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Session 1: Word List

fantastic

adj. extremely good; excellent

synonym : incredible, unbelievable, marvelous

(1) a **fantastic** dress, (2) absolutely **fantastic** event

The new amusement park ride was **fantastic**, with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.

deception

n. the act of misleading or tricking someone, often by creating a false impression or concealing the truth; a fraudulent or dishonest action

synonym : fraud, deceit, trickery

(1) **deception** tactics, (2) **deception** in advertising

The politician was accused of **deception** for making false promises during his campaign.

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.

high-profile

adj. attracting much attention and interest from the public and media

synonym : notable, prominent, distinguished

(1) **high-profile** lawyer, (2) become **high-profile**
Within six months, the research thesis became a **high-profile** scientific paper.

journalist

n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

synonym: reporter, newsperson, press

(1) a China-based **journalist**, (2) **journalist** on a magazine
Foreign TV crews and **journalists** can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

plagiarism

n. the act of using someone else's words or ideas without giving proper credit or permission; the representation of another person's work as one's own

synonym: theft, piracy, copying

(1) commit **plagiarism**, (2) **plagiarism** detection

The student was accused of **plagiarism** after submitting a paper that contained large sections of copied text.

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.

involve

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

synonym: implicate, include, engage

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

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

quotation

n. a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker

synonym: excerpt, passage, quote

(1) double **quotation** marks, (2) take a **quotation**
He included a **quotation** from the book in his essay.

expose

v. to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence

synonym: disclose, reveal, uncover

(1) **expose** a crime, (2) **expose** a person to risks

That newspaper **exposed** a political scandal in a big way.

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

fib

v. to tell a small or harmless lie; to fabricate or make up a false statement or story to deceive or mislead; (noun) a small or trivial lie

synonym: lie, deceive, fabricate

(1) **fib** about his whereabouts, (2) **fib** to avoid trouble

Kids often **fib** about eating their vegetables when parents aren't looking.

devious

adj. cunning and deceitful; not straightforward; tricky

synonym: cunning, deceitful, tricky

(1) **devious** plot, (2) use **devious** methods

The **devious** plan to cheat on the test was foiled by the teacher.

pervasive

adj. spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place

synonym: extensive, ubiquitous, prevalent

(1) **pervasive** language, (2) the **pervasive** odor of garlic

Suspicion and worry were **pervasive** in our minds.

combine

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

synonym: coalesce, cohere, blend

(1) **combine** chemically with another substance,

(2) **combine** augmented reality

Hydrogen and oxygen **combine** to form water.

fascinate

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

synonym: captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

lantern

n. a portable source of lighting, typically featuring a protective enclosure for the light source

synonym: lamp, beacon, flashlight

(1) candle **lantern**, (2) a **lantern** in the dark

The paper-covered **lantern** glowed softly in the darkness.

Confucian

adj. relating to the teachings and beliefs of the Chinese philosopher Confucius and his followers

synonym: Confucianist, Confucianism

(1) **Confucian** rites, (2) **Confucian** ethics

Confucian values such as filial piety and respect for elders still strongly influence many Asian cultures.

concerned

adj. feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention

synonym: worried, caring, involved

(1) persons **concerned**, (2) **concerned** citizen

I am **concerned** about the safety of the children playing in the park.

sincere

adj. (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful

synonym: earnest, fervent, candid

(1) a **sincere** man, (2) express **sincere** regret

Please accept my **sincere** condolences on your friend's death.

principle

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

synonym: rule, creed, code

(1) **principle** of treatment, (2) **principle** in business

Efficiency isn't an essential **principle** here; fairness is.

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.

encounter

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

synonym: meet, run into, come across

(1) **encounter** a crisis, (2) **encounter** a storm

I'm prepared to **encounter** challenges throughout this adventure.

customs

n. the official department or agency that enforces the regulations, taxes, and duties related to the importation and exportation of goods; the duties, taxes, or tariffs imposed on imported or exported goods

synonym: duties, tariffs, taxes

(1) **customs** duty, (2) **customs** officer

I had to declare all my purchases at **customs** before entering the country.

defend

v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.

synonym: protect, guard, support

(1) **defend** my country, (2) **defend** against a threat
International law allows each nation to **defend** itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.

communicate

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

synonym: convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,
(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

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.

insane

adj. extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill

synonym: crazy, mad, foolish

(1) go **insane** with pleasure, (2) an **insane** scheme

Her excessive demands drove me **insane**.

aspect

n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

synonym: characteristic, element, factor

(1) nontechnical **aspects** of the job, (2) **aspects** of social, political, and economic life

His professional experience includes all **aspects** of media production.

butler

n. a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties

synonym: valet, majordomo, manservant

(1) **butler** service, (2) household **butler**

The personal **butler** announced that dinner was ready, and the guests went to the dining room.

puppet

n. a doll or figure that is manipulated by strings, wires, or hands to represent a person or animal; a person who is controlled or manipulated by someone else

synonym : marionette, dummy, mannequin

(1) **puppet** theater, (2) corporate **puppet**

The politician was merely a **puppet** for the wealthy elite.

weird

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

synonym : bizarre, creepy, peculiar

(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**

My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

battery

n. a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them

synonym : electric cell, array, batch

(1) a dry **battery**, (2) **battery** charging

The engine did not start because the **battery** was flat.

zone

n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

synonym : area, region, territory

(1) time **zone**, (2) **zone** defense

He was reluctant to leave his comfort **zone** and try something new.

bore

v. to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources

synonym : bear, tire, weary

(1) **bore** diameter, (2) **bore** him with his stories

The lecture on quantum physics **bored** me to tears.

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.

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.

buffer

n. a device, material, or person that reduces the impact or effect of an external force or provides protection against harm or damage

synonym: cushion, shield, insulation

(1) a **buffer** between the quarreling parents, (2) use a **buffer** to reduce noise

Using a password manager can act as a **buffer** against hackers who try to steal your personal information.

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.

aim

v. to try or plan to get or achieve something

synonym: aspire, direct, target

(1) **aim** at a specific target, (2) **aim** to be a nurse

We **aim** for an overseas expansion.

jerk

v. to make a sudden, sharp movement, or cause something to do this

synonym: wrench, jolt, twitch

(1) **jerk** her head back, (2) **jerk** the rope

The driver suddenly **jerked** the steering wheel to the left to avoid hitting the deer.

identity

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

synonym : character, personality, individuality

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

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

suspect

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

synonym : assume, distrust, surmise

(1) **suspect** a plot, (2) **suspect** that he is sick

The cops **suspected** him of being the killer.

waltz

n. a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure

synonym : ballroom dance, tango, foxtrot

(1) **waltz** music, (2) elegant **waltz**

The dancers practiced the steps of the **waltz** meticulously to perfect their performance.

domain

n. a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise

synonym : territory, realm, sphere

(1) **domain** of use, (2) a dependent **domain**

The company's **domain** in the market was expanding to new territories.

refer

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

synonym : cite, allude, mention

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

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

propaganda

n. information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology

synonym : disinformation, misinformation, publicity

(1) **propaganda** campaign, (2) self-serving **propaganda**

The government used **propaganda** pictures to spread its message of national unity.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym : administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

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.

toast

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

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

We made a **toast** with everyone.

deceptive

adj. tending to mislead or deceive either deliberately or inadvertently; causing one to believe what is not true or fail to believe what is true

synonym : misleading, trickery, fraudulent

(1) **deceptive** practices, (2) appearances are **deceptive**

The politician's statements were found to be **deceptive** and not based on fact.

anonymous

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

synonym : nameless, unidentified, unnamed

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

She received several **anonymous** calls.

assure

v. to give confidence or reassurance to someone; to convince or guarantee someone that something will happen or that something is true

synonym: ensure, guarantee, promise

(1) **assure** safety, (2) **assure** quality

I want to **assure** you that you have my full support.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

coworker

n. a person who works with another in the same company or organization

synonym: colleague, peer, associate

(1) **coworker** relationship, (2) argue with a **coworker**

My ex- **coworker** and I had different working styles but managed to get along.

