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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### alien

*n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere

*synonym*: foreigner, unfamiliar, unknown

(1) **alien** fungi, (2) resident **aliens**

**Alien** species have drastically altered the ecosystem in this area.

### light-year

*n.* a unit of distance used in astronomy to represent the distance that light travels in a year, which is equal to about 9.46 trillion kilometers or 5.88 trillion miles

(1) **light-year** distance, (2) billions of **light-years**

Proxima Centauri is the closest star to Earth, located about 4.24 **light-years** away.

### define

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

*synonym*: characterize, depict, express

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

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

## appreciate

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

*synonym*: acknowledge, admire, enjoy

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

We would **appreciate** an early reply.

## phenomenon

*n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

*synonym*: marvel, wonder, splendor

(1) natural **phenomenon**, (2) historical **phenomenon**

A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

## bioluminescence

*n.* the production and emission of light by living creatures, such as glowworms, fireflies, etc.

(1) firefly **bioluminescence**, (2) **bioluminescence** of biological sample

Certain squids acquire symbiotic **bioluminescence** by feeding on specific microorganisms.

## critic

*n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

*synonym*: pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

## visual

*adj.* relating to seeing or sight

*synonym*: optical, graphical, visible

(1) **visual** navigation, (2) field of **visual** arts

The building makes a remarkable **visual** impact.

## pollution

*n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change

*synonym*: corrosion, deterioration, corruption

(1) environmental **pollution**, (2) high levels of air **pollution**

The **pollution** is endangering the local plants and animals.

## dive

*v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

*synonym* : dip, leap, plunge

(1) **dive** into anime communities, (2) **dive** off a cliff

The sperm whale can **dive** to 1,000 meters.

## submersible

*adj.* able to be operated or used underwater; capable of being submerged in water or other liquid

*synonym* : submarine, underwater, submerged

(1) **submersible** pump, (2) **submersible** cable

The **submersible** vehicle can explore the depths of the ocean.

## firework

*n.* a device that produces a colorful display of light and sound when it is ignited

*synonym* : pyrotechnic, sparkler, firecracker

(1) **firework** discharge, (2) grand **firework** display

The children were excited to see the **firework** show.

## display

*v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value

*synonym* : show, exhibit, present

(1) **display** merchandise, (2) **display** artwork

We need to **display** our products in an attractive way to attract customers.

## junk

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

*synonym* : trash, debris, waste

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

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

## inadequate

*adj.* not sufficient or enough

*synonym* : insufficient, lacking, lacking enough

(1) an **inadequate** income, (2) **inadequate** funding

The small budget was **inadequate** to cover all the necessary expenses for the project.

## rover

*n.* a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon

*synonym*: vehicle, robot, explorer

(1) **rover** mission, (2) lunar **rover**

The **rover** on Mars is gathering data on the planet's surface and sending it back to Earth.

## clip

*n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip

*synonym*: buckle, hook, pin

(1) tie **clip**, (2) short video **clip**

He fastens some sheets of paper with a **clip**.

## stimming

*n.* a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation

*synonym*: self-stimulation, repetitive behaviors

(1) autistic **stimming**, (2) **stimming** therapy

Autistic children may engage in **stimming** behaviors, such as rocking or hand flapping, to self-regulate.

## transect

*v.* to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study

*synonym*: intersect, divide, bisect

(1) **transect** a forest, (2) **transect** the area

The new highway will **transect** the wilderness, potentially disrupting local wildlife.

## meter

*n.* a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse

*synonym* : gauge, indicator, rhythm

(1) a gas **meter**, (2) poetic **meter**

The **meter** on the wall showed that the room was three meters long.

## narrator

*n.* a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film

*synonym* : teller, storyteller

(1) first-person **narrator**, (2) the **narrator** of the TV program

The **narrator** makes use of the local dialect.

## mess

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

*synonym* : disarray, confusion, predicament

(1) have a whole **mess**, (2) get into a **mess**

He made a frightful **mess** in his room.

## creature

*n.* a living being, especially an animal

*synonym* : being, animal, organism

(1) **creature** of habit, (2) artificial **creature**

The deep sea **creature** was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.

## collide

*v.* to hit something violently when moving

*synonym* : clash, slam, contradict

(1) **collide** head-on, (2) **collide** in midair

The interests of the two countries **collide**.

## mesh

*n.* a material made of a network of wire, plastic, or thread

*synonym* : netting, weave, lattice

(1) a **mesh** fence, (2) the **mesh** of a basket

The **mesh** fabric was breathable and comfortable to wear.

## intensify

*v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength

*synonym* : amplify, boost, strengthen

(1) **intensify** diplomatic efforts, (2) **intensify** a good

relationship

Rebels have pledged to **intensify** the armed struggle against the dictatorship.

## sensitivity

*n.* the ability to perceive or respond to subtle differences or changes; the ability to understand and respond to the needs and feelings of others

*synonym* : alertness, attentiveness, sympathy

(1) **sensitivity** analysis, (2) become full of **sensitivity**

The instrument has a high **sensitivity** to temperature changes.

## adapt

*v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment

*synonym* : adjust, acclimate, accustom

(1) **adapt** fully to the environment, (2) **adapt** as needed

I advised him to **adapt** to his new surroundings.

## luminescent

*adj.* emitting light or glowing softly, often without heat; having the ability to produce or emit light, especially through chemical reactions or by absorbing and then releasing energy

*synonym* : glowing, radiant, shining

(1) soft **luminescent** glow, (2) mesmerizing **luminescent** effect

The **luminescent** stars illuminated the night sky.

## plankton

*n.* tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed

(1) **plankton** blooms, (2) **plankton** community

**Plankton** is generally the foundation of the ocean food chain.

## undoubtedly

*adv.* without a doubt; certainly; definitely

*synonym* : surely, unquestionably, indisputably

(1) **undoubtedly** successful, (2) **undoubtedly** talented

The singer's talent is **undoubtedly** one of the greatest in the

music industry

## foolhardy

*adj.* recklessly bold or daring, often without considering the potential risks or consequences.; characterized by a lack of caution, prudence, or sensible judgment

*synonym* : reckless, imprudent, rash

(1) **foolhardy** decision, (2) **foolhardy** behavior

It was **foolhardy** of him to attempt the dangerous stunt without any safety equipment.

## attempt

*n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

*synonym* : endeavor, effort, try

(1) the **attempt** to rescue the hostages, (2) a reckless **attempt**

The third **attempt** was far more successful.

## demonstration

*n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others

*synonym* : manifestation, presentation, show

(1) **demonstration** project, (2) a campus **demonstration**

Thousands of people attended the protest **demonstration** against the proposed policy.

## flask

*n.* a container with a narrow neck and wide, flat body used for holding and carrying liquids

*synonym* : bottle, container, vial

(1) lab **flask**, (2) vacuum **flask**

The chemist poured the solution from the beaker into the **flask**.

## stir

*v.* to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused

*synonym* : mix, swirl, provoke

(1) **stir** a sauce, (2) **stir** up controversy

Topics related to that war may **stir** up a political hornets' nest.

## flagellate

- v. to whip, scourge, or flog someone or oneself (as in religious penitence practices); to swim using a whip-like tail, as some aquatic animals do; (noun) a type of organism that has one or more whip-like appendages

*synonym* : whip, lash, flog

(1) **flagellate** bacteria, (2) **flagellate** their sore muscles  
Some single-celled organisms can **flagellate** themselves through the water.

## algae

- n. A simple plant that grows in or near water and lacks typical leaves and roots

(1) **algae** biofuel, (2) blue **algae**

**Algae** has jammed the inlet to the water turbine.

## 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.

## predator

- n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

*synonym* : vulture, bloodsucker

(1) apex **predator**, (2) sexual **predators**

The native South American animals were in danger because of the **predator's** arrival.

## flash

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

*synonym* : sparkle, gleam, glimmer

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

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

## scream

- v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

*synonym* : cry, shout, yell



(1) **scream** a profanity, (2) **scream** at him to be quiet  
She kept **screaming** for an ambulance.

## burglar

*n.* a person who unlawfully enters a building or other property to steal or commit another crime

*synonym*: thief, robber, intruder

(1) ex-convict **burglar**, (2) caught the **burglar**

The skilled **burglar** bypassed the alarm system and entered the house without making a sound.

## alarm

*n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

*synonym*: notice, warning, panic

(1) give the **alarm**, (2) an **alarm** clock

The **alarm** announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.

## cast

*v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

*synonym*: throw, project, select

(1) **cast** a ballot, (2) **cast** a charming eye

This accident **cast** a dark shadow over their lives.

## unwanted

*adj.* not wanted or desired

*synonym*: undesired, unneeded

(1) **unwanted** attention, (2) **unwanted** guests

He threw away the **unwanted** items in his closet.

## intruder

*n.* someone who enters a place or situation without permission or invitation; someone who interrupts or interferes in something

*synonym*: trespasser, intruder, interloper

(1) illegal **intruder**, (2) infrared **intruder** system

The homeowner called the police when they spotted an

**intruder** in their backyard.

## thereby

*adv.* as a result; consequence of a particular action or set of conditions

*synonym*: thus, hence, as a result

(1) **thereby-obtained** data, (2) **thereby** improving overall health

The new software will streamline the workflow, **thereby** increasing productivity.

## capture

*v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

*synonym*: catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts

I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

## scare

*v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

*synonym*: frighten, spook, intimidate

(1) **scare** off her attacker by screaming, (2) **scare** the birds away

We hit the ground to **scare** out the rabbits.

## dragonfish

*n.* a type of deep-sea fish with a long, slender body, large teeth, and a bioluminescent barbel on the chin; often found in the abyssal zone and can survive in extreme environments

(1) **dragonfish** species, (2) abyssal **dragonfish**

There are several different species of **dragonfish**, each with unique adaptations and behaviors.

## organ

*n.* a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job

*synonym*: function, structure

(1) **organ** bleeding, (2) damage to internal **organs**

These infections have the potential to impact practically every **organ** system.

## chin

*n.* the lowermost part of a person's face, below the mouth and above the neck

*synonym* : jaw, mandible, mentum

(1) a jutting **chin**, (2) **chin** rest

He scraped his **chin** when he fell off his bike.

## barbel

*n.* a slender, whisker-like sensory organ or filament that hangs from the mouth of certain fish, such as the catfish, used for locating food

*synonym* : whisker, feeler, antenna

(1) **barbel** rod, (2) **barbel** sensors

The **barbel's** habitat typically includes clean, fast-flowing waters where they can find insects and small crustaceans to feed on.

