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Session 1: Word List

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**.

cigarette

n. a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking

synonym: smoke, cigar, tobacco

(1) a mild **cigarette**, (2) a **cigarette** case

He lit a **cigarette** and leaned against the wall.

invention

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

synonym: creation, design, innovation

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

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

untold

adj. not yet revealed or known; not having been counted or measured

synonym: countless, immeasurable, innumerable

(1) **untold** riches, (2) an **untold** number of people

The **untold** stories of the disaster victims need to be heard to understand the impact fully.

nicotine

n. a colorless, oily, poisonous chemical compound found in tobacco leaves, which is highly addictive and acts as a stimulant, affecting the nervous system

synonym: tobacco, smoke

(1) **nicotine** patch, (2) **nicotine** replacement therapy

Smoking cigarettes exposes the body to high levels of **nicotine**, which can be addictive.

ban

v. to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something

synonym: forbid, prohibit, restrict

(1) **ban** gender-related job discrimination, (2) **ban** any type of cloning

We should **ban** mildly violent video games from a child's development perspective.

endlessly

adv. in a way that continues for a long time or seems to have no end or limit

synonym: ceaselessly, interminably, unceasingly

(1) repeat **endlessly**, (2) worry **endlessly** about our future

The procession of demonstrators was **endlessly** continuing.

tiring

adj. causing fatigue, exhaustion, or boredom

synonym: exhausting, fatiguing, draining

(1) mentally **tiring**, (2) **tiring** day

The **tiring** hike through the mountains was worth it for the stunning views.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym: quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

stare

v. to gaze or look fixedly and intently at someone or something, often in a questioning, curious, or suspicious manner; (noun) a fixed, intense, and prolonged gaze or look

synonym : gaze, look, gawk

(1) **stare** blankly, (2) give a menacing **stare**

He couldn't help but **stare** at the beautiful sunset over the ocean.

antisocial

adj. not wanting to be around or spend time with other people; unwilling or unable to conform to accepted social norms or standards

synonym : unsociable, withdrawn, reclusive

(1) **antisocial** tendencies, (2) **antisocial** personality disorder

The suspect's **antisocial** behavior and lack of remorse made the judge question their sanity.

idiot

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

synonym : dummy, imbecile, bubblehead

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

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

philosophy

n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

synonym : doctrine, attitude, creed

(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

reframe

v. to reinterpret, rephrase, or redefine an issue, situation, or question in a different way

synonym : redefine, restructure, reposition

(1) **reframe** resource allocation, (2) **reframe** problem

The therapist tried to **reframe** his negative thoughts.

overstate

v. to exaggerate or make something seem more important or serious than it is

synonym : exaggerate, embellish, magnify

(1) **overstate** the issue, (2) **overstate** the importance

He tends to **overstate** his accomplishments to impress others.

posture

n. the position in which a person holds their body when standing or sitting; (verb) to behave affectedly or unnaturally to impress others

synonym : stance, position, carriage

(1) **posture** control, (2) **posture** as a critic

She stood with good **posture**, with her shoulders back and head held high.

classic

adj. judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type

synonym : definitive, traditional, typical

(1) a **classic** experiment, (2) Chinese **classic** literature

He displayed the **classic** symptoms of depression.

economics

n. the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services

synonym : social science, finance, business

(1) welfare **economics**, (2) **economics** professor

His class will cover an introduction to agricultural **economics**.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym : completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

preoccupied

adj. having one's thoughts or attention absorbed by something; busy

synonym : absorbed, engrossed, occupied

(1) **preoccupied** idea, (2) **preoccupied** with other things
He was **preoccupied** with work and didn't notice me.

pension

n. a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working

synonym : allowance, annuity, grant

(1) a disability **pension**, (2) public **pension** funds
Because of the country's poor economic prospects, the number of **pension** defaulters has been increasing.

unemployed

adj. not having a job, although able to work

synonym : idle, inactive, jobless

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

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

extraordinary

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

synonym : exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

(1) **extraordinary** ability, (2) **extraordinary** weather
He narrated the **extraordinary** story of his adventure.

depressed

adj. sad and without any hope

synonym : despondent, despairing, sad

(1) **depressed** feeling, (2) the market is **depressed**
After his mother died, he got **depressed**.

thrust

v. to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing

synonym : push, shove, prod

(1) **thrust** a dagger home, (2) **thrust** a plate away
The engine **thrust** the rocket into space.

embarrass

v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
synonym: disconcert, unsettle, agitate

(1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project
He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in public.

accomplishment

n. the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training

synonym: success, achievement, complete

(1) proud of his **accomplishments**, (2) the **accomplishment** of a social goal

Graduating from college was a major **accomplishment** for her.

brand

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

synonym: trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car
There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

genuine

adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

synonym: actual, honest, unpretending

(1) a **genuine** article, (2) show **genuine** regret
Is this painting **genuine** or forged?

experiment

n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

synonym: experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**
His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

refer

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

synonym : cite, allude, mention

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

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

shock

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

synonym : amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**

He got an electric **shock** at work.

applied

adj. of or relating to a subject of study, especially a science, that is used in a practical way

synonym : practical, practiced, used

(1) **applied** research, (2) **applied** physics

Military technology eventually became the foundation for **applied** technology that supported people's lives.

nuzzle

v. to rub or press gently against someone or something with the nose or head, often as a sign of affection or comfort; to snuggle or cuddle in a loving manner

synonym : snuggle, cuddle, nestle

(1) **nuzzle** each other in the pasture, (2) **nuzzle** its owner affectionately

The child **nuzzled** their favorite stuffed animal while falling asleep.

exposed

adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

synonym : endangered, revealed, disclosed

(1) **exposed** to radiation, (2) an **exposed** rock

Tech companies often employ **exposed** ducts and other materials in their office interiors.

circumstance

n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

synonym : condition, context, environment

(1) **circumstance** of birth, (2) **circumstance** of injury
She explained the **circumstances** surrounding the accident.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym : comparative, proximate, congeneric

(1) a remote **relative**, (2) **relative** factors

Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close **relatives**.

lapse

n. a temporary or brief failure in judgment, action, or behavior; a gradual or slow decline, often referring to a loss of performance, quality, or attention; a period of time that has passed; (verb) to fall or slip into a particular state, often one that is undesirable or unintended

synonym : break, failure, blunder

(1) **lapse** back into recession, (2) **lapse** in payment

I missed the deadline due to a **lapse** in my memory.

depression

n. a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

synonym : recession, slump, despair

(1) the Great **Depression**, (2) the root problem of her **depression**

Depression symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.

debate

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

synonym : argument, discussion, dispute

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

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

in politics.

taxation

n. the system or process of imposing a charge or levy by a government or other authority on individuals or organizations, usually based on their income or property, to fund public expenses and services

synonym : levy, imposition, revenue

(1) income **taxation**, (2) corporate **taxation**

The government implemented a new **taxation** policy to generate more revenue.

pound

n. the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

(1) three-fourths of a **pound**, (2) thousands of **pounds**

The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred **pounds**.

context

n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

synonym : background, setting, environment

(1) historical **context**, (2) legal **context**

It's important to understand the **context** of a situation before making a decision.

curse

n. a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry

synonym : condemnation, cuss, hex

(1) under a **curse**, (2) few **curse** words

Many autocratic policies became a **curse** for that country's economy.

mere

adj. used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

synonym : bare, minor, sheer

(1) **mere** acquaintance, (2) **mere** incident

He lost the election by **mere** votes.

endow

v. to give a quality, ability, or asset to a person or institution

synonym: finance, subsidize, support

(1) **endow** him with the power, (2) **endow** the scholarship

Some people believe that human is **endowed** with reason and capable of distinguishing good from evil.

ward

n. a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care

synonym: room, division, unit

(1) a children's **ward**, (2) **ward** nurse

The patient was moved to the intensive care **ward** for further treatment.

philanthropy

n. the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money

synonym: altruism, benevolence, generosity

(1) **philanthropy** organization, (2) private **philanthropy**

Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on **philanthropy**.

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.

willingness

n. the state of being ready or inclined to do something

synonym: readiness, eagerness, enthusiasm

(1) **willingness** to help, (2) indicate a **willingness** to change

Her **willingness** to help others earned her many friends.

frame

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

synonym: body, skeleton, scaffolding

(1) a picture **frame**, (2) the **frame** of the policy

The detective looked for fingerprints on the window **frame**.

bailout

n. the provision of financial help to a corporation or country which is on the brink of bankruptcy

synonym: help, aid, support

(1) **bailout** bill, (2) **bailout** bottle

Many countries provided a **bailout** to the private sector to minimize the economic impact of the coronavirus pandemic.

react

v. to take action in response to something

synonym: respond, reply, oppose

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

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

visceral

adj. relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses

synonym: instinctive, intuitive, gut

(1) **visceral** organ, (2) **visceral** fear

After watching the horror movie, she had a **visceral** reaction and couldn't sleep all night.

moral

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

synonym: honest, ethical, conscientious

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

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

nick

n. a small cut, notch, or indentation in a surface or an edge

synonym: incision, dent, indentation

(1) a **nick** on the fender of a car, (2) **nick** on my hand

The interviewer arrived in a **nick** of time.

decision

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

humanity

n. all people living on the earth; the quality or state of being human rather than an animal, a machine, etc.

synonym: humankind, society, human race

(1) **humanity** at large, (2) mass of **humanity**

They donated large sums of money for the development of **humanity**.

depth

n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

synonym: deepness, profoundness, extent

(1) **depth** camera, (2) the **depth** of the water

The pond's **depth** was around five feet.

explore

v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

synonym: analyze, delve into, examine

(1) **explore** the world, (2) **explore** our options

The management must **explore** strategies to increase office security.

shallow

adj. not having much distance from the top to the bottom

synonym: superficial, external, surface

(1) **shallow** people, (2) **shallow** water

Shallow brooks are noisier than deep rivers.

impressive

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

synonym : impactful, remarkable, exceptional

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

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

insane

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

synonym : crazy, mad, foolish

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

Her excessive demands drove me **insane**.

engineer

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

synonym : architect, creator, builder

(1) a civil **engineer**, (2) **engineer** shortage

The **engineer** will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

neoclassical

adj. relating to a revival of classic forms, styles, or ideas, especially those of ancient Greek and Roman art and architecture, that emerged in the late 18th and early 19th centuries

(1) **neoclassical** economics, (2) **neoclassical** music

The **neoclassical** style of architecture is characterized by symmetry and simplicity.

framework

n. the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text

synonym : structure, scheme, foundation

(1) legal **framework**, (2) the **framework** of a house

He devised a new analytical **framework** to capture the phenomenon.

lattice

n. an arrangement of points or particles in a regular, repeating pattern in two or three dimensions; a structure consisting of an ornamental design made of strips of wood or metal

synonym : grid, trellis, mesh

(1) **lattice** ornament, (2) a door with a **lattice** frame

The **lattice** pattern on the fence allowed the vines to climb up and create a natural privacy screen.

economical

adj. providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary

synonym : frugal, thrifty, parsimonious

(1) **economical** use of her time, (2) an **economical** meal

It is more **economical** to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

robust

adj. sturdy and healthy in form, constitution, or construction; strong enough to withstand or overcome intellectual challenges or adversity

synonym : healthy, strong, booming

(1) **robust** growth, (2) a **robust** appetite

The experiment yielded **robust** results that support his theory.

practically

adv. almost or nearly

synonym : almost, nearly, virtually

(1) **practically** constant, (2) **practically** impossible to find a parking spot

The store is **practically** empty.

random

adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

synonym : incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**

To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

individual

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

synonym : person, being, self

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

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions

and live his life as he saw fit.

insight

n. the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

synonym : wisdom, discernment, understanding

(1) a profound **insight**, (2) share my **insights**

We gained various **insights** by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.

priority

n. something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first

synonym : importance, precedence, primacy

(1) **priority** call, (2) **priority** seating for elderly

Her **priority** is to be a mother.

Newtonian

adj. relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation

synonym : classical, physics, mechanics

(1) **Newtonian** physics, (2) **Newtonian** mechanics

The motion of planets can be described using **Newtonian** mechanics.

duration

n. the length of time something lasts or continues

synonym : period, span, course

(1) the **duration** of insurance, (2) short **duration**

The military incarcerated him for the **duration** of the war.