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.

calculate

v. to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

synonym: compute, figure, estimate

(1) **calculate** the distance, (2) **calculate** his credit score

He couldn't **calculate** the actual value of the artwork.

medium

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

synonym : average, intermediate, (noun) channel

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

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

loop

n. a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself

synonym : circle, curl, spiral

(1) exit from a **loop**, (2) positive feedback **loop**

Many people in this city use the **loop** railway for transportation.

nonverbal

adj. not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language

synonym : silent, mute, unspoken

(1) **nonverbal** communication, (2) **nonverbal** signal

Many communication skills rely on **nonverbal** cues such as body language and facial expressions.

cue

n. a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something

synonym : signal, sign, hint

(1) **cue** card, (2) visual **cue**

The director gave the actor a **cue** to begin the scene.

contrast

v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences

synonym : differ, vary, counterpoint

(1) **contrast** with a decade ago, (2) **contrast** two things

It's intriguing to compare and **contrast** the two authors.

device

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

synonym : gadget, instrument, tool

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

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

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.

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym: custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

employer

n. a person or organization that pays workers to work for them

synonym: boss, owner, company

(1) illegal **employer**, (2) **employer** responsibility

An **employer's** attitude toward its employees significantly impacts their productivity.

responsible

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

id

n. a part of the psyche that represents the unconscious desires and instincts of an individual; in psychoanalytic theory, it is believed to be the most basic and primal part

of the human psyche; (also ID, short for identification) a document or card that proves a person's identity, such as a driver's license, passport, or national ID card

synonym: identity, ego, persona

(1) the **id** ego, (2) **ID** card

I forgot my **ID** at home and needed it to enter the club.

examine

v. to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them

synonym: study, probe, analyze

(1) **examine** the data studiously, (2) **examine** the issue

Initially, we must **examine** all project-related expenses.

personality

n. a person's distinct combination of character, behavioral, temperamental, emotional, and mental traits that define them as an individual and set them apart from others

synonym: character, disposition, temperament

(1) **personality** trait, (2) **personality** test

She had a vibrant **personality** that made everyone feel at ease.

judge

n. a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

synonym: arbiter, justice, (verb) deduce

(1) **judge** a competition, (2) an associate **judge**

The strict **judge** ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

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.

identical

adj. being the exact same one

synonym: duplicate, exact, analogous

(1) pair of **identical** twins, (2) an **identical** equation

Infant formulas are nutritionally almost **identical** to a mother's breast milk.

correlate

v. to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another

synonym: associate, liken, connect

(1) **correlate** closely with the quality, (2) **correlate** to the size

We may frequently **correlate** age with the frequency of disease.

lab

n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

synonym: workshop, laboratory, research chamber

(1) **lab** instrument, (2) medical **lab**

The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's **lab**.

measured

adj. done with careful consideration or calculated precision; controlled or regulated in manner or speech; deliberate and thoughtful

synonym: calculated, deliberate, thought-out

(1) **measured** analysis, (2) **measured** tone of voice

Her **measured** response to the criticism showed her ability to remain calm and composed under pressure.

license

n. an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service

synonym: permit, authorization, certificate

(1) **license** renewal, (2) software **license**

Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's **license**.

axis

n. a real or imaginary straight line through a body or figure around which the object turns; a group of countries in

special alliance

synonym : central, core, pole

(1) vertical **axis**, (2) a coordinate **axis**

The earth's **axis** of rotation is tilted 66.5 degrees to the ecliptic plane.

vertical

adj. upright or perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line

synonym : perpendicular, upright, plumb

(1) **vertical** takeoff, (2) **vertical** axis

The ladder leaned against the **vertical** surface of the building.

diagonal

adj. at an angle or slant; (noun) a line that runs across a surface or figure at an angle

synonym : oblique, sloping, slanting

(1) **diagonal** pattern, (2) place at a **diagonal**

The **diagonal** cut of the skirt added movement and flair to the outfit.

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.

boom

n. a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound

synonym : roaring, prosperity, boost

(1) **boom** in sales, (2) a sonic **boom**

The high-technology industry is enjoying a **boom**.

cluster

n. a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit

synonym : group, aggregation, array

(1) live in a **cluster**, (2) a **cluster** of stars

A **cluster** of grapes hung from the vine.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

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

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

dimension

n. a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

synonym: extent, measurement, size

(1) new **dimension**, (2) the crosswise **dimension**

Overall **dimensions** are approximately 400x200mm.

frequent

adj. happening constantly

synonym: periodic, recurring, routine

(1) **frequent** absence, (2) **frequent** use

His heartaches are less **frequent** now.

subtly

adv. in a way that is so small or delicate as to be difficult to notice or describe

synonym: elegantly, exquisitely, finely

(1) **subtly** change, (2) **subtly** point out

Government policy has already been revised **subtly**.

constrain

v. to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something

synonym: restrict, limit, confine

(1) **constrain** his freedom, (2) **constrain** information flow

The political situation **constrained** the country's economic growth and foreign relations.

intuition

n. the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why

synonym: instinct, gut feeling, sixth sense

(1) creative **intuition**, (2) **intuition** research

Some studies suggest that people's **intuitions** can be influenced by their experiences and biases.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym : specialized, technical

(1) **technological** advancement, (2) **technological** policy
Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

detection

n. the act of discovering or identifying the presence of something

synonym : discovery, identification, recognition

(1) **detection** by the security software, (2) importance of early **detection**

This smartphone has a collision **detection** function.

literature

n. written works, such as novels, plays, poems, or short stories that are considered to have artistic or intellectual value

synonym : writing, prose, fiction

(1) popular **literature**, (2) review of the **literature**

The **literature** of the Romantic period is known for its emotion and imagination.

compelling

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

synonym : tempting, captivating, influential

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

His **compelling** presentation deeply moved everyone.

detect

v. to find or recognize something, especially something difficult to see, hear, etc.

synonym : catch, observe, notice

(1) **detect** a bad event, (2) **detect** smuggling across borders

The security camera has **detected** four intruders.

accuracy

n. the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake

synonym : precision, exactness, truthfulness

(1) degree of **accuracy**, (2) the **accuracy** of his compass
To assure **accuracy**, I recommend investing in high-quality test kits.

rely

v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

synonym : depend, count, lean

(1) **rely** on convenience stores, (2) **rely** entirely on him
Babies heavily **rely** on others for food.

reliable

adj. worthy of being relied on; trustworthy

synonym : dependable, trustworthy, dedicated

(1) **reliable** access, (2) guarantee **reliable** delivery
Trains are **reliable**, inexpensive, and ideal for long-distance travel.

situ

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

synonym : situational, contextual, circumstantial

(1) ex- **situ** conservation, (2) in- **situ** control
Melanoma in **situ** is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.

stake

n. a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something

synonym : share, interest, post

(1) execution by burning at a **stake**, (2) buy the company's **stake**

The **stake** of the company is too high nowadays.

pupil

n. the black circular opening in the center of the iris of the eye, through which light enters the eye; a student in school or university

synonym : iris, eye aperture, student

(1) **pupil** constriction, (2) attentive **pupil**

The **pupil** of your eye dilates in response to different light levels.

dilate

v. to make something wider, larger, or more open

synonym : widen, open, enlarge

(1) **dilate** the bronchial tubes, (2) **dilate** blood vessel

The pupils of the eyes **dilate** in low light.

pitch

n. the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something

synonym : angle, gradient, slope

(1) make a **pitch** for a new product, (2) a low- **pitched** sound

Her voice gradually increased in **pitch**.