## chase

*v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes

*synonym* : pursue, hunt, track

(1) **chase** a dream, (2) wild goose **chase**

The police officer **chased** the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.

## knot

*n.* a tight interlacing of something such as rope or thread

*synonym* : tangle, entanglement, snarl

(1) a hard **knot**, (2) a **knot** of people

The boy scout showed us how to tie a **knot** that wouldn't come undone.

## 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.

**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**.

**unbelievable** *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising

*synonym*: unimaginable, incredible, fantastical

(1) **unbelievable** beauty, (2) cause **unbelievable** damage

He drinks an **unbelievable** amount of beer.

**belly** *n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft

*synonym*: stomach, abdomen, gut

(1) the **belly** of the ship, (2) with an empty **belly**

She had a tattoo just above her **belly** button.

**fin** *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

*synonym*: flipper, appendage, stabilizer

(1) back **fin**, (2) a **fin** of a plane

The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

**attract** *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

*synonym*: lure, entice, draw in

(1) **attract** attention, (2) **attract** customers

The government is eager to **attract** international investment.

**phenomenal** *adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding

*synonym*: extraordinary, remarkable, impressive

(1) **phenomenal** success, (2) **phenomenal** growth

The athlete's **phenomenal** performance broke all previous records.

## normally

*adv.* usually; under normal conditions

*synonym*: commonly, generally, naturally

(1) complete **normally**, (2) not **normally** drink much

I don't **normally** take a vacation in the middle of summer.

## exhausted

*adj.* extremely tired

*synonym*: drowsy, depleted, fatigued

(1) the **exhausted** food sources, (2) **exhausted** parents

The **exhausted** runner fell to the ground and gasped.

## luminescence

*n.* the emission of light occurs as a result of a substance or object being stimulated by energy sources such as heat, electricity, or radiation but without the substance or object becoming significantly hotter or undergoing combustion

*synonym*: glow, radiance, illumination

(1) red **luminescence**, (2) **luminescence** phenomenon

The **luminescence** of the fireflies in the dark forest was a magical sight.

## shrimp

*n.* a small, freshwater or saltwater creature with a slender body and long legs

*synonym*: prawn, langoustine, scampi

(1) **shrimp** cocktail, (2) **shrimp** farming

The seafood restaurant had a variety of dishes featuring **shrimp**.

## release

*v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement

*synonym*: free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO<sub>2</sub> into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

## chemical

*adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;

*synonym* : chemic, synthetic

(1) toxic **chemicals**, (2) a **chemical** compound

The firm has grown into a large **chemical** manufacturing.

## squid

*n.* a sea creature with a long and soft body, large eyes, eight arms, and two tentacles (= long parts like arms), and that is sometimes used for food

*synonym* : calamari, calamary

(1) a **squid's** tentacle, (2) **squid** ink spaghetti

The giant **squid** weighed over 50 kilograms.

## octopus

*n.* a sea creature with a soft round body and eight long tentacles (= long parts like arms)

*synonym* : devilfish

(1) giant **octopus**, (2) venomous **octopus**

He experienced nausea after eating live **octopus**.

## blind

*adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

*synonym* : sightless, unseeing, random

(1) **blind** to the beauties, (2) **blind** spot

She was nearly **blind** due to severe diabetes.

## distract

*v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

*synonym* : divert, preoccupy, confuse

(1) **distract** attention from the real issue, (2) **distract** public opinion

Please don't **distract** me while I'm studying.

## tasty

*adj.* having a strong and pleasant flavor when it is eaten

*synonym* : flavorful, delectable, delicious

(1) **tasty** treats, (2) prepare **tasty** food

This meal wasn't as **tasty** as we had imagined.

## morsel

*n.* a small piece or fragment, particularly of food; a small, tasty, or pleasing bit of something

*synonym*: bit, bite, fragment

(1) mouth-watering **morsel**, (2) tiny **morsel**

I only had a small **morsel** of cake while trying to watch my weight.

## barrage

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

*synonym*: onslaught, bombardment, hail

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

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

## photon

*n.* a unit or quantum of electromagnetic energy, typically regarded as a particle that is the basic constituent of all light and other forms of electromagnetic radiation

*synonym*: particle, quantum, light

(1) **photon** emission, (2) **photon** energy

Infrared cameras detect **photons** in the infrared range of the electromagnetic spectrum.

## torpedo

*n.* a weapon that is designed to be launched from a ship, submarine, or aircraft and that is propelled through the water by a motor

*synonym*: missile, explosive, underwater bomb

(1) **torpedo** attack, (2) air-dropped **torpedo**

The submarine launched a **torpedo** at the enemy ship.

## barely

*adv.* just enough; hardly; with great difficulty or effort

*synonym*: scarcely, hardly, only just

(1) **barely** noticeable, (2) **barely** finished

I **barely** made it to the meeting on time, rushing from another appointment across town.

- gob** *n.* a lump or chunk of a substance; a large amount of something, especially in the sense of an excess or surplus; a colloquial term for mouth  
*synonym* : globe, lump, dollop  
(1) **gob** of mud, (2) sticky **gob**  
After taking a **gob** of food, he politely wiped his mouth with a napkin.
- glowing** *adj.* highly enthusiastic; greatly praised  
*synonym* : burning, bright, flaming  
(1) **glowing** reviews, (2) **glowing** cheeks  
The western sky was **glowing** pink.
- mate** *n.* a person's partner in marriage or romantic relationship; an animal's sexual partner; a peer or friend; (of the game of chess) checkmate, which is the winning condition of the game  
*synonym* : companion, partner, spouse  
(1) smoking **mate**, (2) dog-loving **mate**  
I need to find a **mate** for my female guinea pig so she doesn't get lonely.
- 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.
- inspiration** *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity  
*synonym* : motivation, drive, encouragement  
(1) source of **inspiration**, (2) get **inspiration** from nature  
He found **inspiration** in the works of his favorite authors.
- avatar** *n.* (the concept in Hinduism) a god appearing in human or superhuman or animal form; a graphical representation



of a user or the user's character or persona in online games, chat rooms, etc.

*synonym* : embodiment, expression, apotheosis

(1) digital **avatar**, (2) the **avatar** of the authority

A person's cyberspace **avatar** often represents the appearance and behavior that the person wants to be.

## coral

*n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry

(1) **coral** island, (2) **coral** ornament

She is wearing a **coral** necklace.

## bush

*n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root

*synonym* : copse, scrub, brushwood

(1) trees and **bushes**, (2) a **bush** of hair

I am going to trim this **bush** off.

## trawl

*v.* to fish by dragging a net, often along the bottom of the ocean or river; to search or examine something thoroughly, often looking for a specific item or information

*synonym* : fish, dredge, drag

(1) **trawl** the Internet for free music, (2) **trawl** for fish

The fisherman used a net to **trawl** the bottom of the river for his catch.

## 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.

## glow

*v.* to give out a steady, strong light

*synonym* : shine, radiate, beam

(1) **glow** a pale orange, (2) **glow** gold in the light  
The sun was setting, and the sky **glowed** with beautiful colors.

## twinkle

*v.* to shine with a flickering or sparkling light; (noun) the act of shining in a bright and cheerful way

*synonym*: sparkle, shine, glitter

(1) **twinkle** like a star, (2) the **twinkle** of the stars  
His eyes **twinkled** with mischief.

## brehtaking

*adj.* extremely impressive, stunning, awe-inspiring, or emotionally overwhelming

*synonym*: stunning, awe-inspiring, magnificent

(1) **brehtaking** view, (2) **brehtaking** performance  
The sunset over the ocean was truly **brehtaking**.

## trap

*n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

*synonym*: catch, snare, pinfall

(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal  
The enemy fell right into the **trap**.

## anemone

*n.* a type of flowering plant that has bright, showy flowers and typically blooms in the spring; a marine creature that resembles flowers but has oral rings of tentacles

*synonym*: flower, blossom

(1) **anemone** flower, (2) European **anemone**  
The beautiful **anemones** swayed gently in the ocean current.

## poke

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

*synonym*: prod, jab, push

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

## tentacle

*n.* a flexible, mobile, and long arm-like organ used for feeling and holding things, catching food, or moving

(1) a squid's **tentacle**, (2) posterior **tentacle**

The police caught the fugitive criminal in the **tentacles** of an expanded investigation.

## galaxy

*n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity  
*synonym*: star cluster, nebula, star system

(1) elliptic **galaxy**, (2) a **galaxy** of famous actors

The Milky Way **galaxy** has numerous water-bearing planets.

## string

*n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads

*synonym*: line, wire, rope

(1) retie the **string** and make it strong, (2) tense piano **strings**

She wore a **string** of pearls around her neck.

## presumably

*adv.* believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof

*synonym*: likely, seemingly, supposedly

(1) **presumably** accurate, (2) **presumably** refuse the offer

The witness's testimony was **presumably** based on what he had seen and heard.

## starfish

*n.* marine invertebrate that belongs to the phylum Echinodermata, characterized by a five-armed body shape that resembles a star, typically found on or near the seafloor

*synonym*: sea star, echinoderm, asteroid

(1) **starfish** arm, (2) **starfish** habitat

The **starfish's** unique shape helps it to escape from predators quickly.

## brittle

*adj.* easily broken, cracked, or shattered when subjected to pressure or stress; lacking flexibility or resilience; fragile

*synonym*: fragile, breakable, delicate

(1) **brittle** bones, (2) **brittle** material

The old books in the library were so **brittle** that they crumbled upon touch.

## anchor

*n.* a device, typically made of metal, that is used to moor a ship or boat in a particular place, typically by being dropped to the seabed; a central cohesive source of support and stability

*synonym* : mainstay, ballast, backbone

(1) **anchor** bolt, (2) **anchor** weight

The ship dropped **anchor** in the bay.

## sand

*n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action

*synonym* : grit, dust, powder

(1) **sand** dunes, (2) **sand** castle

The **sand** on the beach was warm and golden.

## balloon

*n.* a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated

*synonym* : aerostat, blimp, (verb) billow out

(1) **balloon** ride, (2) **balloon** into a severe political problem

The satellite **balloon** slowly ascended into the sky.

## gentle

*adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

*synonym* : mild, delicate, soft

(1) in a **gentle** voice, (2) **gentle** downward slope

Her **gentle** manner relaxed everyone there.

## squeeze

*v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness

*synonym* : compress, crush, clamp

(1) **squeeze** a lemon, (2) **squeeze** a confession

She **squeezed** the toothpaste tube from the middle to get the last bit out.

