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Session 1: Word List

uncomfortable

adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

synonym: comfortless, discomforting, painful

(1) an **uncomfortable** silence, (2) with an **uncomfortable** face

His abusive words made me **uncomfortable**.

tension

n. a state of mental or emotional strain or excitement; the state of being stretched tight

synonym: stress, strain, anxiety

(1) **tension** headache, (2) a high- **tension** wire

The **tension** in the room was palpable as the team waited for their leader to speak.

outfit

n. a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.

synonym: ensemble, set, suit

(1) camping **outfit**, (2) a construction **outfit**

I need to buy a new **outfit** for the wedding I'm attending next weekend.

witness

n. a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident

synonym : onlooker, attestant, bystander

(1) **witness** of the car accident, (2) a material **witness**

The manufacturing industry is **witnessing** fierce competition.

horrify

v. to shock or disgust greatly

synonym : shock, dismay, terrify

(1) **horrify** audience, (2) **horrify** victims

The series of terrorist attacks **horrify** the entire nation.

privilege

n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

synonym : benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership

In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the **privilege** of royalty and nobility.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym : alter, convert, change

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

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

heel

n. the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something

synonym : hindfoot

(1) **heel** bone, (2) **heel** wrestler

She wore high **heels** to the party.

sweat

n. the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress

synonym : perspiration, steam, hardwork

(1) all in a **sweat**, (2) **sweat** bath

She wiped the **sweat** off her forehead with a towel.

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.

hop

v. to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

synonym : jump, bounce, skip

(1) **hop** on one foot, (2) **hop** from one place to another

The rabbit **hopped** over the fence.

superficial

adj. existing or occurring only at or on the surface; appearing to be true or real only until examined more closely

synonym : shallow, facile, cursory

(1) **superficial** wound, (2) **superficial** knowledge

The journalist's **superficial** reporting should have captured the full scope of the issue.

photograph

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

synonym : photo, picture, snapshot

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

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

arch

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

synonym : turn, bow, arc

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

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

barring

adv. excepting or excluding something or someone; in the absence of something or someone

synonym : except, apart from

(1) **barring** bad weather, (2) **barring** unexpected circumstances

Barring any unforeseeable technical issues, the project should be completed by next week.

surgery

n. medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures

synonym : operation, (medical) procedure

(1) cardiac **surgery**, (2) the professor of **surgery**

He had undergone heart **surgery** years before.

fake

adj. not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

synonym : affected, bogus, counterfeit

(1) **fake** police officer, (2) spread of **fake** news

The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and **faked** it

tan

v. to become brown as a result of exposure to the sun

synonym : brown, sunburn

(1) **tan** after sun exposure, (2) **tan** poorly

She spent the whole summer **tanning** on the beach.

immutable

adj. unchanging; permanent or unalterable

synonym : unchanging, constant, permanent

(1) **immutable** love, (2) **immutable** characteristics

The laws of physics are **immutable**; they never change.

fearless

adj. having no fear; brave

synonym : brave, courageous, daring

(1) **fearless** attitude, (2) **fearless** bravery

The **fearless** firefighter rushed into the burning building to save a trapped child.

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.

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.

twist

v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape

synonym: wrench, turn, twirl

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

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

scout

n. a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations

synonym: scoutmaster, explorer, surveyor

(1) boy **scout**, (2) **scout** troop

The company sent a **scout** to explore new business opportunities in the overseas market.

genetic

adj. of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes

synonym: hereditary, genetical, inborn

(1) have **genetic** testing, (2) a **genetic** disorder

Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the **genetic** code.

lottery

n. a game of chance in which a large number of people buy tickets or chances to win a prize, with the winner(s) determined by a random drawing

synonym: raffle, sweepstakes, drawing

(1) national **lottery**, (2) scratch-off **lottery**

The odds of winning the **lottery** are extremely low, but millions still buy tickets hoping to hit the jackpot.

recipient

n. a person who receives something

synonym: receiver, beneficiary

(1) a **recipient** of a Nobel prize, (2) a **recipient** of a lung transplant

When performing an organ transplant, it is necessary to test for compatibility between the donor and **recipient**.

legacy

n. something that is handed down from an earlier generation or time, often something that has had a significant impact on subsequent generations; a bequest made by a person in their will, often money or property

synonym: inheritance, bequest, estate

(1) financial **legacy**, (2) cultural **legacy**

Her **legacy** as a philanthropist will live on for generations to come.

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.

symmetry

n. balance or proportion in design or structure, with elements arranged evenly on either side of an axis

synonym: balance, proportion, harmoniousness

(1) bilateral **symmetry**, (2) axial **symmetry**

The building had a **symmetry** pattern that was pleasing to the eye.

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.

admire

v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

synonym: esteem, respect, marvel

(1) **admire** the subtlety of the distinctions, (2) **admire** kids with attitude

We all **admire** him because he is a nobleman.

slender

adj. thin and delicate, often in an attractive way

synonym: lanky, skinny, slim

(1) **slender** body, (2) a long **slender** leaf

He has a **slender** income.

fig

n. a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow

(1) **fig** marigold, (2) **fig** tree

He ate the dried **figs** he had preserved.

feminine

adj. relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women

synonym: womanly, womanlike, femalelike

(1) add a **feminine** touch, (2) the sacred **feminine**

The dress mixes sophisticated lines with an appealing floral design for a classically **feminine** style.

skeptical

adj. doubting that something is accurate or useful

synonym: doubtful, distrustful, suspicious

(1) a **skeptical** attitude, (2) **skeptical** scientists

His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly **skeptical**.