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.

pathological

adj. relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy

synonym : aberrant, diseased, abnormal

(1) **pathological** liar, (2) **pathological** condition

The doctor was concerned that the patient's **pathological**

fear of germs impacted their daily life.

portion

n. one component of a larger entity

synonym : part, amount, fragment

(1) the inner **portion** of the body, (2) large **portion**

The rocket's front **portion** falls off.

population

n. the total number of people in a country, region, or location

synonym : people, inhabitants, folk

(1) **population** change, (2) labor **population**

In just four years, the **population** has doubled.

necessarily

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

synonym : inevitable, certainly, automatically

(1) not **necessarily** a problem, (2) **necessarily** true

This accident was something that happened **necessarily**.

fundamental

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

synonym : basic, essential, entire

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

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym : root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

linguist

n. a person who speaks several foreign languages; a person who studies or teaches languages or linguistics

synonym : grammarist, philologue, polyglot

(1) foreign **linguist**, (2) cognitive **linguist**

Though I love literature, I'm a bad **linguist**.

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.

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.

cave

n. a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground

synonym : cavern, grotto, burrow

(1) domiciliary **caves**, (2) the mouth of the **cave**

Bats reside in sheltered **caves**.

saber

n. a type of sword with a curved blade, typically used in cavalry or fencing

synonym : sword, cutlass, blade

(1) **saber** fencing, (2) ceremonial **saber**

The military commander drew his **saber** and shouted orders to the troops.

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.

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.

emerge

v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

synonym: arise, occur, appear

(1) **emerge** as a butterfly, (2) **emerge** from poverty

During colonial eras, new migratory patterns **emerged**.

utterance

n. spoken or written words or phrases; the act of expressing or producing sounds or words

synonym: expression, articulation, declaration

(1) poetic **utterance**, (2) political **utterance**

The doctor carefully listened to her patient's **utterances** to diagnose his condition.

disappear

v. to cease to exist or be visible

synonym: fade, evaporate, vanish

(1) **disappear** without a trace, (2) **disappear** after a week

They watched the train **disappear** into the distance.

trace

v. to find or discover someone or something that was lost

synonym: seek, follow, depict

(1) **trace** a telephone call, (2) **trace** back to medieval times

Let's **trace** the origins of some familiar foreign words.

evanescent

adj. fleeting or temporary; tending to fade or disappear quickly; of or relating to anything that has a short-lived existence or duration

synonym: fleeting, disappearing, transitory

(1) **evanescent** dream, (2) **evanescent** nature of fame

The beauty of the sunset was **evanescent** as it disappeared quickly behind the mountains.

literacy

n. the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively

synonym: education, reading, writing

(1) digital **literacy**, (2) financial **literacy**

Many charities focus on improving **literacy** rates in underprivileged communities.

incredibly

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

synonym: enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

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

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

millennium

n. a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

(1) past **millennium**, (2) **millennium** bottle of wine

Our world is in the third **millennium**.

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.

ancient

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

synonym: archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories

They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym: insane, absurd, bizarre

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

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

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.

flux

n. the state of constantly changing or flowing; the rate of flow of energy or particles across a particular place

synonym: flow, change, motion

(1) **flux** density, (2) **flux** of particles

The town's population was in **flux**, with many people moving in and out.

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.

environment

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

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.

slightly

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

synonym: barely, narrowly, scarcely

(1) increase **slightly**, (2) **slightly** alkaline soils

He moved his body **slightly** to the left.

dominate

v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

synonym: govern, rule, prevail

(1) **dominate** possession, (2) **dominate** over the weak

The perspective of his right brain **dominates** his consciousness.

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?

split

v. to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line

synonym: break, divide, break apart

(1) **split** a bill, (2) **split** a reward equally

Companies often **split** their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.

suspicious

adj. making you feel that someone has done something wrong, illegal, or dishonest without any evidence

synonym: fishy, questionable, doubtful

(1) report **suspicious** activity, (2) a person who is **suspicious**

We carefully examine each **suspicious** transaction report we receive.

colleague

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

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

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

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

algorithm

n. a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

synonym: logic, method, rule

(1) the RSA **algorithm**, (2) **algorithm** for image processing
We can evaluate the performance of an **algorithm** in terms of computation time.

analyze

v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

synonym: explore, examine, investigate

(1) **analyze** a chemical compound, (2) **analyze** your real motives

The teacher attempted to **analyze** the root cause of our mistake.

linguistic

adj. relating to language or the study of language

synonym: lingual, verbal, lexical

(1) her major is **linguistics**, (2) **linguistic** analysis

Our naive experience undoubtedly contains a **linguistic** aspect.

highlight

v. to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention

synonym: feature, emphasize, stress

(1) **highlight** a string in red, (2) **highlight** an important difference

The introduction **highlighted** the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant

narrative

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

synonym: the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**

The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

singular

n. being only one of its kind; unique

synonym: unique, sole, individual

(1) **singular** purpose, (2) **singular** goal

The **singular** beauty of the night sky never ceases to amaze him.

insert

v. to put something inside something else

synonym: introduce, add, embed

(1) **insert** coin, (2) **insert** a graphic

She **inserted** a new chapter into her manuscript.

convince

v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

synonym: persuade, win over, convert

(1) **convince** her to go with us, (2) **convince** an opponent

I am considering what I should do to **convince** him.

spatial

adj. of or relating space and the position, area, and size of things

synonym: dimensional, geographical

(1) **spatial** ability, (2) **spatial** distribution

He carefully determined the **spatial** relations of every piece of the stage set.

accurate

adj. correct and exact in all details

synonym: exact, precise, proper

(1) provide **accurate** information, (2) **accurate** measurements

The official transcript contains **accurate** academic records.

cheat

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

synonym: deceive, swindle, defraud

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

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

expression

n. the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood

synonym: statement, utterance, remark

(1) artistic **expression**, (2) **expression** of interest
His facial **expression** showed a mix of surprise and confusion.

attitude

n. the way you think and feel about someone or something
synonym: mindset, perspective, philosophy

(1) **attitude** toward mistakes, (2) **attitude** control
She had the **attitude** that work was fun.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid
synonym: enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars
The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

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.

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.

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.