## prop

*n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

*synonym*: support, buttress, column

(1) emotional **prop**, (2) **prop** stick

We have finally lost our last **prop**.

## stem

*n.* the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in

*synonym*: branch, limb, (verb) come from

(1) **stem** from a belief, (2) the **stem** of a matchstick

A rose has thorns on its **stem**.

## plume

*n.* a large feather or group of feathers worn as an ornament or a symbol of achievement or distinction, especially on a hat

*synonym*: feather, honor, token

(1) **plume** of smoke, (2) **plume** of feathers

The bird had a beautiful **plume** on its head.

## hitch

*v.* to move something into a different position jerkily; to travel by getting free rides from motorists; to hook or entangle

*synonym*: fasten, jerk, tether

(1) **hitch** a ride, (2) **hitch** up my trousers

The mechanics **hitched** the trailer to the broken-down car.

## 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.

## tip

*n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services

*synonym* : edge, advice, gratuity

(1) the **tip** of a paintbrush, (2) give the waiter a **tip** .

I will introduce some **tips** on learning English in this class.

## imitate

*v.* to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something

*synonym* : mimic, emulate, replicate

(1) **imitate** painting styles, (2) **imitate** animal sounds

He **imitated** the modus operandi of the famous phantom thief.

## optical

*adj.* of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light

*synonym* : visual, ocular

(1) new **optical** glasses, (2) **optical** fiber

The **optical** illusion made it appear like the building was floating in midair.

## lure

*v.* to tempt or persuade someone to do something

*synonym* : tempt, entice, attract

(1) **lure** prey, (2) **lure** foreign investment

The salesperson used a special offer to **lure** customers into buying the product.

## electronics

*n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems

*synonym* : technology, gadgets, circuitry

(1) **electronics** industry, (2) **electronics** store

The company specializes in manufacturing and selling cutting-edge **electronics**.

## jellyfish

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

*synonym*: medusa, sea nettle, moon jelly

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

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

## develop

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

*synonym*: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

## invisible

*adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see

*synonym*: hidden, imperceptible, unseen

(1) an **invisible** asset, (2) **invisible** stars

The phenomenon is **invisible** at optical wavelengths.

## unobtrusive

*adj.* not conspicuous or noticeable, especially in a way that is intended to avoid attracting attention or causing disruption; not interfering or obstructing

*synonym*: inconspicuous, unnoticed, subtle

(1) **unobtrusive** design, (2) **unobtrusive** presence

The security cameras were designed to be **unobtrusive** and blend in with their surroundings.

## elicit

*v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty

*synonym*: bring out, obtain, evoke

(1) **elicit** a confession, (2) **elicit** a solution

Have you **elicited** a response from them yet?

## resolution

*n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display

*synonym*: determination, decision, settlement

(1) **resolution** of a conflict, (2) display **resolution**

He made a New Year's **resolution** to exercise more and eat healthier.

## bait

*n.* a type of food or lure used to attract fish, animals, or people; something used to provoke or irritate someone into responding or reacting in a certain way

*synonym*: lure, enticement, temptation

(1) **bait** and switch, (2) fishing **bait**

The **bait** brought the fish into the trap.

## bunch

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

*synonym*: group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls

One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

## cockroach

*n.* a flat, brown or black, chiefly nocturnal insects sometimes found in the home

*synonym*: roach

(1) **cockroach** killer, (2) have a **cockroach** phobia

**Cockroaches** sometimes cause allergic reactions in humans.

## isopod

*n.* a type of crustacean characterized by its dorsoventrally flattened body and seven pairs of legs, including common examples like woodlice and pill bugs

(1) marine **isopod**, (2) freshwater **isopod**

The **isopod** family contains a range of species, some of which are well-adapted to life on land.



## bloom

*n.* a flower, especially one having showy or colorful parts; the best time of youth

*synonym* : blossom, flush, flower

(1) **bloom** in autumn, (2) black-and-white **blooms**

The cherry blossoms in the park were in full **bloom**.

## pearl

*n.* a hard, roundish object found within the shells of certain mollusks and used as a gem

*synonym* : bead, gem, nacre

(1) a cultured **pearl**, (2) **pearl** beyond price

She wore a **pearl** necklace passed down to her from her grandmother.

## consistent

*adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.

*synonym* : coherent, constant, compatible

(1) do on a **consistent** basis, (2) get **consistent** results

You are not **consistent** in your behavior.

## cam

*n.* a device or mechanism that converts rotary motion to linear motion or vice versa; a revolving cylinder with an irregular shape used in machinery to convert rotary motion into intermittent or reciprocating motion; an abbreviation for camera

*synonym* : camera, device, gadget

(1) security **cam**, (2) **cam** lever

The mechanic adjusted the **cam** mechanism to improve the engine's performance.

## install

*v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position

*synonym* : establish, inaugurate, lodge

(1) **install** a door, (2) **install** a chairperson

The new president was **installed** immediately after the national election.

## canyon

*n.* a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river

*synonym* : gorge, valley, ravine

(1) twisty **canyon** road, (2) **canyon** of skyscrapers

The Grand **Canyon** has an awe-inspiring sight.

## 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.

## bacteria

*n.* single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease

*synonym* : microorganism, microbe

(1) pathogenic **bacteria**, (2) harmless **bacteria**

**Bacteria** prevalent in hospitals are often resistant to antibiotics.

## 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.

## carrion

*n.* the decaying flesh of dead animals, often used to refer to the carcasses that serve as food for scavenging animals

*synonym* : carcass, remains

(1) rotting **carrion**, (2) scavenging **carrion** birds

The vultures were circling above, searching for **carrion** to feast on.

## scavenger

*n.* an animal or bird that feeds on carrion, dead animals, or other scavenged material; a person who searches for and collects discarded or unwanted items, often to sell or reuse them

*synonym* : vulture, hyena, magpie

(1) **scavenger** bird, (2) marine **scavenger**

Crows are common **scavengers** in urban areas and will eat almost anything.

## giant

*adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

*synonym* : big, gigantic, huge

(1) **giant** trees, (2) **giant** tech company

The **giant** jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

## gill

*n.* a respiratory organ of fish and some other aquatic animals that extracts dissolved oxygen from water and excretes carbon dioxide

*synonym* : respiratory organ, lung

(1) **gill** slits, (2) **gill** apparatus

The fish's **gills** are necessary for extracting oxygen from the water.

## shark

*n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

*synonym* : swindler, con artist, crook

(1) a man-eating **shark**, (2) card **shark**

He borrowed money from a loan **shark**.

## claim

*v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

*synonym* : assert, declare, maintain

(1) **claim** responsibility, (2) false **claim**

He wants to **claim** ownership of the abandoned property.

## odor

*n.* a distinctive or unpleasant smell; a scent or aroma that can be sensed through the sense of smell

*synonym*: smell, aroma, fragrance

(1) **odor** control, (2) pleasant **odor**

The **odor** from the trash can was unbearable, so I had to take it out.

## pinwheel

*n.* a toy consisting of curved and colored paper or plastic that is pinned to a stick and spins when you blow on it; a circular firework that spins round and round, emitting colorful fire

(1) a toy **pinwheel**, (2) **pinwheel** windmill

He spun the **pinwheel**, and it stopped with the pointer on five.

## juvenile

*adj.* relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature

*synonym*: youthful, boyish, childlike

(1) exhibit **juvenile** behavior, (2) **juvenile** justice

The detective suspected that the vandalism was the work of **juvenile** delinquents.

## suppose

*v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

*synonym*: guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand

What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

## contemplate

*v.* to think about a possible future action or to think about something for a long time thoughtfully

*synonym*: think over, ponder, consider

(1) **contemplate** a marriage, (2) **contemplated** leaving school

I recently **contemplated** dropping out of school and getting a full-time job.

## persistent

*adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring

without fading or being lost over time

*synonym* : tenacious, steadfast, unrelenting

(1) **persistent** cough, (2) **persistent** data

Despite the setbacks, he remained **persistent** in his pursuit of his dreams.

## handle

*v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

*synonym* : control, manage, deal with

(1) **handle** a precious object, (2) **handled** the incident

We all should learn how to **handle** stress.

## process

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

*synonym* : procedure, method, system

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

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

## plunge

*v.* to dive quickly and steeply downward; to thrust or throw into something; (noun) a steep and rapid fall

*synonym* : dive, drop, thrust

(1) **plunge** into the water, (2) **plunge** a dagger through his heart

The company's profits **plunged** after the recall of their new product.

## bucket

*n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids

*synonym* : pail, tub, can

(1) **bucket** list, (2) **bucket** of golf balls

She filled a **bucket** with water and carried it back to the house.

## planet

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

*synonym* : earth, world, globe

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

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

## magical

*adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers

*synonym* : enchanting, occult, supernatural

(1) **magical** place, (2) **magical** powers

When I was a child, my mother often cast **magical** spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

## bizarre

*adj.* very strange or unusual

*synonym* : abnormal, freaky, outlandish

(1) the story is **bizarre**, (2) **bizarre** behavior

The truth was more **bizarre** than expected.

## wondrous

*adj.* inspiring amazement or admiration; extremely beautiful and impressive

*synonym* : amazing, fantastic, miraculous

(1) **wondrous** sight, (2) **wondrous** adventure

The **wondrous** beauty of the sunset left us all in awe.

## warn

*v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

*synonym* : alert, caution, admonish

(1) **warn** a reckless driver, (2) **warned** me of the plan

I attempted to **warn** him, but he ignored me.