fashion

n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

synonym: style, manner, fad

(1) go out of **fashion**, (2) new **fashion** trends

That style is no longer in **fashion**.

commend

v. to praise or express approval of someone or something; to recommend someone for a job or position; to entrust or hand over something to someone else

synonym: praise, applaud, compliment

(1) **commend** a job well done, (2) **commend** him for his bravery

The coach **commended** the team for fighting until the end and never giving up.

impressive

adj. arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill

synonym: impactful, remarkable, exceptional

(1) **impressive** performances, (2) an **impressive** array of facts

The budget reduction was an **impressive** feat for our nation.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym: regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**

The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

ph

n. a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating greater alkalinity

synonym : acidity, alkalinity, balance

(1) **pH** value of seven, (2) **ph** scale

The **ph** level of this soil is too acidic for these types of plants.

runway

n. the catwalk or platform where models walk to display clothing or other fashion items during a fashion show; a strip of hard ground along which planes take off and land;

synonym : strip, landing field, tarmac

(1) **runway** lighting, (2) **runway** show

The model strutted down the **runway** during the fashion show.

hire

v. to give somebody a job

synonym : employ, engage, lease

(1) **hire** a guide, (2) **hire** a car by the hour

We should always be prepared to **hire** talented recruits.

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.

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.

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**.

ninja

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

synonym : assassin, spy

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

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

cardiothoracic

adj. relating to the heart and lungs or the surgical procedures and treatments involving these organs

synonym : heart-lung

(1) **cardiothoracic** surgeon, (2) **cardiothoracic** complications

He underwent a successful **cardiothoracic** surgery to repair his damaged heart valve.

surgeon

n. a doctor who is trained to perform medical operations that involve cutting open a person's body

synonym : sawbones, doctor

(1) an excellent brain **surgeon**, (2) army **surgeon**

He is a skilled **surgeon** that has many years of training and experience.

poet

n. a person who writes poetry

synonym : versifier, rhymer, writer

(1) a court **poet**, (2) a **poet** of sorts

She is a talented **poet** who has been recognized for her work.

awesome

adj. inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.

synonym : miraculous, marvelous, astounding

(1) **awesome** mental faculty, (2) have an **awesome** birthday
There is a lot of **awesome** nature and food in Hawaii.

amazing

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

synonym : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling
The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

editorial

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

synonym : comment, opinion, critique

(1) gain **editorial** help, (2) an **editorial** article
The newspaper published an **editorial** on the current state of the economy.

chief

adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

synonym : essential, primary, leading

(1) **chief** accountant, (2) **chief** events of the year
Mining is a **chief** source of income for the country.

vogue

n. the popular or fashionable trend or style of a particular time, especially in clothing, music, or general culture

synonym : trend, style, fashion

(1) current **vogue**, (2) follow **vogue** trends
Bellbottoms were in **vogue** during the 1970s but are not as popular today.

akin

adj. similar or related in nature, character, or origin

synonym : similar, related, alike

(1) **akin** to anger, (2) **akin** to the prior experiences
Her interests are **akin** to mine.

demonstrate

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

synonym :

show, illustrate, display

(1) **demonstrate** a difference, (2) **demonstrate** mastery
How can you **demonstrate** that the earth is a sphere?

accumulate

v. to collect or acquire a large number of things over a long period of time

synonym: amass, stash, earn

(1) **accumulate** cash value, (2) **accumulate** evidence
He has **accumulated** his wealth through real estate investments.

distill

v. to purify or refine; to extract the essential elements

synonym: extract, condense, purify

(1) **distill** a liquid, (2) **distill** information

She decided to **distill** her thoughts into a more manageable list.

quarter

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

synonym: fourth, one-fourth

(1) a **quarter** mile, (2) end of the first **quarter**

The unemployment rate in the first **quarter** was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

forth

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

synonym: forward, onwards, ahead

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

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

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.

résumé

n. a summary of a person's education, work experience, and qualifications, often used in job applications as a way to showcase their skills and achievements

synonym: summary, outline, recap

(1) **résumé** template, (2) professional **résumé**

You need to update your **résumé** before submitting it for the job application.

underwear

n. (also "undies") clothes worn next to the skin under outer clothes

synonym: undergarments, lingerie, innerwear

(1) **underwear** clothing, (2) men's **underwear**

I want to buy new winter **underwear** because mine have holes in them.

retouch

v. to touch up or make small changes to a photograph, painting, or other images using digital or manual tools

synonym: edit, revise, touch up

(1) **retouch** photo, (2) **retouch** painting

She had her portrait **retouched** to remove blemishes.

component

n. one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger

synonym: element, part, factor

(1) key **component**, (2) spare **components** for cars

The researchers try to discover a common **component** in all types of successful organizations.

bikini

n. a women's two-piece swimsuit characterized by a top that covers the chest and a bottom that covers the groin and buttocks

synonym: swimsuit, two-piece, bathing suit

(1) **bikini** top, (2) **bikini** wax

I need a new **bikini** for my upcoming beach vacation.

slumber

n. a state of sleep, especially a light sleep; (verb) to be asleep, or to take a nap

synonym : sleep, doze, snooze

(1) fall into a **slumber**, (2) **slumber** in class

She couldn't resist the temptation to **slumber** on the couch after lunch.

construct

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

synonym : build, assemble, create

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

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

professional

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

synonym : skilled, competent, accomplished

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

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

hairstyle

n. the way in which a person's hair is cut, styled, or arranged on their head

synonym : hairdo, coiffure, haircut

(1) modern **hairstyle**, (2) bob **hairstyle**

My sister got a new **hairstyle** for her job interview.

