, enjoy

(1) **appreciate** her feedback, (2) **appreciate** the value

We would **appreciate** an early reply.

automatically

adv. without needing a direct human control

synonym : mechanically, unconsciously, spontaneously

(1) record driving **automatically**, (2) **automatically** adjusted

Our subscription plan is **automatically** renewed.

automated

adj. carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor

synonym : computerized, mechanical, laborsaving

(1) **automated** manual transmission, (2) **automated** way

The plant will continue operating through an **automated** system 24 hours a day.

coverage

n. the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides

synonym : reportage, scope, range

(1) full- **coverage** insurance, (2) contractual **coverage**

The scandal received widespread media **coverage**.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym : insane, absurd, bizarre

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

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

depart

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

synonym : go away, leave, vacate

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. bo___r the neighbors | <i>v.</i> to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something |
| 2. in_____ce between gas and liquid | <i>n.</i> (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things |
| 3. work as a se___r in a restaurant | <i>n.</i> a computer program or a device from which other computers get information; a person who serves food in a restaurant |
| 4. de___t from the faith | <i>v.</i> to go away or leave, especially to start a journey |
| 5. be___g to different species | <i>v.</i> to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place |
| 6. de_____nt solution | <i>n.</i> a substance used for washing or cleaning, especially one that can remove dirt or stains effectively |
| 7. the w_t of man | <i>n.</i> the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way |
| 8. r__l down his cheeks | <i>v.</i> to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side |

ANSWERS: 1. bother, 2. interface, 3. server, 4. depart, 5. belong, 6. detergent, 7. wit, 8. roll

9. give the waiter a t_p. *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
10. research met_____gy *n.* a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
11. come out of no_____e *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
12. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
13. biomass f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
14. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
15. get into a m__s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
16. ad_____e the technology *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
17. ju_____y my beliefs *v.* to provide a valid or reasonable explanation, reasoning, or evidence in support of a belief, action, or decision; to defend or vindicate something as right or valid
18. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
19. pr_____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true

ANSWERS: 9. tip, 10. methodology, 11. nowhere, 12. colleague, 13. fuel, 14. locate, 15. mess, 16. advance, 17. justify, 18. statistics, 19. probable

20. Cornish pa__y *n.* a type of baked pastry that typically consists of a filling of meat, vegetables, or other ingredients, enclosed in a pastry shell; (adjective) pale, lacking in color, or dull
21. the e_a of the Renaissance *n.* a period that is distinct from others, typically in history
22. ve___y a document *v.* to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct
23. st_____e at low temperature *n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information
24. 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
25. ca_____g card *n.* a complete list of items, often including technical details and prices
26. take up an app_____nt *n.* a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility
27. beloved ho_____nd *n.* a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
28. a UNIX ti_____mp *n.* a record in printed or digital form that shows when a specific event happened, usually giving the date and time of day

ANSWERS: 20. pasty, 21. era, 22. verify, 23. storage, 24. photograph, 25. catalog, 26. appointment, 27. homeland, 28. timestamp

29. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
30. a m__o pad *n.* a short written message or communication intended for internal use within an organization or company
31. become ess_____ly same *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
32. digital cu_____cy *n.* a system of money in general use in a particular country
33. ex_____ve device *adj.* easily able or likely to shatter violently or burst apart; sudden and loud
34. pi___e barrel *n.* vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation
35. ba_____e of questions *n.* a concentrated and continuous outpouring or overwhelming amount of something, such as bombs, questions, criticisms, or comments; a defensive barrier of artillery fire or gunfire
36. service f_e *n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service
37. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
38. record driving aut_____lly *adv.* without needing a direct human control
39. international co_____ty *n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold

ANSWERS: 29. president, 30. memo, 31. essentially, 32. currency, 33. explosive, 34. pickle, 35. barrage, 36. fee, 37. statistics, 38. automatically, 39. commodity

40. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
41. pa_____id about issues *adj.* unreasonably or obsessively believing that other people do not like you or want to harm you
42. be_____g to a group *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
43. rented ap_____nt *n.* a self-contained living unit within a larger building or complex, typically consisting of one or more rooms or an open space used for living, cooking, and sleeping
44. dude ra____h *n.* a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house
45. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
46. on an equal ba____s *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
47. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
48. ver_____ion of the accuracy *n.* the process of confirming the accuracy or truth of something, usually through investigation or experimentation; the act of validating or authenticating something

ANSWERS: 40. colleague, 41. paranoid, 42. belong, 43. apartment, 44. ranch, 45. creative, 46. basis, 47. participate, 48. verification

49. 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
50. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
51. 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
52. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
53. fl___r enhancer *n.* the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth
54. con_____ve holidays *adj.* following in a sequence or order without interruption or break; occurring one after another
55. arrive and de___t on time *v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
56. co_____ty tax *n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
57. da_____se administrator *n.* a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily

ANSWERS: 49. process, 50. incredibly, 51. security, 52. crazy, 53. flavor, 54. consecutive, 55. depart, 56. commodity, 57. database

58. res_____ed area *adj.* limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.
59. a personal exh_____on *n.* a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery
60. ho_____nd pride *n.* a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
61. di_____s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
62. spicy ki____i paste *n.* a spicy, fermented Korean side dish made of cabbage, radish, or other vegetables, often served as a condiment with rice or meat dishes
63. employee da_____se *n.* a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily
64. financial ind_____nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
65. fe_____l funding *adj.* relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level
66. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

ANSWERS: 58. restricted, 59. exhibition, 60. homeland, 61. discuss, 62. kimchi, 63. database, 64. independence, 65. federal, 66. nation

67. pr____y abuse *n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
68. r__l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
69. met____gy for optimizing *n.* a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
70. o_d behavior *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
71. wax a ha____y floor *n.* an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
72. det____al to good health *adj.* causing harm or damage
73. ba____nd development *n.* the part of a system or technology that is not directly visible to the user but which handles data processing, storage, retrieval, and other behind-the-scenes tasks; the operational aspects of a company or project that are not visible to customers or end-users
74. field of vi____l arts *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
75. translate li____ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
76. ov____a shipments *adj.* situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries

ANSWERS: 67. privacy, 68. roll, 69. methodology, 70. odd, 71. hallway, 72. detrimental, 73. back-end, 74. visual, 75. literally, 76. oversea

86. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
87. a delicate fl___r *n.* the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth
88. in_____te a project *v.* to begin or start something; to teach the basics or fundamentals of something to somebody; to formally admit someone into a group or organization
89. ga___e repair *n.* a building or part of a building used to store a vehicle or vehicles, typically a car
90. sma_____ne app developer *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
91. the struggle for ex_____ce *n.* the state or fact of someone or something existing
92. river de__as *n.* a triangular area of low and flat land that is formed when a river flows into a larger body of water and deposits sediment; an object shaped like an equilateral triangle
93. po_____ph interrogation *n.* a machine that measures physiological responses such as heart rate, respiration, and skin conductance, used especially as a lie detector in criminal investigations or other circumstances where truthfulness is questioned
94. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
95. ev___e over the past decade *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

ANSWERS: 86. industrious, 87. flavor, 88. initiate, 89. garage, 90. smartphone, 91. existence, 92. delta, 93. polygraph, 94. individual, 95. evolve

96. ind_____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
97. express si_____e regret *adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
98. the a__h of a person's foot *n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building
99. economic th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
100. ev____e *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
101. id____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
102. have a whole m__s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
103. f__e abroad *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
104. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
105. app_____te her feedback *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

ANSWERS: 96. independence, 97. sincere, 98. arch, 99. threat, 100. evolve, 101. identity, 102. mess, 103. flee, 104. participate, 105. appreciate

106. bo___r with details *v.* to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
107. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
108. app_____te the value *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
109. the te_____ue applied to construction *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
110. on a qu__t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something
111. contractual co_____ge *n.* the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides
112. m__o content *n.* a short written message or communication intended for internal use within an organization or company
113. furnished ap_____nt *n.* a self-contained living unit within a larger building or complex, typically consisting of one or more rooms or an open space used for living, cooking, and sleeping
114. card with no foreign tra_____on fees *n.* an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
115. as_____ed candies *adj.* consisting of a variety of different types or kinds; mixed, diverse, or varied in character, appearance, or function