Session 2: Spelling

1. the pe_____ve odor of garlic *adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
2. tracking de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
3. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
4. visual c_e *n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something
5. 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
6. ev___e *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
7. hi_____ht a string in red *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
8. the state of being we__d *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
9. di___e the bronchial tubes *v.* to make something wider, larger, or more open
10. past mil_____um *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

ANSWERS: 1. pervasive, 2. device, 3. massive, 4. cue, 5. movement, 6. evolve, 7. highlight, 8. weird, 9. dilate, 10. millennium

11. 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
12. sp__t a reward equally *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
13. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
14. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
15. tr_____m an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
16. wa__z music *n.* a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure
17. ba_____y charging *n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them
18. slice of to__t *n.* slices of bread browned on both sides that have been put near a high heat; a drink in honor of or to the health of a person or even
19. ex_____e the issue *v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them

ANSWERS: 11. legacy, 12. split, 13. tradition, 14. relation, 15. transform, 16. waltz, 17. battery, 18. toast, 19. examine

20. take a qu_____on *n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
21. vertical a__s *n.* a real or imaginary straight line through a body or figure around which the object turns; a group of countries in special alliance
22. ta_____ay message *n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information
23. a w__t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
24. per_____ty trait *n.* a person's distinct combination of character, behavioral, temperamental, emotional, and mental traits that define them as an individual and set them apart from others
25. mistaken id_____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
26. illegal em_____er *n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
27. di_____ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
28. f__x density *n.* the state of constantly changing or flowing; the rate of flow of energy or particles across a particular place
29. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

ANSWERS: 20. quotation, 21. axis, 22. takeaway, 23. writ, 24. personality, 25. identity, 26. employer, 27. disappear, 28. flux, 29. amazing

30. as___e safety *v.* to give confidence or reassurance to someone; to convince or guarantee someone that something will happen or that something is true
31. new di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
32. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
33. increase sl_____ly *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
34. the RSA al_____hm *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
35. mil_____um bottle of wine *n.* a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)
36. a_m to be a nurse *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
37. co_____ce an opponent *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
38. pla_____sm detection *n.* the act of using someone else's words or ideas without giving proper credit or permission; the representation of another person's work as one's own
39. tr__e a telephone call *v.* to find or discover someone or something that was lost
40. absolutely fa_____ic event *adj.* extremely good; excellent
41. a bu___r between the quarreling parents *n.* a device, material, or person that reduces the impact or effect of an external force or provides protection against harm or damage

ANSWERS: 30. assure, 31. dimension, 32. participate, 33. slightly, 34. algorithm, 35. millennium, 36. aim, 37. convince, 38. plagiarism, 39. trace, 40. fantastic, 41. buffer

42. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
43. in___t coin *v.* to put something inside something else
44. 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
45. en_____er a storm *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
46. co_____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
47. me_____ed tone of voice *adj.* done with careful consideration or calculated precision; controlled or regulated in manner or speech; deliberate and thoughtful
48. d_t blot method *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
49. the inner po_____n of the body *n.* one component of a larger entity
50. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
51. or___n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something

ANSWERS: 42. tradition, 43. insert, 44. résumé, 45. encounter, 46. combine, 47. measured, 48. dot, 49. portion, 50. conversation, 51. origin

52. 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
53. hi_____ht an important difference *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
54. fr_____nt absence *adj.* happening constantly
55. de____t smuggling across borders *v.* to find or recognize something, especially something difficult to see, hear, etc.
56. co_____ce her to go with us *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
57. f__e police officer *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
58. electronic de____e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
59. em____e from poverty *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
60. medical l_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
61. in____t a graphic *v.* to put something inside something else
62. tec_____cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
63. r□____□ 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

ANSWERS: 52. literally, 53. highlight, 54. frequent, 55. detect, 56. convince, 57. fake, 58. device, 59. emerge, 60. lab, 61. insert, 62. technological, 63. résumé

64. do___n of use *n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
65. time z__e *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
66. nec_____ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
67. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
68. human ev_____on *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
69. f_r forest *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
70. tell a com_____ng story *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
71. j__k the rope *v.* to make a sudden, sharp movement, or cause something to do this
72. a we__d dress *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
73. em_____er responsibility *n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
74. pu___t theater *n.* a doll or figure that is manipulated by strings, wires, or hands to represent a person or animal; a person who is controlled or manipulated by someone else

ANSWERS: 64. domain, 65. zone, 66. necessarily, 67. decide, 68. evolution, 69. fir, 70. compelling, 71. jerk, 72. weird, 73. employer, 74. puppet

75. pr_____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
76. h__e a car by the hour *v.* to give somebody a job
77. me___m color *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information
78. a person who is sus_____us *adj.* making you feel that someone has done something wrong, illegal, or dishonest without any evidence
79. labor pop_____on *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
80. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
81. a cl_____r of stars *n.* a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit
82. a la_____n in the dark *n.* a portable source of lighting, typically featuring a protective enclosure for the light source
83. re_____le access *adj.* worthy of being relied on; trustworthy
84. 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

ANSWERS: 75. principle, 76. hire, 77. medium, 78. suspicious, 79. population, 80. responsible, 81. cluster, 82. lantern, 83. reliable, 84. digital

85. ev___e over the past decade *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
86. in-s__u control *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
87. 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
88. pair of id_____al twins *adj.* being the exact same one
89. si_____ar goal *n.* being only one of its kind; unique
90. corporate pu___t *n.* a doll or figure that is manipulated by strings, wires, or hands to represent a person or animal; a person who is controlled or manipulated by someone else
91. co_____in information flow *v.* to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
92. si_____ar purpose *n.* being only one of its kind; unique
93. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
94. an_____e your real motives *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
95. express si_____e regret *adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
96. pu__l constriction *n.* the black circular opening in the center of the iris of the eye, through which light enters the eye; a student in school or university

ANSWERS: 85. evolve, 86. situ, 87. decide, 88. identical, 89. singular, 90. puppet, 91. constrain, 92. singular, 93. communicate, 94. analyze, 95. sincere, 96. pupil

97. de___t a bad event *v.* to find or recognize something, especially something difficult to see, hear, etc.
98. de___d my country *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
99. tr___e back to medieval times *v.* to find or discover someone or something that was lost
100. al_____hm for image processing *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
101. digital li_____cy *n.* the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively
102. software li_____e *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
103. place at a di_____al *adj.* at an angle or slant; (noun) a line that runs across a surface or figure at an angle
104. lin_____ic analysis *adj.* relating to language or the study of language
105. re___r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
106. ca_____te his credit score *v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

ANSWERS: 97. detect, 98. defend, 99. trace, 100. algorithm, 101. literacy, 102. license, 103. diagonal, 104. linguistic, 105. refer, 106. calculate

107. pat_____cal liar *adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy
108. her major is lin_____ics *adj.* relating to language or the study of language
109. appearances are de_____ve *adj.* tending to mislead or deceive either deliberately or inadvertently; causing one to believe what is not true or fail to believe what is true
110. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
111. me_____ed analysis *adj.* done with careful consideration or calculated precision; controlled or regulated in manner or speech; deliberate and thoughtful
112. as___ts of social, political, and economic life *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
113. buy the company's st__e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
114. the crosswise di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
115. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
116. co_____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
117. poetic ut_____ce *n.* spoken or written words or phrases; the act of expressing or producing sounds or words

ANSWERS: 107. pathological, 108. linguistic, 109. deceptive, 110. amazing, 111. measured, 112. aspect, 113. stake, 114. dimension, 115. transform, 116. combine, 117. utterance