makeup

n. colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance

synonym : maquillage, composition, cosmetic

(1) **makeup** artist, (2) take the **makeup** off her face

Her beauty resulted from a good night's sleep rather than **makeup**.

stylist

n. a person who specializes in creating or maintaining a specific style, especially in hairdressing or fashion; someone who has a talent for arranging or presenting things in an attractive or distinctive way

synonym : hairdresser, designer, fashionista

(1) personal **stylist**, (2) fashion **stylist**

She visited her favorite **stylist** for a new haircut and fashion advice.

assistant

n. someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job

synonym : aide, helper, associate

(1) an unwilling **assistant**, (2) **assistant** professor

An executive **assistant** director administers each branch.

awful

adj. causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

synonym : terrible, appalling, horrible

(1) an **awful** error, (2) do **awful** damage

I regretted making an **awful** mistake in my final exam.

frisk

v. to search for someone or something in a quick, lively manner, often to discover something hidden or suspicious; to frolic or skip about in a lively or playful manner

synonym : search, pat down, romp

(1) **frisk** around the yard, (2) **frisk** his pockets

The security guard stopped and **frisked** the suspicious-looking person at the entrance to the building.

Latino

n. a person of Latin American origin or descent, especially one living in the United States

synonym : Hispanic, Chicano

(1) **Latino** coworkers, (2) **Latino** culture

The **Latino** community has had a significant impact on American culture.

skinny

adj. having a very thin or slim body; referring to clothing that is tightly fitting and reveals the shape of the body; referring to information or details that are kept secret or confidential

synonym : slender, lean, thin

(1) **skinny** jeans, (2) **skinny** finger

His mom was always concerned about his **skinny** frame and encouraged him to eat more

shiny

adj. reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface

synonym: polished, glossy, lustrous

(1) **shiny** surface, (2) **shiny** object

The **shiny** new car drew everyone's attention as it drove by.

fabulous

adj. extremely pleasing or good; based on or told of in traditional stories

synonym: amazing, wonderful, astonishing

(1) a **fabulous** price, (2) a **fabulous** monster

Thank you for inviting such a **fabulous** party tonight.

backstage

adj. relating to or situated in the area behind the stage of a theater, concert, or other performance venues; relating to the private or hidden aspects of something, such as politics, business, or personal life

synonym: behind-the-scenes, offstage, private

(1) **backstage** access, (2) **backstage** crew

The **backstage** preparations for the concert took hours to complete.

creative

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

synonym: imaginative, innovative, inventive

(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit

All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.

passionate

adj. showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief

synonym: ardent, fervent, intense

(1) **passionate** speech, (2) **passionate** kiss

Their **passionate** argument lasted for hours, neither willing to back down.

insecure

adj. not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety

synonym: uncertain, unsure, unconfident

(1) an **insecure** future, (2) **insecure** attachment

Children in an unstructured environment often feel **insecure**.

thigh

n. the part of the human leg between the hip and the knee; in animals, the corresponding upper part of the hind leg

synonym: thigh-bone, femur, upper leg

(1) **thigh** muscle, (2) chicken **thigh**

The marathon runner felt a cramp in her **thigh** at the 20th mile.

physically

adv. in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

(1) **physically** and mentally, (2) stay **physically** fit

Having a **physically** healthy physique is essential for a great life.

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.

planet

n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

synonym: earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**

Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

writ

n. a written legal order or command

synonym:

legal document, order, legal process

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

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

strike

v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
synonym: hit, impact, influence

(1) **strike** up a conversation, (2) **strike** a blow

We **strike** to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

balance

n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

synonym: equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

(1) the **balance** of power, (2) asset on the company's **balance** sheet

Try to keep a **balance** between work and off.

deck

n. a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure

synonym: platform, veranda, patio

(1) **deck** chairs, (2) hands on **deck**

She sat on the ship's **deck**, watching the sunset over the ocean.

stack

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

synonym: accumulation, heap, pile

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

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

unpack

v. to open and remove stored items from a container or package; to analyze or examine something in detail, often to clarify or understand it better

synonym : dissect, unwrap, unbox

(1) **unpack** a crate, (2) **unpack** a concept

I need to **unpack** my suitcase and put my clothes away.

gender

n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

synonym : sexuality

(1) **gender-blind** policies, (2) dual **gender**

Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

racial

adj. of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

synonym : ethnic, tribal, ethnical

(1) **racial** prejudice, (2) **racial** and ethnic backgrounds

A minor **racial** conflict later led to a civil war.

oppress

v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

synonym : antagonize, distress, burden

(1) **oppress** the minority, (2) **oppress** the people with force

Historically, many countries have often **oppressed** certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.

beneficiary

n. a person who receives benefits or advantage from something, especially a financial trust or a will

synonym : recipient, heir, inheritor

(1) the **beneficiary** of a trust, (2) primary **beneficiary**

She was the sole **beneficiary** of her grandfather's estate.

honor

n. high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality;

(verb) to show respect towards someone

synonym : integrity, virtue, acclaim

(1) womanly **honor**, (2) **honor** our ancestors

I claim on my **honor** that it is true.

passee

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

synonym : outdated, old-fashioned, antique

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

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

agency

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

synonym : organization, bureau, institution

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

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

takeaway

n. a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information

synonym : conclusion, message, insight

(1) **takeaway** pizza, (2) **takeaway** message

The main **takeaway** from the meeting was the need for better communication.

acknowledge

v. to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

synonym : accept, agree, declare

(1) **acknowledge** the deed, (2) **acknowledge** his help

He never **acknowledged** his fault.

perceive

v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

synonym: sense, discern, feel

(1) **perceive** a threat, (2) **perceive** light

Australia is widely **perceived** as having low levels of corruption.