ANSWERS: 106. bother, 107. crazy, 108. appreciate, 109. technique, 110. quest, 111. coverage, 112. memo, 113. apartment, 114. transaction, 115. assorted

116. pi___e a cucumber *n.* vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation
117. ki___i recipe *n.* a spicy, fermented Korean side dish made of cabbage, radish, or other vegetables, often served as a condiment with rice or meat dishes
118. re_____gn project *v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
119. electrical ga___e door *n.* a building or part of a building used to store a vehicle or vehicles, typically a car
120. the user in_____ce *n.* (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things
121. sy___l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
122. cat_____ze the image *v.* to put people or things into groups according to their features, types, etc.
123. te___r group *n.* intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
124. ve___y identity *v.* to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct
125. j__k mail *n.* discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition

ANSWERS: 116. pickle, 117. kimchi, 118. redesign, 119. garage, 120. interface, 121. symbol, 122. categorize, 123. terror, 124. verify, 125. junk

126. political pa___n *n.* a person who gives financial or other support to a person, organization, or activity; a loyal or regular customer of a particular shop, restaurant, etc.
127. identity ver_____ion *n.* the process of confirming the accuracy or truth of something, usually through investigation or experimentation; the act of validating or authenticating something
128. de_____e the pound *v.* to reduce the value or worth of something
129. ess_____ly correct *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
130. c__b legs *n.* a sea creature with two large claws and a flattened back (e.g., blue crab or king crab); a sour or grumpy person who is prone to complaining or criticizing
131. re_____gn of lifestyle *v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
132. cu_____cy exchange *n.* a system of money in general use in a particular country
133. an ob_____te word *adj.* no longer in use or helpful because something newer or better has been invented and introduced
134. smokeless f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
135. cattle ra__h *n.* a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house

ANSWERS: 126. patron, 127. verification, 128. devalue, 129. essentially, 130. crab, 131. redesign, 132. currency, 133. obsolete, 134. fuel, 135. ranch

136. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
137. p__e around the desk *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
138. a te_____ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
139. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
140. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
141. app_____nt calendar *n.* a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility
142. au_____ed way *adj.* carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor
143. honor gr_____te *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
144. antidiarrheal ag__t *n.* a person who represents and negotiates on behalf of someone else, such as a literary agent or talent agent; (of chemistry and medicine) a substance that brings about a chemical or physical effect; (of computer science) a piece of software that performs a task autonomously

ANSWERS: 136. president, 137. poke, 138. technique, 139. individual, 140. decide, 141. appointment, 142. automated, 143. graduate, 144. agent

145. no____e else to go *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
146. a st____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
147. co____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
148. op____e 24 hours a day *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
149. re__t against his way of thinking *v.* to take action in response to something
150. suffer con_____ve defeats *adj.* following in a sequence or order without interruption or break; occurring one after another
151. 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
152. c__b cakes *n.* a sea creature with two large claws and a flattened back (e.g., blue crab or king crab); a sour or grumpy person who is prone to complaining or criticizing
153. re__t at a high temperature *v.* to take action in response to something
154. send out the la____y *n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
155. for ov____a use *adj.* situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries
156. lactose res_____ed diet *adj.* limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.

