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Session 1: Word List

fry

v. to cook food, especially meat or fish, in hot fat or oil

synonym: cook, roast, bake

(1) **fry** an egg, (2) **fry** over low heat

She devoted herself to **frying** the chicken in a pan until it was crispy and golden brown.

complexity

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory

The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

split

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

synonym: break, divide, break apart

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

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

neat

adj. clean or tidy, with everything in its place

synonym: tidy, uncluttered, refined

(1) a **neat** piece of work, (2) **neat** idea

She has **neat** habits.

accurate

adj. correct and exact in all details

synonym : exact, precise, proper

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

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

define

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

synonym : characterize, depict, express

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

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

formal

adj. following established, public, or official forms and conventions, often in a serious or somber manner

synonym : ceremonial, official, traditional

(1) a **formal** festival, (2) **formal** request

The event required **formal** attire, so he wore a suit and tie.

definition

n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

synonym : description, connotation, meaning

(1) a precise **definition**, (2) the **definition** of a word

Parallel lines are, by **definition**, lines on the same plane that never cross.

peer

n. a person who has the same age, status, or ability

synonym : fellow, associate, counterpart

(1) **peer** group, (2) **peer** review

Among young people, **peer** pressure can be pretty influential.

chap

n. a crack in the skin, especially on the lips or hands, caused by dryness or cold weather; a man or boy; (verb) to crack, split, or roughen the skin, especially as a result of exposure to cold weather or wind

synonym : fellow, guy, crack

(1) **chap** stick, (2) nice **chap**

He suffered a painful **chap** on his hand after working with chemicals.

cue

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

synonym : signal, sign, hint

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

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

equation

n. the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

(1) the **equation** of poverty with ignorance, (2) a chemical **equation**

In this class, you will learn how to solve quadratic **equations**.

solar

adj. of, from, or relating to the sun

(1) the **solar** system, (2) a **solar** eclipse

Solar panels have greatly improved not only in performance but also in durability.

physics

n. the science of matter and energy and their interactions

(1) nuclear **physics**, (2) laws of **physics**

He studied the **physics** of radiation.

difficulty

n. a condition or state that causes problems

synonym : hardship, complication, problem

(1) the degree of **difficulty**, (2) **difficulty** in breathing

He has **difficulty** exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.

calculation

n. the act or process of using numbers to judge an amount of something

synonym :

analysis, computation, estimate

(1) make a **calculation**, (2) **calculation** of loss and gain
The error in the **calculation** was attributable to rounding.

planet

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

synonym: earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**
Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

mar

v. to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something

synonym: damage, deface, disfigure

(1) **mar** a proper relationship, (2) **mar** the reputation
The scratches on the car **marred** its otherwise perfect appearance.

Jovian

adj. relating to Jupiter or its characteristics

synonym: Jupiter, giant planet

(1) **Jovian** satellites, (2) **Jovian** planet

The **Jovian** moon Europa is believed to have an ocean beneath its icy surface.

handful

n. a small quantity or number, usually referring to the amount that can be held in one hand; a person or thing that is difficult to control or manage

synonym: small number, couple, few

(1) literal **handful**, (2) just a **handful** of participants
She only had a **handful** of pens left in her bag.

molecular

adj. of or relating to molecules (= a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds)

synonym: microscopic, atomic

(1) **molecular** structure, (2) **molecular** biology

Molecular weight is the sum of all the atoms.

trace

v. to find or discover someone or something that was lost
synonym : seek, follow, depict

(1) **trace** a telephone call, (2) **trace** back to medieval times
Let's **trace** the origins of some familiar foreign words.

erratic

adj. characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality

synonym : unpredictable, irregular, unstable

(1) **erratic** behavior, (2) **erratic** movements

The stock market has been behaving in an **erratic** manner, making it difficult for investors to predict future trends.

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.

molecule

n. a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds

synonym : particle, element, atom

(1) small **molecules**, (2) **molecule** behavior

The shape of the DNA **molecule** is a double helix.

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.

quantifiable

adj. able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms

synonym : measurable, calculable

(1) non- **quantifiable** risk, (2) **quantifiable** results
The impact of the new policy will be **quantifiable** through measurable data.

predictable

adj. capable of being known, seen or declared in advance
synonym: foreseeable, expectable, likely

(1) **predictable** pattern, (2) in a **predictable** manner
The economy becomes more volatile and less **predictable**.

well-behaved

adj. conforming to accepted standards of behavior or conduct; obedient, polite, and considerate
synonym: obedient, well-mannered, disciplined

(1) **well-behaved** student, (2) **well-behaved** dog
The children were **well-behaved** and listened attentively during the museum tour.

droplet

n. a small drop of liquid
synonym: bead, drip, dewdrop

(1) **droplet** size, (2) **droplet** formation
A single **droplet** of water can reflect the entire world upside down.

certainty

n. the state of being certain
synonym: inevitability, confidence, assurance

(1) scientific **certainty**, (2) reach **certainty** about the theory
Through investigation, his suspicions hardened into **certainty**.

interaction

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
synonym: dealings, exchange, relations

(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,
(2) **interaction** among human beings
The **interaction** of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

weaver

n. the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth
(1) the textile **weavers**, (2) tapestry **weavers**

The **weaver** fringed the scarf.

methodology

n. a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something

synonym: procedure, approach, process

(1) **methodology** for optimizing, (2) research **methodology**

We are developing a new **methodology** for assessing marketing measures.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym: farthestmost, outermost, fierce

(1) **extreme** sports, (2) **extreme** weather events

Solar gravity creates **extreme** pressures and temperatures.

untouched

adj. not touched or disturbed by anyone or anything; not having been altered, changed, or affected in any way

synonym: untarnished, pristine, intact

(1) **untouched** wilderness, (2) **untouched** landscape

The abandoned house was **untouched** for years, with vines growing all over it.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym: regrettably, unluckily, alas

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

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

movement

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

synonym: motion, progression, action

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

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

individually

adv. separately or apart from others

synonym : separately, one by one, independently

(1) answer questions **individually**, (2) **individually** designed product

Each department has done its product costing **individually**.

similarly

adv. in almost the same way

synonym : also, likewise, ditto

(1) **similarly** situated, (2) have **similarly** great abilities

We argue that wages for temporary workers should **similarly** rise.

prone

adj. inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward

synonym : inclined, susceptible, liable

(1) accident- **prone**, (2) **prone** to diarrhea

He was **prone** to making rash decisions.

annoying

adj. making someone feel slightly angry

synonym : aggravating, bothersome, irksome

(1) **annoying** banner ad, (2) **annoying** habit

The phone call is an **annoying** interruption.

