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Session 1: Word List

assemble

v. to collect in one place as a single group

synonym: gather, congregate, collect

(1) **assemble** your colleagues, (2) **assemble** a jigsaw puzzle

The president began to **assemble** an army.

span

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

synonym: interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**

He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

heritage

n. the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations

synonym: legacy, tradition, inheritance

(1) **heritage** site, (2) historical **heritage**

The **heritage** of the city is reflected in its architecture.

dictionary

n. a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their

origins, usage, and pronunciation

synonym: lexicon, glossary, vocabulary

(1) **dictionary** definition, (2) online **dictionary**

I need to purchase a new English **dictionary**.

encyclopedia

n. a comprehensive reference work containing articles on a wide range of subjects or numerous aspects of a particular field or discipline, usually arranged alphabetically or thematically

synonym: dictionary, compendium, almanac

(1) **encyclopedia** entry, (2) online **encyclopedia**

Many bookshops no longer carry printed **encyclopedias**, but some libraries still hold onto their collections.

sponsor

v. to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising

synonym: back, fund, finance

(1) **sponsor** a contest, (2) **sponsor** a local group

Our company **sponsors** numerous disabled athletes.

cogitate

v. to think deeply and carefully about something

synonym: ponder, think, contemplate

(1) **cogitate** about the future, (2) **cogitate** over a decision

I need time to **cogitate** on that idea before making a decision.

startling

adj. extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying

synonym: alarming, astonishing, shocking

(1) **startling** earthquake shocks, (2) **startling** discovery

He describes the story with **startling** reality.

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.

gentle

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

synonym : mild, delicate, soft

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

Her **gentle** manner relaxed everyone there.

awesome

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

synonym : miraculous, marvelous, astounding

(1) **awesome** mental faculty, (2) have an **awesome** birthday

There is a lot of **awesome** nature and food in Hawaii.

rank

n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others

synonym : position, status, standing

(1) **rank** amateur, (2) high **rank**

He was promoted to the **rank** of captain in the military.

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.

practical

adj. of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas

synonym : applicable, functional, realistic

(1) **practical** English, (2) gain **practical** experience

Her concept is highly **practical** and helpful.

axis

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

synonym : central, core, pole

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

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

alternative

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice
synonym: choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**
Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

digit

n. one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe
synonym: number, integer, numeral

(1) **digit** identifier, (2) the **digit** in the hundreds place
We must enter a six- **digit** number to unlock the safe.

computation

n. the act or process of calculating something, especially an answer or amount, by using a machine or calculator
synonym: calculation, estimation, arithmetic

(1) parallel **computation**, (2) theory of **computation**
The researcher demonstrated the superiority of quantum **computation** in several mathematical tasks.

immemorial

adj. extending back beyond memory or record; very old
synonym: ancient, age-old, time-honored

(1) **immemorial** relationship, (2) from **immemorial** times
The ancient ruins had been there since **immemorial**, and their origin was mysterious.

strive

v. to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something
synonym: preserve, endure, persist

(1) **strive** hard to get, (2) **strive** for excellence
They **strived** to make their dream come true.

considerably

adv. to a significant extent or degree; noticeably; substantially
synonym: significantly, substantially, extensively

(1) **considerably** larger, (2) **considerably** improve

The new marketing campaign **considerably** increased sales for the company.

develop

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

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

distinct

adj. noticeable from something else of a similar type

synonym: different, special, characteristic

(1) **distinct** difference, (2) **distinct** from each other

It is essential to keep these two issues **distinct**.

occasion

n. a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

synonym: event, time, occurrence

(1) a glad **occasion**, (2) as **occasion** demands

She wore her best dress for the special **occasion**.

retrieve

v. to find or get something back

synonym: recover, fetch, regain

(1) **retrieve** the lost wallet, (2) send and **retrieve** e-mail

She **retrieved** the book from the shelf.

scan

v. to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

synonym: look over, scrutinize, browse

(1) **scan** the face of the man, (2) **scan** a document into PDF

She stood on the podium and **scanned** an audience.

metadata

n. information that describes or provides contextual details about other data, such as the content, structure, format, or authorship of a document or file

synonym: data about data, descriptive information, metainformation

(1) **metadata** analysis, (2) **metadata** storage

The **metadata** for a video game includes information about the game's platform and release date.

exclude

v. to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity

synonym: expel, ban, bar

(1) **exclude** a newcomer, (2) **exclude** all other possibilities

The cost for the trip **excludes** food and beverages.

string

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

synonym: line, wire, rope

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

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

genome

n. the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things

(1) sequencing of the human **genome**, (2) **genome** analyses

The human **genome** contains approximately three billion chemical base pairs.

stretch

v. to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking

synonym: lengthen, prolong, extend

(1) **stretch** along the coast, (2) **stretch** a story

Some herds have been observed to **stretch** hundreds of kilometers.

veritable

adj. authentic or genuine, often used to emphasize the degree or extent of something

synonym : genuine, authentic, bona fide

(1) **veritable** treasure, (2) a **veritable** explosion of colors

She is a **veritable** expert on the subject and has published many papers.

shard

n. a small, sharp piece of something that has been broken, especially a material like glass, pottery, or metal

synonym : break, fragment, shatter

(1) broken **shard**, (2) **shard** of pottery

The artist used a **shard** of glass to create intricate designs on her sculptures.

outrageous

adj. highly unusual, unconventional, or shocking; going beyond the bounds of what is considered acceptable or proper

synonym : unconscionable, shocking, scandalous

(1) **outrageous** prices, (2) **outrageous** claim

Her **outrageous** behavior at the party caused quite a stir among the guests.

hyperbole

n. exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken used to create emphasis or to make a point

synonym : exaggeration, overstatement, embellishment

(1) escalate the **hyperbole**, (2) avoid **hyperbole** in writing

The marketing campaign relied heavily on **hyperbole** to sell the product.

self-respect

n. a feeling of being proud of and confident in yourself

synonym : dignity, pride, self-esteem

(1) lacks a sense of **self-respect**, (2) wound his **self-respect**

Her failure resulted in a loss of her **self-respect**.

release

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

synonym : free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air
The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

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**.

plaintiff

n. a person or entity that brings a legal action against someone else in a court of law; the person or party that is bringing a lawsuit

synonym: complainant, accuser, suer

(1) **plaintiff** attorney, (2) **plaintiff** testimony

The **plaintiff** in the case is seeking damages for the wrongful termination of his employment.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

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

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

lawsuit

n. a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered

synonym: suit, legal action, litigation

(1) **lawsuit** settlement, (2) file a **lawsuit**

The company is facing a **lawsuit** for its alleged discrimination against employees.

impractical

adj. not sensible or useful for practical purposes; not likely to be effective in achieving an intended outcome

synonym: impracticable, unrealizable, unfeasible

(1) **impractical** idea, (2) **impractical** solution
It is **impractical** to expect everyone to work for free.

cave

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

synonym: cavern, grotto, burrow

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

Bats reside in sheltered **caves**.

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.

instance

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

synonym: example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**

These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

gleam

v. to reflect light in a way that creates a shining or bright and attractive appearance; to become visible or apparent

synonym: glitter, shimmer, shine

(1) **gleam** in eyes, (2) **gleam** like honey

The diamond ring **gleamed** in the sunlight, catching everyone's eye.

gram

n. a metric unit of weight equal to one-thousandth of a kilogram

(1) centimeter- **gram-second** system, (2) **gram** amount

How much is it per one hundred **grams**?

frequent

adj. happening constantly

synonym: periodic, recurring, routine

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

His heartaches are less **frequent** now.

phrase

n. a group of words that mean something specific when used together

synonym: expression, idiom, term

(1) ready-made **phrases**, (2) noun **phrase**

We bought a Spanish **phrase** book.

n-gram

n. (the "n" in "n-gram" denotes the number of terms grouped together) a contiguous sequence of n items (words, characters, or phonemes) within a given text or speech

synonym: n-gram model, n-gram language model, statistical language model

(1) the **n-grams** frequency distribution, (2) **n-grams** extraction

The **n-grams** analysis revealed common phrases that users often searched for on the website.