ANSWERS: 145. nowhere, 146. straight, 147. conclude, 148. operate, 149. react, 150. consecutive, 151. refer, 152. crab, 153. react, 154. laundry, 155. oversea, 156. restricted

157. intelligence ag___y *n.* an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action
158. re___y the game *v.* play something, such as a recording, a piece of music, or a game again
159. a mail se___r *n.* a computer program or a device from which other computers get information; a person who serves food in a restaurant
160. te___r attack *n.* intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
161. tra_____on balance *n.* an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
162. sp_____ic instructions *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
163. dawn of a new e_a *n.* a period that is distinct from others, typically in history
164. ba_____nd operations *n.* the part of a system or technology that is not directly visible to the user but which handles data processing, storage, retrieval, and other behind-the-scenes tasks; the operational aspects of a company or project that are not visible to customers or end-users

ANSWERS: 157. agency, 158. replay, 159. server, 160. terror, 161. transaction, 162. specific, 163. era, 164. back-end

165. a bu__h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
166. spineless je_____sh *n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
167. de___e a file *v.* to remove something, especially that has been written; to wipe out digitally or magnetically recorded information
168. become ob_____te *adj.* no longer in use or helpful because something newer or better has been invented and introduced
169. real estate ag____y *n.* an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action
170. the qu__t for truth *n.* a long or challenging search for something
171. 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
172. gr_____te degree program *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
173. det_____al eating habits *adj.* causing harm or damage
174. au_____ed manual transmission *adj.* carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor

ANSWERS: 165. bunch, 166. jellyfish, 167. delete, 168. obsolete, 169. agency, 170. quest, 171. refer, 172. graduate, 173. detrimental, 174. automated

175. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
176. ju_____y your decision *v.* to provide a valid or reasonable explanation, reasoning, or evidence in support of a belief, action, or decision; to defend or vindicate something as right or valid
177. de_____ve work *n.* a person whose job it is to find out information about crimes and find out who did them
178. je_____sh sting *n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
179. his latest tw__ts *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
180. fe_____l regulations *adj.* relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level
181. the pa___n saint of a place *n.* a person who gives financial or other support to a person, organization, or activity; a loyal or regular customer of a particular shop, restaurant, etc.
182. environmental th___t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

ANSWERS: 175. incredibly, 176. justify, 177. detective, 178. jellyfish, 179. tweet, 180. federal, 181. patron, 182. threat

183. botanical ex_____t *n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force
184. la_____y room *n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
185. laundry de_____nt *n.* a substance used for washing or cleaning, especially one that can remove dirt or stains effectively
186. de__a cone *n.* a triangular area of low and flat land that is formed when a river flows into a larger body of water and deposits sediment; an object shaped like an equilateral triangle
187. rigid dis_____ne *n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence
188. manually op_____e a machine *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
189. an a__h-shaped stone structure *n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building
190. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

ANSWERS: 183. extract, 184. laundry, 185. detergent, 186. delta, 187. discipline, 188. operate, 189. arch, 190. introduction

191. 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
192. a si_____e man *adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
193. trespass on a person's pr_____y *n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
194. co_____e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
195. de_____ve movie *n.* a person whose job it is to find out information about crimes and find out who did them
196. me____m color *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information
197. ba__s for calculation *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
198. full-co_____ge insurance *n.* the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides
199. con_____sly removed *adv.* without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly
200. an advertising me____m *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

ANSWERS: 191. literally, 192. sincere, 193. privacy, 194. confuse, 195. detective, 196. medium, 197. basis, 198. coverage, 199. continuously, 200. medium

201. ex_____ve editor at the publishing house *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
202. full of w_t *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
203. ag__t system *n.* a person who represents and negotiates on behalf of someone else, such as a literary agent or talent agent; (of chemistry and medicine) a substance that brings about a chemical or physical effect; (of computer science) a piece of software that performs a task autonomously
204. sy___l color *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
205. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
206. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
207. as_____ed colors *adj.* consisting of a variety of different types or kinds; mixed, diverse, or varied in character, appearance, or function
208. an_____us house *adj.* having no known name, identity, or known source
209. co_____de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

ANSWERS: 201. executive, 202. wit, 203. agent, 204. symbol, 205. straight, 206. eventually, 207. assorted, 208. anonymous, 209. conclude