118. popular lit_____re *n.* written works, such as novels, plays, poems, or short stories that are considered to have artistic or intellectual value
119. Co_____an rites *adj.* relating to the teachings and beliefs of the Chinese philosopher Confucius and his followers
120. commit pla_____sm *n.* the act of using someone else's words or ideas without giving proper credit or permission; the representation of another person's work as one's own
121. ca_____te the distance *v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics
122. a dry ba_____y *n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them
123. become hig_____ile *adj.* attracting much attention and interest from the public and media
124. ex_____e the data studiously *v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
125. an associate ju__e *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
126. execution by burning at a st__e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something

ANSWERS: 118. literature, 119. Confucian, 120. plagiarism, 121. calculate, 122. battery, 123. high-profile, 124. examine, 125. judge, 126. stake

127. co_____te closely with the quality *v.* to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another
128. di____e blood vessel *v.* to make something wider, larger, or more open
129. pr_____le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
130. su____y point out *adv.* in a way that is so small or delicate as to be difficult to notice or describe
131. the mouth of the c__e *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
132. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
133. certified pro_____nal secretary *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
134. translate li_____ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
135. a fa_____ic dress *adj.* extremely good; excellent
136. persons co_____ed *adj.* feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention
137. drink a to__t *n.* slices of bread browned on both sides that have been put near a high heat; a drink in honor of or to the health of a person or even
138. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

ANSWERS: 127. correlate, 128. dilate, 129. principle, 130. subtly, 131. cave, 132. responsible, 133. professional, 134. literally, 135. fantastic, 136. concerned, 137. toast, 138. incredibly

139. ID card *n.* a part of the psyche that represents the unconscious desires and instincts of an individual; in psychoanalytic theory, it is believed to be the most basic and primal part of the human psyche; (also ID, short for identification) a document or card that proves a person's identity, such as a driver's license, passport, or national ID card
140. no_____al signal *adj.* not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language
141. h__e a guide *v.* to give somebody a job
142. di_____ar without a trace *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
143. an_____us letter *adj.* having no known name, identity, or known source
144. ma_____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
145. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
146. provide ac_____te information *adj.* correct and exact in all details
147. en_____er a crisis *v.* to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly
148. ex-s__u conservation *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance

ANSWERS: 139. id, 140. nonverbal, 141. hire, 142. disappear, 143. anonymous, 144. massive, 145. government, 146. accurate, 147. encounter, 148. situ

149. pe_____ve language *adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
150. co_____st two things *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
151. review of the lit_____re *n.* written works, such as novels, plays, poems, or short stories that are considered to have artistic or intellectual value
152. elegant wa__z *n.* a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure
153. pat_____cal condition *adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy
154. self-serving pro_____da *n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
155. connecting the d_ts *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
156. fa_____te the young *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
157. jou_____st on a magazine *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
158. a coordinate a__s *n.* a real or imaginary straight line through a body or figure around which the object turns; a group of countries in special alliance

ANSWERS: 149. pervasive, 150. contrast, 151. literature, 152. waltz, 153. pathological, 154. propaganda, 155. dot, 156. fascinate, 157. journalist, 158. axis

159. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
160. sa__r fencing *n.* a type of sword with a curved blade, typically used in cavalry or fencing
161. positive feedback l__p *n.* a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself
162. an in___e scheme *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
163. political ut_____ce *n.* spoken or written words or phrases; the act of expressing or producing sounds or words
164. ex___e a person to risks *v.* to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence
165. report sus_____us activity *adj.* making you feel that someone has done something wrong, illegal, or dishonest without any evidence
166. r__y entirely on him *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
167. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
168. an_____us house *adj.* having no known name, identity, or known source
169. large po_____n *n.* one component of a larger entity

ANSWERS: 159. crazy, 160. saber, 161. loop, 162. insane, 163. utterance, 164. expose, 165. suspicious, 166. rely, 167. fundamental, 168. anonymous, 169. portion

170. degree of ac____cy *n.* the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake
171. the ac____cy of his compass *n.* the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake
172. su____y change *adv.* in a way that is so small or delicate as to be difficult to notice or describe
173. an____t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
174. in_____on research *n.* the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why
175. personal na_____ve *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
176. l_b instrument *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
177. b__e diameter *v.* to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources
178. c_e card *n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something

ANSWERS: 170. accuracy, 171. accuracy, 172. subtly, 173. ancient, 174. intuition, 175. narrative, 176. lab, 177. bore, 178. cue

179. a sonic b__m *n.* a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
180. as___e quality *v.* to give confidence or reassurance to someone; to convince or guarantee someone that something will happen or that something is true
181. at____de control *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
182. co____er relationship *n.* a person who works with another in the same company or organization
183. pre-Christian an____t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
184. pro____nal athlete *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
185. id____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
186. argue with a co____er *n.* a person who works with another in the same company or organization
187. pr____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
188. dem____te a difference *v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
189. 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.

ANSWERS: 179. boom, 180. assure, 181. attitude, 182. coworker, 183. ancient, 184. professional, 185. identity, 186. coworker, 187. probable, 188. demonstrate, 189. president

190. sl____ly alkaline soils *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
191. de_____ve practices *adj.* tending to mislead or deceive either deliberately or inadvertently; causing one to believe what is not true or fail to believe what is true
192. a China-based jou_____st *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
193. ve_____al axis *adj.* upright or perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line
194. no_____al communication *adj.* not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language
195. exp_____on of interest *n.* the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood
196. new and com_____ng evidence *adj.* arousing strong and irresistible interest, attention, or admiration
197. an emotional ju_____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
198. a dependent do____n *n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
199. do_____te possession *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

ANSWERS: 190. slightly, 191. deceptive, 192. journalist, 193. vertical, 194. nonverbal, 195. expression, 196. compelling, 197. judgment, 198. domain, 199. dominate

200. jazz su_____ar *n.* a very famous and successful performer or athlete
201. exit from a l__p *n.* a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself
202. eva_____nt nature of fame *adj.* fleeting or temporary; tending to fade or disappear quickly; of or relating to anything that has a short-lived existence or duration
203. ta_____ay pizza *n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information
204. live in a cl_____r *n.* a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit
205. z__e defense *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
206. j__k her head back *v.* to make a sudden, sharp movement, or cause something to do this
207. ch__t in a game *v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws
208. r__y on convenience stores *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
209. f_b to avoid trouble *v.* to tell a small or harmless lie; to fabricate or make up a false statement or story to deceive or mislead; (noun) a small or trivial lie

ANSWERS: 200. superstar, 201. loop, 202. evanescent, 203. takeaway, 204. cluster, 205. zone, 206. jerk, 207. cheat, 208. rely, 209. fib

210. racial or ___n	<i>n.</i> the first existence or beginning of something
211. not nec _____ly a problem	<i>adv.</i> in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
212. de _____on tactics	<i>n.</i> the act of misleading or tricking someone, often by creating a false impression or concealing the truth; a fraudulent or dishonest action
213. hu _____g bird	<i>adj.</i> producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
214. ac _____te measurements	<i>adj.</i> correct and exact in all details
215. cu _____s officer	<i>n.</i> the official department or agency that enforces the regulations, taxes, and duties related to the importation and exportation of goods; the duties, taxes, or tariffs imposed on imported or exported goods
216. fun _____al education	<i>adj.</i> forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
217. em _____e as a butterfly	<i>v.</i> to move out of or away from something and become visible
218. go in _____e with pleasure	<i>adj.</i> extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
219. issue a w__t	<i>n.</i> a written legal order or command
220. a cr__y scheme	<i>adj.</i> stupid or not sensible; very angry
221. deliver a ju_____nt	<i>n.</i> the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

