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Session 1: Word List

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym : unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

awkward

adj. making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

synonym : embarrassing, discomfiting, clumsy

(1) an **awkward** expression, (2) an **awkward** date

The **awkward** design of the interface made the operation difficult.

berate

v. to scold or criticize harshly, often in a loud or angry manner; to rebuke or chastise severely

synonym : rebuke, scold, criticize

(1) **berate** him for his mistakes, (2) **berate** a child

She would **berate** her husband for not taking out the trash every day.

idiot

n. a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient

synonym : dummy, imbecile, bubblehead

(1) **idiot** driver, (2) what an **idiot**

He acted like an **idiot** and spilled his drink all over the floor.

debate

n. a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

synonym: argument, discussion, dispute

(1) **debate** topic, (2) **debate** competition

The **debate** over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

conscience

n. a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior

synonym: morality, ethics, scruples

(1) inner **conscience**, (2) guilty **conscience**

He couldn't bear the thought of acting against his **conscience**, even if it meant losing the job.

moral

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

synonym: honest, ethical, conscientious

(1) **moral** hazard, (2) **moral** burden

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym: affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

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.

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.

disseminate

v. to spread or distribute widely, especially information or ideas; to scatter or disperse

synonym: spread, circulate, propagate

(1) **disseminate** propaganda, (2) **disseminate** knowledge

It is important to **disseminate** accurate information to the public to prevent false rumors from spreading.

uniquely

adv. in a way that is different from all others; in a way that is not shared by others

synonym: singularly, exclusively, distinctively

(1) play a **uniquely** important role, (2) **uniquely** different

The painting is **uniquely** painted with a combination of watercolors and oils.

collective

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

synonym: composite, concerted, cumulative

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

Product development is a **collective** effort.

unconscious

adj. in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness

synonym: comatose, paralyzed, senseless

(1) **unconscious** bias, (2) a person who is **unconscious**

I know his **unconscious** habit that he touches his face when he lies.

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.

evolution

n. a gradual process of transformation of living things

synonym: elaboration, expansion, transition

(1) human **evolution**, (2) **evolution** theory

They study the **evolution** of the universe.

biology

n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

(1) evolutionary **biology**, (2) cell and molecular **biology**

In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in **biology** class.

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.

kingdom

n. the country ruled by a king or queen

synonym: empire, realm, land

(1) establish his **kingdom**, (2) a subordinate **kingdom**

By remaining neutral, this **kingdom** continued to exist.

humming

adj. producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee

synonym: buzzing, droning, vibrating

(1) **humming** sound, (2) **humming** bird

The **humming** of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.

primal

adj. of or relating to the earliest stage of development; fundamental; primitive

synonym : original, fundamental, basic

(1) **primal** eras, (2) **primal** fear

The **primal** instincts of the animal kicked in when it was threatened.

instinct

n. an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

synonym : intuition, aptitude, feeling

(1) **instinct** for self-preservation, (2) aggressive **instinct**

When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial **instinct** was to flee.

hunger

n. a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition

synonym : appetite, craving, starvation

(1) **hunger** pangs, (2) chronic **hunger**

Many people in the world suffer from **hunger** and malnourishment every day.

urge

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

synonym : push for, advise, (noun) impulse

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

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

acquisitive

adj. seeking to acquire or possess things, especially material possessions, often in a greedy or excessive manner

synonym : greedy, rapacious, grasping

(1) an **acquisitive** nature, (2) an **acquisitive** mindset

The **acquisitive** businessman constantly sought out new opportunities for expanding his empire.

develop

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

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

temper

- n. a person's state of mind, emotions, or attitude; a tendency to become angry or excited easily; the elasticity and hardness of a metal object

synonym: mood, disposition, nature

(1) a hasty **temper**, (2) bridle my **temper**

The **temper** of the steel needs to be just right to ensure the product's durability.

tame

- v. to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training

synonym: domesticate, soften, (adjective) harmless

(1) **tame** a wild beast, (2) a **tame** animal

We have to **tame** substantial financial deficits at first.

awe

- n. a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired

synonym: wonder, amazement, reverence

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

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

pity

- n. a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain

synonym: sympathy, compassion, mercy

(1) allow self- **pity**, (2) **pity** speech

It is a **pity** that the concert had to be canceled due to the storm.

separate

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

synonym: disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

entertain

v. to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling

synonym: amuse, delight, engage

(1) **entertain** a guest, (2) let me **entertain** you with music

He refused to **entertain** our proposal.

ambition

n. a strong wish to do or achieve something

synonym: purpose, aim, endeavor

(1) an **ambition** for political power, (2) boundless **ambition**

Greed and **ambition** composed his personality.

discovery

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

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

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

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

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym: association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

conscious

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

synonym : aware, cognizant, deliberate

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

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

entertainment

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

synonym : amusement, recreation, enjoyment

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

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

cartoon

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

synonym : illustration, drawing, caricature

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

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

devil

n. a supernatural being typically represented in belief systems as an evil or mischievous spirit, often used metaphorically to describe a person or thing that is harmful, dangerous, or wicked

synonym : demon, fiend, satan

(1) **devil's** advocate, (2) **devil** horns

There are various ways to ward off the **devil**, including prayer and holy water.

angel

n. a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo

synonym : messenger, spirit, celestial being

(1) **angel** investors, (2) fallen **angel**

As she lay on her deathbed, a bright light appeared, and she saw a holy **angel** standing at the foot of her bed.

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.

function

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

synonym : purpose, mapping, job

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

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

tempting

adj. likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

synonym : alluring, attractive, inviting

(1) **tempting** offer, (2) sound very **tempting**

The chocolate cake was too **tempting** for me to resist.

reward

n. a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

synonym : compensation, gratuity, bonus

(1) the **reward** for good works, (2) shopping **rewards** cards

Night fishing has a lot of **rewards**.

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.

survey

n. an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

synonym : study, examination, poll

(1) a comprehensive **survey**, (2) recent **survey**

That **survey** shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.

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.

ambiguity

n. the quality of being open to more than one interpretation; the uncertainty of meaning

synonym : uncertainty, vagueness, obscurity

(1) free from **ambiguity**, (2) avoid **ambiguity** in writing

The **ambiguity** in the instructions made it difficult for her to complete the task.

outrage

n. an intense feeling of anger or indignation in response to something that is perceived as unfair, unjust, or offensive; a public display of anger or protest against such injustices

synonym : indignation, fury, anger

(1) public **outrage**, (2) **outrage** over injustice

There was widespread **outrage** over the government's handling of the situation.

universal

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

synonym : common, broad, worldwide

(1) **universal** life, (2) principles of **universal** design

The picture earned near- **universal** acclaim from critics.

factual

adj. relating to or consisting of facts; based on or pertaining to verifiable knowledge or information

synonym : accurate, true, exact

(1) **factual** evidence, (2) **factual** accuracy

It's important to present evidence-based and **factual** arguments.

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.

export

v. to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use

synonym : ship, send, transfer

(1) **export** goods, (2) **export** the data

The country **exports** a large amount of agricultural products.

relate

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

synonym : connect, link, associate

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

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

acknowledgment

n. the act of accepting or admitting something, or the fact of being accepted or admitted; recognition or acceptance of the existence or truth of something

synonym : recognition, acceptance, admission

(1) in thankful **acknowledgment**, (2) **acknowledgment** of obligation

The recipient signed the **acknowledgment** of receipt.

slide

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

synonym : glide, drift, drop

(1) **slide** a card across the table, (2) **slide** a glance

If necessary, you can **slide** the front seats forward.

inspiring

adj. stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
synonym : exhilarating, encouraging, heartening

(1) **inspiring** stories, (2) awe- **inspiring** sight

An **inspiring** teacher might spark students' motivation to succeed.

legendary

adj. famous or well-known, especially through long-standing popular stories or tradition

synonym : mythical, fabled, storied

(1) **legendary** actor, (2) achieve a **legendary** status

The **legendary** stories of King Arthur have been passed down for centuries.

rabbi

n. a Jewish religious leader or a Jewish scholar or teacher

synonym : clergyman, priest, teacher

(1) son of a **rabbi**, (2) the city's communal **rabbi**

The chief **rabbi** chanted a prayer.

jack

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

synonym : lever, crank, wrench

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

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

stern

adj. serious, unyielding, or strict in manner or attitude

synonym : severe, harsh, strict

(1) **stern** warning, (2) a **stern** look

The students' antics did not amuse the **stern** teacher.

communal

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

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

superstar

n. a very famous and successful performer or athlete
synonym: celebrity, icon, megastar

(1) **superstar** athlete, (2) jazz **superstar**

She is a **superstar** in the music industry.

inspiration

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

synonym: motivation, drive, encouragement

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

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

define

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

synonym: characterize, depict, express

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

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

uplift

n. the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits

synonym: upthrust, upheaval, (verb) raise

(1) **uplift** mountains, (2) **uplift** my spirit

The **uplift** in the stock market has been a relief to investors.

steady

adj. firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving

synonym: stable, solid, secure

(1) **steady** increase, (2) take a **steady** job

The patient's vital signs are **steady**, indicating a stable condition.

wane

v. to decrease in size, strength, or intensity

synonym: decrease, diminish, fade

(1) **wane** over time, (2) **wane** in popularity

The fragrance of this material **wanes** over weeks to months.

missile

n. a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism

synonym : projectile, rocket, bomb

(1) **missile** defense, (2) cruise **missile** attack

The military launched a ballistic **missile** at the enemy's stronghold.

crisis

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

synonym : concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management

The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

movement

n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

synonym : motion, progression, action

(1) a circular **movement**, (2) **movement** of troops

The **movement** of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

riot

n. a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals

synonym : disturbance, unrest, upheaval

(1) **riot** police, (2) **riot** control gas

The **riots** in the city have left many buildings damaged and several people injured.

plummet

v. to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply

synonym : drop, plunge, fall

(1) **plummeting** sales, (2) **plummet** against other major

currencies

The stock prices have **plummeted** in the last hour, causing concern for investors.

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.

recover

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

synonym: come back, convalesce, heal

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

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

challenger

n. a person or thing that challenges or competes with someone or something else; a contestant in a competition or challenge

synonym: contender, rival, contestant

(1) **challenger** brand, (2) political **challenger**

The **challenger** in the boxing match put up a good fight.

disaster

n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

synonym: catastrophe, calamity, tragedy

(1) global **disaster**, (2) **disaster** recovery

The **disaster** response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.

dominant

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

synonym: chief, predominant, prevailing

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

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

meme

n. a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online

synonym : buzzword, trend

(1) pronounce **meme**, (2) religious **meme**

This cute dog's photo spread around the world as an Internet **meme**.

chart

n. a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea

synonym : diagram, graph, map

(1) a weather **chart**, (2) a statistical **chart**

This pie **chart** represents our market share.

trend

n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing

synonym : direction, movement, tendency

(1) an international **trend**, (2) the **trend** away from television

The oil price continued their downward **trend**.

comfort

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

synonym : ease, solace, coziness

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

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

bubble

n. a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses

synonym : blob, balloon, mania

(1) **bubble** in the champagne glass, (2) economic **bubble**

Many people worry that the current real estate market is a

bubble that could burst soon.

commentary

n. an expression or explanation of opinions or observations on a particular subject, event, or situation; detailed analysis or explanation provided in writing or orally

synonym: analysis, critique, interpretation

(1) **commentary** piece, (2) political **commentary**

The sports **commentary** provided insightful analysis and observations throughout the game.

irreverence

n. a lack of respect or reverence; the act of treating something that is usually considered serious or sacred in a disrespectful or light-hearted manner

synonym: blasphemy, disrespect, sacrilege

(1) sense of **irreverence**, (2) **irreverence** for the past

The comedian's **irreverence** towards authority figures often brought him great popularity.

bonanza

n. a situation or event in which there is a sudden and profitable discovery or success, usually related to a significant amount of wealth, resources, or opportunities; a large deposit of valuable ore or precious minerals

synonym: windfall, godsend, treasure trove

(1) shopping **bonanza**, (2) financial **bonanza**

The recent oil discovery in the region has led to an economic **bonanza** for the local community.

domestic

adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

synonym: endemic, private, household

(1) **domestic** airline, (2) a **domestic** animal

GDP stands for gross **domestic** product.

spike

n. a narrow, thin, pointed piece of metal, wood, etc.; a sudden large increase in the magnitude or concentration of something

synonym: end, spindle, point

(1) to **spike**, (2) to prevent blood sugar **spikes**

The recent **spike** in grain prices is partly due to the war in the producing countries.

establishment

n. a business or organization, especially a well-established one; the act of starting or forming something that is meant to last for a long time

synonym: institution, organization, business

(1) run a large **establishment**, (2) **establishment** of a new government

The community celebrated the **establishment** of the new school.

irreverent

adj. lacking proper respect or seriousness, often in a lighthearted or humorous manner; not showing reverence or deference to established authority or tradition

synonym: disrespectful, impious, sacrilegious

(1) **irreverent** comment, (2) **irreverent** attitude

The comedian's **irreverent** jokes about religion offended some members of the audience.

hippie

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

synonym: bohemian, beatnik, free spirit

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

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

dramatically

adv. in a very impressive manner

synonym: greatly, noticeably, suddenly

(1) he confessed **dramatically**, (2) the cabin pressure fell **dramatically**

Life expectancy has grown **dramatically** this century.

bellwether

n. an influential or leading person or thing that serves as a guide or indicator of future trends or developments

synonym: leader, trendsetter, pacesetter

(1) political **bellwether**, (2) **bellwether** stock

The company's success in the market serves as a **bellwether** for the industry as a whole.

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.

breakout

n. an escape or sudden release from confinement, often used to describe a prison break or a spread of a disease

synonym: escape, eruption, jailbreak

(1) fire **breakout**, (2) stock market **breakout**

The prisoners staged a **breakout** and escaped from the prison.

broth

n. a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews

synonym: bouillon, consommé, soup

(1) chicken **broth**, (2) remains of **broth**

I always add a bit of **broth** to my soup to give it more flavor.

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**.

presidency

n. the office or term of the President of a country or organization

synonym: leadership, administration, governance

(1) **presidency** term, (2) **presidency** duties

Her candidacy for the **presidency** has been met with both support and criticism.

dam

n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

synonym: barricade, barrier, embankment

(1) **dam-building** program, (2) **dam** collapsing

The break in the **dam** threatened the valley.

Norman

adj. relating to or characteristic of the Normans, a people who originally came from Normandy, France, and who had a significant impact on the history and culture of Britain and other European countries; the term can also refer to a style of architecture or art that developed during the Norman period

synonym: medieval, antique, archaic

(1) **norman** cathedral, (2) **norman** invasion

The **Norman** architecture in the old city was a sight to behold.

studied

adj. deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned

synonym: thoughtful, deliberate, calculated

(1) **studied** analysis, (2) well- **studied** decision

His speech was carefully crafted and delivered with **studied** confidence.

rank

n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others

synonym: position, status, standing

(1) **rank** amateur, (2) high **rank**

He was promoted to the **rank** of captain in the military.

administer

v. to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

synonym: allocate, distribute, dispense

(1) **administer** justice, (2) **administer** the funds

After the accident, three governmental bodies **administer** the company.

generation

n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
synonym : cohort, age group, era

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

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

savvy

n. the condition of being aware of and able to deal with a situation effectively; (adjective) having knowledge and understanding of a particular subject or activity

synonym : know-how, expertise, skill

(1) a **savvy** investor, (2) tech- **savvy**

His business **savvy** was evident in the success of his company.

digital

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

synonym : numerical, computerized, cyber

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

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

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.

invention

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

synonym : creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

disrupt

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

causing a problem or disturbance

synonym: interrupt, disturb, break into

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

bunker

n. a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel

synonym: shelter, fortification, defense

(1) coal **bunker**, (2) **bunker** facility

The soldiers took cover in the dug-out **bunker** during the bombing.

shove

v. to push someone or something in a rough way

synonym: push, jab, elbow

(1) **shove** a person aside, (2) **shove** hamburger into my mouth

He forcibly **shoved** the flyer into my bag.

attribute

v. to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;

synonym: ascribe, blame, (noun) feature

(1) **attribute** the change to their marriage, (2) **attribute** directly to sales

He **attributes** the disappointing results to the economic downturn.

fantasy

n. a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen

synonym: fiction, illusion, fabrication

(1) **fantasy** novel, (2) confuse **fantasy** with reality

Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a **fantasy**.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym: fictional, ideal, fantastical

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

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

realm

n. a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

synonym: domain, empire, kingdom

(1) public **realm**, (2) beyond the **realm** of possibility

Her passions are in the **realm** of real-world political affairs.

dot

n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed

synonym: drop, dab, fleck

(1) connecting the **dots**, (2) **dot** blot method

The wallpaper had a pattern of pink **dots** on a white surface.

unemployed

adj. not having a job, although able to work

synonym: idle, inactive, jobless

(1) assignment for the **unemployed** youth, (2) people who are **unemployed**

My father was **unemployed** for so long.

bureau

n. an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information

synonym: agency, department, office

(1) **bureau** of statistics, (2) travel **bureau**

I went to the **bureau** of motor vehicles to renew my driver's license.

labor

n. productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

synonym: toil, toil, donkeywork

(1) seasonal **labor**, (2) manual **labor**

In several countries, child **labor** is a serious social problem.

bionic

adj. relating to or using technology or devices that enhance or replace biological functions, typically in a way that mimics or improves upon the original

(1) **bionic** exoskeleton, (2) **bionic** technology

The soldier was fitted with a **bionic** arm after losing him in combat.

rocket

n. a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon

synonym : projectile, missile

(1) **rocket** attack against the enemy, (2) **rocket** fuel

The **rocket** launch platform is visible from this hill.

glamorous

adj. highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people

synonym : alluring, bewitching, enchanting

(1) **glamorous** movie stars, (2) cast **glamorous** eyes

The south coast is less **glamorous** yet has many clean and appealing hotels.

psyche

n. the human soul, mind, or spirit

synonym : mind, soul, spirit

(1) deep **psyche**, (2) **psyche** healing

The therapist helped her understand the workings of her **psyche** and how to cope with her anxiety.

decline

v. to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

synonym : descend, drop, deny

(1) **decline** a job offer, (2) **decline** in quality

As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually **declines**.

sitcom

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

synonym : comedy, TV show

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

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

spot

n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

synonym : dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

humor

n. the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body

synonym : comedy, funniness, liquid substance

(1) sardonic **humor**, (2) vitreous **humor**

My wife seems to be in ill **humor**.

succumb

v. to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury

synonym : surrender, break down, die

(1) **succumb** to cancer, (2) **succumb** to old age

He finally **succumbed** to temptation.

judgment

n. the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

synonym : conclusion, decision, determination

(1) an emotional **judgment**, (2) deliver a **judgment**

Her **judgments** are consistently rational and sensible.

elect

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

synonym : select, choose, prefer

(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death

Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.

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.

supreme

adj. highest in rank, level, or importance

synonym: foremost, highest, greatest

(1) the **supreme** commander, (2) justice of the **supreme** court

The **supreme** pleasure of life is the conviction that we are loved.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym: specialized, technical

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

Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

anthrax

n. a serious bacterial infection caused by *Bacillus anthracis* that can affect both humans and animals; it is characterized by a range of symptoms, including skin blisters, fever, and difficulty breathing, and can be fatal if left untreated

synonym: fever, splenic fever, wool sorters' disease

(1) **anthrax** infection, (2) **anthrax** vaccine

Scientists are currently researching new treatments for **anthrax** that could improve survival rates in infected individuals

lexicon

n. all the words and phrases of a particular language or branch of knowledge, such as nautical or medical

synonym: glossary, dictionary, vocabulary

(1) Greek-English **lexicon**, (2) **lexicon** of business phrases

This bilingual **lexicon** was essential for his language improvement.

revenge

n. the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution

synonym: retaliation, retribution, vengeance

(1) plot **revenge**, (2) **revenge** killing

He seeks **revenge** against the person who wronged him.

nostalgia

n. a sentimental longing or wistful affection for a period in the past

synonym: longing, wistfulness, yearning

(1) a warm **nostalgia**, (2) **nostalgia** trip

The ice cream truck's sound brought back **nostalgia** for my childhood.

idol

n. an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered

synonym: icon, hero, legend

(1) **idol** worship, (2) **idol** singer

He was an **idol** to his fans, who looked up to him as a role model.

fir

n. a type of tall evergreen tree that is native to the northern hemisphere, with needle-like leaves and cones that stand upright on the branches

synonym: pine, spruce, cedar

(1) **fir** branch, (2) **fir** forest

The smell of fresh **fir** trees filled the air at the Christmas tree farm.

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.

remains

n. the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or

biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal
synonym : leftovers, debris, relic

(1) **remains** of a building, (2) human **remains**

The **remains** of the ancient civilization can still be seen in the city's ruins.

definitive

adj. serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation;
final and not able to be changed

synonym : conclusive, final, decisive

(1) **definitive** answer, (2) a **definitive** edition

The study provided **definitive** proof of the effectiveness of the new drug.

beaver

n. a large, semiaquatic rodent with a wide, flat tail and webbed feet, noted for its ability to build dams and lodges

synonym : rodent

(1) **beaver** dam, (2) an eager **beaver**

The mountain **beaver** built a dam to block the stream.

epitome

n. a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type

synonym : embodiment, apotheosis

(1) an **epitome** of history, (2) world's **epitome**

He was the **epitome** of courage, always standing up for his beliefs.

tackle

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation

synonym : deal with, dive into, work on

(1) **tackle** the issue, (2) help **tackle** climate change

The government is determined to **tackle** sharp inflation.

abortion

n. the intentional termination of a pregnancy at an early stage

synonym : miscarriage

(1) **abortion** doctor, (2) the highly charged issue of

abortion

We strongly oppose the **abortion** ban.

divorce

n. the legal dissolution of a marriage

synonym: separation, dissolution, breakup

(1) **divorce** settlement, (2) a consensual **divorce**

The couple decided to get a **divorce** after many years of marriage.

menopause

n. the natural cessation of menstruation and fertility in women, typically occurring between the ages of 45 and 55

synonym: climacteric, midlife transition

(1) **menopause** symptoms, (2) before **menopause**

The onset of **menopause** can bring about various physical and emotional changes in women.

cougar

n. a large predatory feline animal, also known as a mountain lion or puma, which is native to the Americas; an older woman who pursues sexual or romantic relationships with much younger men

synonym: puma, catamount, panther

(1) **cougar** lift, (2) the **cougar's** ex-husband

We saw a large **cougar** as we hiked through the mountains.

vice

n. wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person

synonym: corruption, depravity, evil

(1) virtue and **vice**, (2) **vice-chair** of the committee

Cats hate dogs and **vice** versa.

par

n. a state of being equal to someone or something

synonym: equality, standard, balance

(1) above **par** performance, (2) not up to **par**

Shares in the company finally fell below their **par** value.

- 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**.
- absolutely** *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
synonym: completely, utterly, definitely
(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl
I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.
- longevity** *n.* the property of being long-lived; significant duration of service
synonym: seniority, endurance
(1) **longevity** crisis, (2) **longevity** genes
He is proud of the **longevity** of the business.

Session 2: Spelling

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|-------------------------|---|
| 1. a warm no_____ia | <i>n.</i> a sentimental longing or wistful affection for a period in the past |
| 2. hi___e lifestyle | <i>n.</i> a person who follows a counterculture movement that originated in the United States during the 1960s, characterized by the advocacy of nonviolence, communal living, and a rejection of traditional American values |
| 3. def_____ve answer | <i>adj.</i> serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed |
| 4. p__y speech | <i>n.</i> a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain |
| 5. col_____ve ownership | <i>adj.</i> done or shared by every member of a group of people |
| 6. plot re_____e | <i>n.</i> the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution |
| 7. unc_____us bias | <i>adj.</i> in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness |
| 8. w__e in popularity | <i>v.</i> to decrease in size, strength, or intensity |
| 9. awe-in_____ng sight | <i>adj.</i> stimulating and motivating you to want to do something |

ANSWERS: 1. nostalgia, 2. hippie, 3. definitive, 4. pity, 5. collective, 6. revenge, 7. unconscious, 8. wane, 9. inspiring

10. play a un_____ly important role *adv.* in a way that is different from all others; in a way that is not shared by others
11. right to col_____ve bargaining *adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people
12. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
13. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
14. pr_____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
15. in_____ct for self-preservation *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
16. ex_____t the data *v.* to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use
17. un_____al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
18. in a_e of the situation *n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
19. at_____te directly to sales *v.* to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;
20. i__l worship *n.* an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered

ANSWERS: 10. uniquely, 11. collective, 12. relation, 13. invention, 14. probable, 15. instinct, 16. export, 17. universal, 18. awe, 19. attribute, 20. idol

21. virtue and v__e *n.* wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person
22. remains of br__h *n.* a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews
23. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
24. hi___e music *n.* a person who follows a counterculture movement that originated in the United States during the 1960s, characterized by the advocacy of nonviolence, communal living, and a rejection of traditional American values
25. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
26. a line-in j__k *n.* a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects
27. aggressive in_____ct *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
28. an international tr__d *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
29. an aw_____d date *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

ANSWERS: 21. vice, 22. broth, 23. individual, 24. hippie, 25. relate, 26. jack, 27. instinct, 28. trend, 29. awkward

30. bi___c exoskeleton *adj.* relating to or using technology or devices that enhance or replace biological functions, typically in a way that mimics or improves upon the original
31. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
32. 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
33. beyond the re__m of possibility *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
34. political cha_____er *n.* a person or thing that challenges or competes with someone or something else; a contestant in a competition or challenge
35. sardonic hu__r *n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
36. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
37. a person who is unc_____us *adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness
38. religious m__e *n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online

ANSWERS: 30. bionic, 31. individual, 32. decide, 33. realm, 34. challenger, 35. humor, 36. movement, 37. unconscious, 38. meme

39. est_____ent of a new government
40. a comprehensive su____y
41. fu_____on properly
42. establish his ki_____m
43. an__l investors
44. f_r branch
45. political bel_____er
46. to prevent blood sugar sp__es
- n.* a business or organization, especially a well-established one; the act of starting or forming something that is meant to last for a long time
- n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
- n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
- n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
- n.* a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo
- n.* a type of tall evergreen tree that is native to the northern hemisphere, with needle-like leaves and cones that stand upright on the branches
- n.* an influential or leading person or thing that serves as a guide or indicator of future trends or developments
- n.* a narrow, thin, pointed piece of metal, wood, etc.; a sudden large increase in the magnitude or concentration of something

ANSWERS: 39. establishment, 40. survey, 41. function, 42. kingdom, 43. angel, 44. fir, 45. bellwether, 46. spike

47. bu___u of statistics *n.* an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information
48. financial cr___s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
49. 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
50. su_____b to cancer *v.* to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury
51. ab_____on doctor *n.* the intentional termination of a pregnancy at an early stage
52. mi_____e defense *n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism
53. be___e a child *v.* to scold or criticize harshly, often in a loud or angry manner; to rebuke or chastise severely
54. financial bo_____a *n.* a situation or event in which there is a sudden and profitable discovery or success, usually related to a significant amount of wealth, resources, or opportunities; a large deposit of valuable ore or precious minerals

ANSWERS: 47. bureau, 48. crisis, 49. basis, 50. succumb, 51. abortion, 52. missile, 53. berate, 54. bonanza

55. ev_____on theory *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
56. human re_____s *n.* the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal
57. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
58. su_____b to old age *v.* to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury
59. di_____er recovery *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
60. above p_r performance *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
61. human ev_____on *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
62. le_____ry actor *adj.* famous or well-known, especially through long-standing popular stories or tradition
63. a subordinate ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
64. a consensual di_____e *n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage

ANSWERS: 55. evolution, 56. remains, 57. develop, 58. succumb, 59. disaster, 60. par, 61. evolution, 62. legendary, 63. kingdom, 64. divorce

65. irr_____ce for the past *n.* a lack of respect or reverence; the act of treating something that is usually considered serious or sacred in a disrespectful or light-hearted manner
66. fa_____l accuracy *adj.* relating to or consisting of facts; based on or pertaining to verifiable knowledge or information
67. translate li_____ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
68. sh__e a person aside *v.* to push someone or something in a rough way
69. di_____l electronic signature *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
70. no_____ia trip *n.* a sentimental longing or wistful affection for a period in the past
71. no_____e else to go *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
72. a do_____ic animal *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
73. el__t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
74. cast gl_____us eyes *adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
75. be___e him for his mistakes *v.* to scold or criticize harshly, often in a loud or angry manner; to rebuke or chastise severely

ANSWERS: 65. irreverence, 66. factual, 67. literally, 68. shove, 69. digital, 70. nostalgia, 71. nowhere, 72. domestic, 73. elect, 74. glamorous, 75. berate

76. hu____g bird *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
77. ta___e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
78. chicken br__h *n.* a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews
79. co_____us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
80. popular si___m *n.* a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations, typically presented in a half-hour format
81. be___r dam *n.* a large, semiaquatic rodent with a wide, flat tail and webbed feet, noted for its ability to build dams and lodges
82. up___t mountains *n.* the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits
83. mo__l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
84. an aw_____d expression *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
85. an_____x infection *n.* a serious bacterial infection caused by *Bacillus anthracis* that can affect both humans and animals; it is characterized by a range of symptoms, including skin blisters, fever, and difficulty breathing, and can be fatal if left untreated

ANSWERS: 76. humming, 77. tackle, 78. broth, 79. conscious, 80. sitcom, 81. beaver, 82. uplift, 83. moral, 84. awkward, 85. anthrax

86. sound very te____ng *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
87. se____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
88. the qu__t for truth *n.* a long or challenging search for something
89. el__t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
90. allow self-p__y *n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
91. cha_____er brand *n.* a person or thing that challenges or competes with someone or something else; a contestant in a competition or challenge
92. me_____se symptoms *n.* the natural cessation of menstruation and fertility in women, typically occurring between the ages of 45 and 55
93. r__t police *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
94. tec_____cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
95. st__y increase *adj.* firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving

ANSWERS: 86. tempting, 87. separate, 88. quest, 89. elect, 90. pity, 91. challenger, 92. menopause, 93. riot, 94. technological, 95. steady

96. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
97. he confessed dra_____lly *adv.* in a very impressive manner
98. pr_____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
99. ps___e healing *n.* the human soul, mind, or spirit
100. r__k amateur *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
101. up___t my spirit *n.* the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits
102. political com_____ry *n.* an expression or explanation of opinions or observations on a particular subject, event, or situation; detailed analysis or explanation provided in writing or orally
103. cell and molecular bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
104. the co___r's ex-husband *n.* a large predatory feline animal, also known as a mountain lion or puma, which is native to the Americas; an older woman who pursues sexual or romantic relationships with much younger men
105. seasonal la__r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

ANSWERS: 96. relation, 97. dramatically, 98. probable, 99. psyche, 100. rank, 101. uplift, 102. commentary, 103. biology, 104. cougar, 105. labor

106. deep ps___e	<i>n.</i> the human soul, mind, or spirit
107. a sexual u___e	<i>v.</i> to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
108. public re___m	<i>n.</i> a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
109. a j___k of all trades	<i>n.</i> a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects
110. di_____t a well-ordered condition	<i>v.</i> to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
111. de_____e a job offer	<i>v.</i> to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
112. in thankful ack_____ent	<i>n.</i> the act of accepting or admitting something, or the fact of being accepted or admitted; recognition or acceptance of the existence or truth of something
113. ro___t fuel	<i>n.</i> a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
114. gen_____on gap	<i>n.</i> all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
115. tec_____cal advancement	<i>adj.</i> based on scientific and industrial progress
116. son of a ra___i	<i>n.</i> a Jewish religious leader or a Jewish scholar or teacher

ANSWERS: 106. psyche, 107. urge, 108. realm, 109. jack, 110. disrupt, 111. decline, 112. acknowledgment, 113. rocket, 114. generation, 115. technological, 116. rabbi

117. boundless am_____on *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
118. ack_____ent of obligation *n.* the act of accepting or admitting something, or the fact of being accepted or admitted; recognition or acceptance of the existence or truth of something
119. pre_____cy term *n.* the office or term of the President of a country or organization
120. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
121. achieve a do_____nt share *adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type
122. an_____x vaccine *n.* a serious bacterial infection caused by *Bacillus anthracis* that can affect both humans and animals; it is characterized by a range of symptoms, including skin blisters, fever, and difficulty breathing, and can be fatal if left untreated
123. de___l horns *n.* a supernatural being typically represented in belief systems as an evil or mischievous spirit, often used metaphorically to describe a person or thing that is harmful, dangerous, or wicked
124. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

ANSWERS: 117. ambition, 118. acknowledgment, 119. presidency, 120. debate, 121. dominant, 122. anthrax, 123. devil, 124. debate

125. mo__l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
126. dis_____te knowledge *v.* to spread or distribute widely, especially information or ideas; to scatter or disperse
127. on a qu__t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something
128. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
129. di_____e settlement *n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage
130. a statistical ch__t *n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea
131. the su_____e commander *adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance
132. t__e a wild beast *v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training
133. di_____t sleep *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
134. si___m series *n.* a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations, typically presented in a half-hour format

ANSWERS: 125. moral, 126. disseminate, 127. quest, 128. nation, 129. divorce, 130. chart, 131. supreme, 132. tame, 133. disrupt, 134. sitcom

135. come out of no____e *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
136. stock market br____ut *n.* an escape or sudden release from confinement, often used to describe a prison break or a spread of a disease
137. bridle my te____r *n.* a person's state of mind, emotions, or attitude; a tendency to become angry or excited easily; the elasticity and hardness of a metal object
138. the cabin pressure fell dra_____lly *adv.* in a very impressive manner
139. do____ic airline *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
140. a sa__y investor *n.* the condition of being aware of and able to deal with a situation effectively; (adjective) having knowledge and understanding of a particular subject or activity
141. economic bu____e *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
142. bel_____er stock *n.* an influential or leading person or thing that serves as a guide or indicator of future trends or developments
143. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
144. recent su____y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

ANSWERS: 135. nowhere, 136. breakout, 137. temper, 138. dramatically, 139. domestic, 140. savvy, 141. bubble, 142. bellwether, 143. statistics, 144. survey

145. id__t driver *n.* a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient
146. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
147. w__e over time *v.* to decrease in size, strength, or intensity
148. lo_____ty crisis *n.* the property of being long-lived; significant duration of service
149. manual la__r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
150. hu___r pangs *n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition
151. coal bu___r *n.* a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel
152. sense of irr_____ce *n.* a lack of respect or reverence; the act of treating something that is usually considered serious or sacred in a disrespectful or light-hearted manner

ANSWERS: 145. idiot, 146. movement, 147. wane, 148. longevity, 149. labor, 150. hunger, 151. bunker, 152. irreverence

153. well-st____d decision *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
154. take a st____y job *adj.* firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving
155. fa____l evidence *adj.* relating to or consisting of facts; based on or pertaining to verifiable knowledge or information
156. avoid am____ty in writing *n.* the quality of being open to more than one interpretation; the uncertainty of meaning
157. ca____n character *n.* a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption
158. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
159. no____n invasion *adj.* relating to or characteristic of the Normans, a people who originally came from Normandy, France, and who had a significant impact on the history and culture of Britain and other European countries; the term can also refer to a style of architecture or art that developed during the Norman period
160. re____r a loss *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
161. at____te the change to their marriage *v.* to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;

ANSWERS: 153. studied, 154. steady, 155. factual, 156. ambiguity, 157. cartoon, 158. nation, 159. Norman, 160. recover, 161. attribute

162. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
163. source of ins_____on *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
164. bi____c technology *adj.* relating to or using technology or devices that enhance or replace biological functions, typically in a way that mimics or improves upon the original
165. a def_____ve edition *adj.* serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed
166. inner con_____ce *n.* a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior
167. the highly charged issue of ab_____on *n.* the intentional termination of a pregnancy at an early stage
168. dis_____te propaganda *v.* to spread or distribute widely, especially information or ideas; to scatter or disperse
169. fa_____y novel *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
170. pre_____cy duties *n.* the office or term of the President of a country or organization

ANSWERS: 162. statistics, 163. inspiration, 164. bionic, 165. definitive, 166. conscience, 167. abortion, 168. disseminate, 169. fantasy, 170. presidency

171. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
172. 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
173. an emotional ju_____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
174. evolutionary bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
175. an eager be____r *n.* a large, semiaquatic rodent with a wide, flat tail and webbed feet, noted for its ability to build dams and lodges
176. free from am_____ty *n.* the quality of being open to more than one interpretation; the uncertainty of meaning
177. immune fu_____on *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
178. gl_____us movie stars *adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
179. help ta___e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
180. do_____nt force *adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

ANSWERS: 171. slide, 172. literally, 173. judgment, 174. biology, 175. beaver, 176. ambiguity, 177. function, 178. glamorous, 179. tackle, 180. dominant

191. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
192. tech-sa__y *n.* the condition of being aware of and able to deal with a situation effectively; (adjective) having knowledge and understanding of a particular subject or activity
193. a feeling of a_e *n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
194. people who are une____ed *adj.* not having a job, although able to work
195. f__k art *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
196. hour of ent_____ent *n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people
197. high 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
198. r__t control gas *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
199. 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

ANSWERS: 191. decide, 192. savvy, 193. awe, 194. unemployed, 195. folk, 196. entertainment, 197. purity, 198. riot, 199. basis

200. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
201. words of co_____t *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
202. a di_____l watch *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
203. i__l singer *n.* an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered
204. un_____ly different *adv.* in a way that is different from all others; in a way that is not shared by others
205. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
206. world's ep_____e *n.* a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type
207. shopping bo_____a *n.* a situation or event in which there is a sudden and profitable discovery or success, usually related to a significant amount of wealth, resources, or opportunities; a large deposit of valuable ore or precious minerals
208. public ou_____e *n.* an intense feeling of anger or indignation in response to something that is perceived as unfair, unjust, or offensive; a public display of anger or protest against such injustices

ANSWERS: 200. imaginary, 201. comfort, 202. digital, 203. idol, 204. uniquely, 205. discovery, 206. epitome, 207. bonanza, 208. outrage

209. te_____ng offer *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
210. le_____n of business phrases *n.* all the words and phrases of a particular language or branch of knowledge, such as nautical or medical
211. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
212. 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
213. com_____ry piece *n.* an expression or explanation of opinions or observations on a particular subject, event, or situation; detailed analysis or explanation provided in writing or orally
214. the e_a of the Renaissance *n.* a period that is distinct from others, typically in history
215. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
216. d_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

ANSWERS: 209. tempting, 210. lexicon, 211. develop, 212. purity, 213. commentary, 214. era, 215. discovery, 216. dam

217. co_____t level *n.* a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
218. jazz su_____ar *n.* a very famous and successful performer or athlete
219. lo_____ty genes *n.* the property of being long-lived; significant duration of service
220. an am_____on for political power *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
221. fallen an___l *n.* a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo
222. 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.
223. what an id___t *n.* a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient
224. the tr___d away from television *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
225. re_____s of a building *n.* the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal
226. a st___n look *adj.* serious, unyielding, or strict in manner or attitude
227. re___e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

ANSWERS: 217. comfort, 218. superstar, 219. longevity, 220. ambition, 221. angel, 222. president, 223. idiot, 224. trend, 225. remains, 226. stern, 227. relate

228. assignment for the une_____ed youth *adj.* not having a job, although able to work
229. 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.
230. the city's communal ra__i *n.* a Jewish religious leader or a Jewish scholar or teacher
231. pl_____t against other major currencies *v.* to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
232. shopping re____ds cards *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
233. de__l's advocate *n.* a supernatural being typically represented in belief systems as an evil or mischievous spirit, often used metaphorically to describe a person or thing that is harmful, dangerous, or wicked
234. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
235. ca_____n industry *n.* a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption
236. ro____t attack against the enemy *n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very first by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
237. de____e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

ANSWERS: 228. unemployed, 229. president, 230. rabbi, 231. plummet, 232. reward, 233. devil, 234. industrious, 235. cartoon, 236. rocket, 237. define

238. irr_____nt attitude *adj.* lacking proper respect or seriousness, often in a lighthearted or humorous manner; not showing reverence or deference to established authority or tradition
239. deliver a ju_____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
240. global di_____er *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
241. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
242. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
243. travel bu____u *n.* an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information
244. re_____r approval ratings *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
245. high r__k *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
246. let me en_____in you with music *v.* to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling
247. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
248. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

ANSWERS: 238. irreverent, 239. judgment, 240. disaster, 241. absolutely, 242. emotional, 243. bureau, 244. recover, 245. rank, 246. entertain, 247. slide, 248. folk

249. se____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
250. a s__t on his honor *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
251. d_t blot method *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
252. achieve a le____ry status *adj.* famous or well-known, especially through long-standing popular stories or tradition
253. adm____er justice *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
254. an acq____ve nature *adj.* seeking to acquire or possess things, especially material possessions, often in a greedy or excessive manner
255. common in____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
256. a hasty te____r *n.* a person's state of mind, emotions, or attitude; a tendency to become angry or excited easily; the elasticity and hardness of a metal object
257. hu____g sound *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
258. get ins____on from nature *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
259. abs____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

ANSWERS: 249. separate, 250. spot, 251. dot, 252. legendary, 253. administer, 254. acquisitive, 255. invention, 256. temper, 257. humming, 258. inspiration, 259. absolutely

260. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
261. run a large est_____ent *n.* a business or organization, especially a well-established one; the act of starting or forming something that is meant to last for a long time
262. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
263. a weather ch__t *n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea
264. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
265. ex__t goods *v.* to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use
266. connecting the d_ts *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
267. irr_____nt comment *adj.* lacking proper respect or seriousness, often in a lighthearted or humorous manner; not showing reverence or deference to established authority or tradition
268. the re___d for good works *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
269. re_____e killing *n.* the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution

ANSWERS: 260. communal, 261. establishment, 262. communal, 263. chart, 264. incredible, 265. export, 266. dot, 267. irreverent, 268. reward, 269. revenge

270. confuse fa____y with reality *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
271. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
272. before me_____se *n.* the natural cessation of menstruation and fertility in women, typically occurring between the ages of 45 and 55
273. v__e-chair of the committee *n.* wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person
274. de_____e in quality *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
275. beauty s__t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
276. no___n cathedral *adj.* relating to or characteristic of the Normans, a people who originally came from Normandy, France, and who had a significant impact on the history and culture of Britain and other European countries; the term can also refer to a style of architecture or art that developed during the Norman period
277. st__n warning *adj.* serious, unyielding, or strict in manner or attitude

ANSWERS: 270. fantasy, 271. emotional, 272. menopause, 273. vice, 274. decline, 275. spot, 276. Norman, 277. stern

278. pr___l fear *adj.* of or relating to the earliest stage of development; fundamental; primitive
279. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
280. in_____ng stories *adj.* stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
281. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
282. the gen_____on of electricity *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
283. su_____ar athlete *n.* a very famous and successful performer or athlete
284. Greek-English le_____n *n.* all the words and phrases of a particular language or branch of knowledge, such as nautical or medical
285. bu___e in the champagne glass *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
286. sh__e hamburger into my mouth *v.* to push someone or something in a rough way
287. a t__e animal *v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training
288. guilty con_____ce *n.* a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior

ANSWERS: 278. primal, 279. incredible, 280. inspiring, 281. imaginary, 282. generation, 283. superstar, 284. lexicon, 285. bubble, 286. shove, 287. tame, 288. conscience

289. chronic hu___r *n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition
290. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
291. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
292. ou_____e over injustice *n.* an intense feeling of anger or indignation in response to something that is perceived as unfair, unjust, or offensive; a public display of anger or protest against such injustices
293. u__e a total ban *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
294. co___r lift *n.* a large predatory feline animal, also known as a mountain lion or puma, which is native to the Americas; an older woman who pursues sexual or romantic relationships with much younger men
295. cr___s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
296. cruise mi_____e attack *n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism

ANSWERS: 289. hunger, 290. industrious, 291. define, 292. outrage, 293. urge, 294. cougar, 295. crisis, 296. missile

297. principles of un_____al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
298. adm_____er the funds *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
299. justice of the su_____e court *adj.* highest in rank, level, or importance
300. d_m-building program *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
301. pronounce m__e *n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online
302. pl_____ting sales *v.* to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
303. an ep_____e of history *n.* a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type
304. en_____in a guest *v.* to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling
305. pr___l eras *adj.* of or relating to the earliest stage of development; fundamental; primitive
306. an acq_____ve mindset *adj.* seeking to acquire or possess things, especially material possessions, often in a greedy or excessive manner

ANSWERS: 297. universal, 298. administer, 299. supreme, 300. dam, 301. meme, 302. plummet, 303. epitome, 304. entertain, 305. primal, 306. acquisitive

307. co_____us of having succeeded

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

308. vitreous hu__r

n. the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body

ANSWERS: 307. conscious, 308. humor

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The recipient signed the _____ of receipt.
 - n.* the act of accepting or admitting something, or the fact of being accepted or admitted; recognition or acceptance of the existence or truth of something
2. The fashion of the _____ movement included unconventional clothing such as tie-dye shirts and bell-bottom jeans.
 - n.* a person who follows a counterculture movement that originated in the United States during the 1960s, characterized by the advocacy of nonviolence, communal living, and a rejection of traditional American values
3. The prisoners staged a _____ and escaped from the prison.
 - n.* an escape or sudden release from confinement, often used to describe a prison break or a spread of a disease
4. He spent his afternoon watching _____ movies on TV.
 - n.* a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption
5. The hotel is famous for its _____ including the casino.
 - n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people
6. I'm so sorry to _____ you when you're pretty busy.
 - v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
7. The comedian's _____ towards authority figures often brought him great popularity.
 - n.* a lack of respect or reverence; the act of treating something that is usually considered serious or sacred in a disrespectful or light-hearted manner

ANSWERS: 1. acknowledgment, 2. hippie, 3. breakout, 4. cartoon, 5. entertainment, 6. disrupt, 7. irreverence

8. Many people worry that the current real estate market is a _____ that could burst soon.
- n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
9. He seeks _____ against the person who wronged him.
- n.* the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution
10. The chief _____ chanted a prayer.
- n.* a Jewish religious leader or a Jewish scholar or teacher
11. That _____ shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.
- n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
12. I always add a bit of _____ to my soup to give it more flavor.
- n.* a liquid in which meat, fish, or vegetables have been cooked, used as a base for soups and stews
13. After the accident, three governmental bodies _____ the company.
- v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
14. The fragrance of this material _____ over weeks to months.
- v.* to decrease in size, strength, or intensity
15. He couldn't bear the thought of acting against his _____ even if it meant losing the job.
- n.* a person's inner sense of what is right or wrong in their conduct or motives, viewed as a guide to their behavior

ANSWERS: 8. bubble, 9. revenge, 10. rabbi, 11. survey, 12. broth, 13. administer, 14. wanes, 15. conscience,

16. Her _____ are consistently rational and sensible.
n. the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
17. I know his _____ habit that he touches his face when he lies.
adj. in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness
18. Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a _____.
n. a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
19. The recent oil discovery in the region has led to an economic _____ for the local community.
n. a situation or event in which there is a sudden and profitable discovery or success, usually related to a significant amount of wealth, resources, or opportunities; a large deposit of valuable ore or precious minerals
20. Some seaweed was used as _____ medicine in ancient times.
n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
21. We have to _____ substantial financial deficits at first.
v. to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training
22. The smell of fresh _____ trees filled the air at the Christmas tree farm.
n. a type of tall evergreen tree that is native to the northern hemisphere, with needle-like leaves and cones that stand upright on the branches
23. The ice cream truck's sound brought back _____ for my childhood.
n. a sentimental longing or wistful affection for a period in the past

ANSWERS: 16. judgments, 17. unconscious, 18. fantasy, 19. bonanza, 20. folk, 21. tame, 22. fir, 23. nostalgia

24. The wallpaper had a pattern of pink _____ on a white surface.
n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
25. The soldier was fitted with a _____ arm after losing him in combat.
adj. relating to or using technology or devices that enhance or replace biological functions, typically in a way that mimics or improves upon the original
26. It's important to present evidence-based and _____ arguments.
adj. relating to or consisting of facts; based on or pertaining to verifiable knowledge or information
27. Cats hate dogs and _____ versa.
n. wrongdoing or wicked behavior; (in the form of vice versa) with the order reversed; (as a prefix) someone with a job immediately below a particular person
28. The _____ in the stock market has been a relief to investors.
n. the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits
29. He is proud of the _____ of the business.
n. the property of being long-lived; significant duration of service
30. There was widespread _____ over the government's handling of the situation.
n. an intense feeling of anger or indignation in response to something that is perceived as unfair, unjust, or offensive; a public display of anger or protest against such injustices
31. The lobbyist _____ Congress not to approve the measure.
v. to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

ANSWERS: 24. dots, 25. bionic, 26. factual, 27. vice, 28. uplift, 29. longevity, 30. outrage, 31. urged

32. The recent _____ in grain prices is partly due to the war in the producing countries.
- n.* a narrow, thin, pointed piece of metal, wood, etc.; a sudden large increase in the magnitude or concentration of something
33. Many people in the world suffer from _____ and malnourishment every day.
- n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition
34. The therapist helped her understand the workings of her _____ and how to cope with her anxiety.
- n.* the human soul, mind, or spirit
35. My wife seems to be in ill _____.
- n.* the quality of being amusing or funny; the liquid parts of the body
36. He became _____ that he was being followed.
- adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
37. The patient's vital signs are _____ indicating a stable condition.
- adj.* firmly fixed, supported, or balanced; not shaking or moving
38. As she lay on her deathbed, a bright light appeared, and she saw a holy _____ standing at the foot of her bed.
- n.* a spiritual being believed to be a messenger of God often depicted as having wings and a halo
39. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 32. spike, 33. hunger, 34. psyche, 35. humor, 36. conscious, 37. steady, 38. angel, 39. statistics

40. This pie _____ represents our market share.

- n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea

41. In several countries, child _____ is a serious social problem.

- n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

42. It is important to _____ accurate information to the public to prevent false rumors from spreading.

- v.* to spread or distribute widely, especially information or ideas; to scatter or disperse

43. The country _____ a large amount of agricultural products.

- v.* to send goods or services to another country for sale; to transfer electronic data out of a database or document in a format that other programs can use

44. The comedian's _____ jokes about religion offended some members of the audience.

- adj.* lacking proper respect or seriousness, often in a lighthearted or humorous manner; not showing reverence or deference to established authority or tradition

45. They study the _____ of the universe.

- n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things

46. She would _____ her husband for not taking out the trash every day.

- v.* to scold or criticize harshly, often in a loud or angry manner; to rebuke or chastise severely

ANSWERS: 40. chart, 41. labor, 42. disseminate, 43. exports, 44. irreverent, 45. evolution, 46. berate

47. I love to watch _____ when I need a good laugh.
- n.* a television or radio program that features a continuing cast of characters in humorous or dramatic situations, typically presented in a half-hour format
48. I went to the _____ of motor vehicles to renew my driver's license.
- n.* an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information
49. 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
50. The painting is _____ painted with a combination of watercolors and oils.
- adv.* in a way that is different from all others; in a way that is not shared by others
51. By remaining neutral, this _____ continued to exist.
- n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
52. I've been thinking all day and getting _____.
- adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
53. Her research team made an important _____.
- n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
54. The community celebrated the _____ of the new school.
- n.* a business or organization, especially a well-established one; the act of starting or forming something that is meant to last for a long time

ANSWERS: 47. sitcoms, 48. bureau, 49. decide, 50. uniquely, 51. kingdom, 52. nowhere, 53. discovery, 54. establishment

55. He was the _____ of courage, always standing up for his beliefs.
n. a person or thing that is a typical or perfect example of a particular quality or type
56. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
57. The study provided _____ proof of the effectiveness of the new drug.
adj. serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed
58. The _____ mountains dominate the landscape.
n. a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
59. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
60. He was promoted to the _____ of captain in the military.
n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
61. The _____ design of the interface made the operation difficult.
adj. making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
62. The _____ response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.
n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

ANSWERS: 55. epitome, 56. Communal, 57. definitive, 58. awe-inspiring, 59. relate, 60. rank, 61. awkward, 62. disaster

63. Night fishing has a lot of _____.

n. a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

64. Shares in the company finally fell below their ____ value.

n. a state of being equal to someone or something

65. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

66. The _____ businessman constantly sought out new opportunities for expanding his empire.

adj. seeking to acquire or possess things, especially material possessions, often in a greedy or excessive manner

67. Sensors convert physical phenomena into _____ signals.

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

68. As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually _____.

v. to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

69. The _____ in the boxing match put up a good fight.

n. a person or thing that challenges or competes with someone or something else; a contestant in a competition or challenge

70. She is a _____ in the music industry.

n. a very famous and successful performer or athlete

ANSWERS: 63. rewards, 64. par, 65. moral, 66. acquisitive, 67. digital, 68. declines, 69. challenger, 70. superstar

71. The _____ instincts of the animal kicked in when it was threatened.
adj. of or relating to the earliest stage of development; fundamental; primitive
72. Her passions are in the _____ of real-world political affairs.
n. a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
73. The _____ in the instructions made it difficult for her to complete the task.
n. the quality of being open to more than one interpretation; the uncertainty of meaning
74. Greed and _____ composed his personality.
n. a strong wish to do or achieve something
75. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.
n. a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
76. He was an _____ to his fans, who looked up to him as a role model.
n. an image or representation of a god or goddess, or a person or thing that is greatly admired, loved, or revered
77. The soldiers took cover in the dug-out _____ during the bombing.
n. a concrete shelter or underground room, typically for storing ammunition or protecting people from enemy fire; a hazard on a golf course; a large container for storing fuel
78. Her candidacy for the _____ has been met with both support and criticism.
n. the office or term of the President of a country or organization

ANSWERS: 71. primal, 72. realm, 73. ambiguity, 74. ambition, 75. debate, 76. idol, 77. bunker, 78. presidency

79. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in _____ class.
n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
80. 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
81. The _____ of the steel needs to be just right to ensure the product's durability.
n. a person's state of mind, emotions, or attitude; a tendency to become angry or excited easily; the elasticity and hardness of a metal object
82. He _____ the disappointing results to the economic downturn.
v. to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;
83. Life expectancy has grown _____ this century.
adv. in a very impressive manner
84. He finally _____ to temptation.
v. to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury
85. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.
v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
86. It seems _____ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.
adj. likely to happen or likely to be true

ANSWERS: 79. biology, 80. individual, 81. temper, 82. attributes, 83. dramatically, 84. succumbed, 85. separate, 86. probable

87. 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.

88. His business _____ was evident in the success of his company.

n. the condition of being aware of and able to deal with a situation effectively; (adjective) having knowledge and understanding of a particular subject or activity

89. The _____ stories of King Arthur have been passed down for centuries.

adj. famous or well-known, especially through long-standing popular stories or tradition

90. His speech was carefully crafted and delivered with _____ confidence.

adj. deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned

91. She is still _____ from a shot to her shoulder.

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

92. This bilingual _____ was essential for his language improvement.

n. all the words and phrases of a particular language or branch of knowledge, such as nautical or medical

93. The _____ pleasure of life is the conviction that we are loved.

adj. highest in rank, level, or importance

94. He refused to _____ our proposal.

v. to keep a group of people interested or excited; to take into consideration an idea or feeling

ANSWERS: 87. president, 88. savvy, 89. legendary, 90. studied, 91. recovering, 92. lexicon, 93. supreme, 94. entertain

95. The stock prices have _____ in the last hour, causing concern for investors.
v. to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
96. 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
97. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.
v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
98. We saw a large _____ as we hiked through the mountains.
n. a large predatory feline animal, also known as a mountain lion or puma, which is native to the Americas; an older woman who pursues sexual or romantic relationships with much younger men
99. The couple decided to get a _____ after many years of marriage.
n. the legal dissolution of a marriage
100. 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
101. Every five years, the provincial governors are _____.
v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
102. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
adj. relating to people's feelings

ANSWERS: 95. plummeted, 96. basis, 97. tackle, 98. cougar, 99. divorce, 100. purity, 101. elected, 102. emotional

103. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
104. The picture earned near-_____ acclaim from critics.
adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
105. 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
106. An _____ teacher might spark students' motivation to succeed.
adj. stimulating and motivating you to want to do something
107. He used a _____ to lift the car to change the tire.
n. a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects
108. The company's success in the market serves as a _____ for the industry as a whole.
n. an influential or leading person or thing that serves as a guide or indicator of future trends or developments
109. There are various ways to ward off the _____ including prayer and holy water.
n. a supernatural being typically represented in belief systems as an evil or mischievous spirit, often used metaphorically to describe a person or thing that is harmful, dangerous, or wicked
110. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.
adj. unbelievable; enormous

ANSWERS: 103. relations, 104. universal, 105. nation, 106. inspiring, 107. jack, 108. bellwether, 109. devil, 110. incredible

111. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
112. That adventurer traveled in _____ of buried treasure.
n. a long or challenging search for something
113. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.
adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
114. The _____ launch platform is visible from this hill.
n. a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
115. The _____ in the city have left many buildings damaged and several people injured.
n. a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
116. He found _____ in the warm embrace of his loved ones.
n. a state of physical ease and freedom from pain or constraint
117. The oil price continued their downward _____.
n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing
118. My father was _____ for so long.
adj. not having a job, although able to work
119. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.
v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

ANSWERS: 111. industrious, 112. quest, 113. absolutely, 114. rocket, 115. riots, 116. comfort, 117. trend, 118. unemployed, 119. evolved

120. The onset of _____ can bring about various physical and emotional changes in women.
- n.* the natural cessation of menstruation and fertility in women, typically occurring between the ages of 45 and 55
121. When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial _____ was to flee.
- n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
122. The _____ of the ancient civilization can still be seen in the city's ruins.
- n.* the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal
123. The military launched a ballistic _____ at the enemy's stronghold.
- n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism
124. Political corruption was common throughout the postwar ____.
- n.* a period that is distinct from others, typically in history
125. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.
- adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
126. The chocolate cake was too _____ for me to resist.
- adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
127. This cute dog's photo spread around the world as an Internet ____.
- n.* a cultural idea, value, or pattern of behavior that is passed from one generation to another by imitation rather than genetic means; (as an Internet meme) an image, a video, a piece of text, etc. that is remixed, copied, and circulated in a shared cultural experience online

ANSWERS: 120. menopause, 121. instinct, 122. remains, 123. missile, 124. era, 125. Technological, 126. tempting, 127. meme

128. The _____ of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.

adj. producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee

129. Little children tend to have _____ friends.

adj. existing only in someone's mind

130. The _____ architecture in the old city was a sight to behold.

adj. relating to or characteristic of the Normans, a people who originally came from Normandy, France, and who had a significant impact on the history and culture of Britain and other European countries; the term can also refer to a style of architecture or art that developed during the Norman period

131. He found _____ in the works of his favorite authors.

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

132. The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's _____.

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

133. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.

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

134. The younger _____ has different values and beliefs than the older one.

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

ANSWERS: 128. humming, 129. imaginary, 130. Norman, 131. inspiration, 132. function, 133. slide, 134. generation

135. The south coast is less _____ yet has many clean and appealing hotels.
adj. highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
136. Scientists are currently researching new treatments for _____ that could improve survival rates in infected individuals
n. a serious bacterial infection caused by *Bacillus anthracis* that can affect both humans and animals; it is characterized by a range of symptoms, including skin blisters, fever, and difficulty breathing, and can be fatal if left untreated
137. Necessity is the mother of _____.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
138. The break in the ____ threatened the valley.
n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
139. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
140. 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
141. This remote _____ is rarely visited.
n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

ANSWERS: 135. glamorous, 136. anthrax, 137. invention, 138. dam, 139. develop, 140. literally, 141. spot

142. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
- n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
143. He forcibly _____ the flyer into my bag.
- v.* to push someone or something in a rough way
144. GDP stands for gross _____ product.
- adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
145. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
- n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
146. The mountain _____ built a dam to block the stream.
- n.* a large, semiaquatic rodent with a wide, flat tail and webbed feet, noted for its ability to build dams and lodges
147. The students' antics did not amuse the _____ teacher.
- adj.* serious, unyielding, or strict in manner or attitude
148. It is a _____ that the concert had to be canceled due to the storm.
- n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
149. He acted like an _____ and spilled his drink all over the floor.
- n.* a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient

ANSWERS: 142. crisis, 143. shoved, 144. domestic, 145. movement, 146. beaver, 147. stern, 148. pity, 149. idiot

150. Her company soon won a _____ market share.

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

151. The sports _____ provided insightful analysis and observations throughout the game.

n. an expression or explanation of opinions or observations on a particular subject, event, or situation; detailed analysis or explanation provided in writing or orally

152. Product development is a _____ effort.

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

153. We strongly oppose the _____ ban.

n. the intentional termination of a pregnancy at an early stage

154. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.

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

ANSWERS: 150. dominant, 151. commentary, 152. collective, 153. abortion, 154. define