210. lo___e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
211. f___e their homes *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
212. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
213. digital ar_____es *n.* a collection of historical documents or records providing information about a place, institution, or group of people
214. a classified ca_____g *n.* a complete list of items, often including technical details and prices
215. a bu___h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
216. de_____e a brand *v.* to reduce the value or worth of something
217. f___k art *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
218. bring fo___h a beautiful vase *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
219. pr_____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
220. sur_____nce cameras *n.* the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected
221. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 210. locate, 211. flee, 212. eventually, 213. archives, 214. catalog, 215. bunch, 216. devalue, 217. folk, 218. forth, 219. probable, 220. surveillance, 221. decide

222. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
223. in an o_d way *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
224. ex_____ve vice president *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
225. the degree of pu___y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
226. di_____s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
227. de___e this modification *v.* to remove something, especially that has been written; to wipe out digitally or magnetically recorded information
228. horse s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

ANSWERS: 222. industrious, 223. odd, 224. executive, 225. purity, 226. discuss, 227. delete, 228. stud

229. hunk of j__k *n.* discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition
230. use one thing con_____sly *adv.* without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly
231. a st_____e battery *n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information
232. historical ar_____es *n.* a collection of historical documents or records providing information about a place, institution, or group of people
233. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
234. co_____e the listener *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
235. an int_____nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
236. a brief ex_____t from the book *n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force
237. wall s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

ANSWERS: 229. junk, 230. continuously, 231. storage, 232. archives, 233. folk, 234.

confuse, 235. intelligence, 236. extract, 237. stud

238. mistaken id____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
239. po_____ph machine *n.* a machine that measures physiological responses such as heart rate, respiration, and skin conductance, used especially as a lie detector in criminal investigations or other circumstances where truthfulness is questioned
240. aut_____lly adjusted *adv.* without needing a direct human control
241. 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
242. in_____te a discussion *v.* to begin or start something; to teach the basics or fundamentals of something to somebody; to formally admit someone into a group or organization
243. field of artificial int_____nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
244. sma_____ne addict *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
245. the ti_____mp on a file *n.* a record in printed or digital form that shows when a specific event happened, usually giving the date and time of day
246. 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

ANSWERS: 238. identity, 239. polygraph, 240. automatically, 241. photograph, 242.

initiate, 243. intelligence, 244. smartphone, 245. timestamp, 246. process

247. vi___l navigation *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
248. artillery ba____e *n.* a concentrated and continuous outpouring or overwhelming amount of something, such as bombs, questions, criticisms, or comments; a defensive barrier of artillery fire or gunfire
249. an ex_____ve personality *adj.* easily able or likely to shatter violently or burst apart; sudden and loud
250. exh_____on opening *n.* a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery
251. cat_____ze the cause of failure *v.* to put people or things into groups according to their features, types, etc.
252. pa_____id disorder *adj.* unreasonably or obsessively believing that other people do not like you or want to harm you
253. re___y in my mind *v.* play something, such as a recording, a piece of music, or a game again
254. an_____us letter *adj.* having no known name, identity, or known source
255. industry-sp_____ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
256. f_e calculation *n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service
257. pa__y face *n.* a type of baked pastry that typically consists of a filling of meat, vegetables, or other ingredients, enclosed in a pastry shell; (adjective) pale, lacking in color, or dull

ANSWERS: 247. visual, 248. barrage, 249. explosive, 250. exhibition, 251. categorize, 252. paranoid, 253. replay, 254. anonymous, 255. specific, 256. fee, 257. pastry

258. 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
259. he is kept under sur_____nce *n.* the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected
260. break dis_____ne *n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence
261. the biggest tree in ex_____ce *n.* the state or fact of someone or something existing
262. ad_____e a cooperative relationship *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

ANSWERS: 258. security, 259. surveillance, 260. discipline, 261. existence, 262. advance

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. His grandfather was an ____ man.
adj. strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
2. Detergent weakens the surface tension at the _____ of two liquids.
n. (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things
3. The ____ bears the weight of the overhead bridge.
n. a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building
4. Some seaweed was used as ____ medicine in ancient times.
n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
5. Her remarks _____ the debate.
v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
6. How did he _____ to your idea?
v. to take action in response to something
7. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
8. We would _____ an early reply.
v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

ANSWERS: 1. odd, 2. interface, 3. arch, 4. folk, 5. confused, 6. react, 7. threat, 8. appreciate