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.

trend

n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing

synonym: direction, movement, tendency

(1) an international **trend**, (2) the **trend** away from television

The oil price continued their downward **trend**.

suppose

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

synonym: guess, assume, presume

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

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

thrive

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

synonym: bloom, flourish, prosper

(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure

Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

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

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

fabulous

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

synonym: amazing, wonderful, astonishing

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

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

irregular

adj. not having an even or balanced shape or arrangement; contrary to the usual rule, accepted order, or what is expected

synonym: periodic, rare, inconsistent

(1) **irregular** verbs, (2) **irregular** periods

Driving was difficult on the **irregular** cobblestoned surface.

verb

n. a word or phrase that describes an action, state, or experience

(1) complex **verb**, (2) an auxiliary **verb**

Use a singular **verb** if the subject is singular.

statesman

n. a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs

synonym: solon, politician, legislator

(1) a woman **statesman**, (2) international **statesman**

This statue honors a distinguished **statesman**.

row

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

synonym: line, sequence, layer

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

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

frequency

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

synonym : recurrence, repetition, regularity

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

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

slide

v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

synonym : glide, drift, drop

(1) **slide** a card across the table, (2) **slide** a glance

If necessary, you can **slide** the front seats forward.

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**.

peak

n. the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain

synonym : summit, vertex, apex

(1) at **peak** hour, (2) the **peak** current in the circuit

This measurement aims to reduce traffic at **peak** periods.

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.

killing

n. the act of causing death; a sudden and intense force or effect that causes significant damage or destruction; a situation where someone is making a substantial amount of money or experiencing significant financial success

synonym: slaughter, homicide, assassination

(1) **killing** spree, (2) profit- **killing**

The **killing** of unarmed civilians is considered a war crime.

globe

n. the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness

synonym: Earth, world, sphere

(1) terrestrial **globe**, (2) around the **globe**

His final goal is to sail around the **globe**.

convinced

adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

synonym: confident, positive, indoctrinated

(1) **convinced** of the idea, (2) **convinced** criminal

The public is **convinced** that the prime minister has committed fraud.

atmospheric

adj. about or located in the earth's atmosphere

synonym: atmospherical, climatic

(1) doubling of **atmospheric** carbon dioxide,

(2) **atmospheric** pressure

The sea surface temperature and **atmospheric** circulation are inextricably linked.

temperature

n. the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place

synonym: climate, warmth, degree

(1) extreme **temperatures**, (2) the atmospheric **temperature**

Cities around the world set records for highest **temperatures** this summer.

publicize

v. to make information or news publicly known or communicated, to promote or spread awareness of
synonym: advertise, promote, announce

(1) **publicize** event, (2) **publicize** research findings

The company hired a PR firm to **publicize** its new product.

abstract

adj. based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence

synonym: conceptual, theoretical, ideational

(1) an **abstract** noun, (2) **abstract** science

The invention of the camera triggered the development of **abstract** painting.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym: idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

vast

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

synonym: expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

damn

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

synonym: curse, condemn, denounce

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

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

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym: abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

buzz

v. to make a continuous, low humming sound such as the one a bee makes; an exciting and active atmosphere

synonym: hum, murmur, whisper

(1) the **buzz** of a cicada, (2) **buzz** marketing

I heard the **buzz** of conversation from the next room.

obsess

v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

synonym: torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the fear

He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

accomplish

v. to finish or achieve something successfully

synonym: achieve, complete, execute

(1) **accomplish** a goal, (2) **accomplish** military operations

Humankind took centuries to **accomplish** true democracy.

fascinating

adj. extremely interesting

synonym: alluring, intriguing, captivating

(1) **fascinating** story, (2) completely **fascinating** to me

The museum houses a **fascinating** collection of Celtic artifacts.

thereafter

adv. after that; subsequently

synonym: subsequently, afterward, henceforth

(1) not long **thereafter**, (2) for several weeks **thereafter**

He was promoted to manager, and **thereafter**, he began to make changes in the company.

amazing

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

synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

fin *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
synonym: flipper, appendage, stabilizer
(1) back **fin**, (2) a **fin** of a plane
The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

passee *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
synonym: outdated, old-fashioned, antique
(1) **passee** entertainment, (2) **passee** trend
Bell-bottom jeans, once considered **passee** fashion, have made a surprising comeback in recent years.

bubble *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
synonym: blob, balloon, mania
(1) **bubble** in the champagne glass, (2) economic **bubble**
Many people worry that the current real estate market is a **bubble** that could burst soon.

twist *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
synonym: wrench, turn, twirl
(1) **twist** around to the left, (2) **twist** a wet towel
He **twisted** pieces of rope out of straw.

chart *n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea
synonym: diagram, graph, map
(1) a weather **chart**, (2) a statistical **chart**
This pie **chart** represents our market share.

precise *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
synonym: accurate, exact, distinct
(1) **precise** analyses, (2) estimate **precise** costs

The content is **precise** and informative for me.

derive

v. to obtain or receive something from a source

synonym : deduce, judge, infer

(1) **derive** a conclusion, (2) **derive** knowledge from books

These English words are **derived** from Latin.

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.

fig

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

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

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

fame

n. the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on

synonym : celebrity, renown, stardom

(1) leap into **fame**, (2) his undying **fame**

Good **fame** is better than a good face.

delay

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

synonym : block, adjourn, detain

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

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

gratification

n. the feeling of being pleased or satisfied as a result of achieving something or having something you want

synonym : satisfaction, pleasure, contentment

(1) instant **gratification**, (2) aesthetic **gratification**

The **gratification** of completing a difficult task is a great

feeling.

politician

n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

synonym: congressperson, lawmaker, legislator

(1) a **politician** in the ruling party, (2) a corrupt **politician**

The **politician** lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

afterward

adv. after the time mentioned

synonym: later, thereafter, following

(1) a few years **afterward**, (2) go there **afterward**

We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem **afterward**.

biology

n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

(1) evolutionary **biology**, (2) cell and molecular **biology**

In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in **biology** class.

physics

n. the science of matter and energy and their interactions

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

He studied the **physics** of radiation.

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**.

sober

adj. not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises

synonym: calm, lucid, temperate

(1) **sober** discussion, (2) as **sober** as a judge

He led a **sober** life.

trajectory

n. the curved path followed by an object moving through space

synonym: course, curve, orbit

(1) career **trajectory**, (2) a **trajectory** missile

The company has shown an excellent growth **trajectory** over the years.

norm

n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

synonym: criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

germ

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

synonym: bacterium, microbe, pathogen

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

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

bizarre

adj. very strange or unusual

synonym: abnormal, freaky, outlandish

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

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

plummet

v. to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply

synonym: drop, plunge, fall

(1) **plummeting** sales, (2) **plummet** against other major currencies

The stock prices have **plummeted** in the last hour, causing concern for investors.

nadir

n. the lowest point, the point of greatest despair or decline, often used metaphorically

synonym : bottom, lowest point, rock bottom

(1) political **nadir**, (2) **nadir** altitude

After the controversial policy was implemented, the country's reputation hit a new **nadir**.

rebound

v. to spring back into a former shape or position after being compressed or stretched

synonym : spring back, resile, recover

(1) **rebound** from a setback, (2) **rebound** back into positive growth

The basketball bounced off the rim and **rebounded** to the player.