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym : spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

imbalance

n. a situation in which two or more things are not equal or equally treated

synonym : inequality, asymmetry, instability

(1) trade **imbalance**, (2) symptoms of hormonal **imbalance**
An **imbalance** in certain substances causes problems with brain function.

asymmetrical

adj. lacking symmetry or balance; unevenly or irregularly shaped; not corresponding in terms of quantity, size, or position

synonym : uneven, lopsided, crooked

(1) **asymmetrical** design, (2) **asymmetrical** haircut

The **asymmetrical** shape of the vase made it unique and exciting.

creative

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

synonym : imaginative, innovative, inventive

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

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

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym : affecting, impactful, impressive

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

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

rational

adj. based on reason or logic; using good judgment and sound thinking

synonym : logical, reasonable, sensible

(1) **rational** decision, (2) the **rational** faculty

The **rational** approach to problem-solving involves weighing all options.

numerical

adj. relating to, expressed, or denoted by a number

synonym : quantitative, numeral, mathematical

(1) 3D **numerical** simulation, (2) the **numerical** keypad

The **numerical** value of Pi is approximately 3.14.

spreadsheet

n. a computer program that is used for displaying and dealing with numbers by arranging them in rows and columns

(1) a **spreadsheet** program, (2) plug numbers into a **spreadsheet**

I accidentally deleted all the contents of the **spreadsheet**.

approval

n. the belief that someone or something is good or acceptable

synonym: acceptance, endorsement, permission

(1) a written **approval**, (2) express my **approval**

This project took a lot of time to get the president's **approval**.

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.

feasibility

n. the state or quality of being feasible; the likelihood or possibility of something being successful or able to be accomplished

synonym: viability, practicality, workability

(1) determine the **feasibility**, (2) **feasibility** assessment

A **feasibility** study is necessary to determine if a project is viable and worthwhile.

forth

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

synonym: forward, onwards, ahead

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

I pushed **forth** with my new project, even though it would

take much hard work.

economy

n. the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

synonym: finance, trade, business

(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class

The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

logic

n. a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

synonym: reasoning, reason, ratiocination

(1) an indisputable **logic**, (2) a demonstration in **logic**

There's no **logic** in his description.

numb

adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

synonym: dazed, insensitive, emotionless

(1) **numb** with cold, (2) a **numb** mind

My left arm became **numb**.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym: insane, absurd, bizarre

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

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

artificial

adj. not natural and made by human beings; not real but produced to resemble something

synonym: synthetic, man-made, manufactured

(1) **artificial** flowers, (2) **artificial** environment

The **artificial** intelligence system has revolutionized the way we live and work.

prioritize

v. to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things

synonym: rank, order, arrange

(1) **prioritize** tasks, (2) **prioritize** people over cars

The organization **prioritized** the needs of the community in its decision-making.

mechanism

n. a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction

synonym: means, method, system

(1) the **mechanism** for DNA replication, (2) defense **mechanism**

He discovered unique **mechanisms** for photochemical reactions.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym: enhance, ameliorate, enrich

(1) **improve** a process, (2) **improve** the test score

We want to **improve** ties between our two countries.

satisfaction

n. a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something

synonym: delight, pleasure, content

(1) a sense of **satisfaction**, (2) customer **satisfaction**

The mediated settlement brought **satisfaction** to both sides.

underground

adj. under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force

synonym: subterranean, subsurface, confidential

(1) water flowing **underground**, (2) **underground** activist

Having **underground** parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.

frequency

n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

synonym : recurrence, repetition, regularity

(1) **frequency** band, (2) high **frequency**

The oscillator hunts for the correct **frequency**.

dot

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

synonym : drop, dab, fleck

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

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

matrix

n. a rectangular array of numbers, symbols, or expressions, arranged in rows and columns and often enclosed in brackets; an enclosure within which something originates or develops

synonym : grid, cast, table

(1) the **matrix** of Western civilization, (2) **matrix** multiplication

The **matrix** of numbers on the spreadsheet allowed the accountant to track the company's profits and losses easily.

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.

platform

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

synonym : stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise

The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

dependent

adj. relying on someone or something else for support or aid
synonym : reliant, subject, subordinate

(1) dose- **dependent** induction, (2) a **dependent** person

The small island nation is heavily **dependent** on tourism as its main source of income.

uncertain

adj. not being sure of something; not being able to choose
synonym : doubtful, skeptical, pending

(1) numerous **uncertain** factors, (2) take an **uncertain** attitude

She was **uncertain** about her friend's intentions.

countdown

n. a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline

synonym : timer

(1) **countdown** clock, (2) wedding **countdown**

The **countdown** to launch began as the astronauts prepared for their mission.

frustrate

v. to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

synonym : hinder, thwart, dishearten

(1) **frustrate** the advancement, (2) **frustrate** other team members

The coach explained a strategy to **frustrate** the opponent's schemes to the players.

irritating

adj. causing annoyance, frustration, or exasperation; provoking impatience or irritation

synonym : annoying, bothersome, vexing

(1) **irritating** noise, (2) **irritating** behavior

The garbage can in the kitchen has been producing an **irritating** smell for days.

knuckle

n. one of the joint-like parts of the fingers and toes, especially of the hand

synonym : joint, finger joint, finger knob

(1) **knuckle** sandwich, (2) bare- **knuckle** boxer

He cracked his **knuckles** nervously before the presentation.

damn

v. to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger

synonym : curse, condemn, denounce

(1) **damn** the consequences, (2) **damn** with faint praise

The company's poor financial performance is likely to **damn** the CEO's chances of being re-elected to the board.

deploy

v. to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way

synonym : set up, expand, launch

(1) **deploy** troops for battle, (2) **deploy** safety measures

This country **deployed** its weapons in the east region.

traffic

n. the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

synonym : congestion, jam, flow

(1) **traffic** jam, (2) heavy **traffic**

We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction **traffic** on the main road.

delay

v. to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected

synonym : block, adjourn, detain

(1) **delay** a flight three hours, (2) **delay** the new project

We **delayed** the payment because of an incorrect invoice.

accident

n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

synonym : calamity, casualty, chance

(1) cause an **accident**, (2) injury in a car **accident**
The **accident** partially destroyed my vehicle.

rage

n. a strong feeling of anger or violence

synonym: fury, anger, outrage

(1) uncontrollable **rage**, (2) fall into a **rage**

She was filled with a burning **rage** at the injustice she had witnessed.

impatience

n. a feeling of restlessness or irritation caused by a desire for something to happen or be done more quickly; lack of patience

synonym: impatience, restlessness, agitation

(1) **impatience** with delays, (2) business **impatience**

The doctor advised him to manage his **impatience** as stress could exacerbate his medical condition.

irritation

n. a feeling of annoyance or frustration that results from something bothersome or unpleasant; a physical reaction such as itching or inflammation that results from exposure to an irritant

synonym: annoyance, vexation, frustration

(1) **irritation** of the skin, (2) mental **irritation**

The constant car honking outside my window is a source of **irritation** for me.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

principle

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

synonym: rule, creed, code

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

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

assiduous

adj. showing great care, attention, and perseverance in carrying out a task or duty; diligent and hardworking

synonym : diligent, hardworking, industrious

(1) **assiduous** worker, (2) **assiduous** student

The chef's **assiduous** efforts to source high-quality ingredients were apparent in the delicious meal.

consideration

n. the act or process of giving careful thought to something; a fee charged in advance to retain the services of someone

synonym : debate, regard, deliberation

(1) mature **consideration**, (2) take into **consideration**

We can rule this possibility out from our **consideration**.

primacy

n. the state or quality of being first or foremost in importance, rank, or authority

synonym : supremacy, dominance, leadership

(1) military **primacy**, (2) **primacy** of economics

New competitors threatened the company's **primacy** in the market.

spot

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

synonym : dot, mark, place

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

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym : specialized, technical

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

Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

innate

adj. existing naturally or from birth; inherent or inborn; not acquired or learned through experience

synonym : natural, inherent, inborn

(1) **innate** ability, (2) **innate** quality

The belief in **innate** human goodness is a common philosophical concept.

dilution

n. the process of making something weaker, less concentrated, or less potent by adding or mixing in other substances; the act of reducing the strength or impact of an idea, principle, or tradition

synonym: diluting, reduction, weakening

(1) **dilution** of power, (2) **dilution** of the original message

The **dilution** of the chemical solution weakened its strength.

function

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

synonym: purpose, mapping, job

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

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

engine

n. a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose

synonym: motor, locomotive, driver

(1) a steam **engine**, (2) an air-cooled **engine**

The policies he announces can be the **engine** of economic growth in the country.

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym: guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

shabby

adj. (of a building or object) in poor condition through age and neglect

synonym : dilapidated, run-down, shoddy

(1) **shabby** appearance, (2) **shabby** treatment

The **shabby** couch had seen better days.

row

n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

synonym : line, sequence, layer

(1) criminal on death **row**, (2) a **row** of cherry trees

He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front **row**.

despise

v. to feel strong dislike or contempt for someone or something, often because of a perceived fault or failing; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of something

synonym : hate, loathe, detest

(1) **despise** a particular food, (2) secretly **despise**

I **despise** injustice and those who perpetrate it.

combine

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

synonym : coalesce, cohere, blend

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

(2) **combine** augmented reality

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

whatsoever

adv. not at all; no matter what

synonym : in any way, at all, in any respect

(1) **whatsoever** it be, (2) without impact **whatsoever**

He refused to do anything **whatsoever** to help her.

rub

v. to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure

synonym : scrub, massage, stroke

(1) **rub** shoulders, (2) **rub** a glass window
She **rubbed** the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.

propose

v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
synonym: suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes
I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

antibiotic

n. a substance or drug that kills or slows down the growth of bacteria

synonym: antimicrobial, chemotherapeutic, germicide

(1) **antibiotic** resistance, (2) **antibiotic** allergy
He has been prescribed an **antibiotic** to treat his infection.

chunk

n. a thick and solid mass or piece of something

synonym: block, lump, piece

(1) a **chunk** of money, (2) a tiny **chunk** of meat
The new start-up company carved out a large **chunk** of the market within a year.

likelihood

n. the probability or chance that something will happen or be the case

synonym: probability, chance, possibility

(1) **likelihood** of the success, (2) improve the **likelihood** of a cure

The **likelihood** of the project being completed on time is uncertain.

milestone

n. an important event or stage in the development or progress of something; a stone by the side of a road to show distances

synonym: landmark, turning point, touchstone

(1) key **milestone**, (2) **milestone** event
Reaching the **milestone** of 1000 subscribers on her SNS channel was a major achievement for her.

retirement

n. the fact or act of stopping working and leaving one's job
synonym : resignation, withdrawal, retreat

(1) **retirement** from politics, (2) impending **retirement**

This fund is responsible for disability and **retirement** benefits.

toll

n. money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly

synonym : fee, cost, expense

(1) a **toll** road, (2) **toll** a bell at his death

There is no **toll** car park nearby.

crossing

n. the act of going from one side to the other; a place where roads, railway tracks, or rivers intersect

synonym : intersection, junction

(1) **crossing** bridge, (2) a **crossing-keeper**

The busy road was closed for a few hours for a railway **crossing**.

queue

n. a line of people or vehicles, especially one that forms outside a place of entertainment or a public building, waiting for something to become available

synonym : range, sequence, waiting line

(1) form a **queue**, (2) **queue** system

There was a long **queue** at the popular attraction.

severe

adj. extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous

synonym : harsh, relentless, powerful

(1) **severe** heat, (2) a **severe** case of pneumonia

The senator received **severe** criticism from his opponent.

security

n. the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation

synonym : safety, protection, stock

(1) national **security**, (2) **security** analyst

The building's **security** system includes cameras, alarms, and security guards.

lane

n. a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver

synonym: roadway, street, artery

(1) **lane** change, (2) first **lane**

We walked along a muddy **lane** to reach the farm.

unreasonable

adj. not fair, sensible, or likely to be true

synonym: unjustified, unfair, excessive

(1) **unreasonable** demand, (2) an **unreasonable** amount of money

It would be **unreasonable** for me to expect you to work overtime without any extra compensation.

efficient

adj. performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials

synonym: productive, effective, competent

(1) **efficient** operation, (2) energy- **efficient** appliances

The new washing machine is much more **efficient** than the old one.

patent

n. a legal document that grants an inventor exclusive rights to their invention for a certain period of time; the invention or process for which a patent has been granted

synonym: copyright, trademark, license

(1) **patent** application, (2) **patent** law

The company has filed for a **patent** to protect its new invention.