9. He parked his car in the private _____.
- n.* a building or part of a building used to store a vehicle or vehicles, typically a car
10. He was sick for five _____ days.
- adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
11. I will introduce some _____ on learning English in this class.
- n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
12. Some people refuse to take a _____ test because they believe it is unreliable.
- n.* a machine that measures physiological responses such as heart rate, respiration, and skin conductance, used especially as a lie detector in criminal investigations or other circumstances where truthfulness is questioned
13. 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
14. 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
15. I use environmentally friendly _____ when I wash my clothes and dishes.
- n.* a substance used for washing or cleaning, especially one that can remove dirt or stains effectively

ANSWERS: 9. garage, 10. straight, 11. tips, 12. polygraph, 13. security, 14. tweet, 15. detergent

16. Electronic _____ remain incomplete due to system errors.
n. an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
17. The rain and thunder are _____ today.
adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry
18. I ordered a plate of fresh _____ at the seafood restaurant.
n. a sea creature with two large claws and a flattened back (e.g., blue crab or king crab); a sour or grumpy person who is prone to complaining or criticizing
19. Please accept my _____ condolences on your friend's death.
adj. (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
20. New technology has rendered my old smartphone _____.
adj. no longer in use or helpful because something newer or better has been invented and introduced
21. He dashed down a _____ to a bathroom.
n. an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open
22. The scientist conducted a study that provided _____ details about the species' behavior.
adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
23. The engineer checked the log records' _____ to investigate the system's bug.
n. a record in printed or digital form that shows when a specific event happened, usually giving the date and time of day

ANSWERS: 16. transactions, 17. crazy, 18. crab, 19. sincere, 20. obsolete, 21. hallway, 22. specific, 23. timestamps

24. I miss my _____ and the familiar sights, sounds, and smells.
n. a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
25. This conduct would be an invasion of _____.
n. someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
26. She used the online _____ to find the perfect pair of earrings for her sister's birthday.
n. a complete list of items, often including technical details and prices
27. 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
28. Her negative comments about the project only _____ the team's efforts.
v. to reduce the value or worth of something
29. I need to clear out some of the _____ in my garage.
n. discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition
30. The country has designated our products as _____ import goods.
adj. limited in extent, number, scope, or action, especially by official rules, laws, etc.
31. He was an atheist and therefore did not believe in the _____ of heaven or hell.
n. the state or fact of someone or something existing

ANSWERS: 24. homeland, 25. privacy, 26. catalog, 27. creative, 28. devalued, 29. junk, 30. restricted, 31. existence

32. I need to do the _____ before I run out of clean clothes.
- n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
33. As the _____ director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.
- n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
34. The website's _____ is where all the data processing and storage happens.
- n.* the part of a system or technology that is not directly visible to the user but which handles data processing, storage, retrieval, and other behind-the-scenes tasks; the operational aspects of a company or project that are not visible to customers or end-users
35. My friend gave me an _____ collection of music CDs.
- adj.* consisting of a variety of different types or kinds; mixed, diverse, or varied in character, appearance, or function
36. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
- v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
37. The committee will _____ an investigation into the company's financial records.
- v.* to begin or start something; to teach the basics or fundamentals of something to somebody; to formally admit someone into a group or organization
38. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
- v.* to take part in something

ANSWERS: 32. laundry, 33. executive, 34. back-end, 35. assorted, 36. decide, 37. initiate, 38. participated

39. The beach was filled with hundreds of _____ so swimming was not recommended.
- n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
40. We are developing a new _____ for assessing marketing measures.
- n.* a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
41. She used a _____ of facts and figures to make her argument.
- n.* a concentrated and continuous outpouring or overwhelming amount of something, such as bombs, questions, criticisms, or comments; a defensive barrier of artillery fire or gunfire
42. That adventurer traveled in _____ of buried treasure.
- n.* a long or challenging search for something
43. This evidence will form the _____ for our discussion.
- n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
44. 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
45. Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of _____.
- n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
46. The government _____ regulated the country's food and drug safety standards.
- n.* an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action