ANSWERS: 210. origin, 211. necessarily, 212. deception, 213. humming, 214. accurate, 215. customs, 216. fundamental, 217. emerge, 218. insane, 219. writ, 220. crazy, 221. judgment

222. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
223. de_____s plot *adj.* cunning and deceitful; not straightforward; tricky
224. hu_____g sound *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
225. 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
226. sp__t a bill *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
227. pop_____on change *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
228. f__x of particles *n.* the state of constantly changing or flowing; the rate of flow of energy or particles across a particular place
229. co_____ed citizen *adj.* feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention
230. at_____de toward mistakes *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
231. avoid am_____ty in writing *n.* the quality of being open to more than one interpretation; the uncertainty of meaning
232. su_____t that he is sick *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable

ANSWERS: 222. colleague, 223. devious, 224. humming, 225. legacy, 226. split, 227. population, 228. flux, 229. concerned, 230. attitude, 231. ambiguity, 232. suspect

233. f_b about his whereabouts *v.* to tell a small or harmless lie; to fabricate or make up a false statement or story to deceive or mislead; (noun) a small or trivial lie
234. re__r to a map *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
235. spread of f__e news *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
236. do____te over the weak *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
237. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
238. cu____s duty *n.* the official department or agency that enforces the regulations, taxes, and duties related to the importation and exportation of goods; the duties, taxes, or tariffs imposed on imported or exported goods
239. 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
240. in____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
241. an id_____al equation *adj.* being the exact same one

ANSWERS: 233. fib, 234. refer, 235. fake, 236. dominate, 237. communicate, 238. customs, 239. movement, 240. involve, 241. identical

242. fr_____nt use	<i>adj.</i> happening constantly
243. double qu_____on marks	<i>n.</i> a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
244. ceremonial sa__r	<i>n.</i> a type of sword with a curved blade, typically used in cavalry or fencing
245. b__m in sales	<i>n.</i> a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
246. domiciliary c__es	<i>n.</i> a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
247. importance of early de_____on	<i>n.</i> the act of discovering or identifying the presence of something
248. re_____on of inclusion	<i>n.</i> the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
249. co_____te to the size	<i>v.</i> to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another
250. financial li_____cy	<i>n.</i> the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively
251. de_____on in advertising	<i>n.</i> the act of misleading or tricking someone, often by creating a false impression or concealing the truth; a fraudulent or dishonest action
252. a di_____l watch	<i>adj.</i> 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

ANSWERS: 242. frequent, 243. quotation, 244. saber, 245. boom, 246. cave, 247. detection, 248. relation, 249. correlate, 250. literacy, 251. deception, 252. digital

253. sp_____l distribution *adj.* of or relating space and the position, area, and size of things
254. dem_____te mastery *v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
255. use de_____s methods *adj.* cunning and deceitful; not straightforward; tricky
256. ve_____al takeoff *adj.* upright or perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line
257. nontechnical as____ts of the job *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
258. artistic exp_____on *n.* the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood
259. tec_____cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
260. attentive pu__l *n.* the black circular opening in the center of the iris of the eye, through which light enters the eye; a student in school or university
261. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
262. an_____e a chemical compound *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
263. ch__t on my taxes *v.* to act dishonestly or unfairly to gain an advantage or to deceive someone; to break the rules or laws
264. an advertising me____m *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

ANSWERS: 253. spatial, 254. demonstrate, 255. devious, 256. vertical, 257. aspect, 258. expression, 259. technological, 260. pupil, 261. colleague, 262. analyze, 263. cheat, 264. medium

265. the id ego *n.* a part of the psyche that represents the unconscious desires and instincts of an individual; in psychoanalytic theory, it is believed to be the most basic and primal part of the human psyche; (also ID, short for identification) a document or card that proves a person's identity, such as a driver's license, passport, or national ID card
266. creative in _____ on *n.* the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why
267. foreign li _____ st *n.* a person who speaks several foreign languages; a person who studies or teaches languages or linguistics
268. co _____ in his freedom *v.* to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something
269. di _____ al pattern *adj.* at an angle or slant; (noun) a line that runs across a surface or figure at an angle
270. su _____ t a plot *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
271. fa _____ te the public *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
272. co _____ st with a decade ago *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
273. in _____ e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

ANSWERS: 265. id, 266. intuition, 267. linguist, 268. constrain, 269. diagonal, 270. suspect, 271. fascinate, 272. contrast, 273. involve

274. make a pi__h for a new product *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
275. li_____e renewal *n.* an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service
276. a low-pi__hed sound *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
277. ex___e a crime *v.* to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence
278. 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.
279. ju__e a competition *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
280. a si_____e man *adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
281. candle la_____n *n.* a portable source of lighting, typically featuring a protective enclosure for the light source

ANSWERS: 274. pitch, 275. license, 276. pitch, 277. expose, 278. president, 279. judge, 280. sincere, 281. lantern

282. b__e him with his stories *v.* to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources
283. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
284. free from am_____ty *n.* the quality of being open to more than one interpretation; the uncertainty of meaning
285. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
286. pr_____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
287. guarantee re_____le delivery *adj.* worthy of being relied on; trustworthy
288. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
289. de_____on by the security software *n.* the act of discovering or identifying the presence of something
290. su_____ar athlete *n.* a very famous and successful performer or athlete
291. sp_____l ability *adj.* of or relating space and the position, area, and size of things
292. per_____ty test *n.* a person's distinct combination of character, behavioral, temperamental, emotional, and mental traits that define them as an individual and set them apart from others

ANSWERS: 282. bore, 283. government, 284. ambiguity, 285. environment, 286. probable, 287. reliable, 288. participate, 289. detection, 290. superstar, 291. spatial, 292. personality

293. ev_____on theory *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
294. de___d against a threat *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
295. na_____ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
296. bu___r service *n.* a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties
297. eva_____nt dream *adj.* fleeting or temporary; tending to fade or disappear quickly; of or relating to anything that has a short-lived existence or duration
298. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
299. hig_____ile lawyer *adj.* attracting much attention and interest from the public and media
300. Co_____an ethics *adj.* relating to the teachings and beliefs of the Chinese philosopher Confucius and his followers
301. pro_____da campaign *n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
302. a_m at a specific target *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
303. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

ANSWERS: 293. evolution, 294. defend, 295. narrative, 296. butler, 297. evanescent, 298. environment, 299. high-profile, 300. Confucian, 301. propaganda, 302. aim, 303. conversation

304. cognitive li____st *n.* a person who speaks several foreign languages; a person who studies or teaches languages or linguistics
305. f_r branch *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
306. f__k art *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
307. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
308. household bu____r *n.* a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties
309. use a bu____r to reduce noise *n.* a device, material, or person that reduces the impact or effect of an external force or provides protection against harm or damage
310. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

ANSWERS: 304. linguist, 305. fir, 306. folk, 307. incredibly, 308. butler, 309. buffer, 310. folk

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We may frequently _____ age with the frequency of disease.
 - v. to have a connection or relationship in which one thing affects or depends on another

2. The introduction _____ the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant
 - v. to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention

3. The earth's _____ of rotation is tilted 66.5 degrees to the ecliptic plane.
 - n. a real or imaginary straight line through a body or figure around which the object turns; a group of countries in special alliance

4. His facial _____ showed a mix of surprise and confusion.
 - n. the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood

5. Trains are _____ inexpensive, and ideal for long-distance travel.
 - adj. worthy of being relied on; trustworthy

6. Many people in this city use the _____ railway for transportation.
 - n. a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself

7. The _____ size shirt fits him perfectly.
 - adj. of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

ANSWERS: 1. correlate, 2. highlighted, 3. axis, 4. expression, 5. reliable, 6. loop, 7. medium

8. 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
9. The doctor was concerned that the patient's _____ fear of germs impacted their daily life.
- adj.* relating to or caused by a physical or mental disease or disorder; extreme or abnormal in a way that is harmful or unhealthy
10. The high-technology industry is enjoying a _____.
- n.* a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
11. Bats reside in sheltered _____.
- n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
12. A _____ of grapes hung from the vine.
- n.* a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit
13. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
- adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
14. 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
15. The cops _____ him of being the killer.
- v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable

ANSWERS: 8. movement, 9. pathological, 10. boom, 11. caves, 12. cluster, 13. responsible, 14. relations, 15. suspected

16. The doctor carefully listened to her patient's _____ to diagnose his condition.
- n.* spoken or written words or phrases; the act of expressing or producing sounds or words
17. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's ____.
- n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
18. Some studies suggest that people's _____ can be influenced by their experiences and biases.
- n.* the ability to understand or know something without reasoning or evidence; a feeling that guides a person to do or believe something without fully understanding why
19. The politician was accused of _____ for making false promises during his campaign.
- n.* the act of misleading or tricking someone, often by creating a false impression or concealing the truth; a fraudulent or dishonest action
20. I always carry a backup _____ in case my phone runs out of battery.
- n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
21. I am considering what I should do to _____ him.
- v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
22. They have been living near water since _____ times.
- adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

ANSWERS: 16. utterances, 17. lab, 18. intuitions, 19. deception, 20. device, 21. convince, 22. ancient

23. International law allows each nation to _____ itself when its rights and interests are illegally violated.
v. to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
24. Some seaweed was used as _____ medicine in ancient times.
n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
25. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.
v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group
26. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
27. He was reluctant to leave his comfort _____ and try something new.
n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
28. Melanoma in _____ is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.
adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
29. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.
n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
30. His heartaches are less _____ now.
adj. happening constantly
31. The personal _____ announced that dinner was ready, and the guests went to the dining room.
n. a male servant in charge of serving food and drinks and taking care of household duties

ANSWERS: 23. defend, 24. folk, 25. combine, 26. amazing, 27. zone, 28. situ, 29. colleague, 30. frequent, 31. butler

32. She had a vibrant _____ that made everyone feel at ease.
- n.* a person's distinct combination of character, behavioral, temperamental, emotional, and mental traits that define them as an individual and set them apart from others
33. The perspective of his right brain _____ his consciousness.
- v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
34. 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
35. They study the _____ of the universe.
- n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
36. 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
37. Initially, we must _____ all project-related expenses.
- v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them
38. We made a _____ with everyone.
- n.* slices of bread browned on both sides that have been put near a high heat; a drink in honor of or to the health of a person or even
39. Our naive experience undoubtedly contains a _____ aspect.
- adj.* relating to language or the study of language

ANSWERS: 32. personality, 33. dominates, 34. fir, 35. evolution, 36. ambiguity, 37. examine, 38. toast, 39. linguistic

40. That newspaper _____ a political scandal in a big way.
v. to show something by uncovering it; to make something accessible to some action or influence
41. The _____ of your eye dilates in response to different light levels.
n. the black circular opening in the center of the iris of the eye, through which light enters the eye; a student in school or university
42. The military commander drew his _____ and shouted orders to the troops.
n. a type of sword with a curved blade, typically used in cavalry or fencing
43. The _____ of the company is too high nowadays.
n. a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
44. Babies heavily _____ on others for food.
v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
45. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.
n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
46. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.
adj. based on scientific and industrial progress
47. Infant formulas are nutritionally almost _____ to a mother's breast milk.
adj. being the exact same one

ANSWERS: 40. exposed, 41. pupil, 42. saber, 43. stake, 44. rely, 45. conversation, 46. Technological, 47. identical

48. The director gave the actor a ____ to begin the scene.

n. a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something

49. 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

50. Overall _____ are approximately 400x200mm.

n. a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

51. The teacher attempted to _____ the root cause of our mistake.

v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

52. He carefully determined the _____ relations of every piece of the stage set.

adj. of or relating space and the position, area, and size of things

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

n. a written legal order or command

54. I want to _____ you that you have my full support.

v. to give confidence or reassurance to someone; to convince or guarantee someone that something will happen or that something is true

55. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

56. The rocket's front _____ falls off.

n. one component of a larger entity

ANSWERS: 48. cue, 49. professional, 50. dimensions, 51. analyze, 52. spatial, 53. writ, 54. assure, 55. narrative, 56. portion

57. His _____ presentation deeply moved everyone.

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

58. Please _____ to the instruction manual for further assistance.

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

59. She received several _____ calls.

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

60. 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

61. Our world is in the third _____.

n. a span of 1000 years, or the 1000th anniversary (plural: millennia)

62. We carefully examine each _____ transaction report we receive.

adj. making you feel that someone has done something wrong, illegal, or dishonest without any evidence

63. An _____ attitude toward its employees significantly impacts their productivity.

n. a person or organization that pays workers to work for them

64. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

ANSWERS: 57. compelling, 58. refer, 59. anonymous, 60. takeaway, 61. millennium, 62. suspicious, 63. employer's, 64. principle

65. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.

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

66. She had the _____ that work was fun.

n. the way you think and feel about someone or something

67. The _____ plan to cheat on the test was foiled by the teacher.

adj. cunning and deceitful; not straightforward; tricky

68. We should always be prepared to _____ talented recruits.

v. to give somebody a job

69. The politician was merely a _____ for the wealthy elite.

n. a doll or figure that is manipulated by strings, wires, or hands to represent a person or animal; a person who is controlled or manipulated by someone else

70. The political situation _____ the country's economic growth and foreign relations.

v. to restrict or limit someone or something's freedom or ability to do something

71. 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

72. The strict _____ ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

n. a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

ANSWERS: 65. fundamental, 66. attitude, 67. devious, 68. hire, 69. puppet, 70. constrained, 71. digital, 72. judge

73. In just four years, the _____ has doubled.

n. the total number of people in a country, region, or location

74. It's intriguing to compare and _____ the two authors.

v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences

75. He couldn't _____ the actual value of the artwork.

v. to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

76. Before driving, ensure you have a valid driver's _____.

n. an official permission or authorization to do, use, or own something; a legal document that grants the holder the right to perform certain activities, such as driving a car, practicing a profession, or using a particular product or service

77. The _____ cut of the skirt added movement and flair to the outfit.

adj. at an angle or slant; (noun) a line that runs across a surface or figure at an angle

78. The official transcript contains _____ academic records.

adj. correct and exact in all details

79. The dancers practiced the steps of the _____ meticulously to perfect their performance.

n. a ballroom dance in triple time that originated in Vienna and is characterized by a flowing, graceful style and a strong accent on the first beat of each measure

80. The paper-covered _____ glowed softly in the darkness.

n. a portable source of lighting, typically featuring a protective enclosure for the light source

ANSWERS: 73. population, 74. contrast, 75. calculate, 76. license, 77. diagonal, 78. accurate, 79. waltz, 80. lantern

81. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

82. 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.