## addictive

*adj.* causing a strong desire or compulsion to use or consume repeatedly, often to the point of dependency or harm; habit-forming

*synonym* : habit-forming, captivating, compelling

(1) highly **addictive**, (2) **addictive** substance

The new video game was so **addictive** that he stayed up all

night playing it.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. environmental po\_\_\_\_\_on  
*n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
2. grand fi\_\_\_\_\_rk display  
*n.* a device that produces a colorful display of light and sound when it is ignited
3. uno\_\_\_\_\_ve presence  
*adj.* not conspicuous or noticeable, especially in a way that is intended to avoid attracting attention or causing disruption; not interfering or obstructing
4. historical phe\_\_\_\_\_on  
*n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
5. res\_\_\_\_\_on of a conflict  
*n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display
6. bl\_\_d to the beauties  
*adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
7. ele\_\_\_\_\_cs store  
*n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems
8. al\_\_e biofuel  
*n.* A simple plant that grows in or near water and lacks typical leaves and roots

ANSWERS: 1. pollution, 2. firework, 3. unobtrusive, 4. phenomenon, 5. resolution, 6. blind, 7. electronics, 8. algae





18. br\_\_\_\_e material *adj.* easily broken, cracked, or shattered when subjected to pressure or stress; lacking flexibility or resilience; fragile
19. s\_\_m from a belief *n.* the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in
20. twisty ca\_\_\_\_n road *n.* a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river
21. de\_\_\_\_e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
22. an in\_\_\_\_le asset *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
23. in a ge\_\_\_\_e voice *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
24. a jutting c\_\_n *n.* the lowermost part of a person's face, below the mouth and above the neck
25. sa\_\_r fencing *n.* a type of sword with a curved blade, typically used in cavalry or fencing
26. pr\_\_\_\_s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
27. become full of sen\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the ability to perceive or respond to subtle differences or changes; the ability to understand and respond to the needs and feelings of others

ANSWERS: 18. brittle, 19. stem, 20. canyon, 21. define, 22. invisible, 23. gentle, 24. chin, 25. saber, 26. process, 27. sensitivity

28. al\_\_n fungi *n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere
29. de\_\_\_d against a threat *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
30. natural phe\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
31. abyssal dra\_\_\_\_\_sh *n.* a type of deep-sea fish with a long, slender body, large teeth, and a bioluminescent barbel on the chin; often found in the abyssal zone and can survive in extreme environments
32. artillery ba\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a concentrated and continuous outpouring or overwhelming amount of something, such as bombs, questions, criticisms, or comments; a defensive barrier of artillery fire or gunfire
33. a k\_\_t of people *n.* a tight interlacing of something such as rope or thread
34. marine is\_\_\_d *n.* a type of crustacean characterized by its dorsoventrally flattened body and seven pairs of legs, including common examples like woodlice and pill bugs
35. g\_\_l apparatus *n.* a respiratory organ of fish and some other aquatic animals that extracts dissolved oxygen from water and excretes carbon dioxide
36. have a whole m\_\_s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy

ANSWERS: 28. alien, 29. defend, 30. phenomenon, 31. dragonfish, 32. barrage, 33. knot, 34. isopod, 35. gill, 36. mess

37. s\_\_r up controversy *v.* to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused
38. ba\_\_\_l sensors *n.* a slender, whisker-like sensory organ or filament that hangs from the mouth of certain fish, such as the catfish, used for locating food
39. dra\_\_\_\_\_sh species *n.* a type of deep-sea fish with a long, slender body, large teeth, and a bioluminescent barbel on the chin; often found in the abyssal zone and can survive in extreme environments
40. card sh\_\_k *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
41. s\_\_d dunes *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
42. a b\_\_h of hair *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
43. ba\_\_\_l rod *n.* a slender, whisker-like sensory organ or filament that hangs from the mouth of certain fish, such as the catfish, used for locating food
44. in\_\_\_\_\_l a chairperson *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position

ANSWERS: 37. stir, 38. barbel, 39. dragonfish, 40. shark, 41. sand, 42. bush, 43. barbel, 44. install

45. tense piano st\_\_\_gs *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
46. an\_\_\_\_e flower *n.* a type of flowering plant that has bright, showy flowers and typically blooms in the spring; a marine creature that resembles flowers but has oral rings of tentacles
47. g\_b of mud *n.* a lump or chunk of a substance; a large amount of something, especially in the sense of an excess or surplus; a colloquial term for mouth
48. re\_\_\_\_e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
49. first-person na\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film
50. pe\_\_l beyond price *n.* a hard, roundish object found within the shells of certain mollusks and used as a gem
51. ha\_\_\_e a precious object *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
52. ca\_\_\_n of skyscrapers *n.* a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river
53. co\_\_l island *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
54. l\_\_e foreign investment *v.* to tempt or persuade someone to do something

ANSWERS: 45. string, 46. anemone, 47. gob, 48. release, 49. narrator, 50. pearl, 51. handle, 52. canyon, 53. coral, 54. lure

55. gl\_\_\_\_g cheeks *adj.* highly enthusiastic; greatly praised
56. st\_\_\_\_ng therapy *n.* a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation
57. tr\_\_l the Internet for free music *v.* to fish by dragging a net, often along the bottom of the ocean or river; to search or examine something thoroughly, often looking for a specific item or information
58. the m\_\_h of a basket *n.* a material made of a network of wire, plastic, or thread
59. mouth-watering mo\_\_\_\_l *n.* a small piece or fragment, particularly of food; a small, tasty, or pleasing bit of something
60. field of vi\_\_\_\_l arts *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
61. el\_\_\_\_t a confession *v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty
62. j\_\_k mail *n.* discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition
63. infrared in\_\_\_\_er system *n.* someone who enters a place or situation without permission or invitation; someone who interrupts or interferes in something

ANSWERS: 55. glowing, 56. stimming, 57. trawl, 58. mesh, 59. morsel, 60. visual, 61. elicit, 62. junk, 63. intruder

64. set a t\_\_p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
65. a campus dem\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others
66. bio\_\_\_\_\_nce of biological sample *n.* the production and emission of light by living creatures, such as glowworms, fireflies, etc.
67. freshwater is\_\_\_d *n.* a type of crustacean characterized by its dorsoventrally flattened body and seven pairs of legs, including common examples like woodlice and pill bugs
68. the s\_\_m of a matchstick *n.* the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in
69. electronic de\_\_\_e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
70. ad\_\_t as needed *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
71. p\_\_p stick *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

ANSWERS: 64. trap, 65. demonstration, 66. bioluminescence, 67. isopod, 68. stem, 69. device, 70. adapt, 71. prop

72. dog-loving m\_\_e *n.* a person's partner in marriage or romantic relationship; an animal's sexual partner; a peer or friend; (of the game of chess) checkmate, which is the winning condition of the game
73. the tw\_\_\_\_\_e of the stars *v.* to shine with a flickering or sparkling light; (noun) the act of shining in a bright and cheerful way
74. 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
75. s\_\_r a sauce *v.* to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused
76. ba\_\_\_\_\_n ride *n.* a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated
77. con\_\_\_\_\_ted leaving school *v.* to think about a possible future action or to think about something for a long time thoughtfully
78. rotting ca\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* the decaying flesh of dead animals, often used to refer to the carcasses that serve as food for scavenging animals
79. prepare ta\_\_y food *adj.* having a strong and pleasant flavor when it is eaten
80. con\_\_\_\_\_te a marriage *v.* to think about a possible future action or to think about something for a long time thoughtfully

ANSWERS: 72. mate, 73. twinkle, 74. cue, 75. stir, 76. balloon, 77. contemplate, 78. carrion, 79. tasty, 80. contemplate



81. at\_\_\_\_\_t attention      *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
82. sexual pr\_\_\_\_\_ors      *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
83. lig\_\_\_\_\_ar distance      *n.* a unit of distance used in astronomy to represent the distance that light travels in a year, which is equal to about 9.46 trillion kilometers or 5.88 trillion miles
84. severe cr\_\_\_\_c      *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
85. fla\_\_\_\_\_te bacteria      *v.* to whip, scourge, or flog someone or oneself (as in religious penitence practices); to swim using a whip-like tail, as some aquatic animals do; (noun) a type of organism that has one or more whip-like appendages
86. scavenging ca\_\_\_\_\_n birds      *n.* the decaying flesh of dead animals, often used to refer to the carcasses that serve as food for scavenging animals
87. false cl\_\_m      *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
88. illegal in\_\_\_\_\_er      *n.* someone who enters a place or situation without permission or invitation; someone who interrupts or interferes in something

ANSWERS: 81. attract, 82. predator, 83. light-year, 84. critic, 85. flagellate, 86. carrion, 87. claim, 88. intruder

89. un\_\_\_\_ed guests *adj.* not wanted or desired
90. short video c\_\_p *n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
91. a cultured pe\_\_l *n.* a hard, roundish object found within the shells of certain mollusks and used as a gem
92. ex\_\_\_\_ed parents *adj.* extremely tired
93. ph\_\_\_\_n energy *n.* a unit or quantum of electromagnetic energy, typically regarded as a particle that is the basic constituent of all light and other forms of electromagnetic radiation
94. do on a con\_\_\_\_\_nt basis *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
95. p\_\_e a fire *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
96. cl\_\_m responsibility *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
97. sc\_\_e the birds away *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
98. di\_\_\_\_y artwork *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value

ANSWERS: 89. unwanted, 90. clip, 91. pearl, 92. exhausted, 93. photon, 94. consistent, 95. poke, 96. claim, 97. scare, 98. display

99. a hard k\_\_t *n.* a tight interlacing of something such as rope or thread
100. a ch\_\_\_\_al compound *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
101. in\_\_\_\_l a door *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
102. fi\_\_\_\_rk discharge *n.* a device that produces a colorful display of light and sound when it is ignited
103. app\_\_\_\_\_te the value *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
104. uno\_\_\_\_\_ve design *adj.* not conspicuous or noticeable, especially in a way that is intended to avoid attracting attention or causing disruption; not interfering or obstructing
105. g\_\_w a pale orange *v.* to give out a steady, strong light
106. artificial cr\_\_\_\_re *n.* a living being, especially an animal
107. the av\_\_\_r of the authority *n.* (the concept in Hinduism) a god appearing in human or superhuman or animal form; a graphical representation of a user or the user's character or persona in online games, chat rooms, etc.
108. lunar ro\_\_r *n.* a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon
109. o\_\_r control *n.* a distinctive or unpleasant smell; a scent or aroma that can be sensed through the sense of smell

ANSWERS: 99. knot, 100. chemical, 101. install, 102. firework, 103. appreciate, 104. unobtrusive, 105. glow, 106. creature, 107. avatar, 108. rover, 109. odor

110. the story is bi\_\_\_\_e *adj.* very strange or unusual
111. a m\_\_h fence *n.* a material made of a network of wire, plastic, or thread
112. toxic ch\_\_\_\_als *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
113. display res\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display
114. st\_\_\_\_sh arm *n.* marine invertebrate that belongs to the phylum Echinodermata, characterized by a five-armed body shape that resembles a star, typically found on or near the seafloor
115. get con\_\_\_\_\_nt results *adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
116. ta\_\_y treats *adj.* having a strong and pleasant flavor when it is eaten
117. pi\_\_\_\_el windmill *n.* a toy consisting of curved and colored paper or plastic that is pinned to a stick and spins when you blow on it; a circular firework that spins round and round, emitting colorful fire
118. di\_\_\_\_ct attention from the real issue *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
119. fo\_\_\_\_\_dy decision *adj.* recklessly bold or daring, often without considering the potential risks or consequences.; characterized by a lack of caution, prudence, or sensible judgment