Session 2: Spelling

1. follow vo__e trends *n.* the popular or fashionable trend or style of a particular time, especially in clothing, music, or general culture
2. di____l information *v.* to purify or refine; to extract the essential elements
3. ba_____ge access *adj.* relating to or situated in the area behind the stage of a theater, concert, or other performance venues; relating to the private or hidden aspects of something, such as politics, business, or personal life
4. pe____ve light *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
5. bob ha_____le *n.* the way in which a person's hair is cut, styled, or arranged on their head
6. ad___e kids with attitude *v.* to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
7. fashion st____t *n.* a person who specializes in creating or maintaining a specific style, especially in hairdressing or fashion; someone who has a talent for arranging or presenting things in an attractive or distinctive way
8. dual ge___r *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

ANSWERS: 1. vogue, 2. distill, 3. backstage, 4. perceive, 5. hairstyle, 6. admire, 7. stylist, 8. gender

9. national lo____y *n.* a game of chance in which a large number of people buy tickets or chances to win a prize, with the winner(s) determined by a random drawing
10. current vo__e *n.* the popular or fashionable trend or style of a particular time, especially in clothing, music, or general culture
11. in____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
12. end of the first qu____r *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
13. pas_____te kiss *adj.* showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
14. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
15. re____h photo *v.* to touch up or make small changes to a photograph, painting, or other images using digital or manual tools
16. a large st__k of paper *n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
17. un__k a crate *v.* to open and remove stored items from a container or package; to analyze or examine something in detail, often to clarify or understand it better

ANSWERS: 9. lottery, 10. vogue, 11. inspire, 12. quarter, 13. passionate, 14. transform, 15. retouch, 16. stack, 17. unpack

18. un_____ar clothing *n.* (also "undies") clothes worn next to the skin under outer clothes
19. op_____s the minority *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
20. professional r[]____[] *n.* a summary of a person's education, work experience, and qualifications, often used in job applications as a way to showcase their skills and achievements
21. d__k chairs *n.* a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure
22. ta_____ay message *n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information
23. the ba_____e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
24. h_p on one foot *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
25. ni__a costume *n.* a Japanese warrior or assassin trained in martial arts and stealth tactics, associated with the feudal era of Japan
26. ph scale *n.* a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating greater alkalinity

ANSWERS: 18. underwear, 19. oppress, 20. résumé, 21. deck, 22. takeaway, 23. balance, 24. hop, 25. ninja, 26. ph

27. have ge____c testing *adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
28. acc_____te cash value *v.* to collect or acquire a large number of things over a long period of time
29. a__n to anger *adj.* similar or related in nature, character, or origin
30. h__e a guide *v.* to give somebody a job
31. intelligence ag____y *n.* an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action
32. cardiac su____y *n.* medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures
33. h__e a car by the hour *v.* to give somebody a job
34. an aw____d date *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
35. ho____y audience *v.* to shock or disgust greatly
36. im____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
37. sta____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 27. genetic, 28. accumulate, 29. akin, 30. hire, 31. agency, 32. surgery, 33. hire, 34. awkward, 35. horrify, 36. imaginary, 37. statistics

38. the ben_____ry of a trust *n.* a person who receives benefits or advantage from something, especially a financial trust or a will
39. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
40. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
41. men's un_____ar *n.* (also "undies") clothes worn next to the skin under outer clothes
42. ho__r our ancestors *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
43. an unc_____ble silence *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
44. pr_____ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
45. fe_____ss attitude *adj.* having no fear; brave
46. ru___y lighting *n.* the catwalk or platform where models walk to display clothing or other fashion items during a fashion show; a strip of hard ground along which planes take off and land;
47. spread of f__e news *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

ANSWERS: 38. beneficiary, 39. define, 40. invention, 41. underwear, 42. honor, 43. uncomfortable, 44. privilege, 45. fearless, 46. runway, 47. fake

48. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
49. co_____d a job well done *v.* to praise or express approval of someone or something; to recommend someone for a job or position; to entrust or hand over something to someone else
50. 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.
51. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
52. sh__y object *adj.* reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface
53. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
54. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
55. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
56. sk____y finger *adj.* having a very thin or slim body; referring to clothing that is tightly fitting and reveals the shape of the body; referring to information or details that are kept secret or confidential
57. have an aw_____e birthday *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
58. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

ANSWERS: 48. statistics, 49. commend, 50. president, 51. unfortunately, 52. shiny, 53. unfortunately, 54. transform, 55. amazing, 56. skinny, 57. awesome, 58. construct

59. op____s the people with force *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
60. h__l bone *n.* the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something
61. a w__t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
62. the qu__t for truth *n.* a long or challenging search for something
63. pas_____te speech *adj.* showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
64. army su_____n *n.* a doctor who is trained to perform medical operations that involve cutting open a person's body
65. chicken th__h *n.* the part of the human leg between the hip and the knee; in animals, the corresponding upper part of the hind leg
66. the a__h of a person's foot *n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building
67. car_____cic surgeon *adj.* relating to the heart and lungs or the surgical procedures and treatments involving these organs
68. sl_____r body *adj.* thin and delicate, often in an attractive way

ANSWERS: 59. oppress, 60. heel, 61. writ, 62. quest, 63. passionate, 64. surgeon, 65. thigh, 66. arch, 67. cardiothoracic, 68. slender