in-law

n. a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law

synonym: relative by marriage, family connection, affinal

(1) future **in-law**, (2) meeting **in-laws**

My sister- **in-law** is a pediatrician who works in a children's hospital.

prefer

v. to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another

synonym: choose, like, favor

(1) **prefer** physics to chemistry, (2) **prefer** a window seat
The birds **prefer** open water areas with reeds around them.

introduction

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

synonym: initiation, preamble, prologue

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

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

deliberately

adv. done in an intentional or slow and careful manner

synonym: intentionally, knowingly, willfully

(1) **deliberately** amateurish, (2) commit a crime
deliberately

He **deliberately** misleads others.

maximum

adj. the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained

synonym: peak, top, highest

(1) **maximum** limit, (2) the **maximum** speed

The **maximum** temperature recorded this summer was higher than average.

revenue

n. the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business

synonym: earnings, payment, remuneration

(1) tax **revenue**, (2) annual **revenue**

This graph indicates the city's tourism **revenue** over five years.

subsidize

v. to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially

synonym: finance, endow, sponsor

(1) **subsidize** the project, (2) **subsidize** the cost

Governments **subsidize** renewable energy generation in various ways.

incompetence

n. lack of physical or intellectual ability or qualifications to do something successfully or as it should be done

synonym: inability, incapacity, ineptitude

(1) have a feeling of **incompetence**, (2) **incompetence** of urine

Her behavior testified to her **incompetence**.

slightly

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

synonym: barely, narrowly, scarcely

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

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

charitable

adj. giving money, food, or help free to those who are poor or in need; full of love and generosity

synonym: generous, helping, giving

(1) **charitable** organizations, (2) **charitable** deeds

He is always **charitable** to the poor.

yield

n. the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced;
(verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information

synonym: proceeds, harvest, output

(1) corn **yield**, (2) the **yield** on the bond

The company's stock gives a high **yield**.

charity

n. an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people

synonym: philanthropy, benevolence, generosity

(1) **charity** work, (2) ask **charity**

She volunteers at a local **charity** every weekend to help those in need.

degree

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

synonym: level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

affection

n. a feeling of fondness, love, or attachment towards someone or something; a gentle or tender feeling; often used to describe a warm or caring relationship between individuals

synonym: love, fondness, tenderness

(1) deep **affection**, (2) show **affection**

Her unwavering **affection** for animals led her to become a veterinarian.

bastardize

v. to alter, modify, or degrade something in a way that undermines or violates its original integrity or quality; to create a less authentic or less desirable version of something

synonym: corrupt, debase, pervert

(1) **bastardize** a recipe, (2) **bastardize** culture

We do not want to **bastardize** the text's original meaning through poor translations.

fundamental

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

synonym: basic, essential, entire

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

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

proportionate

adj. having a proper or suitable balance in size, amount, or degree; corresponding or in proportion to something else

synonym: proportional, commensurate, balanced

(1) **proportionate** response, (2) **proportionate** representation

The judge ruled that the punishment be **proportionate** to the crime committed.

revolutionize

v. to bring about a complete or radical change in something, often through the introduction of new methods or ideas

synonym: transform, innovate, modernize

(1) **revolutionize** the industry, (2) **revolutionize** the technology

The invention of the smartphone **revolutionized** the way we communicate with each other.

policy

n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

synonym: strategy, plan, guideline

(1) health **policy**, (2) foreign **policy**

The company's new **policy** on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

hero

n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

synonym: champion, protagonist, savior

(1) local **hero**, (2) unsung **hero**

The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is

considered a national **hero**.

predominantly

adv. mainly, mostly, or primarily; having the greatest influence or power in a particular situation or group

synonym : mostly, chiefly, largely

(1) **predominantly** rural, (2) **predominantly** Christian
The neighborhood is **predominantly** made up of young families with children.

discipline

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

synonym : training, restraint, field

(1) break **discipline**, (2) rigid **discipline**
He quickly learned the military **discipline**.

praxis

n. the practical application or implementation of a theory or idea, often in a social or political context

synonym : action, deed, practice

(1) **praxis** in education, (2) **praxis** theory
The teacher emphasized the importance of **praxis**, encouraging students to apply their theoretical understanding to real-world problems.

decision-maker

n. a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization

(1) policy **decision-maker**, (2) act as a **decision-maker**
A wealth of information does not always have a positive impact on **decision-makers**.

hell

n. the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

synonym : inferno, agony, misery

(1) run like **hell**, (2) **hell** broke loose
The battlefield became **hell** on earth.

subset

n. a set of things that are contained within another larger set; a portion or division of a group or category

synonym: subcategory, subdivision

(1) proper **subset**, (2) **subset** selection

A **subset** of the employees will be trained in the new software program.

scarcity

n. the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount

synonym: lack, absence, dearth

(1) fuel **scarcity**, (2) **scarcity** of capital

Some research says that a relative decline in teacher salaries is causing labor **scarcity**.

analogy

n. a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept

synonym: metaphor, comparison, parallel

(1) draw **analogy**, (2) historical **analogy**

Some kinds of machine learning models show an **analogy** to how people learn.

justification

n. the act or process of showing or proving something to be right, reasonable, or valid; an explanation or reason that serves to justify or support a decision, action, or belief

synonym: excuse, validation, reason

(1) moral **justification**, (2) seek **justification**

He provided a strong **justification** for his decision to invest in the new project.

explanation

n. the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear

synonym: description, elucidation, account

(1) the **explanation** for the failure, (2) detailed **explanation**

The following **explanation** is currently being used to explain the phenomenon in question.

perceive

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

synonym: sense, discern, feel

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

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

equivalent

n. having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.

synonym: equal, counterpart, match

(1) **equivalent** amounts, (2) **equivalent** in meaning

The European Central Bank is Europe's **equivalent** of the Federal Reserve.

dubious

adj. having doubts or reservations; uncertain

synonym: uncertain, questionable, skeptical

(1) **dubious** credibility, (2) direct a **dubious** look

The evidence presented in court had a **dubious** origin, raising questions about its authenticity.

reject

v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone

synonym: decline, turn down, repudiate

(1) **reject** the proposal, (2) **reject** all imperfect merchandise

The company **rejected** the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.

distinction

n. a difference or contrast between similar things or people

synonym: eminence, noteworthiness, excellence

(1) important **distinction**, (2) draw a **distinction**

I can't see any **distinction** between these two concepts.

physiology

n. the branch of the biological sciences dealing with the functioning of organisms

(1) human **physiology**, (2) **physiology** research

Physiology is the science of how living things work.

extract

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

synonym: excerpt, quote, distillation

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

shepherd

n. a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

synonym: herder, flock-keeper, sheepdog

(1) **shepherd** boy, (2) sheep without a **shepherd**
The **shepherd's** dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.

quarry

n. a place where a stone or other materials are extracted from the ground; an animal or a person that is the target of hunting

synonym: stone pit, prey, target

(1) **quarry** operation, (2) **quarry** site
The hunter tracked down his **quarry** in the woods.

wool

n. a textile fiber obtained from the fleece of sheep or certain other animals, used for making clothing and other fabric items

synonym: fleece, cashmere

(1) **wool** sweater, (2) **wool** fibers
I love wearing **wool** socks during the winter to keep my feet warm.

premium

n. an amount of money paid periodically; the price or cost of something, especially when it is considered to be of high quality or value; (adjective) having or reflecting superior quality or value

synonym: dividend, bonus, (adjective) expensive

(1) insurance **premium**, (2) **premium** quality
Some people are willing to pay a **premium** for a rare and

valuable collectible.

convert

v. to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action

synonym: alter, remake, transform

(1) **convert** fat into energy, (2) **convert** base 10 to base 16
I want to **convert** my sadness into strength.

exploit

v. to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc.

synonym: use, abuse, control

(1) **exploit** a security hole, (2) **exploit** a valuable opportunity

We **exploit** our mining resources to strengthen our national power.

modern

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

synonym: contemporary, stylish, current

(1) **modern** poetry, (2) pre- **modern** agricultural society

Their headquarters are in a **modern** skyscraper.

regard

v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

synonym: consider, see, reckon

(1) **regard** him as an enemy, (2) **regard** the situation as unfortunate

Frugality and industry are still **regarded** as virtues.

advertise

v. to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it

synonym: publicize, announce, promote

(1) **advertise** the campaign, (2) **advertise** on social media

We want to **advertise** our company through your media.

sweeping

adj. extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often

involving wide motions or gestures

synonym : broad, extensive, vast

(1) **sweeping** changes, (2) **sweeping** landscapes

The **sweeping** views from the mountaintop were breathtaking.

primary

adj. first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle

synonym : chief, main, fundamental

(1) **primary** school, (2) **primary** education

The **primary** cause of the accident was due to the icy road conditions.

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.

sew

v. to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle

synonym : stitch, darn, tailor

(1) **sew** with thread, (2) **sew** a button

My mother taught me how to **sew**.

feces

n. waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement

synonym : poop, stool, excrement

(1) **feces** sample, (2) human **feces**

Proper disposal of **feces** is essential for maintaining public health and sanitation.

rid

v. to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

synonym : do away with, free, clear

(1) get **rid** of the rats, (2) **rid** the body of waste products
We must **rid** ourselves of pollution.

vital

adj. necessary for the success or continued existence of something

synonym: critical, crucial, invigorating

(1) play a **vital** role, (2) **vital** for a healthy society
Perseverance and optimism are **vital** to success.

abstruse

adj. difficult to understand; obscure, or hard to comprehend, often due to its complex or intricate nature

synonym: obscure, arcane, complex

(1) an **abstruse** concept, (2) an **abstruse** theory
The professor's lecture on quantum physics was so **abstruse** that even the brightest students struggled to understand it.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action
She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

organization

n. a group of people who work together for a shared purpose

synonym: association, institution, community

(1) **organization** chart, (2) agricultural **organization**
She is the president of a large international **organization**.

percentage

n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

synonym: rate, ratio, portion

(1) the **percentage** of the gold content, (2) a high **percentage**
What is the **percentage** of the consumption tax in the United States?

mod

n. a modification or alteration, typically one made to improve something or increase its functionality; a British teenager or young adult in the 1960s, noted for their clothes consciousness and opposition to the rockers

synonym : alteration, modification, tweak

(1) **mod** culture, (2) a house with **mod** cons

The **mod** for the video game added new features and improved gameplay.

perception

n. a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

synonym : understanding, idea, awareness

(1) keen **perception**, (2) **perception** of a stimulus

He is a man admired for the depth of his **perception**.

stink

v. to emit a strong, unpleasant odor; to have a strong offensive smell; to be corrupt or unethical

synonym : reek, smell, odor

(1) **stink** up the place, (2) **stink** badly

The garbage in the alley began to **stink** after a few hot days.

argue

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

synonym : debate, dispute, quarrel

(1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

germ

n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

synonym : bacterium, microbe, pathogen

(1) antibiotic-resistant **germ**, (2) a **germ-free** environment

The **germ** of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym : alter, convert, change

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

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

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

synonym : luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance

The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

unite

v. to come or join together as one; to combine or merge separate elements, individuals, or groups into a single entity or whole; to form a union or alliance

synonym : join, merge, connect

(1) **unite** our resources, (2) **unite** against a common enemy

The school's diversity club worked to **unite** students from all different backgrounds.

hatred

n. intense dislike or hatred towards someone or something, often based on differences in beliefs, values, or identity

synonym : enmity, animosity, hostility

(1) **hatred** towards immigrants, (2) deep-seated **hatred**

The politician's speech was full of **hatred** toward immigrants.

leaky

adj. having a hole or crack that allows liquids or gases to pass through it

synonym : faulty, permeable, porous

(1) heal **leaky** gut, (2) **leaky** bucket

The boat had a **leaky** hull and needed to be patched.

environment

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

synonym : atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

consume

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

synonym: absorb, ingest, use up

(1) **consume** a large of alcohol, (2) **consume** electricity

A smaller car will **consume** less fuel.