ANSWERS: 110. bizarre, 111. mesh, 112. chemical, 113. resolution, 114. starfish, 115. consistent, 116. tasty, 117. pinwheel, 118. distract, 119. foolhardy

120. an\_\_\_\_e your real motives      *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
121. sc\_\_e off her attacker by screaming      *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
122. emotional p\_\_p      *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
123. ba\_\_\_\_y noticeable      *adv.* just enough; hardly; with great difficulty or effort
124. new op\_\_\_\_l glasses      *adj.* of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light
125. fishing b\_\_t      *n.* a type of food or lure used to attract fish, animals, or people; something used to provoke or irritate someone into responding or reacting in a certain way
126. sc\_\_\_\_m a profanity      *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
127. save the pl\_\_\_\_t      *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
128. de\_\_\_\_p a skill      *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 120. analyze, 121. scare, 122. prop, 123. barely, 124. optical, 125. bait, 126. scream, 127. planet, 128. develop

129. in\_\_\_\_\_fy diplomatic efforts      *v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
130. d\_\_e into anime communities      *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
131. source of ins\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
132. tr\_\_\_\_\_ct a forest      *v.* to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study
133. exhibit ju\_\_\_\_\_le behavior      *adj.* relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature
134. a fl\_\_h of lightning      *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
135. vi\_\_\_l navigation      *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
136. mesmerizing lum\_\_\_\_\_nt effect      *adj.* emitting light or glowing softly, often without heat; having the ability to produce or emit light, especially through chemical reactions or by absorbing and then releasing energy
137. wo\_\_\_\_\_us sight      *adj.* inspiring amazement or admiration; extremely beautiful and impressive
138. venomous oc\_\_\_\_\_s      *n.* a sea creature with a soft round body and eight long tentacles (= long parts like arms)
139. a bu\_\_h of schoolgirls      *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

ANSWERS: 129. intensify, 130. dive, 131. inspiration, 132. transect, 133. juvenile, 134. flash, 135. visual, 136. luminescent, 137. wondrous, 138. octopus, 139. bunch

140. sticky g\_b *n.* a lump or chunk of a substance; a large amount of something, especially in the sense of an excess or surplus; a colloquial term for mouth
141. gl\_\_\_\_g reviews *adj.* highly enthusiastic; greatly praised
142. am\_\_\_\_g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
143. soft lum\_\_\_\_\_nt glow *adj.* emitting light or glowing softly, often without heat; having the ability to produce or emit light, especially through chemical reactions or by absorbing and then releasing energy
144. an al\_\_m clock *n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger
145. sh\_\_\_p cocktail *n.* a small, freshwater or saltwater creature with a slender body and long legs
146. vacuum fl\_\_k *n.* a container with a narrow neck and wide, flat body used for holding and carrying liquids
147. the at\_\_\_\_t to rescue the hostages *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
148. complete no\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
149. b\_\_t and switch *n.* a type of food or lure used to attract fish, animals, or people; something used to provoke or irritate someone into responding or reacting in a certain way

ANSWERS: 140. gob, 141. glowing, 142. amazing, 143. luminescent, 144. alarm, 145. shrimp, 146. flask, 147. attempt, 148. normally, 149. bait

150. in\_\_\_\_\_fy a good relationship      *v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
151. high levels of air po\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
152. th\_\_\_\_\_y improving overall health      *adv.* as a result; consequence of a particular action or set of conditions
153. gi\_\_t tech company      *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
154. co\_\_\_\_\_ch killer      *n.* a flat, brown or black, chiefly nocturnal insects sometimes found in the home
155. with an empty be\_\_y      *n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
156. a sq\_\_d's tentacle      *n.* a sea creature with a long and soft body, large eyes, eight arms, and two tentacles (= long parts like arms), and that is sometimes used for food
157. pre\_\_\_\_\_ly refuse the offer      *adv.* believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof
158. a toy pi\_\_\_\_\_el      *n.* a toy consisting of curved and colored paper or plastic that is pinned to a stick and spins when you blow on it; a circular firework that spins round and round, emitting colorful fire
159. ma\_\_\_\_\_l powers      *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers

ANSWERS: 150. intensify, 151. pollution, 152. thereby, 153. giant, 154. cockroach, 155. belly, 156. squid, 157. presumably, 158. pinwheel, 159. magical



160. pr\_\_\_\_le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
161. sub\_\_\_\_le pump *adj.* able to be operated or used underwater; capable of being submerged in water or other liquid
162. tie c\_\_p *n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
163. billions of lig\_\_\_\_ars *n.* a unit of distance used in astronomy to represent the distance that light travels in a year, which is equal to about 9.46 trillion kilometers or 5.88 trillion miles
164. phe\_\_\_\_al growth *adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding
165. un\_\_\_\_ed attention *adj.* not wanted or desired
166. tw\_\_\_\_e like a star *v.* to shine with a flickering or sparkling light; (noun) the act of shining in a bright and cheerful way
167. give the waiter a t\_p. *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
168. und\_\_\_\_ly successful *adv.* without a doubt; certainly; definitely
169. cause unb\_\_\_\_ble damage *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
170. sh\_\_\_\_p farming *n.* a small, freshwater or saltwater creature with a slender body and long legs

ANSWERS: 160. probable, 161. submersible, 162. clip, 163. light-year, 164. phenomenal, 165. unwanted, 166. twinkle, 167. tip, 168. undoubtedly, 169. unbelievable, 170. shrimp

171. t\_\_p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
172. fo\_\_\_\_\_dy behavior *adj.* recklessly bold or daring, often without considering the potential risks or consequences.; characterized by a lack of caution, prudence, or sensible judgment
173. get into a m\_\_s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
174. security c\_m *n.* a device or mechanism that converts rotary motion to linear motion or vice versa; a revolving cylinder with an irregular shape used in machinery to convert rotary motion into intermittent or reciprocating motion; an abbreviation for camera
175. pr\_\_\_\_\_le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
176. bl\_\_d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
177. ba\_\_\_\_\_e of questions *n.* a concentrated and continuous outpouring or overwhelming amount of something, such as bombs, questions, criticisms, or comments; a defensive barrier of artillery fire or gunfire
178. su\_\_\_\_\_e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

ANSWERS: 171. trap, 172. foolhardy, 173. mess, 174. cam, 175. probable, 176. blind, 177. barrage, 178. suppose

179. pl\_\_\_e into the water      *v.* to dive quickly and steeply downward; to thrust or throw into something; (noun) a steep and rapid fall
180. g\_\_l slits      *n.* a respiratory organ of fish and some other aquatic animals that extracts dissolved oxygen from water and excretes carbon dioxide
181. giant oc\_\_\_\_s      *n.* a sea creature with a soft round body and eight long tentacles (= long parts like arms)
182. br\_\_\_\_e bones      *adj.* easily broken, cracked, or shattered when subjected to pressure or stress; lacking flexibility or resilience; fragile
183. posterior te\_\_\_\_le      *n.* a flexible, mobile, and long arm-like organ used for feeling and holding things, catching food, or moving
184. app\_\_\_\_te her feedback      *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
185. decision-making pr\_\_\_\_s      *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
186. sen\_\_\_\_ty analysis      *n.* the ability to perceive or respond to subtle differences or changes; the ability to understand and respond to the needs and feelings of others

ANSWERS: 179. plunge, 180. gill, 181. octopus, 182. brittle, 183. tentacle, 184. appreciate, 185. process, 186. sensitivity

187. the ex\_\_\_\_\_ed food sources *adj.* extremely tired
188. not no\_\_\_\_\_ly drink much *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
189. op\_\_\_\_\_l fiber *adj.* of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light
190. dem\_\_\_\_\_ion project *n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others
191. im\_\_\_\_\_e animal sounds *v.* to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something
192. poetic me\_\_r *n.* a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse
193. w\_\_ned me of the plan *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
194. a gas me\_\_r *n.* a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse
195. European an\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a type of flowering plant that has bright, showy flowers and typically blooms in the spring; a marine creature that resembles flowers but has oral rings of tentacles

ANSWERS: 187. exhausted, 188. normally, 189. optical, 190. demonstration, 191. imitate, 192. meter, 193. warn, 194. meter, 195. anemone

196. retie the st\_\_\_g and make it strong     *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
197. pathogenic ba\_\_\_\_ia     *n.* single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease
198. black-and-white bl\_\_ms     *n.* a flower, especially one having showy or colorful parts; the best time of youth
199. c\_m lever     *n.* a device or mechanism that converts rotary motion to linear motion or vice versa; a revolving cylinder with an irregular shape used in machinery to convert rotary motion into intermittent or reciprocating motion; an abbreviation for camera
200. re\_\_\_\_e CO2 into the air     *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
201. harmless ba\_\_\_\_ia     *n.* single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease
202. sc\_\_\_\_er bird     *n.* an animal or bird that feeds on carrion, dead animals, or other scavenged material; a person who searches for and collects discarded or unwanted items, often to sell or reuse them

ANSWERS: 196. string, 197. bacteria, 198. bloom, 199. cam, 200. release, 201. bacteria, 202. scavenger

203. de\_\_\_d my country      *v.* to protect someone or something from attack, criticism, danger, etc.
204. ma\_\_\_\_\_l place      *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
205. w\_\_n a reckless driver      *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
206. pl\_\_e of feathers      *n.* a large feather or group of feathers worn as an ornament or a symbol of achievement or distinction, especially on a hat
207. a bu\_\_h of trees      *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
208. s\_\_d castle      *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
209. g\_\_w gold in the light      *v.* to give out a steady, strong light
210. gi\_\_t trees      *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
211. smoking m\_\_e      *n.* a person's partner in marriage or romantic relationship; an animal's sexual partner; a peer or friend; (of the game of chess) checkmate, which is the winning condition of the game
212. an ina\_\_\_\_\_te income      *adj.* not sufficient or enough

ANSWERS: 203. defend, 204. magical, 205. warn, 206. plume, 207. bunch, 208. sand, 209. glow, 210. giant, 211. mate, 212. inadequate