Jewish

adj. of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

synonym : Judaic

(1) **Jewish** history, (2) **Jewish** culture

My friend is a **Jewish** woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

cancel

n. a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information

synonym : suppressor, scrutineer, examiner

(1) **cancel** a book, (2) **cancel** a TV program

The newspaper editor decided to **cancel** the controversial headline to avoid backlash.

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.

roughly

adv. approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
synonym: approximately, more or less, around

(1) **roughly** explain my idea, (2) **roughly** speaking

Five miles is **roughly** similar to eight kilometers.

observe

v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

synonym: watch, monitor, scrutinize

(1) **observe** a tradition, (2) **observe** wildlife

It is important to **observe** safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

divide

v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

synonym: separate, disconnect, split

(1) **divide** the cake into two pieces, (2) **divide** money equally

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

suppression

n. the act of stopping or preventing something from being expressed or revealed

synonym: repression, oppression, restriction

(1) the **suppression** of bandits, (2) **suppression** of estrogen

The government imposed a **suppression** of freedom of speech.

index

n. a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol

that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index

synonym : list, directory, indicator

(1) a full-text **index**, (2) health **index**

The stock market **index** measures the performance of a group of stocks.

suppress

v. to bring something under control by force or authority; to put an end by force

synonym : subdue, bury, stifle

(1) **suppress** a yawn, (2) **suppress** a revolt

The doctor prescribed medication to **suppress** the patient's appetite.

propaganda

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

synonym : disinformation, misinformation, publicity

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

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

distribute

v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

synonym : broadcast, disperse, hand out

(1) **distribute** wealth evenly, (2) **distribute** video content

His estate was **distributed** to his sons.

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.

tight

adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

synonym : closed, secured, cramped

(1) a **tight** game, (2) student on a **tight** budget

The national election was held amid **tight** security.

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
synonym : transition, change, modification

(1) Doppler **shift**, (2) major paradigm **shift**

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

hallmark

n. a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing

synonym : symbol, authentication, indication

(1) the **hallmark** of a good scientist, (2) the **hallmark** of modern life

A clear and simple expression is the **hallmark** of good writing.

censorship

n. the act or process of suppression or restriction of any portions of books, films, news, etc. that are judged obscene, politically unacceptable, or a threat to security

synonym : restriction, suppression

(1) clear **censorship** by the Education Ministry, (2) form of **censorship**

Newspapers were subjected to **censorship** a few days later.

cultivation

n. the process of preparing and using land for growing crops or plants, often involving tilling, fertilizing, and irrigating the soil; the act of fostering or developing something, such as a skill, talent, or idea

synonym : farming, tilling, polish

(1) agricultural **cultivation**, (2) land **cultivation**

The **cultivation** of crops is a vital part of agriculture in many countries.

lens

n. a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

synonym : glass

(1) a convex **lens**, (2) a **lens** with a wide angle

The photographer took this photo using a telephoto **lens**.

sequence

n. a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order

synonym : arrangement, succession, series

(1) the **sequence** of the seasons, (2) the DNA **sequence**

We do move forward with those tasks in **sequence** next week.

basis

n. the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

synonym : foundation, base, ground

(1) on an equal **basis**, (2) **basis** for calculation

This evidence will form the **basis** for our discussion.

analyze

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

synonym : explore, examine, investigate

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

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

historic

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

synonym : memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat

The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

matte

adj. having a surface without a shine, luster; non-glossy

synonym : dull, flat, lusterless

(1) **matte** coating, (2) photo with a **matte** finish

The body of his car has a **matte** finish.

prototype

n. a first or preliminary example of something such as a device or vehicle from which other forms are developed

synonym : mock-up, precursor, model

(1) complete a **prototype** product, (2) early **prototype**

The flying car is presently in the **prototype** stage.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym : directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer

immediately

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

browse

v. to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants

synonym : look around, look through, scan

(1) **browse** a website, (2) **browse** through the text

We **browsed** in a souvenir shop.

query

n. a question or inquiry, often used in the context of research, information-gathering, or data analysis; a request for information

synonym : question, inquiry, investigation

(1) **query** language, (2) **query** result

I had a **query** about my bank statement and called customer service for an explanation.

mediocrity

n. the state or quality of being average or of having only moderate ability, success, or value; the state or quality of being uninspired or unoriginal

synonym : averageness, ordinariness, unoriginality

(1) sink into **mediocrity**, (2) escape **mediocrity**

He was content with living a life of **mediocrity**.

reminder

n. something that serves to jog or refresh one's memory; a prompt or message that helps to recall or remember

something

synonym: memo, notice, remembrance

(1) **reminder** message, (2) **reminder** email

The sticky notes served as helpful **reminders** of important tasks that needed to be completed.

interpret

v. to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.

synonym: decode, decipher, analyze

(1) **interpret** a graph, (2) **interpret** the question

Different people might **interpret** this news differently.

adopt

v. to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

synonym: accept, assume, take on

(1) **adopt** a child, (2) **adopt** a bill

The national assembly has **adopted** the budget.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym: quiet, hushed, mute

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

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

frustration

n. the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something

synonym: disappointment, discouragement, dissatisfaction

(1) **frustration** level, (2) express **frustration**

He felt a deep **frustration** as he realized the project would not be completed on time.

stub

n. a short piece of something, especially a cigarette, pencil, etc., that is left after the main part has been used

synonym: butt, counterfoil, leftover

(1) a **stub** of a candle, (2) cigar **stub**

The receptionist detached a ticket from its **stub**.

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.

annihilate

v. to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist

synonym : destroy, obliterate, eradicate

(1) **annihilate** the enemy, (2) **annihilate** all doubts

The virus had the potential to **annihilate** entire populations if left unchecked.

interstellar

adj. relating to or located in the space between stars

synonym : galactic, cosmic, intergalactic

(1) **interstellar** communication, (2) **interstellar** space

The **interstellar** medium comprises gas, dust, and cosmic rays that fill the space between stars.

bypass

n. an alternative road, channel, pipe, or connection that allows flow while the main one is closed or obstructed;
(verb) to go past or round

(1) gastric **bypass** operation, (2) **bypass** circuit

This patient must undergo **bypass** surgery.

correspond

v. to match or be similar to something else almost exactly;
to exchange messages

synonym : match, equate, communicate

(1) **correspond** to a standard, (2) **correspond** with a foreign student

The numbers on the sign **correspond** to points on the map.

frustrate

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

synonym : hinder, thwart, dishearten

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

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

oddly

adv. in a way that is unexpected, strange, or peculiar

synonym : strangely, peculiarly, weirdly

(1) behave **oddly**, (2) **oddly** familiar

He walked into the party with an **oddly** dressed companion, causing everyone to stare.

usage

n. the way in which a word or phrase is used in a language; the extent in which how much something is used

synonym : utilization, practice, habit

(1) monthly **usage** amount, (2) linguistic **usage**

The machine had been damaged by rough **usage**.

sizable

adj. large in size or amount

synonym : large, significant, considerable

(1) **sizable** portion, (2) **sizable** audience

He has a **sizable** fortune and is one of the wealthiest people in the city.

chunk

n. a thick and solid mass or piece of something

synonym : block, lump, piece

(1) a **chunk** of money, (2) a tiny **chunk** of meat

The new start-up company carved out a large **chunk** of the market within a year.

manuscript

n. the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed

synonym : script

(1) **manuscript** of a book, (2) ancient **manuscript**

The widow of a deceased writer discovered an incomplete

novel **manuscript** in his room.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym: alter, convert, change