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.

complicated

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

synonym : complex, convoluted, intricate

(1) a **complicated** process, (2) become increasingly

complicated

He did **complicated** pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

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.

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.

smartphone

n. a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

(1) **smartphone** app developer, (2) **smartphone** addict

Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of **smartphones**.

flop

v. to fall or lie down heavily and clumsily; (noun) a complete failure

synonym: fail, collapse, drop

(1) a huge **flop**, (2) **flop** business

The company's stock prices **flop** after the poor earnings report.

conclude

v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

synonym: complete, finish, decide

(1) **conclude** a meeting, (2) **conclude** that he is healthy

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

screw

v. to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together

synonym:

tighten, fix, secure

(1) **screw** the cap, (2) a female **screw**

He had to **screw** the loose knob back onto the cabinet door.

mathematics

n. the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

synonym: arithmetic, calculation, calculus

(1) a good grounding in **mathematics**, (2) **mathematics** competition

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

statistics

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

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

simulate

v. to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes

synonym: pretend, imitate, mimic

(1) **simulate** climate change, (2) **simulate** a future scenario

He had painted the wood to **simulate** stone.

writ

n. a written legal order or command

synonym: legal document, order, legal process

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

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

prediction

n. the act of predicting the future by reasoning; a statement made about the future

synonym: forecast, anticipation, foretelling

(1) make my **predictions**, (2) gloomy **predictions**

These results muddied the **prediction**.

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.

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.

incredibly

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

synonym: enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

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

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

migration

n. the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change

synonym: exodus

(1) the **migration** of birds, (2) overseas **migration**

There was a **migration** of impoverished farmers into the towns.

collective

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

synonym: composite, concerted, cumulative

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

Product development is a **collective** effort.

gravity

n. the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

synonym : heaviness, attraction, weight

(1) the attraction of **gravity**, (2) preserve my **gravity**

The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of **gravity**.

attract

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

synonym : lure, entice, draw in

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

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

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym : suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

opposed

adj. being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something

synonym : anti, averse, hostile

(1) two **opposed** characters, (2) absolutely **opposed** to abortion

I'm strongly **opposed** to that plan.

gravitational

adj. relating to or caused by gravity (= the force that attracts objects towards one another)

synonym : weighty, heavy, earthbound

(1) **gravitational** energy, (2) **gravitational** waves

The **gravitational** force of the black hole was so strong that nothing, not even light, could escape.

burglar

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

synonym : thief, robber, intruder

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

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

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.

victim

n. a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

synonym: prey, target, sufferer

(1) **victim** support, (2) **victim** compensation

The **victim** of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

layout

n. the way in which the parts of something are arranged or set out

synonym: arrangement, configuration, design

(1) a keyboard **layout**, (2) the **layout** of a book

He designed the **layout** of the office to maximize efficiency.

rout

n. a disorderly retreat or defeat of an army or group; a decisive defeat

synonym: defeat, debacle, disaster

(1) **rout** march, (2) cricket team's **rout**

The football team suffered a humiliating **rout** in the championship game.

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.

resident

n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place

synonym: dweller, inhabitant, inhabitant

(1) a **resident** of the city, (2) **resident** tax

Visa renewal for **resident** foreigners in this country is once every five years.

ramp

n. a sloping surface connecting two levels or inclines, typically used for the movement of people, vehicles, or goods

synonym: slope, incline, gradient

(1) the **ramp** of a chasm, (2) an exit **ramp**

The wheelchair user needed a **ramp** to access the building's entrance.

balance

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

synonym: equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

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

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

dynamic

adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

synonym: energetic, active, vital

(1) a **dynamic** market, (2) **dynamic** person

The sprinter has a **dynamic** way of running.

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or

approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym : procedure, method, system

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

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

leopard

n. a large wild cat that has yellow-brown fur with black spots and lives in Africa and southern Asia

(1) snow **leopard**, (2) **leopard** print

Leopards lurked in the grass to catch their prey.

chemical

adj. relating to or connected with chemistry;

synonym : chemic, synthetic

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

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

morphogenesis

n. the biological process of growth, development, and differentiation of cells, tissues, and organs to give rise to the complex three-dimensional structures of living organisms

synonym : development, growth, formation

(1) **morphogenesis** process, (2) cellular **morphogenesis**

Defects in **morphogenesis** can lead to developmental abnormalities and congenital disabilities.

awful

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

synonym : terrible, appalling, horrible

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

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

warn

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

synonym : alert, caution, admonish

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

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

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym: approach, procedure, scenario

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

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

riot

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

synonym: disturbance, unrest, upheaval

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

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

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.

sustained

adj. lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense

synonym: prolonged, extended, continual

(1) **sustained** economic growth, (2) **sustained** release medication

The company experienced **sustained** growth over the past decade.

violent

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

synonym: aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

- loot**
- v.* steal goods from a place or person, typically during a war or riot; (noun) steal goods from a place or person, typically using force, especially in times of war or civil disorder
- synonym* : plunder, pillage, rob
- (1) **loot** the ship, (2) war **loot**
- The bandits **looted** the small town, leaving it in ruins.
- arson**
- n.* the criminal act of deliberately setting fire to property or buildings
- synonym* : fire-setting, incendiarism, pyromania
- (1) **arson** attack, (2) deliberate **arson**
- The police are investigating the **arson** that destroyed the abandoned building.
- equip**
- v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
- synonym* : prepare, furnish, provide
- (1) **equip** an army, (2) **equip** our children with some special skills
- The construction company **equipped** the building with an earthquake-resistant device.
- swift**
- adj.* happening, moving, or capable of moving quickly
- synonym* : quick, speedy, brisk
- (1) take **swift** action, (2) a **swift** current of a river
- Her voice was **swift**, yet ever the last words fell lingeringly.
- resolution**
- n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display
- synonym* : determination, decision, settlement
- (1) **resolution** of a conflict, (2) display **resolution**
- He made a New Year's **resolution** to exercise more and eat healthier.