213. je\_\_\_\_\_sh sting *n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
214. air-dropped to\_\_\_\_\_o *n.* a weapon that is designed to be launched from a ship, submarine, or aircraft and that is propelled through the water by a motor
215. el\_\_\_\_t a solution *v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty
216. lum\_\_\_\_\_nce phenomenon *n.* the emission of light occurs as a result of a substance or object being stimulated by energy sources such as heat, electricity, or radiation but without the substance or object becoming significantly hotter or undergoing combustion
217. l\_\_e prey *v.* to tempt or persuade someone to do something
218. tracking de\_\_\_\_e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
219. have a co\_\_\_\_\_ch phobia *n.* a flat, brown or black, chiefly nocturnal insects sometimes found in the home
220. d\_\_e off a cliff *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
221. apex pr\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
222. und\_\_\_\_\_ly talented *adv.* without a doubt; certainly; definitely

ANSWERS: 213. jellyfish, 214. torpedo, 215. elicit, 216. luminescence, 217. lure, 218. device, 219. cockroach, 220. dive, 221. predator, 222. undoubtedly

223. l\_b instrument *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
224. bre\_\_\_\_\_ing view *adj.* extremely impressive, stunning, awe-inspiring, or emotionally overwhelming
225. per\_\_\_\_\_nt data *adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time
226. an\_\_\_\_\_e a chemical compound *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
227. ad\_\_t fully to the environment *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
228. bl\_\_m in autumn *n.* a flower, especially one having showy or colorful parts; the best time of youth
229. autistic st\_\_\_\_\_ng *n.* a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation
230. sq\_\_\_\_\_e a confession *v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness
231. fla\_\_\_\_\_te their sore muscles *v.* to whip, scourge, or flog someone or oneself (as in religious penitence practices); to swim using a whip-like tail, as some aquatic animals do; (noun) a type of organism that has one or more whip-like appendages

ANSWERS: 223. lab, 224. breathtaking, 225. persistent, 226. analyze, 227. adapt, 228. bloom, 229. stimming, 230. squeeze, 231. flagellate



232. the most am\_\_\_\_\_g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
233. ba\_\_\_\_\_n into a severe political problem *n.* a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated
234. ro\_\_r mission *n.* a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon
235. ch\_\_e a dream *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
236. cr\_\_\_\_\_re of habit *n.* a living being, especially an animal
237. pl\_\_\_\_\_on blooms *n.* tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed
238. firefly bio\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* the production and emission of light by living creatures, such as glowworms, fireflies, etc.
239. a squid's te\_\_\_\_\_le *n.* a flexible, mobile, and long arm-like organ used for feeling and holding things, catching food, or moving
240. art cr\_\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
241. ba\_\_\_y finished *adv.* just enough; hardly; with great difficulty or effort

ANSWERS: 232. amazing, 233. balloon, 234. rover, 235. chase, 236. creature, 237. plankton, 238. bioluminescence, 239. tentacle, 240. critic, 241. barely

242. brilliant fl\_\_h *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
243. sq\_\_\_\_\_e a lemon *v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness
244. a man-eating sh\_\_k *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
245. im\_\_\_\_\_e painting styles *v.* to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something
246. ele\_\_\_\_\_cs industry *n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems
247. back f\_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
248. elliptic ga\_\_\_y *n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity
249. a ga\_\_\_y of famous actors *n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity
250. at\_\_\_\_\_t customers *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

ANSWERS: 242. flash, 243. squeeze, 244. shark, 245. imitate, 246. electronics, 247. fin, 248. galaxy, 249. galaxy, 250. attract

251. hi\_\_h a ride *v.* to move something into a different position jerkily; to travel by getting free rides from motorists; to hook or entangle
252. ha\_\_\_ed the incident *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
253. pl\_\_\_\_\_on community *n.* tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed
254. pleasant o\_\_r *n.* a distinctive or unpleasant smell; a scent or aroma that can be sensed through the sense of smell
255. ceremonial sa\_\_r *n.* a type of sword with a curved blade, typically used in cavalry or fencing
256. resident al\_\_ns *n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere
257. bi\_\_\_\_\_e behavior *adj.* very strange or unusual
258. di\_\_\_\_\_ct public opinion *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
259. sub\_\_\_\_\_le cable *adj.* able to be operated or used underwater; capable of being submerged in water or other liquid
260. the na\_\_\_\_\_or of the TV program *n.* a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film
261. damage to internal or\_\_ns *n.* a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job

ANSWERS: 251. hitch, 252. handle, 253. plankton, 254. odor, 255. saber, 256. alien, 257. bizarre, 258. distract, 259. submersible, 260. narrator, 261. organ

262. bre\_\_\_\_\_ing performance      *adj.* extremely impressive, stunning, awe-inspiring, or emotionally overwhelming
263. de\_\_\_e my position      *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
264. st\_\_\_\_\_sh habitat      *n.* marine invertebrate that belongs to the phylum Echinodermata, characterized by a five-armed body shape that resembles a star, typically found on or near the seafloor
265. sc\_\_\_m at him to be quiet      *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
266. a reckless at\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
267. in\_\_\_\_\_le stars      *adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
268. marine sc\_\_\_\_\_er      *n.* an animal or bird that feeds on carrion, dead animals, or other scavenged material; a person who searches for and collects discarded or unwanted items, often to sell or reuse them
269. unb\_\_\_\_\_ble beauty      *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
270. pre\_\_\_\_\_ly accurate      *adv.* believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof
271. give the al\_\_\_m      *n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

ANSWERS: 262. breathtaking, 263. define, 264. starfish, 265. scream, 266. attempt, 267. invisible, 268. scavenger, 269. unbelievable, 270. presumably, 271. alarm

272. 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
273. co\_\_\_\_e head-on *v.* to hit something violently when moving
274. blue al\_\_e *n.* A simple plant that grows in or near water and lacks typical leaves and roots
275. ca\_\_\_\_e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
276. tiny mo\_\_\_l *n.* a small piece or fragment, particularly of food; a small, tasty, or pleasing bit of something
277. the be\_\_y of the ship *n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft
278. hunk of j\_\_k *n.* discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition
279. de\_\_\_\_p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
280. to\_\_\_\_o attack *n.* a weapon that is designed to be launched from a ship, submarine, or aircraft and that is propelled through the water by a motor

ANSWERS: 272. cue, 273. collide, 274. algae, 275. capture, 276. morsel, 277. belly, 278. junk, 279. develop, 280. torpedo

281. lab fl\_\_k *n.* a container with a narrow neck and wide, flat body used for holding and carrying liquids
282. a f\_n of a plane *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
283. spineless je\_\_\_\_\_sh *n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
284. c\_\_n rest *n.* the lowermost part of a person's face, below the mouth and above the neck
285. bu\_\_\_t list *n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids
286. highly ad\_\_\_\_\_ve *adj.* causing a strong desire or compulsion to use or consume repeatedly, often to the point of dependency or harm; habit-forming
287. trees and b\_\_hes *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
288. wild goose ch\_\_e *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
289. bu\_\_\_t of golf balls *n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids

ANSWERS: 281. flask, 282. fin, 283. jellyfish, 284. chin, 285. bucket, 286. addictive, 287. bush, 288. chase, 289. bucket

290. or\_\_n bleeding *n.* a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job
291. per\_\_\_\_\_nt cough *adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time
292. th\_\_\_\_\_y-obtained data *adv.* as a result; consequence of a particular action or set of conditions
293. di\_\_\_\_\_y merchandise *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
294. pl\_\_e of smoke *n.* a large feather or group of feathers worn as an ornament or a symbol of achievement or distinction, especially on a hat
295. tr\_\_\_\_\_ct the area *v.* to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study
296. medical l\_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
297. get ins\_\_\_\_\_on from nature *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
298. caught the bu\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who unlawfully enters a building or other property to steal or commit another crime
299. su\_\_\_\_\_e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

ANSWERS: 290. organ, 291. persistent, 292. thereby, 293. display, 294. plume, 295. transect, 296. lab, 297. inspiration, 298. burglar, 299. suppose

300. ad\_\_\_\_\_ve substance *adj.* causing a strong desire or compulsion to use or consume repeatedly, often to the point of dependency or harm; habit-forming
301. pl\_\_\_\_t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
302. digital av\_\_\_\_r *n.* (the concept in Hinduism) a god appearing in human or superhuman or animal form; a graphical representation of a user or the user's character or persona in online games, chat rooms, etc.
303. red lum\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* the emission of light occurs as a result of a substance or object being stimulated by energy sources such as heat, electricity, or radiation but without the substance or object becoming significantly hotter or undergoing combustion
304. co\_\_l ornament *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
305. p\_\_e around the desk *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
306. phe\_\_\_\_\_al success *adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding
307. ina\_\_\_\_\_te funding *adj.* not sufficient or enough

ANSWERS: 300. addictive, 301. planet, 302. avatar, 303. luminescence, 304. coral, 305. poke, 306. phenomenal, 307. inadequate



308. the t\_p of a paintbrush *n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
309. ju\_\_\_\_le justice *adj.* relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature
310. pl\_\_\_\_e a dagger through his heart *v.* to dive quickly and steeply downward; to thrust or throw into something; (noun) a steep and rapid fall
311. tr\_\_l for fish *v.* to fish by dragging a net, often along the bottom of the ocean or river; to search or examine something thoroughly, often looking for a specific item or information
312. ph\_\_\_\_n emission *n.* a unit or quantum of electromagnetic energy, typically regarded as a particle that is the basic constituent of all light and other forms of electromagnetic radiation
313. sq\_\_d ink spaghetti *n.* a sea creature with a long and soft body, large eyes, eight arms, and two tentacles (= long parts like arms), and that is sometimes used for food
314. c\_\_t a charming eye *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

ANSWERS: 308. tip, 309. juvenile, 310. plunge, 311. trawl, 312. photon, 313. squid, 314. cast

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The mechanics \_\_\_\_\_ the trailer to the broken-down car.  
*v.* to move something into a different position jerkily; to travel by getting free rides from motorists; to hook or entangle
  
2. Infrared cameras detect \_\_\_\_\_ in the infrared range of the electromagnetic spectrum.  
*n.* a unit or quantum of electromagnetic energy, typically regarded as a particle that is the basic constituent of all light and other forms of electromagnetic radiation
  
3. She wore a \_\_\_\_\_ necklace passed down to her from her grandmother.  
*n.* a hard, roundish object found within the shells of certain mollusks and used as a gem
  
4. You are not \_\_\_\_\_ in your behavior.  
*adj.* always behaving or happening in the same way, or having the same thoughts, standards, etc.
  