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**.

valet

n. a person employed to park cars or act as a personal attendant; a personal servant or assistant

synonym: attendant, butler, chauffeur

(1) **valet** parking, (2) hotel **valet**

After dinner, I handed my keys to the **valet** and walked into the restaurant.

mysterious

adj. difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement

synonym: enigmatic, cryptic, puzzling

(1) **mysterious** object, (2) **mysterious** stranger

The **mysterious** disappearance of the ship remains unsolved.

unaware

adj. not understanding something or having knowledge or idea of something

synonym: incognizant, clueless, ignorant

(1) entirely **unaware** of the danger, (2) **unaware** of the reality

He was **unaware** of the scrutiny.

analgesic

adj. relating to the relief or reduction of pain, typically through the use of medication or other methods

synonym: pain-relieving, anodyne, analgetic

(1) **analgesic** cream, (2) **analgesic** mechanism

The **analgesic** properties of the medication helped to alleviate the patient's pain.

reduction

n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree

synonym: diminution, decrease, cutback

(1) **reduction** strategy, (2) a gradual **reduction**

The **reduction** in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.

measured

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

synonym: calculated, deliberate, thought-out

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

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

damage

v. to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity

synonym: harm, impair, injure

(1) **damage** a relationship, (2) **damage** assessment

During the surgery, the doctor had to be extremely cautious not to **damage** a blood vessel.

Session 2: Spelling

1. an eco_____al meal *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
2. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
3. equ_____nt in meaning *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
4. indicate a wil_____ss to change *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
5. the me_____sm for DNA replication *n.* a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction
6. hu_____ty at large *n.* all people living on the earth; the quality or state of being human rather than an animal, a machine, etc.
7. en__w the scholarship *v.* to give a quality, ability, or asset to a person or institution
8. th___t a dagger home *v.* to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing
9. app_____te her feedback *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
10. a steam en___e *n.* a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose

ANSWERS: 1. economical, 2. argue, 3. equivalent, 4. willingness, 5. mechanism, 6. humanity, 7. endow, 8. thrust, 9. appreciate, 10. engine

11. asy_____cal haircut *adj.* lacking symmetry or balance; unevenly or irregularly shaped; not corresponding in terms of quantity, size, or position
12. death from sh__k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
13. draw a dis_____on *n.* a difference or contrast between similar things or people
14. ar__e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
15. tec_____cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
16. ma_____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
17. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
18. su___t selection *n.* a set of things that are contained within another larger set; a portion or division of a group or category
19. repeat en_____ly *adv.* in a way that continues for a long time or seems to have no end or limit
20. t__l a bell at his death *n.* money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly

ANSWERS: 11. asymmetrical, 12. shock, 13. distinction, 14. argue, 15. technological, 16. massive, 17. debate, 18. subset, 19. endlessly, 20. toll

21. get r_d of the rats *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
22. mys_____us object *adj.* difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
23. di_____on of the original message *n.* the process of making something weaker, less concentrated, or less potent by adding or mixing in other substances; the act of reducing the strength or impact of an idea, principle, or tradition
24. pr_____e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
25. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
26. ha___d towards immigrants *n.* intense dislike or hatred towards someone or something, often based on differences in beliefs, values, or identity
27. co_____wn clock *n.* a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline
28. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
29. draw an_____y *n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept

ANSWERS: 21. rid, 22. mysterious, 23. dilution, 24. propose, 25. crazy, 26. hatred, 27. countdown, 28. degree, 29. analogy

30. fr_____cy band *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
31. h__l broke loose *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
32. the Great Dep_____on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
33. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
34. und_____nd activist *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
35. a tiny ch__k of meat *n.* a thick and solid mass or piece of something
36. re_____e problem *v.* to reinterpret, rephrase, or redefine an issue, situation, or question in a different way
37. em_____ss political enemy *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
38. pro_____ate response *adj.* having a proper or suitable balance in size, amount, or degree; corresponding or in proportion to something else
39. bachelor's de___e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

ANSWERS: 30. frequency, 31. hell, 32. depression, 33. improvisation, 34. underground, 35. chunk, 36. reframe, 37. embarrass, 38. proportionate, 39. degree

40. heavy tr____c *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
41. n__k on my hand *n.* a small cut, notch, or indentation in a surface or an edge
42. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
43. de___y troops for battle *v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
44. mo___n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
45. irr_____ng noise *adj.* causing annoyance, frustration, or exasperation; provoking impatience or irritation
46. re___t all imperfect merchandise *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
47. historical phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
48. pr_____y education *adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle

ANSWERS: 40. traffic, 41. nick, 42. debate, 43. deploy, 44. modern, 45. irritating, 46. reject, 47. phenomenon, 48. primary

49. se___e heat *adj.* extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous
50. cir_____nce of injury *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
51. pr_____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
52. a house with m_d cons *n.* a modification or alteration, typically one made to improve something or increase its functionality; a British teenager or young adult in the 1960s, noted for their clothes consciousness and opposition to the rockers
53. policy dec_____ker *n.* a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization
54. three-fourths of a po__d *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
55. 3D nu_____al simulation *adj.* relating to, expressed, or denoted by a number
56. pra_____ly constant *adv.* almost or nearly
57. pri_____ze tasks *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
58. an arrival pl_____rm *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

ANSWERS: 49. severe, 50. circumstance, 51. propose, 52. mod, 53. decision-maker, 54. pound, 55. numerical, 56. practically, 57. prioritize, 58. platform

59. re__r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
60. future in___w *n.* a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law
61. cha_____le organizations *adj.* giving money, food, or help free to those who are poor or in need; full of love and generosity
62. rigid dis_____ne *n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence
63. ba_____t bottle *n.* the provision of financial help to a corporation or country which is on the brink of bankruptcy
64. re_____on strategy *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
65. kn_____e sandwich *n.* one of the joint-like parts of the fingers and toes, especially of the hand
66. Ne_____an mechanics *adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
67. Chinese cl_____c literature *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
68. mo__l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

ANSWERS: 59. refer, 60. in-law, 61. charitable, 62. discipline, 63. bailout, 64. reduction, 65. knuckle, 66. Newtonian, 67. classic, 68. moral

69. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
70. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
71. r_b a glass window *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
72. give si___t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
73. pa___t law *n.* a legal document that grants an inventor exclusive rights to their invention for a certain period of time; the invention or process for which a patent has been granted
74. re__t against his way of thinking *v.* to take action in response to something
75. a high per____ge *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
76. 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
77. short du_____on *n.* the length of time something lasts or continues
78. mental irr_____on *n.* a feeling of annoyance or frustration that results from something bothersome or unpleasant; a physical reaction such as itching or inflammation that results from exposure to an irritant

ANSWERS: 69. environment, 70. assume, 71. rub, 72. silent, 73. patent, 74. react, 75. percentage, 76. electronics, 77. duration, 78. irritation

79. de__y a flight three hours *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
80. eco_____al use of her time *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
81. the nu_____al keypad *adj.* relating to, expressed, or denoted by a number
82. direct a du_____s look *adj.* having doubts or reservations; uncertain
83. ov_____te the issue *v.* to exaggerate or make something seem more important or serious than it is
84. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
85. mi_____ne event *n.* an important event or stage in the development or progress of something; a stone by the side of a road to show distances
86. as_____us student *adj.* showing great care, attention, and perseverance in carrying out a task or duty; diligent and hardworking
87. ro___t growth *adj.* sturdy and healthy in form, constitution, or construction; strong enough to withstand or overcome intellectual challenges or adversity
88. express my ap_____al *n.* the belief that someone or something is good or acceptable

ANSWERS: 79. delay, 80. economical, 81. numerical, 82. dubious, 83. overstate, 84. introduction, 85. milestone, 86. assiduous, 87. robust, 88. approval

89. pr____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
90. a sense of sat_____ion *n.* a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something
91. a spr_____et program *n.* a computer program that is used for displaying and dealing with numbers by arranging them in rows and columns
92. the fr_____rk of a house *n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
93. sh__k-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
94. ra____al decision *adj.* based on reason or logic; using good judgment and sound thinking
95. ma____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
96. se____ty analyst *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
97. fe__s sample *n.* waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement
98. ret_____nt from politics *n.* the fact or act of stopping working and leaving one's job

ANSWERS: 89. probable, 90. satisfaction, 91. spreadsheet, 92. framework, 93. shock, 94. rational, 95. massive, 96. security, 97. feces, 98. retirement

99. a se___e case of pneumonia *adj.* extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous
100. lik_____od of the success *n.* the probability or chance that something will happen or be the case
101. pr_____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
102. qu___y operation *n.* a place where a stone or other materials are extracted from the ground; an animal or a person that is the target of hunting
103. first l___e *n.* a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver
104. vi_____al organ *adj.* relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses
105. income ta_____on *n.* the system or process of imposing a charge or levy by a government or other authority on individuals or organizations, usually based on their income or property, to fund public expenses and services
106. del_____ely amateurish *adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner
107. neo_____cal economics *adj.* relating to a revival of classic forms, styles, or ideas, especially those of ancient Greek and Roman art and architecture, that emerged in the late 18th and early 19th centuries

ANSWERS: 99. severe, 100. likelihood, 101. principle, 102. quarry, 103. lane, 104. visceral, 105. taxation, 106. deliberately, 107. neoclassical

108. pe____ve a threat *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
109. la____e ornament *n.* an arrangement of points or particles in a regular, repeating pattern in two or three dimensions; a structure consisting of an ornamental design made of strips of wood or metal
110. m__e acquaintance *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
111. an air-cooled en____e *n.* a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
112. fr_____te the advancement *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
113. connecting the d_ts *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
114. a ci_____te case *n.* a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking
115. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
116. go in___e with pleasure *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
117. pr____m quality *n.* an amount of money paid periodically; the price or cost of something, especially when it is considered to be of high quality or value; (adjective) having or reflecting superior quality or value

ANSWERS: 108. perceive, 109. lattice, 110. mere, 111. engine, 112. frustrate, 113. dot, 114. cigarette, 115. invention, 116. insane, 117. premium

118. cir_____nce of birth *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
119. few cu__e words *n.* a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry
120. a r_w of cherry trees *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
121. a picture fr__e *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
122. ef_____nt operation *adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials
123. proper su__t *n.* a set of things that are contained within another larger set; a portion or division of a group or category
124. pro_____ate representation *adj.* having a proper or suitable balance in size, amount, or degree; corresponding or in proportion to something else
125. an_____e your real motives *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
126. have a feeling of inc_____nce *n.* lack of physical or intellectual ability or qualifications to do something successfully or as it should be done

ANSWERS: 118. circumstance, 119. curse, 120. row, 121. frame, 122. efficient, 123. subset, 124. proportionate, 125. analyze, 126. incompetence

127. take an un_____in attitude *adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose
128. per_____on of a stimulus *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
129. irr_____on of the skin *n.* a feeling of annoyance or frustration that results from something bothersome or unpleasant; a physical reaction such as itching or inflammation that results from exposure to an irritant
130. n__b with cold *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
131. b_n gender-related job discrimination *v.* to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something
132. foreign po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
133. ma___x multiplication *n.* a rectangular array of numbers, symbols, or expressions, arranged in rows and columns and often enclosed in brackets; an enclosure within which something originates or develops
134. b_n any type of cloning *v.* to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something

ANSWERS: 127. uncertain, 128. perception, 129. irritation, 130. numb, 131. ban, 132. policy, 133. matrix, 134. ban

135. deep af_____on *n.* a feeling of fondness, love, or attachment towards someone or something; a gentle or tender feeling; often used to describe a warm or caring relationship between individuals
136. hotel va__t *n.* a person employed to park cars or act as a personal attendant; a personal servant or assistant
137. du_____s credibility *adj.* having doubts or reservations; uncertain
138. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
139. natural phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
140. an_____ic mechanism *adj.* relating to the relief or reduction of pain, typically through the use of medication or other methods
141. an imp_____ve array of facts *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
142. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
143. ap_____d research *adj.* of or relating to a subject of study, especially a science, that is used in a practical way

ANSWERS: 135. affection, 136. valet, 137. dubious, 138. context, 139. phenomenon, 140. analgesic, 141. impressive, 142. economy, 143. applied

144. a ch__k of money *n.* a thick and solid mass or piece of something
145. di____on of power *n.* the process of making something weaker, less concentrated, or less potent by adding or mixing in other substances; the act of reducing the strength or impact of an idea, principle, or tradition
146. human phy_____gy *n.* the branch of the biological sciences dealing with the functioning of organisms
147. historical an____y *n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept
148. criminal on death r_w *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
149. the root problem of her dep_____on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
150. commit a crime del_____ely *adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner
151. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
152. a t__l road *n.* money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly

ANSWERS: 144. chunk, 145. dilution, 146. physiology, 147. analogy, 148. row, 149. depression, 150. deliberately, 151. improvisation, 152. toll