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

1. the mouth of the c__e *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
2. ma__e coating *adj.* having a surface without a shine, luster; non-glossy
3. si____e audience *adj.* large in size or amount
4. si____e portion *adj.* large in size or amount
5. mat____cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
6. his undying f__e *n.* the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on
7. acc____sh a goal *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
8. su____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
9. a tiny ch__k of meat *n.* a thick and solid mass or piece of something
10. a statistical ch__t *n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea
11. labor pop____on *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location

ANSWERS: 1. cave, 2. matte, 3. sizable, 4. sizable, 5. mathematics, 6. fame, 7. accomplish, 8. suppose, 9. chunk, 10. chart, 11. population

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| 12. man_____pt of a book | <i>n.</i> the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed |
| 13. official sta_____cs | <i>n.</i> the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data |
| 14. psy_____gy experiment | <i>n.</i> the scientific study of mind and behavior |
| 15. r__k amateur | <i>n.</i> a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others |
| 16. gl__m like honey | <i>v.</i> to reflect light in a way that creates a shining or bright and attractive appearance; to become visible or apparent |
| 17. bi_____e behavior | <i>adj.</i> very strange or unusual |
| 18. linguistic us__e | <i>n.</i> the way in which a word or phrase is used in a language; the extent in which how much something is used |
| 19. the average life s__n | <i>n.</i> the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers |
| 20. sp_____r a contest | <i>v.</i> to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising |
| 21. sup_____on of estrogen | <i>n.</i> the act of stopping or preventing something from being expressed or revealed |
| 22. photo with a ma__e finish | <i>adj.</i> having a surface without a shine, luster; non-glossy |

ANSWERS: 12. manuscript, 13. statistics, 14. psychology, 15. rank, 16. gleam, 17. bizarre, 18. usage, 19. span, 20. sponsor, 21. suppression, 22. matte

23. pl_____ff testimony *n.* a person or entity that brings a legal action against someone else in a court of law; the person or party that is bringing a lawsuit
24. a ve_____le explosion of colors *adj.* authentic or genuine, often used to emphasize the degree or extent of something
25. cor_____nd with a foreign student *v.* to match or be similar to something else almost exactly; to exchange messages
26. br___e a website *v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
27. form of cen_____ip *n.* the act or process of suppression or restriction of any portions of books, films, news, etc. that are judged obscene, politically unacceptable, or a threat to security
28. parallel com_____on *n.* the act or process of calculating something, especially an answer or amount, by using a machine or calculator
29. a pol_____an in the ruling party *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
30. die su_____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
31. a s__b of a candle *n.* a short piece of something, especially a cigarette, pencil, etc., that is left after the main part has been used

ANSWERS: 23. plaintiff, 24. veritable, 25. correspond, 26. browse, 27. censorship, 28. computation, 29. politician, 30. suddenly, 31. stub

32. cigar s__b *n.* a short piece of something, especially a cigarette, pencil, etc., that is left after the main part has been used
33. for in____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
34. domiciliary c__es *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
35. as____le your colleagues *v.* to collect in one place as a single group
36. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
37. online dic____ry *n.* a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation
38. ir____ar periods *adj.* not having an even or balanced shape or arrangement; contrary to the usual rule, accepted order, or what is expected
39. fr____te the advancement *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
40. di___e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
41. de__y the new project *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
42. avoid hy____le in writing *n.* exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken used to create emphasis or to make a point

ANSWERS: 32. stub, 33. instance, 34. cave, 35. assemble, 36. vast, 37. dictionary, 38. irregular, 39. frustrate, 40. divide, 41. delay, 42. hyperbole

43. 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
44. ob_____e a tradition *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
45. give si____t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
46. a ti__t game *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
47. pr_____e analyses *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
48. monthly us__e amount *n.* the way in which a word or phrase is used in a language; the extent in which how much something is used
49. st_____h along the coast *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
50. international st_____an *n.* a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs
51. cell and molecular bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
52. ce____r a TV program *n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information

ANSWERS: 43. influenza, 44. observe, 45. silent, 46. tight, 47. precise, 48. usage, 49. stretch, 50. statesman, 51. biology, 52. censor

53. bu___e in the champagne glass *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
54. su_____ss a yawn *v.* to bring something under control by force or authority; to put an end by force
55. fr_____nt use *adj.* happening constantly
56. at p__k hour *n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
57. su_____ss a revolt *v.* to bring something under control by force or authority; to put an end by force
58. have an aw_____e birthday *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
59. centimeter-g__m-second system *n.* a metric unit of weight equal to one-thousandth of a kilogram
60. ge___e downward slope *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
61. a weather ch__t *n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea
62. as so__r as a judge *adj.* not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises
63. the ha_____rk of modern life *n.* a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing

ANSWERS: 53. bubble, 54. suppress, 55. frequent, 56. peak, 57. suppress, 58. awesome, 59. gram, 60. gentle, 61. chart, 62. sober, 63. hallmark

64. the se_____ce of the seasons *n.* a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
65. instant gra_____ion *n.* the feeling of being pleased or satisfied as a result of achieving something or having something you want
66. de__y a flight three hours *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
67. ex_____e all other possibilities *v.* to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity
68. tw__t around to the left *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
69. tw__t a wet towel *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
70. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
71. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
72. ba__s for calculation *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
73. not long the_____er *adv.* after that; subsequently
74. de___e knowledge from books *v.* to obtain or receive something from a source
75. economic bu___e *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses

ANSWERS: 64. sequence, 65. gratification, 66. delay, 67. exclude, 68. twist, 69. twist, 70. individual, 71. psychology, 72. basis, 73. thereafter, 74. derive, 75. bubble

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| 76. for several weeks the_____er | <i>adv.</i> after that; subsequently |
| 77. su_____ly attacked by an enemy | <i>adv.</i> quickly and unexpectedly |
| 78. the story is bi_____e | <i>adj.</i> very strange or unusual |
| 79. the most am_____g feeling | <i>adj.</i> extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire |
| 80. a g__m-free environment | <i>n.</i> a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one |
| 81. self-serving pro_____da | <i>n.</i> information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology |
| 82. imp_____al solution | <i>adj.</i> not sensible or useful for practical purposes; not likely to be effective in achieving an intended outcome |
| 83. me_____ta analysis | <i>n.</i> information that describes or provides contextual details about other data, such as the content, structure, format, or authorship of a document or file |
| 84. a fa_____us monster | <i>adj.</i> extremely pleasing or good; based on or told of in traditional stories |
| 85. co_____te about the future | <i>v.</i> to think deeply and carefully about something |
| 86. complete a pr_____pe product | <i>n.</i> a first or preliminary example of something such as a device or vehicle from which other forms are developed |
| 87. na__r altitude | <i>n.</i> the lowest point, the point of greatest despair or decline, often used metaphorically |

ANSWERS: 76. thereafter, 77. suddenly, 78. bizarre, 79. amazing, 80. germ, 81. propaganda, 82. impractical, 83. metadata, 84. fabulous, 85. cogitate, 86. prototype, 87. nadir

88. a good grounding in mat_____cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
89. di___e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
90. high r__k *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
91. complex v__b *n.* a word or phrase that describes an action, state, or experience
92. b__z marketing *v.* to make a continuous, low humming sound such as the one bee makes; an exciting and active atmosphere
93. dis_____te video content *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
94. escape med_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being average or of having only moderate ability, success, or value; the state or quality of being uninspired or unoriginal
95. a woman st_____an *n.* a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs
96. out_____us prices *adj.* highly unusual, unconventional, or shocking; going beyond the bounds of what is considered acceptable or proper
97. fas_____ng story *adj.* extremely interesting
98. ro_____y speaking *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