5. The third \_\_\_\_\_ was far more successful.  
*n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
  
6. I need to clear out some of the \_\_\_\_\_ in my garage.  
*n.* discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition
  
7. It was \_\_\_\_\_ of him to attempt the dangerous stunt without any safety equipment.  
*adj.* recklessly bold or daring, often without considering the potential risks or consequences.; characterized by a lack of caution, prudence, or sensible judgment

ANSWERS: 1. hitched, 2. photons, 3. pearl, 4. consistent, 5. attempt, 6. junk, 7. foolhardy

8. The new video game was so \_\_\_\_\_ that he stayed up all night playing it.  
*adj.* causing a strong desire or compulsion to use or consume repeatedly, often to the point of dependency or harm; habit-forming
9. She kept \_\_\_\_\_ for an ambulance.  
*v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
10. We hit the ground to \_\_\_\_\_ out the rabbits.  
*v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
11. These infections have the potential to impact practically every \_\_\_\_\_ system.  
*n.* a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job
12. The beach was filled with hundreds of \_\_\_\_\_ so swimming was not recommended.  
*n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
13. The chemist poured the solution from the beaker into the \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a container with a narrow neck and wide, flat body used for holding and carrying liquids
14. She filled a \_\_\_\_\_ with water and carried it back to the house.  
*n.* an open container with a handle made of metal or plastic, often used for carrying liquids
15. The \_\_\_\_\_ runner fell to the ground and gasped.  
*adj.* extremely tired

ANSWERS: 8. addictive, 9. screaming, 10. scare, 11. organ, 12. jellyfish, 13. flask, 14. bucket, 15. exhausted

16. These heavy rains caused \_\_\_\_\_ floods on several islands.  
*n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
17. She \_\_\_\_\_ the toothpaste tube from the middle to get the last bit out.  
*v.* to apply pressure from two or more sides; to hold someone or something tightly in your arms, usually with fondness
18. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the fireflies in the dark forest was a magical sight.  
*n.* the emission of light occurs as a result of a substance or object being stimulated by energy sources such as heat, electricity, or radiation but without the substance or object becoming significantly hotter or undergoing combustion
19. He made a New Year's \_\_\_\_\_ to exercise more and eat healthier.  
*n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display
20. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the wall showed that the room was three meters long.  
*n.* a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse
21. He wants to \_\_\_\_\_ ownership of the abandoned property.  
*v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
22. The old books in the library were so \_\_\_\_\_ that they crumbled upon touch.  
*adj.* easily broken, cracked, or shattered when subjected to pressure or stress; lacking flexibility or resilience; fragile

ANSWERS: 16. flash, 17. squeezed, 18. luminescence, 19. resolution, 20. meter, 21. claim, 22. brittle

23. Autistic children may engage in \_\_\_\_\_ behaviors, such as rocking or hand flapping, to self-regulate.
- n.* a behavior often exhibited by individuals on the autism spectrum characterized by repetitive bodily movements or sounds, such as hand flapping or rocking, often used as a form of self-regulation or sensory stimulation
24. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ our products in an attractive way to attract customers.
- v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
25. He drinks an \_\_\_\_\_ amount of beer.
- adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
26. The cherry blossoms in the park were in full \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a flower, especially one having showy or colorful parts; the best time of youth
27. The \_\_\_\_\_ on Mars is gathering data on the planet's surface and sending it back to Earth.
- n.* a vehicle designed to travel over rough terrain, especially on the surface of a planet or moon
28. They \_\_\_\_\_ fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.
- v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
29. The firm has grown into a large \_\_\_\_\_ manufacturing.
- adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
30. The police officer \_\_\_\_\_ the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.
- v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes

ANSWERS: 23. stimming, 24. display, 25. unbelievable, 26. bloom, 27. rover, 28. poked, 29. chemical, 30. chased

31. The enemy fell right into the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

32. The security cameras were designed to be \_\_\_\_\_ and blend in with their surroundings.

*adj.* not conspicuous or noticeable, especially in a way that is intended to avoid attracting attention or causing disruption; not interfering or obstructing

33. We all should learn how to \_\_\_\_\_ stress.

*v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

34. The government is eager to \_\_\_\_\_ international investment.

*v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

35. Her \_\_\_\_\_ manner relaxed everyone there.

*adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

36. She used a \_\_\_\_\_ of facts and figures to make her argument.

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

37. Have you \_\_\_\_\_ a response from them yet?

*v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty

38. The company specializes in manufacturing and selling cutting-edge \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems

ANSWERS: 31. trap, 32. unobtrusive, 33. handle, 34. attract, 35. gentle, 36. barrage, 37. elicited, 38. electronics

39. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the beach was warm and golden.
- n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
40. Rebels have pledged to \_\_\_\_\_ the armed struggle against the dictatorship.
- v.* to increase or make something increase in extent or strength
41. I will introduce some \_\_\_\_\_ on learning English in this class.
- n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
42. The \_\_\_\_\_ makes use of the local dialect.
- n.* a person who tells a story, especially in a book or film
43. Some single-celled organisms can \_\_\_\_\_ themselves through the water.
- v.* to whip, scourge, or flog someone or oneself (as in religious penitence practices); to swim using a whip-like tail, as some aquatic animals do; (noun) a type of organism that has one or more whip-like appendages
44. Mercury is the closest \_\_\_\_\_ to the sun.
- n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
45. I advised him to \_\_\_\_\_ to his new surroundings.
- v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
46. The Milky Way \_\_\_\_\_ has numerous water-bearing planets.
- n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity

ANSWERS: 39. sand, 40. intensify, 41. tips, 42. narrator, 43. flagellate, 44. planet, 45. adapt, 46. galaxy

47. A rainbow is a natural \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

48. \_\_\_\_\_ has jammed the inlet to the water turbine.

*n.* A simple plant that grows in or near water and lacks typical leaves and roots

49. Proxima Centauri is the closest star to Earth, located about 4.24 \_\_\_\_\_ away.

*n.* a unit of distance used in astronomy to represent the distance that light travels in a year, which is equal to about 9.46 trillion kilometers or 5.88 trillion miles

50. I \_\_\_\_\_ made it to the meeting on time, rushing from another appointment across town.

*adv.* just enough; hardly; with great difficulty or effort

51. The golfer recorded an \_\_\_\_\_ distance.

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

52. The mechanic adjusted the \_\_\_\_\_ mechanism to improve the engine's performance.

*n.* a device or mechanism that converts rotary motion to linear motion or vice versa; a revolving cylinder with an irregular shape used in machinery to convert rotary motion into intermittent or reciprocating motion; an abbreviation for camera

53. The company's profits \_\_\_\_\_ after the recall of their new product.

*v.* to dive quickly and steeply downward; to thrust or throw into something; (noun) a steep and rapid fall

ANSWERS: 47. phenomenon, 48. Algae, 49. light-years, 50. barely, 51. amazing, 52. cam, 53. plunged



54. The \_\_\_\_\_ vehicle can explore the depths of the ocean.

*adj.* able to be operated or used underwater; capable of being submerged in water or other liquid

55. The building makes a remarkable \_\_\_\_\_ impact.

*adj.* relating to seeing or sight

56. He \_\_\_\_\_ the modus operandi of the famous phantom thief.

*v.* to copy the speech, behavior, appearance, etc. of someone or something

57. A rose has thorns on its \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in

58. \_\_\_\_\_ species have drastically altered the ecosystem in this area.

*n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere

59. He borrowed money from a loan \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

60. The \_\_\_\_\_ announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.

*n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

61. The teacher attempted to \_\_\_\_\_ the root cause of our mistake.

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

ANSWERS: 54. submersible, 55. visual, 56. imitated, 57. stem, 58. Alien, 59. shark, 60. alarm, 61. analyze

62. The instrument has a high \_\_\_\_\_ to temperature changes.  
*n.* the ability to perceive or respond to subtle differences or changes; the ability to understand and respond to the needs and feelings of others
63. It seems \_\_\_\_\_ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.  
*adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
64. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
65. She is wearing a \_\_\_\_\_ necklace.  
*n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
66. I recently \_\_\_\_\_ dropping out of school and getting a full-time job.  
*v.* to think about a possible future action or to think about something for a long time thoughtfully
67. There are several different species of \_\_\_\_\_ each with unique adaptations and behaviors.  
*n.* a type of deep-sea fish with a long, slender body, large teeth, and a bioluminescent barbel on the chin; often found in the abyssal zone and can survive in extreme environments
68. I don't \_\_\_\_\_ take a vacation in the middle of summer.  
*adv.* usually; under normal conditions
69. The \_\_\_\_\_ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.  
*adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

ANSWERS: 62. sensitivity, 63. probable, 64. critics, 65. coral, 66. contemplated, 67. dragonfish, 68. normally, 69. giant

70. I need to find a \_\_\_\_\_ for my female guinea pig so she doesn't get lonely.
- n.* a person's partner in marriage or romantic relationship; an animal's sexual partner; a peer or friend; (of the game of chess) checkmate, which is the winning condition of the game
71. A person's cyberspace \_\_\_\_\_ often represents the appearance and behavior that the person wants to be.
- n.* (the concept in Hinduism) a god appearing in human or superhuman or animal form; a graphical representation of a user or the user's character or persona in online games, chat rooms, etc.
72. We would \_\_\_\_\_ an early reply.
- v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
73. The \_\_\_\_\_ brought the fish into the trap.
- n.* a type of food or lure used to attract fish, animals, or people; something used to provoke or irritate someone into responding or reacting in a certain way
74. The skilled \_\_\_\_\_ bypassed the alarm system and entered the house without making a sound.
- n.* a person who unlawfully enters a building or other property to steal or commit another crime
75. The \_\_\_\_\_ illusion made it appear like the building was floating in midair.
- adj.* of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light
76. Thousands of people attended the protest \_\_\_\_\_ against the proposed policy.
- n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others

ANSWERS: 70. mate, 71. avatar, 72. appreciate, 73. bait, 74. burglar, 75. optical, 76. demonstration

77. \_\_\_\_\_ prevalent in hospitals are often resistant to antibiotics.
- n.* single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease
78. The small budget was \_\_\_\_\_ to cover all the necessary expenses for the project.
- adj.* not sufficient or enough
79. The submarine launched a \_\_\_\_\_ at the enemy ship.
- n.* a weapon that is designed to be launched from a ship, submarine, or aircraft and that is propelled through the water by a motor
80. I was able to \_\_\_\_\_ the moment on film.
- v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
81. The detective suspected that the vandalism was the work of \_\_\_\_\_ delinquents.
- adj.* relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature
82. After taking a \_\_\_ of food, he politely wiped his mouth with a napkin.
- n.* a lump or chunk of a substance; a large amount of something, especially in the sense of an excess or surplus; a colloquial term for mouth
83. The new president was \_\_\_\_\_ immediately after the national election.
- v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
84. The sperm whale can \_\_\_\_\_ to 1,000 meters.
- v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

ANSWERS: 77. Bacteria, 78. inadequate, 79. torpedo, 80. capture, 81. juvenile, 82. gob, 83. installed, 84. dive

85. He made a frightful \_\_\_\_\_ in his room.

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

86. The \_\_\_\_\_ unique shape helps it to escape from predators quickly.

- n.* marine invertebrate that belongs to the phylum Echinodermata, characterized by a five-armed body shape that resembles a star, typically found on or near the seafloor

87. The fisherman used a net to \_\_\_\_\_ the bottom of the river for his catch.

- v.* to fish by dragging a net, often along the bottom of the ocean or river; to search or examine something thoroughly, often looking for a specific item or information

88. She had a tattoo just above her \_\_\_\_\_ button.

- n.* the front part of the body below the chest, containing the stomach and bowels; the rounded or curved part of an object, such as a ship or aircraft

89. I am going to trim this \_\_\_\_\_ off.

- n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root

90. The interests of the two countries \_\_\_\_\_.

- v.* to hit something violently when moving

91. The seafood restaurant had a variety of dishes featuring \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a small, freshwater or saltwater creature with a slender body and long legs

92. \_\_\_\_\_ is generally the foundation of the ocean food chain.