69. bi___i wax *n.* a women's two-piece swimsuit characterized by a top that covers the chest and a bottom that covers the groin and buttocks
70. ge___r-blind policies *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
71. call fo__h demand *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
72. t_n poorly *v.* to become brown as a result of exposure to the sun
73. barren of cr_____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
74. cultural le___y *n.* something that is handed down from an earlier generation or time, often something that has had a significant impact on subsequent generations; a bequest made by a person in their will, often money or property
75. pr_____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
76. evolutionary bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
77. the professor of su_____y *n.* medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures

ANSWERS: 69. bikini, 70. gender, 71. forth, 72. tan, 73. creative, 74. legacy, 75. probable, 76. biology, 77. surgery

78. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
79. a__n to the prior experiences *adj.* similar or related in nature, character, or origin
80. an a__h-shaped stone structure *n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building
81. fall into a sl_____r *n.* a state of sleep, especially a light sleep; (verb) to be asleep, or to take a nap
82. tw__t around to the left *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
83. f_g tree *n.* a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow
84. a court p__t *n.* a person who writes poetry
85. asset on the company's ba_____e sheet *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
86. aw_____e mental faculty *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
87. t_n after sun exposure *v.* to become brown as a result of exposure to the sun
88. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
89. a long sl_____r leaf *adj.* thin and delicate, often in an attractive way
90. all in a sw__t *n.* the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress

ANSWERS: 78. industrious, 79. akin, 80. arch, 81. slumber, 82. twist, 83. fig, 84. poet, 85. balance, 86. awesome, 87. tan, 88. inspire, 89. slender, 90. sweat

91. sk___y jeans *adj.* having a very thin or slim body; referring to clothing that is tightly fitting and reveals the shape of the body; referring to information or details that are kept secret or confidential
92. tw__t a wet towel *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
93. save the pl___t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
94. issue a w__t *n.* a written legal order or command
95. ack_____ge his help *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
96. an aw__l error *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
97. pe_____ve a threat *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
98. sh__y surface *adj.* reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface
99. a high-te_____n wire *n.* a state of mental or emotional strain or excitement; the state of being stretched tight
100. acc_____te evidence *v.* to collect or acquire a large number of things over a long period of time

ANSWERS: 91. skinny, 92. twist, 93. planet, 94. writ, 95. acknowledge, 96. awful, 97. perceive, 98. shiny, 99. tension, 100. accumulate

101. fr__k around the yard *v.* to search for someone or something in a quick, lively manner, often to discover something hidden or suspicious; to frolic or skip about in a lively or playful manner
102. a p__t of sorts *n.* a person who writes poetry
103. bring fo__h a beautiful vase *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
104. new fa_____n trends *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
105. a re_____nt of a lung transplant *n.* a person who receives something
106. bilateral sy_____ry *n.* balance or proportion in design or structure, with elements arranged evenly on either side of an axis
107. a re_____nt of a Nobel prize *n.* a person who receives something
108. phy_____ly and mentally *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
109. sw__t bath *n.* the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress
110. with an unc_____ble face *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
111. ba_____ge crew *adj.* relating to or situated in the area behind the stage of a theater, concert, or other performance venues; relating to the private or hidden aspects of something, such as politics, business, or personal life

ANSWERS: 101. frisk, 102. poet, 103. forth, 104. fashion, 105. recipient, 106. symmetry, 107. recipient, 108. physically, 109. sweat, 110. uncomfortable, 111. backstage

112. sl____r in class *n.* a state of sleep, especially a light sleep; (verb) to be asleep, or to take a nap
113. personal st____t *n.* a person who specializes in creating or maintaining a specific style, especially in hairdressing or fashion; someone who has a talent for arranging or presenting things in an attractive or distinctive way
114. f__e police officer *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
115. ru____y show *n.* the catwalk or platform where models walk to display clothing or other fashion items during a fashion show; a strip of hard ground along which planes take off and land;
116. add a fe____ne touch *adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women
117. primary ben____ry *n.* a person who receives benefits or advantage from something, especially a financial trust or a will
118. ni__a warrior *n.* a Japanese warrior or assassin trained in martial arts and stealth tactics, associated with the feudal era of Japan
119. sc__t troop *n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations

ANSWERS: 112. slumber, 113. stylist, 114. fake, 115. runway, 116. feminine, 117. beneficiary, 118. ninja, 119. scout

120. pho_____ph memories *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
121. scratch-off lo_____y *n.* a game of chance in which a large number of people buy tickets or chances to win a prize, with the winner(s) determined by a random drawing
122. ra____l and ethnic backgrounds *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
123. imp_____ve performances *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
124. the sacred fe_____ne *adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women
125. womanly ho__r *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
126. ba_____g bad weather *adv.* excepting or excluding something or someone; in the absence of something or someone
127. a qu_____r mile *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
128. an in_____re future *adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety

ANSWERS: 120. photograph, 121. lottery, 122. racial, 123. impressive, 124. feminine, 125. honor, 126. barring, 127. quarter, 128. insecure

129. boy sc__t *n.* a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations
130. spare co_____nts for cars *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
131. a fa_____us price *adj.* extremely pleasing or good; based on or told of in traditional stories
132. an ed_____al article *adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
133. modern ha_____le *n.* the way in which a person's hair is cut, styled, or arranged on their head
134. h__l wrestler *n.* the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something
135. de___e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
136. La___o coworkers *n.* a person of Latin American origin or descent, especially one living in the United States
137. un___k a concept *v.* to open and remove stored items from a container or package; to analyze or examine something in detail, often to clarify or understand it better
138. co_____d him for his bravery *v.* to praise or express approval of someone or something; to recommend someone for a job or position; to entrust or hand over something to someone else