ANSWERS: 88. mathematics, 89. divide, 90. rank, 91. verb, 92. buzz, 93. distribute, 94. mediocrity, 95. statesman, 96. outrageous, 97. fascinating, 98. roughly

99. out_____us claim *adj.* highly unusual, unconventional, or shocking; going beyond the bounds of what is considered acceptable or proper
100. an auxiliary v__b *n.* a word or phrase that describes an action, state, or experience
101. a few years af_____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
102. theory of com_____on *n.* the act or process of calculating something, especially an answer or amount, by using a machine or calculator
103. an_____e your real motives *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
104. doubling of atm_____ic carbon dioxide *adj.* about or located in the earth's atmosphere
105. as oc_____on demands *n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
106. by___s circuit *n.* an alternative road, channel, pipe, or connection that allows flow while the main one is closed or obstructed; (verb) to go past or round
107. re_____ve the lost wallet *v.* to find or get something back
108. ann_____te the enemy *v.* to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist
109. d__n the consequences *v.* to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger

ANSWERS: 99. outrageous, 100. verb, 101. afterward, 102. computation, 103. analyze, 104. atmospheric, 105. occasion, 106. bypass, 107. retrieve, 108. annihilate, 109. damn

110. an alt_____ve plan *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
111. g__m amount *n.* a metric unit of weight equal to one-thousandth of a kilogram
112. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
113. estimate pr_____e costs *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
114. re_____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
115. health in__x *n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index
116. con_____bly improve *adv.* to a significant extent or degree; noticeably; substantially
117. Je___h history *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
118. clear cen_____ip by the Education Ministry *n.* the act or process of suppression or restriction of any portions of books, films, news, etc. that are judged obscene, politically unacceptable, or a threat to security
119. pa__e entertainment *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
120. con_____bly larger *adv.* to a significant extent or degree; noticeably; substantially

ANSWERS: 110. alternative, 111. gram, 112. extreme, 113. precise, 114. release, 115. index, 116. considerably, 117. Jewish, 118. censorship, 119. passe, 120. considerably

121. completely fas_____ng to me *adj.* extremely interesting
122. back f_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
123. ma_____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
124. in_____et a graph *v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
125. co_____te over a decision *v.* to think deeply and carefully about something
126. a full-text in__x *n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index
127. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
128. atm_____ic pressure *adj.* about or located in the earth's atmosphere
129. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
130. f_g tree *n.* a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow

ANSWERS: 121. fascinating, 122. fin, 123. massive, 124. interpret, 125. cogitate, 126. index, 127. statistics, 128. atmospheric, 129. develop, 130. fig

131. pro_____da campaign *n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
132. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
133. extreme tem_____res *n.* the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place
134. pop_____on change *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
135. re_____d from a setback *v.* to spring back into a former shape or position after being compressed or stretched
136. there is no other alt_____ve *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
137. the p__k current in the circuit *n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
138. leap into f__e *n.* the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on
139. a tra_____ry missile *n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
140. a corrupt pol_____an *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

ANSWERS: 131. propaganda, 132. develop, 133. temperature, 134. population, 135. rebound, 136. alternative, 137. peak, 138. fame, 139. trajectory, 140. politician

141. st___e hard to get *v.* to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something
142. 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
143. health ep_____ic *n.* the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
144. the tr__d away from television *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
145. enc_____dia entry *n.* a comprehensive reference work containing articles on a wide range of subjects or numerous aspects of a particular field or discipline, usually arranged alphabetically or thematically
146. career tra_____ry *n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
147. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
148. me_____ta storage *n.* information that describes or provides contextual details about other data, such as the content, structure, format, or authorship of a document or file
149. od__y familiar *adv.* in a way that is unexpected, strange, or peculiar
150. a ch__k of money *n.* a thick and solid mass or piece of something
151. ki_____g spree *n.* the act of causing death; a sudden and intense force or effect that causes significant damage or destruction; a situation where someone is making a substantial amount of money or experiencing significant financial success

ANSWERS: 141. strive, 142. influenza, 143. epidemic, 144. trend, 145. encyclopedia, 146. trajectory, 147. norm, 148. metadata, 149. oddly, 150. chunk, 151. killing

152. gl__m in eyes *v.* to reflect light in a way that creates a shining or bright and attractive appearance; to become visible or apparent
153. so__r discussion *adj.* not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises
154. online enc_____dia *n.* a comprehensive reference work containing articles on a wide range of subjects or numerous aspects of a particular field or discipline, usually arranged alphabetically or thematically
155. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
156. send and re_____ve e-mail *v.* to find or get something back
157. cor_____nd to a standard *v.* to match or be similar to something else almost exactly; to exchange messages
158. fr_____cy band *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
159. as_____le a jigsaw puzzle *v.* to collect in one place as a single group
160. the DNA se_____ce *n.* a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
161. sink into med_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being average or of having only moderate ability, success, or value; the state or quality of being uninspired or unoriginal
162. agricultural cul_____on *n.* the process of preparing and using land for growing crops or plants, often involving tilling, fertilizing, and irrigating the soil; the act of fostering or developing something, such as a skill, talent, or idea

ANSWERS: 152. gleam, 153. sober, 154. encyclopedia, 155. transform, 156. retrieve, 157. correspond, 158. frequency, 159. assemble, 160. sequence, 161. mediocrity, 162. cultivation

163. d__n with faint praise *v.* to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger
164. br___e through the text *v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
165. pu_____ze research findings *v.* to make information or news publicly known or communicated, to promote or spread awareness of
166. pr_____al English *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
167. a r_w of cherry trees *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
168. tense piano st___gs *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
169. gastric by___s operation *n.* an alternative road, channel, pipe, or connection that allows flow while the main one is closed or obstructed; (verb) to go past or round
170. ob_____e wildlife *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

ANSWERS: 163. damn, 164. browse, 165. publicize, 166. practical, 167. row, 168. string, 169. bypass, 170. observe

171. imm_____al relationship *adj.* extending back beyond memory or record; very old
172. 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
173. 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
174. int_____lar space *adj.* relating to or located in the space between stars
175. the ha_____rk of a good scientist *n.* a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing
176. broken sh__d *n.* a small, sharp piece of something that has been broken, especially a material like glass, pottery, or metal
177. ann_____te all doubts *v.* to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist
178. escalate the hy_____le *n.* exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken used to create emphasis or to make a point
179. ob____s over her weight *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
180. s__n a document into PDF *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

ANSWERS: 171. immemorial, 172. process, 173. planet, 174. interstellar, 175. hallmark, 176. shard, 177. annihilate, 178. hyperbole, 179. obsess, 180. scan

181. ready-made ph___es *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
182. 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
183. 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
184. on an equal ba__s *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
185. student on a ti__t budget *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
186. criminal on death r_w *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
187. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
188. the n-___ms frequency distribution *n.* (the "n" in "n-gram" denotes the number of terms grouped together) a contiguous sequence of n items (words, characters, or phonemes) within a given text or speech
189. re_____d back into positive growth *v.* to spring back into a former shape or position after being compressed or stretched

ANSWERS: 181. phrase, 182. graph, 183. equation, 184. basis, 185. tight, 186. row, 187. immediately, 188. n-gram, 189. rebound

190. a fa_____us price *adj.* extremely pleasing or good; based on or told of in traditional stories
191. pu_____ze event *v.* to make information or news publicly known or communicated, to promote or spread awareness of
192. gain pr_____al experience *adj.* of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas
193. si____t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
194. s__n the face of the man *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
195. a convex l__s *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
196. go there af_____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
197. int_____lar communication *adj.* relating to or located in the space between stars
198. behave od__y *adv.* in a way that is unexpected, strange, or peculiar
199. aesthetic gra_____ion *n.* the feeling of being pleased or satisfied as a result of achieving something or having something you want
200. antibiotic-resistant g__m *n.* a very tiny living that causes the disease; a piece of something such as an organism, concept, etc., capable of growing into a new one or part of one