- n.* tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed

ANSWERS: 85. mess, 86. starfish's, 87. trawl, 88. belly, 89. bush, 90. collide, 91. shrimp, 92. Plankton

93. The homeowner called the police when they spotted an \_\_\_\_\_ in their backyard.
- n.* someone who enters a place or situation without permission or invitation; someone who interrupts or interferes in something
94. The \_\_\_\_\_ habitat typically includes clean, fast-flowing waters where they can find insects and small crustaceans to feed on.
- n.* a slender, whisker-like sensory organ or filament that hangs from the mouth of certain fish, such as the catfish, used for locating food
95. The phenomenon is \_\_\_\_\_ at optical wavelengths.
- adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see
96. The giant \_\_\_\_\_ weighed over 50 kilograms.
- n.* a sea creature with a long and soft body, large eyes, eight arms, and two tentacles (= long parts like arms), and that is sometimes used for food
97. The \_\_\_\_\_ beauty of the sunset left us all in awe.
- adj.* inspiring amazement or admiration; extremely beautiful and impressive
98. One bad apple spoils the whole \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
99. The \_\_\_\_\_ family contains a range of species, some of which are well-adapted to life on land.
- n.* a type of crustacean characterized by its dorsoventrally flattened body and seven pairs of legs, including common examples like woodlice and pill bugs
100. What do you \_\_\_\_\_ the culprit's motive was?
- v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

ANSWERS: 93. intruder, 94. barbel's, 95. invisible, 96. squid, 97. wondrous, 98. bunch, 99. isopod, 100. suppose

101. The witness's testimony was \_\_\_\_\_ based on what he had seen and heard.  
*adv.* believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof
102. The salesperson used a special offer to \_\_\_\_ customers into buying the product.  
*v.* to tempt or persuade someone to do something
103. She wore a \_\_\_\_\_ of pearls around her neck.  
*n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
104. \_\_\_\_\_ sometimes cause allergic reactions in humans.  
*n.* a flat, brown or black, chiefly nocturnal insects sometimes found in the home
105. The truth was more \_\_\_\_\_ than expected.  
*adj.* very strange or unusual
106. 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
107. He fastens some sheets of paper with a \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a small metal or plastic device used for holding an object or objects together or in place; a short part of electronic media, either an audio clip or video clip
108. The western sky was \_\_\_\_\_ pink.  
*adj.* highly enthusiastic; greatly praised

ANSWERS: 101. presumably, 102. lure, 103. string, 104. Cockroaches, 105. bizarre, 106. device, 107. clip, 108. glowing

109. The \_\_\_\_\_ fabric was breathable and comfortable to wear.  
*n.* a material made of a network of wire, plastic, or thread
110. The satellite \_\_\_\_\_ slowly ascended into the sky.  
*n.* a small bag made of thin rubber or other light material that can be inflated with air or gas, used as a toy or as a decoration; (verb) to become inflated
111. The new software will streamline the workflow, \_\_\_\_\_ increasing productivity.  
*adv.* as a result; consequence of a particular action or set of conditions
112. 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
113. He found \_\_\_\_\_ in the works of his favorite authors.  
*n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
114. He spun the \_\_\_\_\_ and it stopped with the pointer on five.  
*n.* a toy consisting of curved and colored paper or plastic that is pinned to a stick and spins when you blow on it; a circular firework that spins round and round, emitting colorful fire
115. I only had a small \_\_\_\_\_ of cake while trying to watch my weight.  
*n.* a small piece or fragment, particularly of food; a small, tasty, or pleasing bit of something
116. He experienced nausea after eating live \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a sea creature with a soft round body and eight long tentacles (= long parts like arms)

ANSWERS: 109. mesh, 110. balloon, 111. thereby, 112. cue, 113. inspiration, 114. pinwheel, 115. morsel, 116. octopus



117. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's \_\_\_\_.
- n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
118. Certain squids acquire symbiotic \_\_\_\_\_ by feeding on specific microorganisms.
- n.* the production and emission of light by living creatures, such as glowworms, fireflies, etc.
119. The fish's \_\_\_\_\_ are necessary for extracting oxygen from the water.
- n.* a respiratory organ of fish and some other aquatic animals that extracts dissolved oxygen from water and excretes carbon dioxide
120. The vultures were circling above, searching for \_\_\_\_\_ to feast on.
- n.* the decaying flesh of dead animals, often used to refer to the carcasses that serve as food for scavenging animals
121. The animal rights group worked to \_\_\_\_\_ the dolphins back into the wild.
- v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
122. I attempted to \_\_\_\_\_ him, but he ignored me.
- v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
123. We must \_\_\_\_\_ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
124. Topics related to that war may \_\_\_\_\_ up a political hornets' nest.
- v.* to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused

ANSWERS: 117. lab, 118. bioluminescence, 119. gills, 120. carrion, 121. release, 122. warn, 123. develop, 124. stir

125. 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.

126. The children were excited to see the \_\_\_\_\_ show.

*n.* a device that produces a colorful display of light and sound when it is ignited

127. The sunset over the ocean was truly \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* extremely impressive, stunning, awe-inspiring, or emotionally overwhelming

128. The beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ swayed gently in the ocean current.

*n.* a type of flowering plant that has bright, showy flowers and typically blooms in the spring; a marine creature that resembles flowers but has oral rings of tentacles

129. The boy scout showed us how to tie a \_\_\_\_\_ that wouldn't come undone.

*n.* a tight interlacing of something such as rope or thread

130. We have finally lost our last \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

131. She was nearly \_\_\_\_\_ due to severe diabetes.

*adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

132. The sun was setting, and the sky \_\_\_\_\_ with beautiful colors.

*v.* to give out a steady, strong light

ANSWERS: 125. defend, 126. firework, 127. breathtaking, 128. anemones, 129. knot, 130. prop, 131. blind, 132. glowed

133. The bird had a beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ on its head.

- n.* a large feather or group of feathers worn as an ornament or a symbol of achievement or distinction, especially on a hat

134. Crows are common \_\_\_\_\_ in urban areas and will eat almost anything.

- n.* an animal or bird that feeds on carrion, dead animals, or other scavenged material; a person who searches for and collects discarded or unwanted items, often to sell or reuse them

135. The native South American animals were in danger because of the \_\_\_\_\_ arrival.

- n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

136. The police caught the fugitive criminal in the \_\_\_\_\_ of an expanded investigation.

- n.* a flexible, mobile, and long arm-like organ used for feeling and holding things, catching food, or moving

137. The \_\_\_\_\_ is endangering the local plants and animals.

- n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change

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

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

139. The ship dropped \_\_\_\_\_ in the bay.

- n.* a device, typically made of metal, that is used to moor a ship or boat in a particular place, typically by being dropped to the seabed; a central cohesive source of support and stability

ANSWERS: 133. plume, 134. scavengers, 135. predator's, 136. tentacles, 137. pollution, 138. process, 139. anchor

140. The new highway will \_\_\_\_\_ the wilderness, potentially disrupting local wildlife.

*v.* to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study

141. The Grand \_\_\_\_\_ has an awe-inspiring sight.

*n.* a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river

142. He threw away the \_\_\_\_\_ items in his closet.

*adj.* not wanted or desired

143. The deep sea \_\_\_\_\_ was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.

*n.* a living being, especially an animal

144. This meal wasn't as \_\_\_\_\_ as we had imagined.

*adj.* having a strong and pleasant flavor when it is eaten

145. Despite the setbacks, he remained \_\_\_\_\_ in his pursuit of his dreams.

*adj.* continuing firmly or obstinately in the course of action despite difficulty or opposition; lasting or enduring without fading or being lost over time

146. His eyes \_\_\_\_\_ with mischief.

*v.* to shine with a flickering or sparkling light; (noun) the act of shining in a bright and cheerful way

147. 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

ANSWERS: 140. transect, 141. Canyon, 142. unwanted, 143. creature, 144. tasty, 145. persistent, 146. twinkled, 147. saber

148. When I was a child, my mother often cast \_\_\_\_\_ spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

*adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers

149. The \_\_\_\_\_ from the trash can was unbearable, so I had to take it out.

*n.* a distinctive or unpleasant smell; a scent or aroma that can be sensed through the sense of smell

150. The \_\_\_\_\_ stars illuminated the night sky.

*adj.* emitting light or glowing softly, often without heat; having the ability to produce or emit light, especially through chemical reactions or by absorbing and then releasing energy

151. The athlete's \_\_\_\_\_ performance broke all previous records.

*adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding

152. The shark's powerful \_\_\_\_\_ allowed it to swim at high speeds.

*n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

153. This accident \_\_\_\_\_ a dark shadow over their lives.

*v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process

154. The singer's talent is \_\_\_\_\_ one of the greatest in the music industry

*adv.* without a doubt; certainly; definitely

155. He scraped his \_\_\_\_\_ when he fell off his bike.

*n.* the lowermost part of a person's face, below the mouth and above the neck

ANSWERS: 148. magical, 149. odor, 150. luminescent, 151. phenomenal, 152. fins, 153. cast, 154. undoubtedly, 155. chin

156. Please don't \_\_\_\_\_ me while I'm studying.

v. to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

157. To advance this discussion, we must \_\_\_\_\_ "success" rigorously.

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

ANSWERS: 156. distract, 157. define