ANSWERS: 129. scout, 130. component, 131. fabulous, 132. editorial, 133. hairstyle, 134. heel, 135. define, 136. Latino, 137. unpack, 138. commend

139. camping ou__t *n.* a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.
140. dem_____te a difference *v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
141. gain ed_____al help *adj.* relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
142. key co_____nt *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
143. pl__t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
144. re_____h painting *v.* to touch up or make small changes to a photograph, painting, or other images using digital or manual tools
145. 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.
146. te_____n headache *n.* a state of mental or emotional strain or excitement; the state of being stretched tight
147. st___e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
148. an imp_____ve array of facts *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill

ANSWERS: 139. outfit, 140. demonstrate, 141. editorial, 142. component, 143. planet, 144. retouch, 145. president, 146. tension, 147. strike, 148. impressive

149. pa__e trend *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
150. axial sy____ry *n.* balance or proportion in design or structure, with elements arranged evenly on either side of an axis
151. La___o culture *n.* a person of Latin American origin or descent, especially one living in the United States
152. ba_____g unexpected circumstances *adv.* excepting or excluding something or someone; in the absence of something or someone
153. ra___l prejudice *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
154. im_____le characteristics *adj.* unchanging; permanent or unalterable
155. th__h muscle *n.* the part of the human leg between the hip and the knee; in animals, the corresponding upper part of the hind leg
156. ta_____ay pizza *n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information
157. a ge_____c disorder *adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
158. a fa_____us monster *adj.* extremely pleasing or good; based on or told of in traditional stories
159. a material wi_____s *n.* a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident

ANSWERS: 149. passe, 150. symmetry, 151. Latino, 152. barring, 153. racial, 154. immutable, 155. thigh, 156. takeaway, 157. genetic, 158. fabulous, 159. witness

160. sk_____al scientists *adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful
161. real estate ag____y *n.* an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action
162. a construction ou____t *n.* a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.
163. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
164. as_____nt professor *n.* someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job
165. a sk_____al attitude *adj.* doubting that something is accurate or useful
166. dem_____te mastery *v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
167. di_____l a liquid *v.* to purify or refine; to extract the essential elements
168. certified pro_____nal secretary *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
169. st____e up a conversation *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

ANSWERS: 160. skeptical, 161. agency, 162. outfit, 163. construct, 164. assistant, 165. skeptical, 166. demonstrate, 167. distill, 168. professional, 169. strike

170. an unwilling as_____nt *n.* someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job
171. sup_____al knowledge *adj.* existing or occurring only at or on the surface; appearing to be true or real only until examined more closely
172. high st__k *n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
173. pho_____ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
174. ch__f accountant *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
175. fr__k his pockets *v.* to search for someone or something in a quick, lively manner, often to discover something hidden or suspicious; to frolic or skip about in a lively or playful manner
176. sup_____al wound *adj.* existing or occurring only at or on the surface; appearing to be true or real only until examined more closely
177. an excellent brain su_____n *n.* a doctor who is trained to perform medical operations that involve cutting open a person's body
178. ho_____y victims *v.* to shock or disgust greatly
179. on a qu__t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something

ANSWERS: 170. assistant, 171. superficial, 172. stack, 173. photograph, 174. chief, 175. frisk, 176. superficial, 177. surgeon, 178. horrify, 179. quest

180. in____re attachment *adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety
181. go out of fa____n *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
182. stay phy____ly fit *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
183. wi____s of the car accident *n.* a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident
184. financial le____y *n.* something that is handed down from an earlier generation or time, often something that has had a significant impact on subsequent generations; a bequest made by a person in their will, often money or property
185. an aw____d expression *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
186. a breach of pr____ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
187. ch__f events of the year *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
188. im____le love *adj.* unchanging; permanent or unalterable
189. car____cic complications *adj.* relating to the heart and lungs or the surgical procedures and treatments involving these organs
190. cell and molecular bi____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

ANSWERS: 180. insecure, 181. fashion, 182. physically, 183. witness, 184. legacy, 185. awkward, 186. privilege, 187. chief, 188. immutable, 189. cardiothoracic, 190. biology

191. am____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
192. fe____ss bravery *adj.* having no fear; brave
193. im____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
194. hands on d__k *n.* a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure
195. ma____p artist *n.* colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance
196. cr____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
197. h_p from one place to another *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
198. ad____e the subtlety of the distinctions *v.* to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
199. take the ma____p off her face *n.* colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance
200. do aw__l damage *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
201. f_g marigold *n.* a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow
202. ack____ge the deed *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

ANSWERS: 191. amazing, 192. fearless, 193. imaginary, 194. deck, 195. makeup, 196. creative, 197. hop, 198. admire, 199. makeup, 200. awful, 201. fig, 202. acknowledge

203. bi___i top *n.* a women's two-piece swimsuit characterized by a top that covers the chest and a bottom that covers the groin and buttocks
204. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
205. r̄___̄ template *n.* a summary of a person's education, work experience, and qualifications, often used in job applications as a way to showcase their skills and achievements
206. pro_____nal athlete *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
207. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
208. pa___e entertainment *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
209. pr_____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
210. pH value of seven *n.* a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating greater alkalinity

ANSWERS: 203. bikini, 204. industrious, 205. résumé, 206. professional, 207. invention, 208. passe, 209. probable, 210. ph