ANSWERS: 190. fabulous, 191. publicize, 192. practical, 193. silent, 194. scan, 195. lens, 196. afterward, 197. interstellar, 198. oddly, 199. gratification, 200. germ

201. re_____er message	<i>n.</i>	something that serves to jog or refresh one's memory; a prompt or message that helps to recall or remember something
202. th___e in a society	<i>v.</i>	to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
203. pl_____t against other major currencies	<i>v.</i>	to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
204. around the gl__e	<i>n.</i>	the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
205. a f_n of a plane	<i>n.</i>	a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
206. st___e for excellence	<i>v.</i>	to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something
207. he is ob___sed with the fear	<i>v.</i>	to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
208. qu__y result	<i>n.</i>	a question or inquiry, often used in the context of research, information-gathering, or data analysis; a request for information
209. the sup_____on of bandits	<i>n.</i>	the act of stopping or preventing something from being expressed or revealed
210. ancient man_____pt	<i>n.</i>	the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed
211. ma_____e stars	<i>adj.</i>	enormous amount; very heavy and solid
212. a l__s with a wide angle	<i>n.</i>	a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

ANSWERS: 201. reminder, 202. thrive, 203. plummet, 204. globe, 205. fin, 206. strive, 207. obsess, 208. query, 209. suppression, 210. manuscript, 211. massive,

212. lens

213. n-___ms extraction *n.* (the "n" in "n-gram" denotes the number of terms grouped together) a contiguous sequence of n items (words, characters, or phonemes) within a given text or speech
214. qu___y language *n.* a question or inquiry, often used in the context of research, information-gathering, or data analysis; a request for information
215. co_____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
216. an ab_____ct noun *adj.* based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
217. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
218. fr_____te other team members *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
219. imm_____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
220. st_____h a story *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
221. a worldwide ep_____ic *n.* the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
222. terrestrial gl___e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness

ANSWERS: 213. n-gram, 214. query, 215. conclude, 216. abstract, 217. individual, 218. frustrate, 219. immediately, 220. stretch, 221. epidemic, 222. globe

223. 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
224. la_____t settlement *n.* a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered
225. in_____et the question *v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
226. st_____ng earthquake shocks *adj.* extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying
227. di_____ct difference *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
228. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
229. sp_____r a local group *v.* to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising
230. re_____er email *n.* something that serves to jog or refresh one's memory; a prompt or message that helps to recall or remember something
231. ad__t a child *v.* to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

ANSWERS: 223. process, 224. lawsuit, 225. interpret, 226. startling, 227. distinct, 228. transform, 229. sponsor, 230. reminder, 231. adopt

232. co_____de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
233. ex_____e a newcomer *v.* to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity
234. st_____ng discovery *adj.* extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying
235. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
236. a coordinate a__s *n.* a real or imaginary straight line through a body or figure around which the object turns; a group of countries in special alliance
237. vertical a__s *n.* a real or imaginary straight line through a body or figure around which the object turns; a group of countries in special alliance
238. profit-ki_____g *n.* the act of causing death; a sudden and intense force or effect that causes significant damage or destruction; a situation where someone is making a substantial amount of money or experiencing significant financial success
239. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
240. 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

ANSWERS: 232. conclude, 233. exclude, 234. startling, 235. slide, 236. axis, 237. axis, 238. killing, 239. shift, 240. graph

241. notable in_____ce	<i>n.</i> a particular example or single occurrence of something
242. ge___e analyses	<i>n.</i> the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things
243. fr_____nt absence	<i>adj.</i> happening constantly
244. lacks a sense of sel_____ect	<i>n.</i> a feeling of being proud of and confident in yourself
245. sl__e a glance	<i>v.</i> to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
246. f_g marigold	<i>n.</i> a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow
247. evolutionary bi_____y	<i>n.</i> the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
248. the eq_____on of poverty with ignorance	<i>n.</i> the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
249. ad__t a bill	<i>v.</i> to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
250. pl_____ting sales	<i>v.</i> to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
251. ve_____le treasure	<i>adj.</i> authentic or genuine, often used to emphasize the degree or extent of something
252. major paradigm sh__t	<i>n.</i> a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

ANSWERS: 241. instance, 242. genome, 243. frequent, 244. self-respect, 245. slide, 246. fig, 247. biology, 248. equation, 249. adopt, 250. plummet, 251. veritable, 252. shift

253. the b__z of a cicada *v.* to make a continuous, low humming sound such as the one bee makes; an exciting and active atmosphere
254. Je___h culture *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
255. in a ge___e voice *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
256. acc_____sh military operations *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
257. de___e a conclusion *v.* to obtain or receive something from a source
258. ir_____ar verbs *adj.* not having an even or balanced shape or arrangement; contrary to the usual rule, accepted order, or what is expected
259. the atmospheric tem_____re *n.* the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place
260. 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
261. dic_____ry definition *n.* a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation
262. imp_____al idea *adj.* not sensible or useful for practical purposes; not likely to be effective in achieving an intended outcome
263. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

ANSWERS: 253. buzz, 254. Jewish, 255. gentle, 256. accomplish, 257. derive, 258. irregular, 259. temperature, 260. planet, 261. dictionary, 262. impractical, 263. amazing

264. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
265. land cul_____on *n.* the process of preparing and using land for growing crops or plants, often involving tilling, fertilizing, and irrigating the soil; the act of fostering or developing something, such as a skill, talent, or idea
266. co_____ed of the idea *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
267. an_____e a chemical compound *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
268. noun ph___e *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
269. an international tr__d *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
270. laws of ph_____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
271. sequencing of the human ge___e *n.* the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things
272. file a la_____t *n.* a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered
273. nuclear ph_____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions

ANSWERS: 264. vast, 265. cultivation, 266. convinced, 267. analyze, 268. phrase, 269. trend, 270. physics, 271. genome, 272. lawsuit, 273. physics

274. he_____ge site *n.* the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations
275. learn new co_____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
276. the s__n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
277. co_____ed criminal *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
278. a glad oc_____on *n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
279. sh__d of pottery *n.* a small, sharp piece of something that has been broken, especially a material like glass, pottery, or metal
280. high fr_____cy *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
281. hi_____ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
282. di_____ct from each other *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
283. the di__t in the hundreds place *n.* one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe
284. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

ANSWERS: 274. heritage, 275. concept, 276. span, 277. convinced, 278. occasion, 279. shard, 280. frequency, 281. historic, 282. distinct, 283. digit, 284. norm

285. early pr_____pe *n.* a first or preliminary example of something such as a device or vehicle from which other forms are developed
286. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
287. pa__e trend *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
288. retie the st____g and make it strong *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
289. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
290. ab_____ct science *adj.* based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
291. th____e on pressure *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
292. historical he_____ge *n.* the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations
293. aw_____e mental faculty *adj.* inspiring fear, admiration, or respect; very good, nice, fun, etc.
294. political na__r *n.* the lowest point, the point of greatest despair or decline, often used metaphorically
295. ex_____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
296. co_____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract

ANSWERS: 285. prototype, 286. distribute, 287. passe, 288. string, 289. suppose, 290. abstract, 291. thrive, 292. heritage, 293. awesome, 294. nadir, 295. extreme, 296. concept