ANSWERS: 39. jellyfish, 40. methodology, 41. barrage, 42. quest, 43. basis, 44. photograph, 45. smartphones, 46. agency

47. The company is planning to _____ its website.

- v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again

48. He made a frightful _____ in his room.

- n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy

49. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

- n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

50. Highlight the sentences that you want to _____.

- v.* to remove something, especially that has been written; to wipe out digitally or magnetically recorded information

51. 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

52. We _____ a cease-fire.

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

53. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

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

54. The athlete won three _____ championships in her sport.

- adj.* following in a sequence or order without interruption or break; occurring one after another

ANSWERS: 47. redesign, 48. mess, 49. individual, 50. delete, 51. refer, 52. concluded, 53. nation, 54. consecutive

55. The _____ must have an acidity level high enough to inhibit the growth of bacteria.
- n.* vegetables or fruit preserved in salty water or vinegar served cold with meat, salads, etc.; informal terms for a difficult situation
56. I pushed _____ with my new project, even though it would take much hard work.
- adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
57. He bought a new _____ to attach the strap to his watch.
- n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
58. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.
- adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
59. Scientific knowledge will _____ significantly with the power of AI.
- v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
60. The art museum is hosting an _____ of contemporary paintings next month.
- n.* a public event or display of works of art, scientific or industrial objects, or other items of interest, usually held in a museum or art gallery
61. The new policy had a _____ impact on small businesses.
- adj.* causing harm or damage

ANSWERS: 55. pickle, 56. forth, 57. stud, 58. eventually, 59. advance, 60. exhibition, 61. detrimental

62. Each country's officials can access the central _____.
- n.* a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily
63. The _____ government announced new regulations to protect the environment.
- adj.* relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level
64. There are many different varieties of _____ each with its unique taste and texture.
- n.* a spicy, fermented Korean side dish made of cabbage, radish, or other vegetables, often served as a condiment with rice or meat dishes
65. I've been thinking all day and getting _____.
- adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
66. The cowboys rode their horses through the dusty trails of the _____.
- n.* a large farm typically devoted to raising cattle or other livestock; a rural property of considerable size and often featuring a large house
67. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.
- v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
68. Anesthetize the gum before _____ the teeth.
- n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

ANSWERS: 62. database, 63. federal, 64. kimchi, 65. nowhere, 66. ranch, 67. evolved, 68. extracting

69. The _____ at the library contain a wealth of information about the city's history.

n. a collection of historical documents or records providing information about a place, institution, or group of people

70. This container stores an _____ substance.

adj. easily able or likely to shatter violently or burst apart; sudden and loud

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

adj. likely to happen or likely to be true

72. The biologist _____ the viruses into four groups.

v. to put people or things into groups according to their features, types, etc.

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

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

74. Political corruption was common throughout the postwar _____.

n. a period that is distinct from others, typically in history

75. Higher _____ requires additional equipment and energy.

n. the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature

76. The _____ used in this country is the Euro.

n. a system of money in general use in a particular country

ANSWERS: 69. archives, 70. explosive, 71. probable, 72. categorized, 73. pasty, 74. era, 75. purity, 76. currency

77. Jockey's superior _____ brought him victory.
n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
78. I received a _____ from the CEO outlining the new company policies.
n. a short written message or communication intended for internal use within an organization or company
79. The country's domestic coal consumption has been _____ declining for decades.
adv. without being interrupted or paused; repeatedly
80. The scandal received widespread media _____.
n. the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides
81. We always _____ all critical information independently.
v. to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct
82. The plant will continue operating through an _____ system 24 hours a day.
adj. carried out by machines or computers to replace or decrease human labor
83. The government announced a policy to control the rise in _____ prices.
n. a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
84. The bomb blast spread _____ among the people.
n. intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
85. The _____ process for the new job is taking longer than expected.
n. the process of confirming the accuracy or truth of something, usually through investigation or experimentation; the act of validating or authenticating something

ANSWERS: 77. technique, 78. memo, 79. continuously, 80. coverage, 81. verify, 82. automated, 83. commodity, 84. terror, 85. verification

86. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.
- n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
87. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
- adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
88. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.
- n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
89. The _____ of the coffee was rich and full-bodied.
- n.* the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth
90. After the airing of the TV commercial, many people accessed the website, and the _____ went down.
- n.* a computer program or a device from which other computers get information; a person who serves food in a restaurant
91. The _____ scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector
- n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
92. They _____ fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.
- v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
93. He pushed the button and _____ the video again.
- v.* play something, such as a recording, a piece of music, or a game again
94. We store customer data in cloud _____.
- n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

ANSWERS: 86. colleague, 87. industrious, 88. introduction, 89. flavor, 90. server, 91. fuel, 92. poked, 93. replayed, 94. storage

95. The dragon is considered a _____ of bravery.

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

96. The _____ size shirt fits him perfectly.

adj. of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

97. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.

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

98. They have been a _____ of this restaurant for many years.

n. a person who gives financial or other support to a person, organization, or activity; a loyal or regular customer of a particular shop, restaurant, etc.

99. The lawyer's ____ for the case was \$10,000.

n. a sum of money charged for a particular service

100. 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

101. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.

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

102. Many employers hire _____ trainees to train as managers.

n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

103. I am seeking a spacious _____ with a balcony and a parking spot.

n. a self-contained living unit within a larger building or complex, typically consisting of one or more rooms or an open space used for living, cooking, and sleeping

ANSWERS: 95. symbol, 96. medium, 97. independence, 98. patron, 99. fee, 100. literally, 101. flee, 102. graduate, 103. apartment

104. The novel contains a criticism of the _____ society.
- n.* the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected
105. He quickly learned the military _____.
- n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence
106. The Nile _____ is a rich and fertile region that has supported agriculture for thousands of years.
- n.* a triangular area of low and flat land that is formed when a river flows into a larger body of water and deposits sediment; an object shaped like an equilateral triangle
107. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.
- v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
108. Please don't _____ me while I'm trying to concentrate.
- v.* to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
109. The FBI _____ went undercover to infiltrate the criminal organization.
- n.* a person who represents and negotiates on behalf of someone else, such as a literary agent or talent agent; (of chemistry and medicine) a substance that brings about a chemical or physical effect; (of computer science) a piece of software that performs a task autonomously
110. A _____ person may have delusions that people want to harm.
- adj.* unreasonably or obsessively believing that other people do not like you or want to harm you

ANSWERS: 104. surveillance, 105. discipline, 106. Delta, 107. discuss, 108. bother, 109. agent, 110. paranoid

111. She received several _____ calls.

adj. having no known name, identity, or known source

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

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

113. 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

114. He has the ____ to keep talking about this topic.

n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

115. The company enhanced _____ operations to tap into new markets.

adj. situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries

116. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

117. The _____ diligently pursued his cases.

n. a person whose job it is to find out information about crimes and find out who did them

118. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.

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

ANSWERS: 111. anonymous, 112. rolled, 113. process, 114. wit, 115. oversea, 116. incredibly, 117. detective, 118. bunch

119. Our subscription plan is _____ renewed.

adv. without needing a direct human control

120. The club _____ does not have absolute power.

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

121. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.

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

122. _____ a society is an organism.

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

123. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

124. In terms of _____ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

n. the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

125. We had to reschedule the dentist's _____.

n. a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility

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

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

ANSWERS: 119. automatically, 120. president, 121. identity, 122. Essentially, 123. locate, 124. intelligence, 125. appointment, 126. statistics

127. The building makes a remarkable _____ impact.

adj. relating to seeing or sight

128. The lawyer tried to _____ his client's actions by presenting evidence of their difficult upbringing.

v. to provide a valid or reasonable explanation, reasoning, or evidence in support of a belief, action, or decision; to defend or vindicate something as right or valid

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

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

130. We _____ before the temperature fell below zero.

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

131. All the books in this section _____ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

ANSWERS: 127. visual, 128. justify, 129. operate, 130. departed, 131. belong