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He ate the dried _____ he had preserved.
n. a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow
2. 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
3. The _____ new car drew everyone's attention as it drove by.
adj. reflecting light and having a bright and smooth surface
4. He had undergone heart _____ years before.
n. medical treatment of injuries or diseases involving an incision with instruments and often removing or replacing some parts of the body; the branch of medical science that treats disease or injury by operative procedures
5. She decided to _____ her thoughts into a more manageable list.
v. to purify or refine; to extract the essential elements
6. The rabbit _____ over the fence.
v. to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
7. We all _____ him because he is a nobleman.
v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
8. That adventurer traveled in _____ of buried treasure.
n. a long or challenging search for something

ANSWERS: 1. figs, 2. biology, 3. shiny, 4. surgery, 5. distill, 6. hopped, 7. admire, 8. quest

9. I want to buy new winter _____ because mine have holes in them.
n. (also "undies") clothes worn next to the skin under outer clothes
10. She visited her favorite _____ for a new haircut and fashion advice.
n. a person who specializes in creating or maintaining a specific style, especially in hairdressing or fashion; someone who has a talent for arranging or presenting things in an attractive or distinctive way
11. I need to buy a new _____ for the wedding I'm attending next weekend.
n. a set of clothing worn together, typically for a particular occasion or activity; any cohesive unit such as a company, military, etc.
12. We should always be prepared to _____ talented recruits.
v. to give somebody a job
13. She had her portrait _____ to remove blemishes.
v. to touch up or make small changes to a photograph, painting, or other images using digital or manual tools
14. _____ any unforeseeable technical issues, the project should be completed by next week.
adv. excepting or excluding something or someone; in the absence of something or someone
15. Mining is a _____ source of income for the country.
adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
16. Australia is widely _____ as having low levels of corruption.
v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

ANSWERS: 9. underwear, 10. stylist, 11. outfit, 12. hire, 13. retouched, 14. Barring, 15. chief, 16. perceived

17. The _____ design of the interface made the operation difficult.

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

18. The _____ firefighter rushed into the burning building to save a trapped child.

adj. having no fear; brave

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

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

20. He has a _____ demeanor and always presents himself in a polished manner.

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

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

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

22. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

23. The dress mixes sophisticated lines with an appealing floral design for a classically _____ style.

adj. relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women

24. She sat on the ship's _____ watching the sunset over the ocean.

n. a flat surface that is usually made of wood or other material and is attached to a building, vehicle, or other structure

ANSWERS: 17. awkward, 18. fearless, 19. forth, 20. professional, 21. ninja, 22. industrious, 23. feminine, 24. deck,

25. The laws of physics are _____ they never change.

adj. unchanging; permanent or unalterable

26. My sister got a new _____ for her job interview.

n. the way in which a person's hair is cut, styled, or arranged on their head

27. Bellbottoms were in _____ during the 1970s but are not as popular today.

n. the popular or fashionable trend or style of a particular time, especially in clothing, music, or general culture

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

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

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

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

30. We _____ to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

31. I need to _____ my suitcase and put my clothes away.

v. to open and remove stored items from a container or package; to analyze or examine something in detail, often to clarify or understand it better

32. The _____ bears the weight of the overhead bridge.

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

ANSWERS: 25. immutable;, 26. hairstyle, 27. vogue, 28. demonstrate, 29. statistics, 30. strike, 31. unpack, 32. arch

33. That style is no longer in _____.

n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

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

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

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

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

36. The company sent a _____ to explore new business opportunities in the overseas market.

n. a person or group sent out to obtain information, gather intelligence, or make observations, typically in a military context; a person or group sent out to explore or prospect for new opportunities, resources, or locations

37. The _____ community has had a significant impact on American culture.

n. a person of Latin American origin or descent, especially one living in the United States

38. Her beauty resulted from a good night's sleep rather than _____.

n. colored substances used on someone's face to improve or change their appearance

39. The _____ preparations for the concert took hours to complete.

adj. relating to or situated in the area behind the stage of a theater, concert, or other performance venues; relating to the private or hidden aspects of something, such as politics, business, or personal life

ANSWERS: 33. fashion, 34. creative, 35. passe, 36. scout, 37. Latino, 38. makeup, 39. backstage

40. She wiped the _____ off her forehead with a towel.
n. the salty liquid that is produced by the glands in the skin, especially when the body is hot or under stress
41. You need to update your _____ before submitting it for the job application.
n. a summary of a person's education, work experience, and qualifications, often used in job applications as a way to showcase their skills and achievements
42. His mom was always concerned about his _____ frame and encouraged him to eat more
adj. having a very thin or slim body; referring to clothing that is tightly fitting and reveals the shape of the body; referring to information or details that are kept secret or confidential
43. Try to keep a _____ between work and off.
n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
44. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.
n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
45. The unemployment rate in the first _____ was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.
n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
46. His abusive words made me _____.
adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

ANSWERS: 40. sweat, 41. résumé, 42. skinny, 43. balance, 44. privilege, 45. quarter, 46. uncomfortable

47. The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and _____ it
adj. not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
48. He is a skilled _____ that has many years of training and experience.
n. a doctor who is trained to perform medical operations that involve cutting open a person's body
49. The main _____ from the meeting was the need for better communication.
n. a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information
50. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.
n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
51. He has _____ his wealth through real estate investments.
v. to collect or acquire a large number of things over a long period of time
52. The coach _____ the team for fighting until the end and never giving up.
v. to praise or express approval of someone or something; to recommend someone for a job or position; to entrust or hand over something to someone else
53. The series of terrorist attacks _____ the entire nation.
v. to shock or disgust greatly
54. The security guard stopped and _____ the suspicious-looking person at the entrance to the building.
v. to search for someone or something in a quick, lively manner, often to discover something hidden or suspicious; to frolic or skip about in a lively or playful manner

ANSWERS: 47. faked, 48. surgeon, 49. takeaway, 50. planet, 51. accumulated, 52. commended, 53. horrify, 54. frisked

55. The odds of winning the _____ are extremely low, but millions still buy tickets hoping to hit the jackpot.
- n.* a game of chance in which a large number of people buy tickets or chances to win a prize, with the winner(s) determined by a random drawing
56. A minor _____ conflict later led to a civil war.
- adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
57. She couldn't resist the temptation to _____ on the couch after lunch.
- n.* a state of sleep, especially a light sleep; (verb) to be asleep, or to take a nap
58. He has a _____ income.
- adj.* thin and delicate, often in an attractive way
59. I regretted making an _____ mistake in my final exam.
- adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
60. There is a lot of _____ nature and food in Hawaii.
- adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
61. I need a new _____ for my upcoming beach vacation.
- n.* a women's two-piece swimsuit characterized by a top that covers the chest and a bottom that covers the groin and buttocks
62. 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.

ANSWERS: 55. lottery, 56. racial, 57. slumber, 58. slender, 59. awful, 60. awesome, 61. bikini, 62. president

63. She was the sole _____ of her grandfather's estate.
n. a person who receives benefits or advantage from something, especially a financial trust or a will
64. He was served with a _____ of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.
n. a written legal order or command
65. Children in an unstructured environment often feel _____.
adj. not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety
66. My father's death _____ my life completely.
v. to change in outward structure or looks;
67. The newspaper published an _____ on the current state of the economy.
adj. relating to the expression of opinions or interpretations in the media
68. He _____ pieces of rope out of straw.
v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape
69. The budget reduction was an _____ feat for our nation.
adj. arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
70. Necessity is the mother of _____.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
71. She wore high _____ to the party.
n. the rounded back part of the foot below the ankle; someone who is morally reprehensible; (verb) to follow someone or something

ANSWERS: 63. beneficiary, 64. writ, 65. insecure, 66. transformed, 67. editorial, 68. twisted, 69. impressive, 70. invention, 71. heels

72. The government _____ regulated the country's food and drug safety standards.
n. an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action
73. It seems _____ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.
adj. likely to happen or likely to be true
74. The marathon runner felt a cramp in her _____ at the 20th mile.
n. the part of the human leg between the hip and the knee; in animals, the corresponding upper part of the hind leg
75. She is a talented _____ who has been recognized for her work.
n. a person who writes poetry
76. I claim on my _____ that it is true.
n. high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
77. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
78. The building had a _____ pattern that was pleasing to the eye.
n. balance or proportion in design or structure, with elements arranged evenly on either side of an axis
79. The journalist's _____ reporting should have captured the full scope of the issue.
adj. existing or occurring only at or on the surface; appearing to be true or real only until examined more closely

ANSWERS: 72. agency, 73. probable, 74. thigh, 75. poet, 76. honor, 77. amazing, 78. symmetry, 79. superficial

80. Her interests are _____ to mine.

adj. similar or related in nature, character, or origin

81. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

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

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

83. Historically, many countries have often _____ certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.

v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

84. Little children tend to have _____ friends.

adj. existing only in someone's mind

85. The researchers try to discover a common _____ in all types of successful organizations.

n. one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger

86. The ___ level of this soil is too acidic for these types of plants.

n. a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating greater alkalinity

87. The model strutted down the _____ during the fashion show.

n. the catwalk or platform where models walk to display clothing or other fashion items during a fashion show; a strip of hard ground along which planes take off and land;

ANSWERS: 80. akin, 81. unfortunately, 82. define, 83. oppressed, 84. imaginary, 85. component, 86. ph, 87. runway

88. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
89. Cultural norms strongly influence _____ expectations.
n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
90. Having a _____ healthy physique is essential for a great life.
adv. in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
91. The earthquake caused a _____ of lumber to crumble noisily.
n. a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
92. Their _____ argument lasted for hours, neither willing to back down.
adj. showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
93. Thank you for inviting such a _____ party tonight.
adj. extremely pleasing or good; based on or told of in traditional stories
94. When performing an organ transplant, it is necessary to test for compatibility between the donor and _____.
n. a person who receives something
95. His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly _____.
adj. doubting that something is accurate or useful

ANSWERS: 88. inspired, 89. gender, 90. physically, 91. stack, 92. passionate, 93. fabulous, 94. recipient, 95. skeptical

96. Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the _____ code.
adj. of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
97. Her _____ as a philanthropist will live on for generations to come.
n. something that is handed down from an earlier generation or time, often something that has had a significant impact on subsequent generations; a bequest made by a person in their will, often money or property
98. I found an old _____ of my grandparents from their wedding day.
n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
99. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
100. The _____ in the room was palpable as the team waited for their leader to speak.
n. a state of mental or emotional strain or excitement; the state of being stretched tight
101. An executive _____ director administers each branch.
n. someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job
102. He never _____ his fault.
v. to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

ANSWERS: 96. genetic, 97. legacy, 98. photograph, 99. constructs, 100. tension, 101. assistant, 102. acknowledged

103. She spent the whole summer _____ on the beach.

v. to become brown as a result of exposure to the sun

104. He underwent a successful _____ surgery to repair his damaged heart valve.

adj. relating to the heart and lungs or the surgical procedures and treatments involving these organs

105. The manufacturing industry is _____ fierce competition.

n. a person who sees something happen, especially a crime or an accident

ANSWERS: 103. tanning, 104. cardiothoracic, 105. witnessing