153. co_____e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
154. co_____e a large of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
155. break dis_____ne *n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence
156. bring fo__h a beautiful vase *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
157. re_____e resource allocation *v.* to reinterpret, rephrase, or redefine an issue, situation, or question in a different way
158. bare-kn_____e boxer *n.* one of the joint-like parts of the fingers and toes, especially of the hand
159. in___e quality *adj.* existing naturally or from birth; inherent or inborn; not acquired or learned through experience
160. w__l fibers *n.* a textile fiber obtained from the fleece of sheep or certain other animals, used for making clothing and other fabric items
161. co_____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
162. ma_____m limit *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
163. unr_____ble demand *adj.* not fair, sensible, or likely to be true

ANSWERS: 153. consume, 154. consume, 155. discipline, 156. forth, 157. reframe, 158. knuckle, 159. innate, 160. wool, 161. combine, 162. maximum, 163. unreasonable

164. un__e our resources *v.* to come or join together as one; to combine or merge separate elements, individuals, or groups into a single entity or whole; to form a union or alliance
165. le__y bucket *adj.* having a hole or crack that allows liquids or gases to pass through it
166. da___e a relationship *v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity
167. military pr____y *n.* the state or quality of being first or foremost in importance, rank, or authority
168. pra_____ly impossible to find a parking spot *adv.* almost or nearly
169. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
170. mys_____us stranger *adj.* difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
171. heal le__y gut *adj.* having a hole or crack that allows liquids or gases to pass through it
172. vi__l for a healthy society *adj.* necessary for the success or continued existence of something
173. d__n the consequences *v.* to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger

ANSWERS: 164. unite, 165. leaky, 166. damage, 167. primacy, 168. practically, 169. psychology, 170. mysterious, 171. leaky, 172. vital, 173. damn

174. antibiotic-resistant g__m *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one
175. pre_____ed idea *adj.* having one's thoughts or attention absorbed by something; busy
176. under a cu__e *n.* a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry
177. nu___e each other in the pasture *v.* to rub or press gently against someone or something with the nose or head, often as a sign of affection or comfort; to snuggle or cuddle in a loving manner
178. keen per_____on *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
179. ant_____al tendencies *adj.* not wanting to be around or spend time with other people; unwilling or unable to conform to accepted social norms or standards
180. legal fr_____rk *n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
181. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
182. un_____e of the reality *adj.* not understanding something or having knowledge or idea of something

ANSWERS: 174. germ, 175. preoccupied, 176. curse, 177. nuzzle, 178. perception, 179. antisocial, 180. framework, 181. individual, 182. unaware

183. r_d the body of waste products *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
184. va__t parking *n.* a person employed to park cars or act as a personal attendant; a personal servant or assistant
185. un__e against a common enemy *v.* to come or join together as one; to combine or merge separate elements, individuals, or groups into a single entity or whole; to form a union or alliance
186. pre-mo___n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
187. agricultural org_____ion *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
188. assignment for the une_____ed youth *adj.* not having a job, although able to work
189. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
190. form a qu__e *n.* a line of people or vehicles, especially one that forms outside a place of entertainment or a public building, waiting for something to become available
191. what an id__t *n.* a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient

ANSWERS: 183. rid, 184. valet, 185. unite, 186. modern, 187. organization, 188. unemployed, 189. decision, 190. queue, 191. idiot

192. pre_____ed with other things *adj.* having one's thoughts or attention absorbed by something; busy
193. a s__t on his honor *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
194. phi_____opy organization *n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
195. mature con_____ion *n.* the act or process of giving careful thought to something; a fee charged in advance to retain the services of someone
196. nu___e its owner affectionately *v.* to rub or press gently against someone or something with the nose or head, often as a sign of affection or comfort; to snuggle or cuddle in a loving manner
197. qu___y site *n.* a place where a stone or other materials are extracted from the ground; an animal or a person that is the target of hunting
198. pe_____ve light *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
199. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
200. an in___e scheme *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
201. co_____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
202. an un___d number of people *adj.* not yet revealed or known; not having been counted or measured

ANSWERS: 192. preoccupied, 193. spot, 194. philanthropy, 195. consideration, 196. nuzzle, 197. quarry, 198. perceive, 199. emotional, 200. insane, 201. combine, 202. untold

203. tax re_____e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
204. moral jus_____ion *n.* the act or process of showing or proving something to be right, reasonable, or valid; an explanation or reason that serves to justify or support a decision, action, or belief
205. rev_____ize the technology *v.* to bring about a complete or radical change in something, often through the introduction of new methods or ideas
206. ap_____d physics *adj.* of or relating to a subject of study, especially a science, that is used in a practical way
207. ba_____t bill *n.* the provision of financial help to a corporation or country which is on the brink of bankruptcy
208. call fo__h demand *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
209. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
210. pr_____y of economics *n.* the state or quality of being first or foremost in importance, rank, or authority
211. high fr_____cy *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
212. st__k up the place *v.* to emit a strong, unpleasant odor; to have a strong offensive smell; to be corrupt or unethical

ANSWERS: 203. revenue, 204. justification, 205. revolutionize, 206. applied, 207. bailout, 208. forth, 209. absolutely, 210. primacy, 211. frequency, 212. stink

213. an ab____se theory *adj.* difficult to understand; obscure, or hard to comprehend, often due to its complex or intricate nature
214. ch____y work *n.* an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people
215. the de__h of the water *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
216. a demonstration in lo__c *n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments
217. run like h__l *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
218. me____ed analysis *adj.* done with careful consideration or calculated precision; controlled or regulated in manner or speech; deliberate and thoughtful
219. a ro__t appetite *adj.* sturdy and healthy in form, constitution, or construction; strong enough to withstand or overcome intellectual challenges or adversity
220. re__d him as an enemy *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
221. sheep without a sh____rd *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

ANSWERS: 213. abstruse, 214. charity, 215. depth, 216. logic, 217. hell, 218. measured, 219. robust, 220. regard, 221. shepherd

222. inc_____nce of urine *n.* lack of physical or intellectual ability or qualifications to do something successfully or as it should be done
223. co_____t base 10 to base 16 *v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
224. botanical ex_____t *n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force
225. ex_____e our options *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
226. barren of cr_____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
227. de____y safety measures *v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
228. insurance pr_____m *n.* an amount of money paid periodically; the price or cost of something, especially when it is considered to be of high quality or value; (adjective) having or reflecting superior quality or value
229. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

ANSWERS: 222. incompetence, 223. convert, 224. extract, 225. explore, 226. creative, 227. deploy, 228. premium, 229. platform

230. pr___r a window seat *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
231. ask ch_____y *n.* an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people
232. w__l sweater *n.* a textile fiber obtained from the fleece of sheep or certain other animals, used for making clothing and other fabric items
233. pr_____y school *adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
234. a de_____nt person *adj.* relying on someone or something else for support or aid
235. pr_____ty call *n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
236. unsung h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
237. sh_____w water *adj.* not having much distance from the top to the bottom
238. su_____ze the project *v.* to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially

ANSWERS: 230. prefer, 231. charity, 232. wool, 233. primary, 234. dependent, 235. priority, 236. hero, 237. shallow, 238. subsidize

239. re____ve factors	<i>adj.</i> considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
240. pri_____ze people over cars	<i>v.</i> to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
241. uncontrollable r__e	<i>n.</i> a strong feeling of anger or violence
242. im_____e a process	<i>v.</i> to make or become better
243. r_b shoulders	<i>v.</i> to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
244. as___e an important role	<i>v.</i> to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
245. pr___s in education	<i>n.</i> the practical application or implementation of a theory or idea, often in a social or political context
246. abs_____ly against	<i>adv.</i> without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
247. important dis_____on	<i>n.</i> a difference or contrast between similar things or people
248. give a menacing st__e	<i>v.</i> to gaze or look fixedly and intently at someone or something, often in a questioning, curious, or suspicious manner; (noun) a fixed, intense, and prolonged gaze or look
249. numerous un_____in factors	<i>adj.</i> not being sure of something; not being able to choose
250. tr_____c jam	<i>n.</i> the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

ANSWERS: 239. relative, 240. prioritize, 241. rage, 242. improve, 243. rub, 244. assume, 245. praxis, 246. absolutely, 247. distinction, 248. stare, 249. uncertain, 250. traffic

251. corporate ta_____on *n.* the system or process of imposing a charge or levy by a government or other authority on individuals or organizations, usually based on their income or property, to fund public expenses and services
252. su_____ze the cost *v.* to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially
253. a written ap_____al *n.* the belief that someone or something is good or acceptable
254. worry en_____ly about our future *adv.* in a way that continues for a long time or seems to have no end or limit
255. m_d culture *n.* a modification or alteration, typically one made to improve something or increase its functionality; a British teenager or young adult in the 1960s, noted for their clothes consciousness and opposition to the rockers
256. create a br__d logo *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
257. de__y the new project *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
258. mo__l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
259. ex_____d to radiation *adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

ANSWERS: 251. taxation, 252. subsidize, 253. approval, 254. endlessly, 255. mod, 256. brand, 257. delay, 258. moral, 259. exposed

260. pr____ty seating for elderly *n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
261. entirely un____e of the danger *adj.* not understanding something or having knowledge or idea of something
262. sh____rd boy *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
263. play a vi__l role *adj.* necessary for the success or continued existence of something
264. co____t fat into energy *v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
265. a n__k on the fender of a car *n.* a small cut, notch, or indentation in a surface or an edge
266. pr____r physics to chemistry *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
267. symptoms of hormonal im____ce *n.* a situation in which two or more things are not equal or equally treated
268. sc____ty of capital *n.* the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
269. la__e in payment *n.* a temporary or brief failure in judgment, action, or behavior; a gradual or slow decline, often referring to a loss of performance, quality, or attention; a period of time that has passed; (verb) to fall or slip into a particular state, often one that is undesirable or unintended
270. the ma____x of Western civilization *n.* a rectangular array of numbers, symbols, or expressions, arranged in rows and columns and often enclosed in brackets; an enclosure within which something originates or develops

ANSWERS: 260. priority, 261. unaware, 262. shepherd, 263. vital, 264. convert, 265. nick, 266. prefer, 267. imbalance, 268. scarcity, 269. lapse, 270. matrix

271. ni____ne patch *n.* a colorless, oily, poisonous chemical compound found in tobacco leaves, which is highly addictive and acts as a stimulant, affecting the nervous system
272. ant_____ic allergy *n.* a substance or drug that kills or slows down the growth of bacteria
273. customer sat_____ion *n.* a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something
274. a remote re____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
275. art_____al environment *adj.* not natural and made by human beings; not real but produced to resemble something
276. me____ed tone of voice *adj.* done with careful consideration or calculated precision; controlled or regulated in manner or speech; deliberate and thoughtful
277. annual re____e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
278. show ge____e regret *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
279. a brief ex____t from the book *n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

ANSWERS: 271. nicotine, 272. antibiotic, 273. satisfaction, 274. relative, 275. artificial, 276. measured, 277. revenue, 278. genuine, 279. extract

280. human fe__s	<i>n.</i>	waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement
281. an unr_____ble amount of money	<i>adj.</i>	not fair, sensible, or likely to be true
282. improve the lik_____od of a cure	<i>n.</i>	the probability or chance that something will happen or be the case
283. imp_____ce with delays	<i>n.</i>	a feeling of restlessness or irritation caused by a desire for something to happen or be done more quickly; lack of patience
284. ex_____t a valuable opportunity	<i>v.</i>	to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc.
285. s_w a button	<i>v.</i>	to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
286. secretly de_____e	<i>v.</i>	to feel strong dislike or contempt for someone or something, often because of a perceived fault or failing; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of something
287. th___t a plate away	<i>v.</i>	to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing
288. ec_____y class	<i>n.</i>	the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
289. cause an ac_____nt	<i>n.</i>	an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

ANSWERS: 280. feces, 281. unreasonable, 282. likelihood, 283. impatience, 284. exploit, 285. sew, 286. despise, 287. thrust, 288. economy, 289. accident

290. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
291. detailed exp_____on *n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear
292. re____t the proposal *v.* to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
293. de_____ed feeling *adj.* sad and without any hope
294. thousands of po__ds *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
295. the ma_____m speed *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
296. the acc_____ent of a social goal *n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
297. re__r to a map *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
298. the yi__d on the bond *n.* the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information
299. defense me_____sm *n.* a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction
300. take into con_____ion *n.* the act or process of giving careful thought to something; a fee charged in advance to retain the services of someone