upset

adj. causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

synonym : disturbed, bothered, resentful

(1) get **upset**, (2) have an **upset** stomach

He was awfully **upset** by the news.

sociologist

n. a person who studies the institutions and development of human society

(1) religious **sociologist**, (2) French **sociologist**

Sociologist studies the changes in family structure due to modernization.

motivation

n. the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way

synonym : inspiration, incentive, reason

(1) understand his **motivation**, (2) **motivation** for a change

A significant amount of **motivation** is required to be a teacher.

separate

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

synonym : disunite, isolate, ramify

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

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

accord

n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have

synonym : alliance, pact, agreement

(1) **accord** with public opinion, (2) binational **accord**

The organization finally signed a peace **accord**.

involve

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

synonym : implicate, include, engage

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

risk

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

raid

n. a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft

synonym: attack, invasion, aggression

(1) make a **raid** on an enemy's camp, (2) air- **raid** siren

Throughout the **raid**, the bank robbers wore masks.

identical

adj. being the exact same one

synonym: duplicate, exact, analogous

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

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

virus

n. a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants

synonym: bacterium, germ, ailment

(1) spread of the **virus**, (2) a strain of **virus**

An infected person in the hospital will likely pass the **virus** to others.

population

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

synonym: people, inhabitants, folk

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

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

influenza

n. (formal for flu) a highly contagious viral disease that causes fever, severe aching, and catarrh and often occurs in epidemics

synonym: grippe, flu

(1) an epidemic outbreak of **influenza**, (2) **influenza B** strain

The research institute allocated a lot of money to study the

cause and prevention of **influenza**.

epidemic

n. the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time

synonym: outbreak, contagion, plague

(1) a worldwide **epidemic**, (2) health **epidemic**

The disease is now reaching **epidemic** proportions in our country.

infect

v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

synonym: pollute, contaminate, affect

(1) **infect** other animal species, (2) **infect** a computer with a virus

Children often **infect** parents with this head cold.

handle

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

synonym: control, manage, deal with

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

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

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.

juicy

adj. containing much liquid, often used to describe fresh fruit or meat; interesting or exciting, often because it is scandalous or revealing

synonym: succulent, luscious, flavorful

(1) **juicy** gossip, (2) **juicy** fruit

The burger was so **juicy** that it dripped down my hand as I ate it.

graph

n. a picture consisting of a line, lines, points, etc., that shows how two or more sets of certain quantities are related to each other

synonym : chart, diagram, figure

(1) **graph** theory, (2) a **graph** sample

This bar **graph** shows sales over the past five years.

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.

retail

n. the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets

synonym : sales, trade, commerce

(1) **retail** store, (2) a **retail** dealer

The **retail** industry has been affected by the rise of online shopping.

tabloid

adj. relating to a type of newspaper or journalism that focuses on sensational and often trivial stories and headlines; (noun) a type of newspaper or magazine that typically features sensational or scandalous stories and headlines, often with a focus on celebrity gossip or other entertainment news

synonym : gossipy, sensationalistic, scandalous

(1) **tabloid** journalism, (2) political **tabloid**

The **tabloid** newspaper always covers sensational stories.

backward

adv. at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear

synonym : back, rearward, in reverse

(1) walk **backward**, (2) **backward** angle

She falls over **backward** when she sees her mother-in-law.

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**.

flip

v. to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion

synonym : throw, jump

(1) **flip** over the pork chop, (2) **flip** a coin

He **flipped** when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.

arrest

v. to take into custody

synonym : capture, detain, imprison

(1) **arrest** the thief, (2) **arrest** the progress

A police officer has the authority to **arrest** a criminal.

deterrent

n. something that prevents or discourages someone from doing something or taking a particular action; a hindrance or obstacle

synonym : hindrance, obstacle, impediment

(1) criminal **deterrent**, (2) nuclear **deterrent**

The threat of punishment serves as a **deterrent** for many people who might consider committing a crime.

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.

predator

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

synonym : vulture, bloodsucker

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

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

prey

n. the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating

synonym: target, quarry, chase

(1) **prey** of beast, (2) become **prey** to terrorists

The majority of snakes swallow their **prey** whole.

patrol

n. the act of guarding an area or conducting surveillance of an area to maintain order, perform security functions, or prevent crime; a group of officers or soldiers that conducts such an operation

synonym: guard, watch, surveillance

(1) **patrol** car, (2) border **patrol**

The highway **patrol** officer pulled over the speeding vehicle on the freeway.

dynamics

n. the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change

synonym: mechanics, kinetics, kinematics

(1) **dynamics** of group, (2) **dynamics** of economy

The relationship **dynamics** between the two countries were complex and constantly changing.

capable

adj. having the ability, skill, or potential to do something; competent or proficient in a particular task or area of expertise

synonym: able, competent, proficient

(1) **capable** worker, (2) **capable** leader

She is highly **capable** of handling multiple tasks at once.

replicate

v. to make an exact copy of something; to repeat a process or experiment to confirm the results

synonym : duplicate, imitate, reproduce

(1) **replicate** the cell, (2) **replicate** data

The experiment was **replicated** several times to ensure accuracy.

petri

n. (petri dish) a small, clear, and round dish with a lid used in laboratories, especially for growing bacteria

(1) **petri** dish test, (2) bacteria on **petri** dishes

Glass **petri** dishes are used to culture microorganisms.

conversation

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

synonym : chat, discussion, dialogue

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

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

susceptible

adj. easily influenced, harmed, or affected by something

synonym : exposed, liable, gullible

(1) a **susceptible** young woman, (2) **susceptible** of proof

Well-stretched muscles are less **susceptible** to injury.

tactics

n. the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports

synonym : strategy, maneuvers, plan

(1) blitz **tactics**, (2) political **tactics**

The marketing team developed new **tactics** to boost sales.

unheard

adj. not heard, listened to, or noticed; not having been brought to public attention

synonym : unknown, obscure

(1) an **unheard** story, (2) previously **unheard-of** economic development

The **unheard** melody was beautiful and touched everyone's hearts.

tackle

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

synonym: deal with, dive into, work on

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

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

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym: highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

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**.