83. The magic tricks _____ the children.

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

84. The driver suddenly _____ the steering wheel to the left to avoid hitting the deer.

v. to make a sudden, sharp movement, or cause something to do this

85. The town's population was in _____ with many people moving in and out.

n. the state of constantly changing or flowing; the rate of flow of energy or particles across a particular place

86. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.

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

87. _____ values such as filial piety and respect for elders still strongly influence many Asian cultures.

adj. relating to the teachings and beliefs of the Chinese philosopher Confucius and his followers

88. The beauty of the sunset was _____ as it disappeared quickly behind the mountains.

adj. fleeting or temporary; tending to fade or disappear quickly; of or relating to anything that has a short-lived existence or duration

ANSWERS: 81. crazy, 82. president, 83. fascinated, 84. jerked, 85. flux, 86. incredibly, 87. Confucian, 88. evanescent

89. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.
- v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
90. Please accept my _____ condolences on your friend's death.
- adj.* (of a person, feelings, or behavior) open and genuine; not deceitful
91. The security camera has _____ four intruders.
- v.* to find or recognize something, especially something difficult to see, hear, etc.
92. I am _____ about the safety of the children playing in the park.
- adj.* feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention
93. The politician's statements were found to be _____ and not based on fact.
- adj.* tending to mislead or deceive either deliberately or inadvertently; causing one to believe what is not true or fail to believe what is true
94. She _____ a new chapter into her manuscript.
- v.* to put something inside something else
95. Her _____ response to the criticism showed her ability to remain calm and composed under pressure.
- adj.* done with careful consideration or calculated precision; controlled or regulated in manner or speech; deliberate and thoughtful
96. The new amusement park ride was _____ with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.
- adj.* extremely good; excellent

ANSWERS: 89. involves, 90. sincere, 91. detected, 92. concerned, 93. deceptive, 94. inserted, 95. measured, 96. fantastic,

97. Let's _____ the origins of some familiar foreign words.

v. to find or discover someone or something that was lost

98. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

99. The company's _____ in the market was expanding to new territories.

n. a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise

100. She is a _____ in the music industry.

n. a very famous and successful performer or athlete

101. Within six months, the research thesis became a _____ scientific paper.

adj. attracting much attention and interest from the public and media

102. The ladder leaned against the _____ surface of the building.

adj. upright or perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line

103. The lecture on quantum physics _____ me to tears.

v. to make someone feel weary or uninterested, often by talking at length about uninteresting or mundane topics; to cause someone to feel bored or unengaged; (noun) a hole or tunnel drilled or dug into the ground, either for exploration or extraction of natural resources

104. This accident was something that happened _____.

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

105. Many communication skills rely on _____ cues such as body language and facial expressions.

adj. not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language

ANSWERS: 97. trace, 98. massive, 99. domain, 100. superstar, 101. high-profile, 102. vertical, 103. bored, 104. necessarily, 105. nonverbal

106. We ____ for an overseas expansion.

v. to try or plan to get or achieve something

107. Suspicion and worry were _____ in our minds.

adj. spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place

108. My father's death _____ my life completely.

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

109. Foreign TV crews and _____ can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

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

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

111. This smartphone has a collision _____ function.

n. the act of discovering or identifying the presence of something

112. 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

113. Kids often ____ about eating their vegetables when parents aren't looking.

v. to tell a small or harmless lie; to fabricate or make up a false statement or story to deceive or mislead; (noun) a small or trivial lie

ANSWERS: 106. aim, 107. pervasive, 108. transformed, 109. journalists, 110. cheated, 111. detection, 112. legacy, 113. fib

114. The _____ of the Romantic period is known for its emotion and imagination.

n. written works, such as novels, plays, poems, or short stories that are considered to have artistic or intellectual value

115. The wallpaper had a pattern of pink ____ on a white surface.

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

116. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns _____.

v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

117. He moved his body _____ to the left.

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

118. 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

119. I'm prepared to _____ challenges throughout this adventure.

v. to face something, particularly something unpleasant or difficult, while attempting to do something else; to meet, especially unexpectedly

120. Her excessive demands drove me _____.

adj. extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill

121. Though I love literature, I'm a bad _____.

n. a person who speaks several foreign languages; a person who studies or teaches languages or linguistics

ANSWERS: 114. literature, 115. dots, 116. emerged, 117. slightly, 118. literally, 119. encounter, 120. insane, 121. linguist

122. They watched the train _____ into the distance.

v. to cease to exist or be visible

123. I had to declare all my purchases at _____ before entering the country.

n. the official department or agency that enforces the regulations, taxes, and duties related to the importation and exportation of goods; the duties, taxes, or tariffs imposed on imported or exported goods

124. Companies often _____ their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.

v. to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line

125. The student was accused of _____ after submitting a paper that contained large sections of copied text.

n. the act of using someone else's words or ideas without giving proper credit or permission; the representation of another person's work as one's own

126. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

127. My computer has been acting _____ recently.

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

128. 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

129. 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

ANSWERS: 122. disappear, 123. customs, 124. split, 125. plagiarism, 126. environment, 127. weird, 128. résumé, 129. decide

130. To assure _____ I recommend investing in high-quality test kits.
- n.* the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake
131. He included a _____ from the book in his essay.
- n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
132. My ex-_____ and I had different working styles but managed to get along.
- n.* a person who works with another in the same company or organization
133. I forgot my ___ at home and needed it to enter the club.
- n.* a part of the psyche that represents the unconscious desires and instincts of an individual; in psychoanalytic theory, it is believed to be the most basic and primal part of the human psyche; (also ID, short for identification) a document or card that proves a person's identity, such as a driver's license, passport, or national ID card
134. Her voice gradually increased in _____.
- n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
135. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
- v.* to take part in something
136. We can evaluate the performance of an _____ in terms of computation time.
- n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

ANSWERS: 130. accuracy, 131. quotation, 132. coworker, 133. ID, 134. pitch, 135. participated, 136. algorithm

137. The _____ beauty of the night sky never ceases to amaze him.
n. being only one of its kind; unique
138. Her _____ are consistently rational and sensible.
n. the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
139. Government policy has already been revised _____.
adv. in a way that is so small or delicate as to be difficult to notice or describe
140. Many charities focus on improving _____ rates in underprivileged communities.
n. the ability to read and write; the ability to use written language to communicate effectively
141. The government used _____ pictures to spread its message of national unity.
n. information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
142. The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and _____ it
adj. not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
143. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
144. How can you _____ that the earth is a sphere?
v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
145. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

ANSWERS: 137. singular, 138. judgments, 139. subtly, 140. literacy, 141. propaganda, 142. faked, 143. government, 144. demonstrate, 145. tradition

146. The engine did not start because the _____ was flat.

- n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them

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

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

148. Using a password manager can act as a _____ against hackers who try to steal your personal information.

- n.* a device, material, or person that reduces the impact or effect of an external force or provides protection against harm or damage

149. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.

- v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

150. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.

- n.* the first existence or beginning of something

151. His professional experience includes all _____ of media production.

- n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

152. 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

153. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.

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

ANSWERS: 146. battery, 147. probable, 148. buffer, 149. evolved, 150. origin, 151. aspects, 152. humming, 153. identity

154. The pupils of the eyes _____ in low light.

v. to make something wider, larger, or more open

155. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

ANSWERS: 154. dilate, 155. communicate