ANSWERS: 290. emotional, 291. explanation, 292. reject, 293. depressed, 294. pound, 295. maximum, 296. accomplishment, 297. refer, 298. yield, 299. mechanism, 300. consideration

301. br_____nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
302. determine the fea_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being feasible; the likelihood or possibility of something being successful or able to be accomplished
303. neo_____cal music *adj.* relating to a revival of classic forms, styles, or ideas, especially those of ancient Greek and Roman art and architecture, that emerged in the late 18th and early 19th centuries
304. fuel sc_____ty *n.* the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
305. health po____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
306. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
307. a ge_____e article *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
308. un____d riches *adj.* not yet revealed or known; not having been counted or measured
309. re____d the situation as unfortunate *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
310. a ra____m choice *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

ANSWERS: 301. brilliant, 302. feasibility, 303. neoclassical, 304. scarcity, 305. policy, 306. fundamental, 307. genuine, 308. untold, 309. regard, 310. random

311. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
312. equ_____nt amounts *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
313. proud of his acc_____ents *n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
314. vi_____al fear *adj.* relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses
315. pr_____le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
316. ni_____ne replacement therapy *n.* a colorless, oily, poisonous chemical compound found in tobacco leaves, which is highly addictive and acts as a stimulant, affecting the nervous system
317. the market is de_____ed *adj.* sad and without any hope
318. seek jus_____ion *n.* the act or process of showing or proving something to be right, reasonable, or valid; an explanation or reason that serves to justify or support a decision, action, or belief
319. the fr__e of the policy *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

ANSWERS: 311. extraordinary, 312. equivalent, 313. accomplishment, 314. visceral, 315. principle, 316. nicotine, 317. depressed, 318. justification, 319. frame

320. plug numbers into a spr_____et	<i>n.</i>	a computer program that is used for displaying and dealing with numbers by arranging them in rows and columns
321. im_____e the test score	<i>v.</i>	to make or become better
322. rev_____ize the industry	<i>v.</i>	to bring about a complete or radical change in something, often through the introduction of new methods or ideas
323. increase sl_____ly	<i>adv.</i>	in a small degree or extent; a little
324. a profound in_____t	<i>n.</i>	the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
325. exp_____nt design	<i>n.</i>	the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
326. pa____t application	<i>n.</i>	a legal document that grants an inventor exclusive rights to their invention for a certain period of time; the invention or process for which a patent has been granted
327. ec_____cs professor	<i>n.</i>	the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services
328. trade im_____ce	<i>n.</i>	a situation in which two or more things are not equal or equally treated
329. beauty s__t	<i>n.</i>	a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
330. qu__e system	<i>n.</i>	a line of people or vehicles, especially one that forms outside a place of entertainment or a public building, waiting for something to become available

ANSWERS: 320. spreadsheet, 321. improve, 322. revolutionize, 323. slightly, 324. insight, 325. experiment, 326. patent, 327. economics, 328. imbalance, 329. spot, 330. queue

331. ov_____te the importance *v.* to exaggerate or make something seem more important or serious than it is
332. people who are une_____ed *adj.* not having a job, although able to work
333. id__t driver *n.* a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient
334. m__e incident *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
335. the br__d of the new car *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
336. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
337. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
338. re__t at a high temperature *v.* to take action in response to something
339. di_____y merchandise *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
340. sh___y treatment *adj.* (of a building or object) in poor condition through age and neglect
341. asy_____cal design *adj.* lacking symmetry or balance; unevenly or irregularly shaped; not corresponding in terms of quantity, size, or position

ANSWERS: 331. overstate, 332. unemployed, 333. idiot, 334. mere, 335. brand, 336. extraordinary, 337. context, 338. react, 339. display, 340. shabby, 341. asymmetrical

342. cha_____le deeds *adj.* giving money, food, or help free to those who are poor or in need; full of love and generosity
343. pr_____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
344. water flowing und_____nd *adj.* under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force
345. sw_____ng landscapes *adj.* extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures
346. sw_____ng changes *adj.* extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures
347. a door with a la_____e frame *n.* an arrangement of points or particles in a regular, repeating pattern in two or three dimensions; a structure consisting of an ornamental design made of strips of wood or metal
348. business imp_____ce *n.* a feeling of restlessness or irritation caused by a desire for something to happen or be done more quickly; lack of patience
349. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
350. a g__m-free environment *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

ANSWERS: 342. charitable, 343. probable, 344. underground, 345. sweeping, 346. sweeping, 347. lattice, 348. impatience, 349. transform, 350. germ

351. tr_____m an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
352. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
353. org_____ion chart *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
354. w__d nurse *n.* a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care
355. key mi_____ne *n.* an important event or stage in the development or progress of something; a stone by the side of a road to show distances
356. pre_____tly Christian *adv.* mainly, mostly, or primarily; having the greatest influence or power in a particular situation or group
357. wil_____ss to help *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
358. mass of hu_____ty *n.* all people living on the earth; the quality or state of being human rather than an animal, a machine, etc.
359. la__e back into recession *n.* a temporary or brief failure in judgment, action, or behavior; a gradual or slow decline, often referring to a loss of performance, quality, or attention; a period of time that has passed; (verb) to fall or slip into a particular state, often one that is undesirable or unintended
360. an ab_____se concept *adj.* difficult to understand; obscure, or hard to comprehend, often due to its complex or intricate nature

ANSWERS: 351. transform, 352. creative, 353. organization, 354. ward, 355. milestone, 356. predominantly, 357. willingness, 358. humanity, 359. lapse, 360. abstruse

361. as_____us worker *adj.* showing great care, attention, and perseverance in carrying out a task or duty; diligent and hardworking
362. po_____e as a critic *n.* the position in which a person holds their body when standing or sitting; (verb) to behave affectedly or unnaturally to impress others
363. Ne_____an physics *adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
364. sl_____ly alkaline soils *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
365. irr_____ng behavior *adj.* causing annoyance, frustration, or exasperation; provoking impatience or irritation
366. energy-ef_____nt appliances *adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials
367. phy_____gy research *n.* the branch of the biological sciences dealing with the functioning of organisms
368. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
369. st__k badly *v.* to emit a strong, unpleasant odor; to have a strong offensive smell; to be corrupt or unethical

ANSWERS: 361. assiduous, 362. posture, 363. Newtonian, 364. slightly, 365. irritating, 366. efficient, 367. physiology, 368. introduction, 369. stink

370. a private ind_____al
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
371. po_____e control
n. the position in which a person holds their body when standing or sitting; (verb) to behave affectedly or unnaturally to impress others
372. impending ret_____nt
n. the fact or act of stopping working and leaving one's job
373. an ex_____d rock
adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
374. de_____on authority
n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
375. art_____al flowers
adj. not natural and made by human beings; not real but produced to resemble something
376. fu_____on properly
n. the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
377. l__e change
n. a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver

ANSWERS: 370. individual, 371. posture, 372. retirement, 373. exposed, 374. decision, 375. artificial, 376. function, 377. lane

378. en__w him with the power *v.* to give a quality, ability, or asset to a person or institution
379. 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
380. de_____e a particular food *v.* to feel strong dislike or contempt for someone or something, often because of a perceived fault or failing; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of something
381. series of exp_____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
382. meeting in___ws *n.* a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law
383. pre_____tly rural *adv.* mainly, mostly, or primarily; having the greatest influence or power in a particular situation or group
384. fea_____ty assessment *n.* the state or quality of being feasible; the likelihood or possibility of something being successful or able to be accomplished
385. deep-seated ha___d *n.* intense dislike or hatred towards someone or something, often based on differences in beliefs, values, or identity
386. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
387. public pe_____n funds *n.* a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working

ANSWERS: 378. endow, 379. electronics, 380. despise, 381. experiment, 382. in-law, 383. predominantly, 384. feasibility, 385. hatred, 386. environment, 387. pension

388. br_____nt idea	<i>adj.</i> extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
389. act as a dec_____ker	<i>n.</i> a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization
390. ant_____ic resistance	<i>n.</i> a substance or drug that kills or slows down the growth of bacteria
391. imp_____ve performances	<i>adj.</i> arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
392. pr____s theory	<i>n.</i> the practical application or implementation of a theory or idea, often in a social or political context
393. the in_____on of new techniques	<i>n.</i> the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
394. private phi_____opy	<i>n.</i> the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
395. an_____ic cream	<i>adj.</i> relating to the relief or reduction of pain, typically through the use of medication or other methods
396. without impact wha_____er	<i>adv.</i> not at all; no matter what
397. app_____te the value	<i>v.</i> to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
398. cr_____ng bridge	<i>n.</i> the act of going from one side to the other; a place where roads, railway tracks, or rivers intersect
399. da____e assessment	<i>v.</i> to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity

ANSWERS: 388. brilliant, 389. decision-maker, 390. antibiotic, 391. impressive, 392. praxis, 393. invention, 394. philanthropy, 395. analgesic, 396. whatsoever, 397. appreciate, 398. crossing, 399. damage

400. a n__b mind *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
401. ant_____al personality disorder *adj.* not wanting to be around or spend time with other people; unwilling or unable to conform to accepted social norms or standards
402. d_t blot method *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
403. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
404. in___e ability *adj.* existing naturally or from birth; inherent or inborn; not acquired or learned through experience
405. corn yi__d *n.* the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information
406. an indisputable lo__c *n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments
407. mentally ti___g *adj.* causing fatigue, exhaustion, or boredom
408. share my in_____ts *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
409. a civil en_____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

ANSWERS: 400. numb, 401. antisocial, 402. dot, 403. psychology, 404. innate, 405. yield, 406. logic, 407. tiring, 408. insight, 409. engineer

410. de__h camera *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
411. ex_____t a security hole *v.* to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc.
412. fall into a r__e *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
413. tec_____cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
414. national se_____ty *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
415. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
416. si____t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
417. bas_____ze culture *v.* to alter, modify, or degrade something in a way that undermines or violates its original integrity or quality; to create a less authentic or less desirable version of something
418. st__e blankly *v.* to gaze or look fixedly and intently at someone or something, often in a questioning, curious, or suspicious manner; (noun) a fixed, intense, and prolonged gaze or look

ANSWERS: 410. depth, 411. exploit, 412. rage, 413. technological, 414. security, 415. engineer, 416. silent, 417. bastardize, 418. stare

419. ad_____se the campaign *v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
420. dose-de_____nt induction *adj.* relying on someone or something else for support or aid
421. em_____ss my project *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
422. western phi_____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
423. wedding co_____wn *n.* a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline
424. a disability pe_____n *n.* a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working
425. ti____g day *adj.* causing fatigue, exhaustion, or boredom
426. wha_____er it be *adv.* not at all; no matter what
427. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
428. a gradual re_____on *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
429. de____e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 419. advertise, 420. dependent, 421. embarrass, 422. philosophy, 423. countdown, 424. pension, 425. tiring, 426. whatsoever, 427. fundamental, 428. reduction, 429. decide

430. fr_____te other team members *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
431. a children's w__d *n.* a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care
432. show af_____on *n.* a feeling of fondness, love, or attachment towards someone or something; a gentle or tender feeling; often used to describe a warm or caring relationship between individuals
433. ex_____e the world *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
434. bas_____ze a recipe *v.* to alter, modify, or degrade something in a way that undermines or violates its original integrity or quality; to create a less authentic or less desirable version of something
435. injury in a car ac_____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
436. local h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
437. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 430. frustrate, 431. ward, 432. affection, 433. explore, 434. bastardize, 435. accident, 436. hero, 437. decide

438. welfare ec_____cs *n.* the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services
439. the exp_____on for the failure *n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear
440. a cl_____c experiment *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
441. s_w with thread *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
442. the ra_____al faculty *adj.* based on reason or logic; using good judgment and sound thinking
443. the du_____on of insurance *n.* the length of time something lasts or continues
444. a cr_____ng-keeper *n.* the act of going from one side to the other; a place where roads, railway tracks, or rivers intersect
445. phi_____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
446. di_____y artwork *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
447. immune fu_____on *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

ANSWERS: 438. economics, 439. explanation, 440. classic, 441. sew, 442. rational,

443. duration, 444. crossing, 445. philosophy, 446. display, 447. function

448. a mild ci_____te *n.* a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking
449. ad_____se on social media *v.* to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it
450. the per_____ge of the gold content *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
451. d__n with faint praise *v.* to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger
452. bombs fell at ra____m *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
453. sh_____w people *adj.* not having much distance from the top to the bottom
454. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
455. an_____e a chemical compound *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
456. sh____y appearance *adj.* (of a building or object) in poor condition through age and neglect

ANSWERS: 448. cigarette, 449. advertise, 450. percentage, 451. damn, 452. random, 453. shallow, 454. crazy, 455. analyze, 456. shabby

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The company's new _____ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.
n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
2. Anesthetize the gum before _____ the teeth.
n. a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force
3. His class will cover an introduction to agricultural _____.
n. the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services
4. She was _____ about her friend's intentions.
adj. not being sure of something; not being able to choose
5. The evidence presented in court had a _____ origin, raising questions about its authenticity.
adj. having doubts or reservations; uncertain
6. There's no _____ in his description.
n. a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments
7. I accidentally deleted all the contents of the _____.
n. a computer program that is used for displaying and dealing with numbers by arranging them in rows and columns

ANSWERS: 1. policy, 2. extracting, 3. economics, 4. uncertain, 5. dubious, 6. logic, 7. spreadsheet

8. Is this painting _____ or forged?

adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

9. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

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

10. Frugality and industry are still _____ as virtues.

v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

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

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

12. Some kinds of machine learning models show an _____ to how people learn.

n. a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept

13. The building's _____ system includes cameras, alarms, and security guards.

n. the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation

14. Her excessive demands drove me _____.

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

15. He couldn't help but _____ at the beautiful sunset over the ocean.

v. to gaze or look fixedly and intently at someone or something, often in a questioning, curious, or suspicious manner; (noun) a fixed, intense, and prolonged gaze or look

ANSWERS: 8. genuine, 9. debate, 10. regarded, 11. principle, 12. analogy, 13. security, 14. insane, 15. stare

16. We do not want to _____ the text's original meaning through poor translations.
- v. to alter, modify, or degrade something in a way that undermines or violates its original integrity or quality; to create a less authentic or less desirable version of something
17. The garbage in the alley began to _____ after a few hot days.
- v. to emit a strong, unpleasant odor; to have a strong offensive smell; to be corrupt or unethical
18. Many autocratic policies became a _____ for that country's economy.
- n. a rude or offensive word or an expression that is not polite and shows that you are very angry
19. The company has filed for a _____ to protect its new invention.
- n. a legal document that grants an inventor exclusive rights to their invention for a certain period of time; the invention or process for which a patent has been granted
20. He looked for an opportunity to _____ that actor in public.
- v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
21. This country _____ its weapons in the east region.
- v. to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
22. The hunter tracked down his _____ in the woods.
- n. a place where a stone or other materials are extracted from the ground; an animal or a person that is the target of hunting

ANSWERS: 16. bastardize, 17. stink, 18. curse, 19. patent, 20. embarrass, 21. deployed, 22. quarry

23. His _____ showed highly positive results.
n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
24. To find drunk drivers, police conduct _____ tests.
adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
25. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
26. Necessity is the mother of _____.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
27. He refused to do anything _____ to help her.
adv. not at all; no matter what
28. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
29. He was _____ with work and didn't notice me.
adj. having one's thoughts or attention absorbed by something; busy
30. We want to _____ our company through your media.
v. to draw attention to something such as a product, service, or event in public to encourage people to buy, use, or attend it

ANSWERS: 23. experiments, 24. random, 25. context, 26. invention, 27. whatsoever, 28. decide, 29. preoccupied, 30. advertise

31. The new start-up company carved out a large _____ of the market within a year.
n. a thick and solid mass or piece of something
32. He provided a strong _____ for his decision to invest in the new project.
n. the act or process of showing or proving something to be right, reasonable, or valid; an explanation or reason that serves to justify or support a decision, action, or belief
33. The policies he announces can be the _____ of economic growth in the country.
n. a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
34. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.
n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
35. The _____ cause of the accident was due to the icy road conditions.
adj. first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
36. Because of the country's poor economic prospects, the number of _____ defaulters has been increasing.
n. a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working
37. 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. chunk, 32. justification, 33. engine, 34. platform, 35. primary, 36. pension, 37. electronics

38. Her _____ response to the criticism showed her ability to remain calm and composed under pressure.

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

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

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

40. The senator received _____ criticism from his opponent.

adj. extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous

41. The budget reduction was an _____ feat for our nation.

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

42. The _____ shape of the vase made it unique and exciting.

adj. lacking symmetry or balance; unevenly or irregularly shaped; not corresponding in terms of quantity, size, or position

43. The _____ hike through the mountains was worth it for the stunning views.

adj. causing fatigue, exhaustion, or boredom

44. Many countries provided a _____ to the private sector to minimize the economic impact of the coronavirus pandemic.

n. the provision of financial help to a corporation or country which is on the brink of bankruptcy

45. He is always _____ to the poor.

adj. giving money, food, or help free to those who are poor or in need; full of love and generosity

ANSWERS: 38. measured, 39. massive, 40. severe, 41. impressive, 42. asymmetrical, 43. tiring, 44. bailout, 45. charitable

46. My mother taught me how to _____.

- v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle

47. The government implemented a new _____ policy to generate more revenue.

- n.* the system or process of imposing a charge or levy by a government or other authority on individuals or organizations, usually based on their income or property, to fund public expenses and services

48. The _____ disappearance of the ship remains unsolved.

- adj.* difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement

49. Her unwavering _____ for animals led her to become a veterinarian.

- n.* a feeling of fondness, love, or attachment towards someone or something; a gentle or tender feeling; often used to describe a warm or caring relationship between individuals

50. The store is _____ empty.

- adv.* almost or nearly

51. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.

- adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress

52. The detective looked for fingerprints on the window _____.

- n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

53. He tends to _____ his accomplishments to impress others.

- v.* to exaggerate or make something seem more important or serious than it is

ANSWERS: 46. sew, 47. taxation, 48. mysterious, 49. affection, 50. practically, 51. Technological, 52. frame, 53. overstate

54. The company's stock gives a high _____.

- n.* the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information

55. After his mother died, he got _____.

- adj.* sad and without any hope

56. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

- adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry

57. My sister-_____ is a pediatrician who works in a children's hospital.

- n.* a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law

58. The _____ in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.

- n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree

59. A rainbow is a natural _____.

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

60. I want to _____ my sadness into strength.

- v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action

61. She volunteers at a local _____ every weekend to help those in need.

- n.* an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people

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

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

ANSWERS: 54. yield, 55. depressed, 56. crazy, 57. in-law, 58. reduction, 59. phenomenon, 60. convert, 61. charity, 62. creative

63. I _____ injustice and those who perpetrate it.
- v.* to feel strong dislike or contempt for someone or something, often because of a perceived fault or failing; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of something
64. He acted like an _____ and spilled his drink all over the floor.
- n.* a foolish or stupid person who lacks common sense or judgment; a derogatory term used to describe someone who is mentally deficient
65. An _____ in certain substances causes problems with brain function.
- n.* a situation in which two or more things are not equal or equally treated
66. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
- n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
67. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.
- v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
68. The constant car honking outside my window is a source of _____ for me.
- n.* a feeling of annoyance or frustration that results from something bothersome or unpleasant; a physical reaction such as itching or inflammation that results from exposure to an irritant
69. The professor's lecture on quantum physics was so _____ that even the brightest students struggled to understand it.
- adj.* difficult to understand; obscure, or hard to comprehend, often due to its complex or intricate nature

ANSWERS: 63. despise, 64. idiot, 65. imbalance, 66. economy, 67. argue, 68. irritation, 69. abstruse

70. Please _____ to the instruction manual for further assistance.
- v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
71. The coach explained a strategy to _____ the opponent's schemes to the players.
- v. to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
72. The patient was moved to the intensive care _____ for further treatment.
- n. a room in a hospital for patients requiring special care
73. We _____ our mining resources to strengthen our national power.
- v. to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc.
74. Her _____ to help others earned her many friends.
- n. the state of being ready or inclined to do something
75. The company _____ the job candidate's application due to a lack of experience.
- v. to refuse to accept, consider, or use something or someone
76. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
- n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
77. We must _____ ourselves of pollution.
- v. to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

ANSWERS: 70. refer, 71. frustrate, 72. ward, 73. exploit, 74. willingness, 75. rejected, 76. individual, 77. rid

78. The _____ couch had seen better days.

adj. (of a building or object) in poor condition through age and neglect

79. The management must _____ strategies to increase office security.

v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

80. Her _____ is to be a mother.

n. something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first

81. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.

adj. without any or little sound

82. The teacher emphasized the importance of _____ encouraging students to apply their theoretical understanding to real-world problems.

n. the practical application or implementation of a theory or idea, often in a social or political context

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

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

84. The _____ pattern on the fence allowed the vines to climb up and create a natural privacy screen.

n. an arrangement of points or particles in a regular, repeating pattern in two or three dimensions; a structure consisting of an ornamental design made of strips of wood or metal

85. There is no _____ car park nearby.

n. money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly

ANSWERS: 78. shabby, 79. explore, 80. priority, 81. silent, 82. praxis, 83. forth, 84. lattice, 85. toll

86. The oscillator hunts for the correct _____.
- n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
87. The _____ dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.
- n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
88. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
- adj.* relating to people's feelings
89. Some people believe that human is _____ with reason and capable of distinguishing good from evil.
- v.* to give a quality, ability, or asset to a person or institution
90. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.
- v.* to make or become better
91. My father's death _____ my life completely.
- v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
92. Some research says that a relative decline in teacher salaries is causing labor _____.
- n.* the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
93. She was filled with a burning _____ at the injustice she had witnessed.
- n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
94. I missed the deadline due to a _____ in my memory.
- n.* a temporary or brief failure in judgment, action, or behavior; a gradual or slow decline, often referring to a loss of performance, quality, or attention; a period of time that has passed; (verb) to fall or slip into a particular state, often one that is undesirable or unintended

ANSWERS: 86. frequency, 87. shepherd's, 88. emotional, 89. endowed, 90. improve, 91. transformed, 92. scarcity, 93. rage, 94. lapse

95. Perseverance and optimism are _____ to success.

adj. necessary for the success or continued existence of something

96. The child _____ their favorite stuffed animal while falling asleep.

v. to rub or press gently against someone or something with the nose or head, often as a sign of affection or comfort; to snuggle or cuddle in a loving manner

97. Proper disposal of _____ is essential for maintaining public health and sanitation.

n. waste matter eliminated from the bowels; excrement

98. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.

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

99. She had a master's degree in _____.

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

100. The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national _____.

n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

101. The _____ stories of the disaster victims need to be heard to understand the impact fully.

adj. not yet revealed or known; not having been counted or measured

102. He lit a _____ and leaned against the wall.

n. a small cylindrical roll of finely cut tobacco leaves wrapped in paper for smoking

ANSWERS: 95. vital, 96. nuzzled, 97. feces, 98. introduction, 99. psychology, 100. hero, 101. untold, 102. cigarette

103. The _____ partially destroyed my vehicle.

n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

104. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

105. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.

v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

106. He cracked his _____ nervously before the presentation.

n. one of the joint-like parts of the fingers and toes, especially of the hand

107. The invention of the smartphone _____ the way we communicate with each other.

v. to bring about a complete or radical change in something, often through the introduction of new methods or ideas

108. He discovered unique _____ for photochemical reactions.

n. a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction

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

adj. likely to happen or likely to be true

110. The school's diversity club worked to _____ students from all different backgrounds.

v. to come or join together as one; to combine or merge separate elements, individuals, or groups into a single entity or whole; to form a union or alliance

ANSWERS: 103. accident, 104. brilliant, 105. consume, 106. knuckles, 107. revolutionized, 108. mechanisms, 109. probable, 110. unite

111. It is more _____ to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

adj. providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary

112. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

113. The pond's _____ was around five feet.

n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

114. The _____ style of architecture is characterized by symmetry and simplicity.

adj. relating to a revival of classic forms, styles, or ideas, especially those of ancient Greek and Roman art and architecture, that emerged in the late 18th and early 19th centuries

115. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

116. He was _____ of the scrutiny.

adj. not understanding something or having knowledge or idea of something

117. She _____ the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.

v. to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure

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

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

ANSWERS: 111. economical, 112. assumes, 113. depth, 114. neoclassical, 115. degree, 116. unaware, 117. rubbed, 118. environment

119. Military technology eventually became the foundation for _____ technology that supported people's lives.
adj. of or relating to a subject of study, especially a science, that is used in a practical way
120. Graduating from college was a major _____ for her.
n. the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
121. The chef's _____ efforts to source high-quality ingredients were apparent in the delicious meal.
adj. showing great care, attention, and perseverance in carrying out a task or duty; diligent and hardworking
122. My father was _____ for so long.
adj. not having a job, although able to work
123. The _____ intelligence system has revolutionized the way we live and work.
adj. not natural and made by human beings; not real but produced to resemble something
124. _____ brooks are noisier than deep rivers.
adj. not having much distance from the top to the bottom
125. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.
n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
126. The suspect's _____ behavior and lack of remorse made the judge question their sanity.
adj. not wanting to be around or spend time with other people; unwilling or unable to conform to accepted social norms or standards

ANSWERS: 119. applied, 120. accomplishment, 121. assiduous, 122. unemployed, 123. artificial, 124. Shallow, 125. engineer, 126. antisocial

127. Australia is widely _____ as having low levels of corruption.
v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
128. The _____ properties of the medication helped to alleviate the patient's pain.
adj. relating to the relief or reduction of pain, typically through the use of medication or other methods
129. The interviewer arrived in a _____ of time.
n. a small cut, notch, or indentation in a surface or an edge
130. The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred _____.
n. the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
131. They donated large sums of money for the development of _____.
n. all people living on the earth; the quality or state of being human rather than an animal, a machine, etc.
132. I love wearing _____ socks during the winter to keep my feet warm.
n. a textile fiber obtained from the fleece of sheep or certain other animals, used for making clothing and other fabric items
133. It would be _____ for me to expect you to work overtime without any extra compensation.
adj. not fair, sensible, or likely to be true
134. This graph indicates the city's tourism _____ over five years.
n. the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business

ANSWERS: 127. perceived, 128. analgesic, 129. nick, 130. pounds, 131. humanity, 132. wool, 133. unreasonable, 134. revenue

135. We _____ the payment because of an incorrect invoice.

- v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected

136. After watching the horror movie, she had a _____ reaction and couldn't sleep all night.

- adj.* relating to or affecting the internal organs; instinctive or emotional rather than rational; characterized by deep-seated emotional reactions or responses

137. He displayed the _____ symptoms of depression.

- adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type

138. The belief in _____ human goodness is a common philosophical concept.

- adj.* existing naturally or from birth; inherent or inborn; not acquired or learned through experience

139. She stood with good _____ with her shoulders back and head held high.

- n.* the position in which a person holds their body when standing or sitting; (verb) to behave affectedly or unnaturally to impress others

140. The mediated settlement brought _____ to both sides.

- n.* a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something

141. He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front _____.

- n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

ANSWERS: 135. delayed, 136. visceral, 137. classic, 138. innate, 139. posture, 140. satisfaction, 141. row

142. The judge ruled that the punishment be _____ to the crime committed.
adj. having a proper or suitable balance in size, amount, or degree; corresponding or in proportion to something else
143. The _____ approach to problem-solving involves weighing all options.
adj. based on reason or logic; using good judgment and sound thinking
144. We would _____ an early reply.
v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
145. Smoking cigarettes exposes the body to high levels of _____ which can be addictive.
n. a colorless, oily, poisonous chemical compound found in tobacco leaves, which is highly addictive and acts as a stimulant, affecting the nervous system
146. I can't see any _____ between these two concepts.
n. a difference or contrast between similar things or people
147. The small island nation is heavily _____ on tourism as its main source of income.
adj. relying on someone or something else for support or aid
148. The busy road was closed for a few hours for a railway _____.
n. the act of going from one side to the other; a place where roads, railway tracks, or rivers intersect
149. He has been prescribed an _____ to treat his infection.
n. a substance or drug that kills or slows down the growth of bacteria

ANSWERS: 142. proportionate, 143. rational, 144. appreciate, 145. nicotine, 146. distinction, 147. dependent, 148. crossing, 149. antibiotic

150. The engine _____ the rocket into space.

v. to push or drive forcibly; to impose or insert; (noun) the force used in pushing

151. The _____ of the chemical solution weakened its strength.

n. the process of making something weaker, less concentrated, or less potent by adding or mixing in other substances; the act of reducing the strength or impact of an idea, principle, or tradition

152. Her behavior testified to her _____.

n. lack of physical or intellectual ability or qualifications to do something successfully or as it should be done

153. He _____ misleads others.

adv. done in an intentional or slow and careful manner

154. We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction _____ on the main road.

n. the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

155. The _____ views from the mountaintop were breathtaking.

adj. extensive, broad, or far-reaching in scope or impact; characterized by a vigorous or forceful movement, often involving wide motions or gestures

156. The procession of demonstrators was _____ continuing.

adv. in a way that continues for a long time or seems to have no end or limit

157. The _____ of the project being completed on time is uncertain.

n. the probability or chance that something will happen or be the case

ANSWERS: 150. thrust, 151. dilution, 152. incompetence, 153. deliberately, 154. traffic, 155. sweeping, 156. endlessly, 157. likelihood

158. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

159. He got an electric _____ at work.

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

160. This remote _____ is rarely visited.

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

161. The European Central Bank is Europe's _____ of the Federal Reserve.

n. having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.

162. Ethics is a branch of _____.

n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

163. He moved his body _____ to the left.

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

164. He devised a new analytical _____ to capture the phenomenon.

n. the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text

165. Governments _____ renewable energy generation in various ways.

v. to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially

ANSWERS: 158. decision, 159. shock, 160. spot, 161. equivalent, 162. philosophy, 163. slightly, 164. framework, 165. subsidize

166. A wealth of information does not always have a positive impact on _____.

n. a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization

167. What is the _____ of the consumption tax in the United States?

n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

168. The military incarcerated him for the _____ of the war.

n. the length of time something lasts or continues

169. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.

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

170. The _____ temperature recorded this summer was higher than average.

adj. the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained

171. This fund is responsible for disability and _____ benefits.

n. the fact or act of stopping working and leaving one's job

172. The doctor advised him to manage his _____ as stress could exacerbate his medical condition.

n. a feeling of restlessness or irritation caused by a desire for something to happen or be done more quickly; lack of patience

173. The wallpaper had a pattern of pink _____ on a white surface.

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

ANSWERS: 166. decision-makers, 167. percentage, 168. duration, 169. moral, 170. maximum, 171. retirement, 172. impatience, 173. dots

174. The politician's speech was full of _____ toward immigrants.

n. intense dislike or hatred towards someone or something, often based on differences in beliefs, values, or identity

175. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.

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

176. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

177. Reaching the _____ of 1000 subscribers on her SNS channel was a major achievement for her.

n. an important event or stage in the development or progress of something; a stone by the side of a road to show distances

178. We can rule this possibility out from our _____.

n. the act or process of giving careful thought to something; a fee charged in advance to retain the services of someone

179. She is the president of a large international _____.

n. a group of people who work together for a shared purpose

180. The garbage can in the kitchen has been producing an _____ smell for days.

adj. causing annoyance, frustration, or exasperation; provoking impatience or irritation

181. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

ANSWERS: 174. hatred, 175. fundamental, 176. extraordinary, 177. milestone, 178. consideration, 179. organization, 180. irritating, 181. modern

182. There was a long _____ at the popular attraction.
- n.* a line of people or vehicles, especially one that forms outside a place of entertainment or a public building, waiting for something to become available
183. Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on _____.
- n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
184. We gained various _____ by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.
- n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
185. New competitors threatened the company's _____ in the market.
- n.* the state or quality of being first or foremost in importance, rank, or authority
186. The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's _____.
- n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
187. He is a man admired for the depth of his _____.
- n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
188. The _____ of numbers on the spreadsheet allowed the accountant to track the company's profits and losses easily.
- n.* a rectangular array of numbers, symbols, or expressions, arranged in rows and columns and often enclosed in brackets; an enclosure within which something originates or develops

ANSWERS: 182. queue, 183. philanthropy, 184. insights, 185. primacy, 186. function, 187. perception, 188. matrix

189. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.
- n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
190. The organization _____ the needs of the community in its decision-making.
- v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
191. _____ is the science of how living things work.
- n.* the branch of the biological sciences dealing with the functioning of organisms
192. The therapist tried to _____ his negative thoughts.
- v.* to reinterpret, rephrase, or redefine an issue, situation, or question in a different way
193. How did he _____ to your idea?
- v.* to take action in response to something
194. During the surgery, the doctor had to be extremely cautious not to _____ a blood vessel.
- v.* to harm or cause injury to something or someone, often resulting in decreased value or functionality; to impair or negatively affect something, such as a reputation or relationship; (noun) harm or injury that is caused to a person, thing, or entity
195. Tech companies often employ _____ ducts and other materials in their office interiors.
- adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

ANSWERS: 189. improvisation, 190. prioritized, 191. Physiology, 192. reframe, 193. react, 194. damage, 195. exposed

196. The _____ value of Pi is approximately 3.14.

adj. relating to, expressed, or denoted by a number

197. The birds _____ open water areas with reeds around them.

v. to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another

198. He lost the election by _____ votes.

adj. used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

199. The boat had a _____ hull and needed to be patched.

adj. having a hole or crack that allows liquids or gases to pass through it

200. The battlefield became _____ on earth.

n. the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

201. My left arm became _____.

adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

202. 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

203. We should _____ mildly violent video games from a child's development perspective.

v. to officially or legally forbid or refuse to allow something

ANSWERS: 196. numerical, 197. prefer, 198. mere, 199. leaky, 200. hell, 201. numb, 202. display, 203. ban

204. The following _____ is currently being used to explain the phenomenon in question.
- n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear
205. This project took a lot of time to get the president's _____.
- n.* the belief that someone or something is good or acceptable
206. The motion of planets can be described using _____ mechanics.
- adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
207. Some people are willing to pay a _____ for a rare and valuable collectible.
- n.* an amount of money paid periodically; the price or cost of something, especially when it is considered to be of high quality or value; (adjective) having or reflecting superior quality or value
208. A _____ study is necessary to determine if a project is viable and worthwhile.
- n.* the state or quality of being feasible; the likelihood or possibility of something being successful or able to be accomplished
209. The _____ to launch began as the astronauts prepared for their mission.
- n.* a counting sequence leading up to an event, often marked by a series of signals or cues, also used as a term to describe the final stages leading up to a major event or deadline
210. She explained the _____ surrounding the accident.
- n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

ANSWERS: 204. explanation, 205. approval, 206. Newtonian, 207. premium, 208. feasibility, 209. countdown, 210. circumstances

211. The company's poor financial performance is likely to _____ the CEO's chances of being re-elected to the board.

- v.* to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger

212. The experiment yielded _____ results that support his theory.

- adj.* sturdy and healthy in form, constitution, or construction; strong enough to withstand or overcome intellectual challenges or adversity

213. _____ symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.

- n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

214. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

- v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

215. The neighborhood is _____ made up of young families with children.

- adv.* mainly, mostly, or primarily; having the greatest influence or power in a particular situation or group

216. He quickly learned the military _____.

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

217. After dinner, I handed my keys to the _____ and walked into the restaurant.

- n.* a person employed to park cars or act as a personal attendant; a personal servant or assistant

218. There's a new _____ of hero in the movies now.

- n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

ANSWERS: 211. damn, 212. robust, 213. Depression, 214. propose, 215. predominantly, 216. discipline, 217. valet, 218. brand

219. The new washing machine is much more _____ than the old one.

adj. performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials

220. We walked along a muddy _____ to reach the farm.

n. a narrow road in the countryside; a well-defined track or path for someone such as a swimmer or driver

221. The _____ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

n. a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

222. The _____ for the video game added new features and improved gameplay.

n. a modification or alteration, typically one made to improve something or increase its functionality; a British teenager or young adult in the 1960s, noted for their clothes consciousness and opposition to the rockers

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

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

224. A _____ of the employees will be trained in the new software program.

n. a set of things that are contained within another larger set; a portion or division of a group or category

225. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.

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

226. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

ANSWERS: 219. efficient, 220. lane, 221. germ, 222. mod, 223. analyze, 224. subset, 225. combine, 226. absolutely

227. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

228. Having _____ parking has been very beneficial throughout the winter.

adj. under the surface of the ground; a secret group organized to achieve a specific purpose, such as overthrowing the government or occupying a force

ANSWERS: 227. relatives, 228. underground