297. di__t identifier *n.* one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe
298. wound his sel_____ect *n.* a feeling of being proud of and confident in yourself
299. re_____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
300. ce___r a book *n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information
301. from imm_____al times *adj.* extending back beyond memory or record; very old
302. achieve the hi_____ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
303. express fru_____on *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
304. fru_____on level *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
305. ro_____y explain my idea *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
306. pl_____ff attorney *n.* a person or entity that brings a legal action against someone else in a court of law; the person or party that is bringing a lawsuit

ANSWERS: 297. digit, 298. self-respect, 299. release, 300. censor, 301. immemorial, 302. historic, 303. frustration, 304. frustration, 305. roughly, 306. plaintiff

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He has a _____ fortune and is one of the wealthiest people in the city.
adj. large in size or amount
2. Without investment, a business cannot _____.
v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
3. The _____ in the case is seeking damages for the wrongful termination of his employment.
n. a person or entity that brings a legal action against someone else in a court of law; the person or party that is bringing a lawsuit
4. The oil price continued their downward _____.
n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing
5. The _____ medium comprises gas, dust, and cosmic rays that fill the space between stars.
adj. relating to or located in the space between stars
6. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
7. The national assembly has _____ the budget.
v. to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
8. He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front _____.
n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

ANSWERS: 1. sizable, 2. thrive, 3. plaintiff, 4. trend, 5. interstellar, 6. amazing, 7. adopted, 8. row

9. The sea surface temperature and _____ circulation are inextricably linked.

adj. about or located in the earth's atmosphere

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

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

11. The researcher demonstrated the superiority of quantum _____ in several mathematical tasks.

n. the act or process of calculating something, especially an answer or amount, by using a machine or calculator

12. 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

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

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

14. He slightly modified the _____ of training because it was just before a match.

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

15. Her concept is highly _____ and helpful.

adj. of or connected with actual use or real situation rather than with theory and ideas

ANSWERS: 9. atmospheric, 10. damn, 11. computation, 12. individual, 13. statistics, 14. span, 15. practical

16. The museum houses a _____ collection of Celtic artifacts.

adj. extremely interesting

17. Thank you for inviting such a _____ party tonight.

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

18. Driving was difficult on the _____ cobblestoned surface.

adj. not having an even or balanced shape or arrangement; contrary to the usual rule, accepted order, or what is expected

19. It is _____ to expect everyone to work for free.

adj. not sensible or useful for practical purposes; not likely to be effective in achieving an intended outcome

20. Different people might _____ this news differently.

v. to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.

21. This statue honors a distinguished _____.

n. a man who is a respected leader or politician in national or international affairs

22. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

23. Good _____ is better than a good face.

n. the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on

24. He ate the dried _____ he had preserved.

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

ANSWERS: 16. fascinating, 17. fabulous, 18. irregular, 19. impractical, 20. interpret, 21. statesman, 22. release, 23. fame, 24. figs

25. Her _____ manner relaxed everyone there.

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

26. This evidence will form the _____ for our discussion.

n. the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

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

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

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

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

29. She wore her best dress for the special _____.

n. a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

30. The machine had been damaged by rough _____.

n. the way in which a word or phrase is used in a language; the extent in which how much something is used

31. The numbers on the sign _____ to points on the map.

v. to match or be similar to something else almost exactly; to exchange messages

32. We do move forward with those tasks in _____ next week.

n. a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order

33. The national election was held amid _____ security.

adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

ANSWERS: 25. gentle, 26. basis, 27. massive, 28. transformed, 29. occasion, 30. usage, 31. correspond, 32. sequence, 33. tight

34. Some herds have been observed to _____ hundreds of kilometers.
- v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
35. I need time to _____ on that idea before making a decision.
- v.* to think deeply and carefully about something
36. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using _____ medicines.
- n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
37. 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
38. The company hired a PR firm to _____ its new product.
- v.* to make information or news publicly known or communicated, to promote or spread awareness of
39. The shark's powerful _____ allowed it to swim at high speeds.
- n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
40. The flying car is presently in the _____ stage.
- n.* a first or preliminary example of something such as a device or vehicle from which other forms are developed
41. 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

ANSWERS: 34. stretch, 35. cogitate, 36. alternative, 37. epidemic, 38. publicize, 39. fins, 40. prototype, 41. planet

42. How much is it per one hundred _____
n. a metric unit of weight equal to one-thousandth of a kilogram
43. The sticky notes served as helpful _____ of important tasks that needed to be completed.
n. something that serves to jog or refresh one's memory; a prompt or message that helps to recall or remember something
44. Use a singular _____ if the subject is singular.
n. a word or phrase that describes an action, state, or experience
45. We _____ a cease-fire.
v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
46. A clear and simple expression is the _____ of good writing.
n. a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing
47. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
48. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.
adj. without any or little sound
49. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?
v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
50. The photographer took this photo using a telephoto _____.
n. a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

ANSWERS: 42. grams?, 43. reminders, 44. verb, 45. concluded, 46. hallmark, 47. norms, 48. silent, 49. divide, 50. lens

51. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.

adv. now or without delay

52. The company has shown an excellent growth _____ over the years.

n. the curved path followed by an object moving through space

53. Could you help me _____ some furniture?

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

54. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

55. The diamond ring _____ in the sunlight, catching everyone's eye.

v. to reflect light in a way that creates a shining or bright and attractive appearance; to become visible or apparent

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

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

57. Her _____ behavior at the party caused quite a stir among the guests.

adj. highly unusual, unconventional, or shocking; going beyond the bounds of what is considered acceptable or proper

58. The oscillator hunts for the correct _____.

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

59. He led a _____ life.

adj. not drunk or affected by alcohol; dignified in manner or character and committed to keeping promises

ANSWERS: 51. immediately, 52. trajectory, 53. shift, 54. concept, 55. gleamed, 56. population, 57. outrageous, 58. frequency, 59. sober

60. The stock prices have _____ in the last hour, causing concern for investors.

v. to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply

61. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

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

62. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?

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

63. The marketing campaign relied heavily on _____ to sell the product.

n. exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken used to create emphasis or to make a point

64. He was promoted to manager, and _____ he began to make changes in the company.

adv. after that; subsequently

65. His heartaches are less _____ now.

adj. happening constantly

66. The president began to _____ an army.

v. to collect in one place as a single group

67. The _____ of the city is reflected in its architecture.

n. the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations

ANSWERS: 60. plummeted, 61. develop, 62. suppose, 63. hyperbole, 64. thereafter, 65. frequent, 66. assemble, 67. heritage

68. The coach explained a strategy to _____ the opponent's schemes to the players.
- v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
69. He felt a deep _____ as he realized the project would not be completed on time.
- n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
70. Bats reside in sheltered _____.
- n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
71. 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
72. We must enter a six-_____ number to unlock the safe.
- n.* one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe
73. 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
74. She stood on the podium and _____ an audience.
- v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

ANSWERS: 68. frustrate, 69. frustration, 70. caves, 71. process, 72. digit, 73. graph, 74. scanned

75. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

76. The _____ of crops is a vital part of agriculture in many countries.

n. the process of preparing and using land for growing crops or plants, often involving tilling, fertilizing, and irrigating the soil; the act of fostering or developing something, such as a skill, talent, or idea

77. Many bookshops no longer carry printed _____ but some libraries still hold onto their collections.

n. a comprehensive reference work containing articles on a wide range of subjects or numerous aspects of a particular field or discipline, usually arranged alphabetically or thematically

78. His final goal is to sail around the _____.

n. the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness

79. The truth was more _____ than expected.

adj. very strange or unusual

80. The body of his car has a _____ finish.

adj. having a surface without a shine, luster; non-glossy

81. The government used _____ pictures to spread its message of national unity.

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

82. The government imposed a _____ of freedom of speech.

n. the act of stopping or preventing something from being expressed or revealed

ANSWERS: 75. historic, 76. cultivation, 77. encyclopedias, 78. globe, 79. bizarre, 80. matte, 81. propaganda, 82. suppression