necessarily

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

synonym: inevitable, certainly, automatically

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

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|-------------------------------------|---|
| 1. ar___t the thief | <i>v.</i> to take into custody |
| 2. reach ce_____ty about the theory | <i>n.</i> the state of being certain |
| 3. just a ha_____l of participants | <i>n.</i> a small quantity or number, usually referring to the amount that can be held in one hand; a person or thing that is difficult to control or manage |
| 4. sma_____ne app developer | <i>n.</i> a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet |
| 5. com_____ty theory | <i>n.</i> the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand |
| 6. cal_____on of loss and gain | <i>n.</i> the act or process of using numbers to judge an amount of something |
| 7. ba_____rd angle | <i>adv.</i> at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear |
| 8. dr_____t formation | <i>n.</i> a small drop of liquid |
| 9. cellular mor_____sis | <i>n.</i> the biological process of growth, development, and differentiation of cells, tissues, and organs to give rise to the complex three-dimensional structures of living organisms |
| 10. a sw__t current of a river | <i>adj.</i> happening, moving, or capable of moving quickly |
| 11. at_____t attention | <i>v.</i> to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones |

ANSWERS: 1. arrest, 2. certainty, 3. handful, 4. smartphone, 5. complexity, 6. calculation, 7. backward, 8. droplet, 9. morphogenesis, 10. swift, 11. attract

12. le____d print *n.* a large wild cat that has yellow-brown fur with black spots and lives in Africa and southern Asia
13. accident-pr__e *adj.* inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward
14. the ba____e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
15. issue a w__t *n.* a written legal order or command
16. c__p stick *n.* a crack in the skin, especially on the lips or hands, caused by dryness or cold weather; a man or boy; (verb) to crack, split, or roughen the skin, especially as a result of exposure to cold weather or wind
17. ex____t a security hole *v.* to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc.
18. a gr__h sample *n.* a picture consisting of a line, lines, points, etc., that shows how two or more sets of certain quantities are related to each other
19. er____c behavior *adj.* characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality
20. mo____ar structure *adj.* of or relating to molecules (= a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds)

ANSWERS: 12. leopard, 13. prone, 14. balance, 15. writ, 16. chap, 17. exploit, 18. graph, 19. erratic, 20. molecular

21. a sus_____le young woman *adj.* easily influenced, harmed, or affected by something
22. a fo___l festival *adj.* following established, public, or official forms and conventions, often in a serious or somber manner
23. met_____gy for optimizing *n.* a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
24. the int_____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
25. su_____ed release medication *adj.* lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
26. answer questions ind_____lly *adv.* separately or apart from others
27. an_____ng banner ad *adj.* making someone feel slightly angry
28. Jo___n satellites *adj.* relating to Jupiter or its characteristics
29. non-qua_____ble risk *adj.* able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms
30. right to col_____ve bargaining *adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people
31. nice c__p *n.* a crack in the skin, especially on the lips or hands, caused by dryness or cold weather; a man or boy; (verb) to crack, split, or roughen the skin, especially as a result of exposure to cold weather or wind
32. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

ANSWERS: 21. susceptible, 22. formal, 23. methodology, 24. interaction, 25. sustained, 26. individually, 27. annoying, 28. Jovian, 29. quantifiable, 30. collective, 31. chap, 32. individual

33. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
34. asset on the company's ba_____e sheet *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
35. dy_____cs of economy *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
36. qua_____ble results *adj.* able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms
37. ar__n attack *n.* the criminal act of deliberately setting fire to property or buildings
38. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
39. a good grounding in mat_____cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
40. un_____ed wilderness *adj.* not touched or disturbed by anyone or anything; not having been altered, changed, or affected in any way

ANSWERS: 33. violent, 34. balance, 35. dynamics, 36. quantifiable, 37. arson, 38. process, 39. mathematics, 40. untouched

41. f__p over the pork chop *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
42. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
43. two op_____d characters *adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
44. p__r review *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
45. ca_____e worker *adj.* having the ability, skill, or potential to do something; competent or proficient in a particular task or area of expertise
46. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
47. ex_____t a valuable opportunity *v.* to make full use of and gain an advantage from resources, opportunities, etc.
48. a re_____nt of the city *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
49. pe__i dish test *n.* (petri dish) a small, clear, and round dish with a lid used in laboratories, especially for growing bacteria
50. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
51. mo_____ar biology *adj.* of or relating to molecules (= a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds)

ANSWERS: 41. flip, 42. improvisation, 43. opposed, 44. peer, 45. capable, 46. incredibly, 47. exploit, 48. resident, 49. petri, 50. interaction, 51. molecular

52. si_____te climate change *v.* to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes
53. fo____l request *adj.* following established, public, or official forms and conventions, often in a serious or somber manner
54. c_e card *n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something
55. political ta____d *adj.* relating to a type of newspaper or journalism that focuses on sensational and often trivial stories and headlines; (noun) a type of newspaper or magazine that typically features sensational or scandalous stories and headlines, often with a focus on celebrity gossip or other entertainment news
56. an epidemic outbreak of in_____za *n.* (formal for flu) a highly contagious viral disease that causes fever, severe aching, and catarrh and often occurs in epidemics
57. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
58. a chemical eq_____on *n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

ANSWERS: 52. simulate, 53. formal, 54. cue, 55. tabloid, 56. influenza, 57. unfortunately, 58. equation

59. an exit r__p *n.* a sloping surface connecting two levels or inclines, typically used for the movement of people, vehicles, or goods
60. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
61. apex pr_____or *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
62. the ul_____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
63. re___l store *n.* the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets
64. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
65. 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
66. mor_____sis process *n.* the biological process of growth, development, and differentiation of cells, tissues, and organs to give rise to the complex three-dimensional structures of living organisms
67. sma_____ne addict *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
68. the def_____on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
69. develop a st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

ANSWERS: 59. ramp, 60. individual, 61. predator, 62. ultimate, 63. retail, 64. decide, 65. spot, 66. morphogenesis, 67. smartphone, 68. definition, 69. strategy

70. border pa___l *n.* the act of guarding an area or conducting surveillance of an area to maintain order, perform security functions, or prevent crime; a group of officers or soldiers that conducts such an operation
71. a worldwide ep_____ic *n.* the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
72. 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
73. a n__t piece of work *adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place
74. m_r the reputation *v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
75. p__r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
76. eq__p an army *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
77. provide ac_____te information *adj.* correct and exact in all details
78. a precise def_____on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
79. m_r a proper relationship *v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
80. 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

ANSWERS: 70. patrol, 71. epidemic, 72. decision, 73. neat, 74. mar, 75. peer, 76. equip, 77. accurate, 78. definition, 79. mar, 80. mechanism

81. sc__w the cap *v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together
82. walk ba____rd *adv.* at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear
83. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
84. n__t idea *adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place
85. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
86. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
87. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
88. ex-convict bu____r *n.* a person who unlawfully enters a building or other property to steal or commit another crime
89. ta_____d journalism *adj.* relating to a type of newspaper or journalism that focuses on sensational and often trivial stories and headlines; (noun) a type of newspaper or magazine that typically features sensational or scandalous stories and headlines, often with a focus on celebrity gossip or other entertainment news
90. pop_____on change *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location

ANSWERS: 81. screw, 82. backward, 83. conversation, 84. neat, 85. complexity, 86. separate, 87. separate, 88. burglar, 89. tabloid, 90. population

91. dr____t size *n.* a small drop of liquid
92. w__n a reckless driver *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
93. in____t other animal species *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
94. a so__r eclipse *adj.* of, from, or relating to the sun
95. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
96. labor pop_____on *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
97. co_____de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
98. f_y over low heat *v.* to cook food, especially meat or fish, in hot fat or oil
99. an____ng habit *adj.* making someone feel slightly angry
100. l__t the ship *v.* steal goods from a place or person, typically during a war or riot; (noun) steal goods from a place or person, typically using force, especially in times of war or civil disorder
101. spread of the vi__s *n.* a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants
102. ju__y fruit *adj.* containing much liquid, often used to describe fresh fruit or meat; interesting or exciting, often because it is scandalous or revealing

ANSWERS: 91. droplet, 92. warn, 93. infect, 94. solar, 95. statistics, 96. population, 97. conclude, 98. fry, 99. annoying, 100. loot, 101. virus, 102. juicy

103. snow le____d *n.* a large wild cat that has yellow-brown fur with black spots and lives in Africa and southern Asia
104. sp__t a bill *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
105. sexual pr____ors *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
106. people who are une____ed *adj.* not having a job, although able to work
107. help ta___e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
108. r__t march *n.* a disorderly retreat or defeat of an army or group; a decisive defeat
109. er____c movements *adj.* characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality
110. ar___t the progress *v.* to take into custody
111. pr____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
112. w__ned me of the plan *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
113. nuclear de____nt *n.* something that prevents or discourages someone from doing something or taking a particular action; a hindrance or obstacle
114. a ch____al compound *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;

ANSWERS: 103. leopard, 104. split, 105. predator, 106. unemployed, 107. tackle, 108. rout, 109. erratic, 110. arrest, 111. probable, 112. warn, 113. deterrent, 114. chemical

115. become p__y to terrorists *n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
116. a w__t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
117. the ul____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
118. research met____gy *n.* a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
119. 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
120. sus_____le of proof *adj.* easily influenced, harmed, or affected by something
121. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
122. absolutely op_____d to abortion *adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
123. take sw__t action *adj.* happening, moving, or capable of moving quickly
124. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
125. a female sc__w *v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together
126. binational ac____d *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have

ANSWERS: 115. prey, 116. writ, 117. ultimate, 118. methodology, 119. decide, 120. susceptible, 121. statistics, 122. opposed, 123. swift, 124. improvisation, 125. screw, 126. accord

127. a huge f__p *v.* to fall or lie down heavily and clumsily; (noun) a complete failure
128. health ep____ic *n.* the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
129. dy____c person *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
130. sp__t a reward equally *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
131. dif____ty in breathing *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
132. tapestry we____rs *n.* the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth
133. deliberate ar__n *n.* the criminal act of deliberately setting fire to property or buildings
134. pre____le pattern *adj.* capable of being known, seen or declared in advance
135. do aw__l damage *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
136. un____ed landscape *adj.* not touched or disturbed by anyone or anything; not having been altered, changed, or affected in any way
137. col____ve ownership *adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people
138. in____za B strain *n.* (formal for flu) a highly contagious viral disease that causes fever, severe aching, and catarrh and often occurs in epidemics

ANSWERS: 127. flop, 128. epidemic, 129. dynamic, 130. split, 131. difficulty, 132. weaver, 133. arson, 134. predictable, 135. awful, 136. untouched, 137. collective, 138. influenza

139. at_____t customers *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
140. re_____nt tax *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
141. the so___r system *adj.* of, from, or relating to the sun
142. co_____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
143. the attraction of gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
144. the r___p of a chasm *n.* a sloping surface connecting two levels or inclines, typically used for the movement of people, vehicles, or goods
145. eq___p our children with some special skills *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
146. nuclear ph_____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
147. ta___e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
148. ha___ed the incident *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
149. make a r___d on an enemy's camp *n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
150. ju___y gossip *adj.* containing much liquid, often used to describe fresh fruit or meat; interesting or exciting, often because it is scandalous or revealing

ANSWERS: 139. attract, 140. resident, 141. solar, 142. conclude, 143. gravity, 144. ramp, 145. equip, 146. physics, 147. tackle, 148. handle, 149. raid, 150. juicy

151. r__t control gas *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
152. in___t a computer with a virus *v.* to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism
153. f_y an egg *v.* to cook food, especially meat or fish, in hot fat or oil
154. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
155. 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
156. re_____te the cell *v.* to make an exact copy of something; to repeat a process or experiment to confirm the results
157. 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
158. the eq_____on of poverty with ignorance *n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

ANSWERS: 151. riot, 152. infect, 153. fry, 154. movement, 155. mechanism, 156. replicate, 157. security, 158. equation

159. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
160. previously un_____d-of economic development *adj.* not heard, listened to, or noticed; not having been brought to public attention
161. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
162. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
163. f__p business *v.* to fall or lie down heavily and clumsily; (noun) a complete failure
164. a n__b mind *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
165. pair of id_____al twins *adj.* being the exact same one
166. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
167. war l__t *v.* steal goods from a place or person, typically during a war or riot; (noun) steal goods from a place or person, typically using force, especially in times of war or civil disorder
168. make a cal_____on *n.* the act or process of using numbers to judge an amount of something
169. the mi_____on of birds *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change

ANSWERS: 159. absolutely, 160. unheard, 161. conversation, 162. involve, 163. flop, 164. numb, 165. identical, 166. violent, 167. loot, 168. calculation, 169. migration

170. a dy____c market *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
171. small mo____les *n.* a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds
172. pr____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
173. French soc____st *n.* a person who studies the institutions and development of human society
174. ex____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
175. nec____ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
176. ca____e leader *adj.* having the ability, skill, or potential to do something; competent or proficient in a particular task or area of expertise
177. si____te a future scenario *v.* to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes

ANSWERS: 170. dynamic, 171. molecule, 172. process, 173. sociologist, 174. extreme, 175. necessarily, 176. capable, 177. simulate

178. have an up__t stomach *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
179. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
180. n__b with cold *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
181. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
182. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
183. pa___l car *n.* the act of guarding an area or conducting surveillance of an area to maintain order, perform security functions, or prevent crime; a group of officers or soldiers that conducts such an operation
184. ha___e a precious object *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
185. draw an_____y *n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept
186. de___e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
187. si_____ly situated *adv.* in almost the same way

ANSWERS: 178. upset, 179. unfortunately, 180. numb, 181. opportune, 182. decision, 183. patrol, 184. handle, 185. analogy, 186. define, 187. similarly

188. mat_____cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
189. pr__e to diarrhea *adj.* inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward
190. a com_____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
191. mot_____on for a change *n.* the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way
192. gloomy pre_____ons *n.* the act of predicting the future by reasoning; a statement made about the future
193. display res_____on *n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display
194. an id_____al equation *adj.* being the exact same one
195. overseas mi_____on *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
196. r__t police *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals

ANSWERS: 188. mathematics, 189. prone, 190. complicated, 191. motivation, 192. prediction, 193. resolution, 194. identical, 195. migration, 196. riot

197. dy_____cs of group *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
198. a strain of vi__s *n.* a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants
199. p__y of beast *n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
200. wel_____ved dog *adj.* conforming to accepted standards of behavior or conduct; obedient, polite, and considerate
201. make my pre_____ons *n.* the act of predicting the future by reasoning; a statement made about the future
202. gr__h theory *n.* a picture consisting of a line, lines, points, etc., that shows how two or more sets of certain quantities are related to each other
203. wel_____ved student *adj.* conforming to accepted standards of behavior or conduct; obedient, polite, and considerate
204. im_____e a process *v.* to make or become better
205. gra_____nal energy *adj.* relating to or caused by gravity (= the force that attracts objects towards one another)
206. mo_____le behavior *n.* a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds

ANSWERS: 197. dynamics, 198. virus, 199. prey, 200. well-behaved, 201. prediction, 202. graph, 203. well-behaved, 204. improve, 205. gravitational, 206. molecule

207. the degree of dif_____ty *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
208. re_____te data *v.* to make an exact copy of something; to repeat a process or experiment to confirm the results
209. ac_____te measurements *adj.* correct and exact in all details
210. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
211. vi_____m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
212. beauty s__t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
213. understand his mot_____on *n.* the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way
214. im_____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
215. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
216. the textile we_____rs *n.* the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth
217. get up__t *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

ANSWERS: 207. difficulty, 208. replicate, 209. accurate, 210. opportune, 211. victim, 212. spot, 213. motivation, 214. improve, 215. complicated, 216. weaver, 217. upset

218. the la___t of a book *n.* the way in which the parts of something are arranged or set out
219. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
220. historical an____y *n.* a comparison between similar things that have similar aspects, often used to help explain a principle or concept
221. gra_____nal waves *adj.* relating to or caused by gravity (= the force that attracts objects towards one another)
222. res_____on of a conflict *n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display
223. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
224. cricket team's r__t *n.* a disorderly retreat or defeat of an army or group; a decisive defeat
225. military st____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
226. 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

ANSWERS: 218. layout, 219. define, 220. analogy, 221. gravitational, 222. resolution, 223. involve, 224. rout, 225. strategy, 226. security

227. not nec_____ly a problem *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
228. political ta_____s *n.* the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports
229. visual c_e *n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something
230. assignment for the une_____ed youth *adj.* not having a job, although able to work
231. ac____d with public opinion *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
232. blitz ta_____s *n.* the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports
233. su_____ed economic growth *adj.* lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
234. an un_____d story *adj.* not heard, listened to, or noticed; not having been brought to public attention
235. a keyboard la____t *n.* the way in which the parts of something are arranged or set out
236. ind_____lly designed product *adv.* separately or apart from others
237. bacteria on pe__i dishes *n.* (petri dish) a small, clear, and round dish with a lid used in laboratories, especially for growing bacteria

ANSWERS: 227. necessarily, 228. tactics, 229. cue, 230. unemployed, 231. accord, 232. tactics, 233. sustained, 234. unheard, 235. layout, 236. individually, 237. petri

238. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
239. vi___m compensation *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
240. an aw___l error *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
241. pl___t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
242. save the pl___t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
243. f___p a coin *v.* to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
244. toxic ch_____als *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
245. a re___l dealer *n.* the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets
246. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 238. absolutely, 239. victim, 240. awful, 241. planet, 242. planet, 243. flip, 244. chemical, 245. retail, 246. movement

247. co_____e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
248. literal ha_____l *n.* a small quantity or number, usually referring to the amount that can be held in one hand; a person or thing that is difficult to control or manage
249. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
250. religious soc_____st *n.* a person who studies the institutions and development of human society
251. pr_____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
252. have si_____ly great abilities *adv.* in almost the same way
253. laws of ph_____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
254. preserve my gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
255. tr__e a telephone call *v.* to find or discover someone or something that was lost
256. criminal de_____nt *n.* something that prevents or discourages someone from doing something or taking a particular action; a hindrance or obstacle
257. in a pre_____le manner *adj.* capable of being known, seen or declared in advance
258. co_____e a large of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

ANSWERS: 247. consume, 248. handful, 249. extreme, 250. sociologist, 251. probable, 252. similarly, 253. physics, 254. gravity, 255. trace, 256. deterrent, 257. predictable, 258. consume

259. tr__e back to medieval times *v.* to find or discover someone or something that was lost
260. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
261. air-r__d siren *n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
262. scientific ce_____ty *n.* the state of being certain
263. caught the bu_____r *n.* a person who unlawfully enters a building or other property to steal or commit another crime
264. Jo___n planet *adj.* relating to Jupiter or its characteristics

ANSWERS: 259. trace, 260. incredibly, 261. raid, 262. certainty, 263. burglar, 264. Jovian

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The abandoned house was _____ for years, with vines growing all over it.
adj. not touched or disturbed by anyone or anything; not having been altered, changed, or affected in any way
2. He was _____ to making rash decisions.
adj. inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward
3. Visa renewal for _____ foreigners in this country is once every five years.
n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
4. Companies often _____ their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.
v. to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
5. _____ lurked in the grass to catch their prey.
n. a large wild cat that has yellow-brown fur with black spots and lives in Africa and southern Asia
6. She devoted herself to _____ the chicken in a pan until it was crispy and golden brown.
v. to cook food, especially meat or fish, in hot fat or oil
7. I attempted to _____ him, but he ignored me.
v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

ANSWERS: 1. untouched, 2. prone, 3. resident, 4. split, 5. Leopards, 6. frying, 7. warn

8. He had to _____ the loose knob back onto the cabinet door.

- v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it;
(noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together

9. The _____ newspaper always covers sensational stories.

- adj.* relating to a type of newspaper or journalism that focuses on sensational and often trivial stories and headlines; (noun) a type of newspaper or magazine that typically features sensational or scandalous stories and headlines, often with a focus on celebrity gossip or other entertainment news

10. These results muddied the _____.

- n.* the act of predicting the future by reasoning; a statement made about the future

11. Product development is a _____ effort.

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

12. A police officer has the authority to _____ a criminal.

- v.* to take into custody

13. She has _____ habits.

- adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place

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

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

15. He was awfully _____ by the news.

- adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

ANSWERS: 8. screw, 9. tabloid, 10. prediction, 11. collective, 12. arrest, 13. neat, 14. trace, 15. upset

16. The highway _____ officer pulled over the speeding vehicle on the freeway.
n. the act of guarding an area or conducting surveillance of an area to maintain order, perform security functions, or prevent crime; a group of officers or soldiers that conducts such an operation
17. The organization finally signed a peace _____.
n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.;
(verb) allow to have
18. The _____ in the city have left many buildings damaged and several people injured.
n. a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
19. The _____ moon Europa is believed to have an ocean beneath its icy surface.
adj. relating to Jupiter or its characteristics
20. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
21. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.
adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
22. Her voice was _____ yet ever the last words fell lingeringly.
adj. happening, moving, or capable of moving quickly
23. Throughout the _____ the bank robbers wore masks.
n. a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft

ANSWERS: 16. patrol, 17. accord, 18. riots, 19. Jovian, 20. opportune, 21. incredibly, 22. swift, 23. raid,

24. The bandits _____ the small town, leaving it in ruins.

- v.* steal goods from a place or person, typically during a war or riot; (noun) steal goods from a place or person, typically using force, especially in times of war or civil disorder

25. 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

26. _____ studies the changes in family structure due to modernization.

- n.* a person who studies the institutions and development of human society

27. He has a flair for _____.

- n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

28. Well-stretched muscles are less _____ to injury.

- adj.* easily influenced, harmed, or affected by something

29. The disease is now reaching _____ proportions in our country.

- n.* the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time

30. He has _____ exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.

- n.* a condition or state that causes problems

31. He designed the _____ of the office to maximize efficiency.

- n.* the way in which the parts of something are arranged or set out

ANSWERS: 24. looted, 25. improvisation, 26. Sociologist, 27. mathematics, 28. susceptible, 29. epidemic, 30. difficulty, 31. layout

32. We argue that wages for temporary workers should _____ rise.
adv. in almost the same way
33. The _____ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.
n. a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
34. This accident was something that happened _____.
adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
35. The company experienced _____ growth over the past decade.
adj. lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
36. An infected person in the hospital will likely pass the _____ to others.
n. a tiny infectious organic material that causes disease in people, animals, and plants
37. Each department has done its product costing _____.
adv. separately or apart from others
38. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.
adj. very great in amount or degree
39. We _____ a cease-fire.
v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
40. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.
v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

ANSWERS: 32. similarly, 33. victim, 34. necessarily, 35. sustained, 36. virus, 37. individually, 38. extreme, 39. concluded, 40. separate

41. The police are investigating the _____ that destroyed the abandoned building.
n. the criminal act of deliberately setting fire to property or buildings
42. The marketing team developed new _____ to boost sales.
n. the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports
43. He _____ when he heard that he had been accepted into the university.
v. to turn over into a different position quickly; to throw or toss with a light motion
44. The majority of snakes swallow their _____ whole.
n. the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
45. The sprinter has a _____ way of running.
adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
46. The official transcript contains _____ academic records.
adj. correct and exact in all details
47. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
48. 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

ANSWERS: 41. arson, 42. tactics, 43. flipped, 44. prey, 45. dynamic, 46. accurate, 47. statistics, 48. security

49. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
- v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
50. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.
- v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
51. The _____ industry has been affected by the rise of online shopping.
- n. the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets
52. The experiment was _____ several times to ensure accuracy.
- v. to make an exact copy of something; to repeat a process or experiment to confirm the results
53. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.
- n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
54. My left arm became _____.
- adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
55. In this class, you will learn how to solve quadratic _____.
- n. the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
56. The scratches on the car _____ its otherwise perfect appearance.
- v. to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something

ANSWERS: 49. decide, 50. tackle, 51. retail, 52. replicated, 53. planet, 54. numb, 55. equations, 56. marred

57. 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

58. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

59. My father was _____ for so long.

adj. not having a job, although able to work

60. The government is eager to _____ international investment.

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

61. The children were _____ and listened attentively during the museum tour.

adj. conforming to accepted standards of behavior or conduct; obedient, polite, and considerate

62. A significant amount of _____ is required to be a teacher.

n. the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way

63. The economy becomes more volatile and less _____.

adj. capable of being known, seen or declared in advance

64. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

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

ANSWERS: 57. individual, 58. strategy, 59. unemployed, 60. attract, 61. well-behaved, 62. motivation, 63. predictable, 64. involves

65. It seems _____ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.
adj. likely to happen or likely to be true
66. Through investigation, his suspicions hardened into _____.
n. the state of being certain
67. We are developing a new _____ for assessing marketing measures.
n. a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
68. The native South American animals were in danger because of the _____ arrival.
n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
69. She only had a _____ of pens left in her bag.
n. a small quantity or number, usually referring to the amount that can be held in one hand; a person or thing that is difficult to control or manage
70. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
71. The company's stock prices _____ after the poor earnings report.
v. to fall or lie down heavily and clumsily; (noun) a complete failure
72. The research institute allocated a lot of money to study the cause and prevention of _____.
n. (formal for flu) a highly contagious viral disease that causes fever, severe aching, and catarrh and often occurs in epidemics

ANSWERS: 65. probable, 66. certainty, 67. methodology, 68. predator's, 69. handful, 70. process, 71. flop, 72. influenza

73. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

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

74. _____ panels have greatly improved not only in performance but also in durability.

adj. of, from, or relating to the sun

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

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

76. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

77. _____ weight is the sum of all the atoms.

adj. of or relating to molecules (= a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds)

78. He studied the _____ of radiation.

n. the science of matter and energy and their interactions

79. She is highly _____ of handling multiple tasks at once.

adj. having the ability, skill, or potential to do something; competent or proficient in a particular task or area of expertise

80. The error in the _____ was attributable to rounding.

n. the act or process of using numbers to judge an amount of something

ANSWERS: 73. movement, 74. Solar, 75. population, 76. absolutely, 77. Molecular, 78. physics, 79. capable, 80. calculation

81. 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

82. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

83. Defects in _____ can lead to developmental abnormalities and congenital disabilities.

n. the biological process of growth, development, and differentiation of cells, tissues, and organs to give rise to the complex three-dimensional structures of living organisms

84. Children often _____ parents with this head cold.

v. to affect a person, an animal, or a plant with a disease-causing organism

85. The _____ force of the black hole was so strong that nothing, not even light, could escape.

adj. relating to or caused by gravity (= the force that attracts objects towards one another)

86. Infant formulas are nutritionally almost _____ to a mother's breast milk.

adj. being the exact same one

87. The football team suffered a humiliating _____ in the championship game.

n. a disorderly retreat or defeat of an army or group; a decisive defeat

88. I regretted making an _____ mistake in my final exam.

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

ANSWERS: 81. mechanisms, 82. complicated, 83. morphogenesis, 84. infect, 85. gravitational, 86. identical, 87. rout, 88. awful

89. The firm has grown into a large _____ manufacturing.

adj. relating to or connected with chemistry;

90. The _____ fringed the scarf.

n. the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth

91. The event required _____ attire, so he wore a suit and tie.

adj. following established, public, or official forms and conventions, often in a serious or somber manner

92. The threat of punishment serves as a _____ for many people who might consider committing a crime.

n. something that prevents or discourages someone from doing something or taking a particular action; a hindrance or obstacle

93. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

94. Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of _____.

n. a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

95. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.

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

96. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

ANSWERS: 89. chemical, 90. weaver, 91. formal, 92. deterrent, 93. conversation, 94. smartphones, 95. consume, 96. interaction

97. She falls over _____ when she sees her mother-in-law.

adv. at, to, or toward the direction or place that is behind or rear

98. 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

99. The shape of the DNA _____ is a double helix.

n. a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds

100. The phone call is an _____ interruption.

adj. making someone feel slightly angry

101. The relationship _____ between the two countries were complex and constantly changing.

n. the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change

102. This bar _____ shows sales over the past five years.

n. a picture consisting of a line, lines, points, etc., that shows how two or more sets of certain quantities are related to each other

103. The skilled _____ bypassed the alarm system and entered the house without making a sound.

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

104. The construction company _____ the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

ANSWERS: 97. backward, 98. analogy, 99. molecule, 100. annoying, 101. dynamics, 102. graph, 103. burglar, 104. equipped

105. 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

106. I'm strongly _____ to that plan.

adj. being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something

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

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

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

n. a written legal order or command

109. The director gave the actor a _____ to begin the scene.

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

110. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

111. The burger was so _____ that it dripped down my hand as I ate it.

adj. containing much liquid, often used to describe fresh fruit or meat; interesting or exciting, often because it is scandalous or revealing

112. The wheelchair user needed a _____ to access the building's entrance.

n. a sloping surface connecting two levels or inclines, typically used for the movement of people, vehicles, or goods

ANSWERS: 105. spot, 106. opposed, 107. unfortunately, 108. writ, 109. cue, 110. complexity, 111. juicy, 112. ramp

113. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.

v. to make or become better

114. The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of _____.

n. the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

115. He suffered a painful _____ on his hand after working with chemicals.

n. a crack in the skin, especially on the lips or hands, caused by dryness or cold weather; a man or boy; (verb) to crack, split, or roughen the skin, especially as a result of exposure to cold weather or wind

116. He had painted the wood to _____ stone.

v. to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes

117. A single _____ of water can reflect the entire world upside down.

n. a small drop of liquid

118. We _____ our mining resources to strengthen our national power.

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

119. Try to keep a _____ between work and off.

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

120. The impact of the new policy will be _____ through measurable data.

adj. able to be measured, expressed, or quantified in numerical or statistical terms

ANSWERS: 113. improve, 114. gravity, 115. chap, 116. simulate, 117. droplet, 118. exploit, 119. balance, 120. quantifiable

121. Glass _____ dishes are used to culture microorganisms.

n. (petri dish) a small, clear, and round dish with a lid used in laboratories, especially for growing bacteria

122. Among young people, _____ pressure can be pretty influential.

n. a person who has the same age, status, or ability

123. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.

n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

124. 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

125. The stock market has been behaving in an _____ manner, making it difficult for investors to predict future trends.

adj. characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality

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

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

127. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

128. The _____ melody was beautiful and touched everyone's hearts.

adj. not heard, listened to, or noticed; not having been brought to public attention

ANSWERS: 121. petri, 122. peer, 123. definition, 124. decision, 125. erratic, 126. define, 127. violent, 128. unheard

129. We all should learn how to _____ stress.

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

130. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

131. He made a New Year's _____ to exercise more and eat healthier.

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

132. There was a _____ of impoverished farmers into the towns.

n. the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change

ANSWERS: 129. handle, 130. ultimate, 131. resolution, 132. migration