83. They _____ to make their dream come true.

v. to try very hard to do, achieve, or obtain something

84. The new start-up company carved out a large _____ of the market within a year.

n. a thick and solid mass or piece of something

85. The public is _____ that the prime minister has committed fraud.

adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

86. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

87. The widow of a deceased writer discovered an incomplete novel _____ in his room.

n. the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed

88. After the controversial policy was implemented, the country's reputation hit a new _____.

n. the lowest point, the point of greatest despair or decline, often used metaphorically

89. He describes the story with _____ reality.

adj. extremely surprising, astonishing, and sometimes worrying

90. The human _____ contains approximately three billion chemical base pairs.

n. the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things

ANSWERS: 83. strived, 84. chunk, 85. convinced, 86. instances, 87. manuscript, 88. nadir, 89. startling, 90. genome

91. The teacher attempted to _____ the root cause of our mistake.
v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
92. He's utterly _____ with his promotion.
v. to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
93. He was content with living a life of _____.
n. the state or quality of being average or of having only moderate ability, success, or value; the state or quality of being uninspired or unoriginal
94. The invention of the camera triggered the development of _____ painting.
adj. based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
95. It is essential to keep these two issues _____.
adj. noticeable from something else of a similar type
96. Newspapers were subjected to _____ a few days later.
n. the act or process of suppression or restriction of any portions of books, films, news, etc. that are judged obscene, politically unacceptable, or a threat to security
97. 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
98. The cost for the trip _____ food and beverages.
v. to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity

ANSWERS: 91. analyze, 92. obsessed, 93. mediocrity, 94. abstract, 95. distinct, 96. censorship, 97. influenza, 98. excludes

99. We _____ in a souvenir shop.

- v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants

100. Our company _____ numerous disabled athletes.

- v.* to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising

101. The content is _____ and informative for me.

- adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited

102. My friend is a _____ woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

- adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

103. The stock market _____ measures the performance of a group of stocks.

- n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index

104. The basketball bounced off the rim and _____ to the player.

- v.* to spring back into a former shape or position after being compressed or stretched

105. The earth's _____ of rotation is tilted 66.5 degrees to the ecliptic plane.

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

106. Who answers _____ knows little.

- adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

ANSWERS: 99. browsed, 100. sponsors, 101. precise, 102. Jewish, 103. index, 104. rebounded, 105. axis, 106. suddenly

107. The receptionist detached a ticket from its _____.

- n.* a short piece of something, especially a cigarette, pencil, etc., that is left after the main part has been used

108. I had a _____ about my bank statement and called customer service for an explanation.

- n.* a question or inquiry, often used in the context of research, information-gathering, or data analysis; a request for information

109. It is important to _____ safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

- v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

110. I heard the _____ of conversation from the next room.

- v.* to make a continuous, low humming sound such as the one a bee makes; an exciting and active atmosphere

111. We will explain the countermeasure concerning this problem _____.

- adv.* after the time mentioned

112. There is a lot of _____ nature and food in Hawaii.

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

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

- n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

114. Humankind took centuries to _____ true democracy.

- v.* to finish or achieve something successfully

ANSWERS: 107. stub, 108. query, 109. observe, 110. buzz, 111. afterward, 112. awesome, 113. psychology, 114. accomplish

115. We bought a Spanish _____ book.

n. a group of words that mean something specific when used together

116. I need to purchase a new English _____.

n. a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words and their definitions, as well as information about their origins, usage, and pronunciation

117. The _____ analysis revealed common phrases that users often searched for on the website.

n. (the "n" in "n-gram" denotes the number of terms grouped together) a contiguous sequence of n items (words, characters, or phonemes) within a given text or speech

118. The _____ lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.

119. The ancient ruins had been there since _____ and their origin was mysterious.

adj. extending back beyond memory or record; very old

120. Cities around the world set records for highest _____ this summer.

n. the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place

121. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.

adj. very great in amount or degree

122. He studied the _____ of radiation.

n. the science of matter and energy and their interactions

ANSWERS: 115. phrase, 116. dictionary, 117. n-grams, 118. politician, 119. immemorial, 120. temperatures, 121. extreme, 122. physics

123. He has a flair for _____.

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

124. He was promoted to the _____ of captain in the military.

- n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others

125. Many people worry that the current real estate market is a _____ that could burst soon.

- n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses

126. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.

- adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

127. The newspaper editor decided to _____ the controversial headline to avoid backlash.

- n.* a person or institution responsible for examining books, movies, and other forms of media to determine if they are harmful or offensive and should be banned or altered; an official in charge of banning or suppressing information

128. The doctor prescribed medication to _____ the patient's appetite.

- v.* to bring something under control by force or authority; to put an end by force

129. This measurement aims to reduce traffic at _____ periods.

- n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain

ANSWERS: 123. mathematics, 124. rank, 125. bubble, 126. vast, 127. censor, 128. suppress, 129. peak

130. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in _____ class.

n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

131. Her failure resulted in a loss of her _____.

n. a feeling of being proud of and confident in yourself

132. She wore a _____ of pearls around her neck.

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

133. We _____ the payment because of an incorrect invoice.

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

134. 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

135. His estate was _____ to his sons.

v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

136. He walked into the party with an _____ dressed companion, causing everyone to stare.

adv. in a way that is unexpected, strange, or peculiar

137. She _____ the book from the shelf.

v. to find or get something back

ANSWERS: 130. biology, 131. self-respect, 132. string, 133. delayed, 134. equations, 135. distributed, 136. oddly, 137. retrieved

138. The new marketing campaign _____ increased sales for the company.

adv. to a significant extent or degree; noticeably; substantially

139. Five miles is _____ similar to eight kilometers.

adv. approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

140. He _____ pieces of rope out of straw.

v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape

141. The artist used a _____ of glass to create intricate designs on her sculptures.

n. a small, sharp piece of something that has been broken, especially a material like glass, pottery, or metal

142. The _____ of unarmed civilians is considered a war crime.

n. the act of causing death; a sudden and intense force or effect that causes significant damage or destruction; a situation where someone is making a substantial amount of money or experiencing significant financial success

143. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.

v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

144. The virus had the potential to _____ entire populations if left unchecked.

v. to destroy completely; to cause something to cease to exist

145. The _____ for a video game includes information about the game's platform and release date.

n. information that describes or provides contextual details about other data, such as the content, structure, format, or authorship of a document or file

ANSWERS: 138. considerably, 139. roughly, 140. twisted, 141. shard, 142. killing, 143. slide, 144. annihilate, 145. metadata

146. This patient must undergo _____ surgery.

- n.* an alternative road, channel, pipe, or connection that allows flow while the main one is closed or obstructed; (verb) to go past or round

147. The _____ of his idea came from watching birds flying in flocks.

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

148. These English words are _____ from Latin.

- v.* to obtain or receive something from a source

149. She is a _____ expert on the subject and has published many papers.

- adj.* authentic or genuine, often used to emphasize the degree or extent of something

150. The company is facing a _____ for its alleged discrimination against employees.

- n.* a legal action taken by one party against another in a court of law, typically seeking damages or some other form of remedy for perceived wrongs or harms suffered

151. The _____ of completing a difficult task is a great feeling.

- n.* the feeling of being pleased or satisfied as a result of achieving something or having something you want

152. This pie _____ represents our market share.

- n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea

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

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

ANSWERS: 146. bypass, 147. germ, 148. derived, 149. veritable, 150. lawsuit, 151. gratification, 152. chart, 153. passe

ANSWERS: