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Session 1: Word List

substantial

adj. fairly large in size, value, or importance

synonym: significant, notable, actual

(1) a **substantial** amount of capital, (2) have a **substantial** meal

The pandemic was a **substantial** business opportunity for certain companies.

selfish

adj. concerned primarily with one's profit or pleasure without regard for others; forming or arising from a person's self or interest

synonym: egocentric, self-centered, narcissistic

(1) **selfish** motive, (2) **selfish** desire

His **selfish** ambition caused him to step on others to climb the corporate ladder.

communal

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

propose

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

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

apathy

n. lack of emotion, concern, or enthusiasm
synonym: affectlessness, dispassion, indifference

(1) **apathy** in the election, (2) political **apathy**
The global economic crisis has led to pervasive **apathy** and powerlessness.

actively

adv. in a way that involves taking action or participating actively; with energy and determination
synonym: energetically, vigorously, diligently

(1) **actively** participate, (2) **actively** engage
I am **actively** looking for a new job opportunity.

discotheque

n. a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance
synonym: nightclub, dance club, disco

(1) **discotheque** party, (2) **discotheque** scene
He couldn't wait to hit the **discotheque** and dance the night away.

engagement

n. a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
synonym: betrothal, promise, commitment

(1) a prior **engagement**, (2) break off an **engagement**
They selected a gorgeous diamond **engagement** ring.

constantly

adv. all the time
synonym: continuously, always, frequently

(1) a **constantly** innovative enterprise, (2) a **constantly** varying mind
The mobile application industry is **constantly** changing.

obstacle

n. a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress

synonym : hindrance, barrier, block

(1) an **obstacle** to progress, (2) **obstacle** avoidance

The **obstacle** course was challenging but fun.

barrier

n. a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

synonym : border, barricade, fence

(1) cost **barrier**, (2) information **barrier**

The police placed a **barrier** across the street to halt traffic.

zone

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

synonym : area, region, territory

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

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

halfway

adj. in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points

synonym : middle, median, center

(1) **halfway** through my journey, (2) **halfway** decent job

The famous restaurant stands **halfway** up the hill.

font

n. a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen

synonym : typeface, typography, lettering

(1) **font** size, (2) script **font**

I changed the **font** on my resume to make it more visually appealing.

involve

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

synonym : implicate, include, engage

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

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

sector

n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

synonym: division, department, branch

(1) industrial **sector**, (2) private **sector**

The technology **sector** is constantly evolving and innovating.

advert

v. an advertisement; (verb) to make reference to something in speaking or writing

synonym: advertise, mention, attend

(1) a television **advert** for the product, (2) full page **advert**

Our company took out a big **advert** next to the highway.

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.

engage

v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

synonym: confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,

(2) **engage** a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.

intentional

adj. done, made or performed with purpose and intent

synonym : deliberate, intended, preplanned

(1) **intentional** destruction of evidence, (2) an **intentional** walk

The law distinguishes between accidental and **intentional** killing.

exclusion

n. the act of keeping someone or something out or preventing them from participating in or being part of something

synonym : omission, isolation, bar

(1) gender **exclusion**, (2) **exclusion** criteria

The policy of **exclusion** has caused significant harm to marginalized communities.

mist

n. a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water

synonym : fog, murk, haze

(1) **mist** in the morning, (2) fine **mist**

The sun has risen, and the **mist** has faded.

progressive

adj. relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one

synonym : advanced, forward-thinking, modern

(1) **progressive** taxation, (2) **progressive** development

The **progressive** approach to education emphasizes hands-on learning and student-centered classrooms.

essentially

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

synonym : fundamentally, basically, virtually

(1) **essentially** correct, (2) become **essentially** same

Essentially, a society is an organism.

expression

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

synonym : statement, utterance, remark

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

dominate

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

synonym: govern, rule, prevail

(1) **dominate** possession, (2) **dominate** over the weak
The perspective of his right brain **dominates** his consciousness.

visual

adj. relating to seeing or sight

synonym: optical, graphical, visible

(1) **visual** navigation, (2) field of **visual** arts
The building makes a remarkable **visual** impact.

environment

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

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**
Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

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.

mess

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

synonym: disarray, confusion, predicament

(1) have a whole **mess**, (2) get into a **mess**
He made a frightful **mess** in his room.

profitable

adj. making or likely to make material gain or profit

synonym : advantageous, beneficial, thriving

(1) a **profitable** job, (2) **profitable** trade

The Prohibition amendment made bootlegging **profitable**.

billboard

n. a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads

synonym : hoarding, signboard, advertisement

(1) **billboard** advertising, (2) digital **billboard**

The new **billboard** on the highway promotes a popular vacation destination.

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.

relation

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

synonym : association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

ignore

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

synonym : neglect, disregard, shun

(1) **ignore** her advice, (2) **ignore** a ban

Since independence, the area has been completely **ignored**.

celebrity

n. someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry

synonym : figure, star, VIP

(1) baseball **celebrity**, (2) **celebrity** known worldwide

The popularity of the show made her an instant **celebrity**.

scandal

n. an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage

synonym : controversy, outrage, uproar

(1) **scandal** magazine, (2) a corruption **scandal**

The political **scandal** rocked the nation and led to the resignation of several high-ranking officials.

downtown

adv. in or towards the central area of a town or city

synonym : central, city-center, urban

(1) **downtown** building, (2) **downtown** traffic

He decided to take a walk **downtown** area to explore the city.

elect

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

synonym : select, choose, prefer

(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death

Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.

candidate

n. a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant

synonym : applicant, nominee, contender

(1) **candidate** selection, (2) PhD **candidate**

The **candidate's** platform focused on healthcare reform and reducing income inequality.

debate

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

synonym : argument, discussion, dispute

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

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

opposing

adj. competing, fighting, or working against each other

synonym : disagreeing, dissenting, conflicting

(1) **opposing** counsel, (2) in an **opposing** direction

We have no intention of **opposing** his idea.

privatize

v. to transfer ownership or control of a business or industry from government or public control to private ownership or control; to make something into a private enterprise or organization

synonym : deregulate, denationalize

(1) **privatize** post offices, (2) **privatize** healthcare

The government wants to **privatize** specific industries to boost their efficiency.

transit

n. the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation

synonym : transportation, passage, transfer

(1) a **transit** visa, (2) mass **transit**

Public **transit** is an essential service for many cities.

reinforce

v. to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger

synonym : strengthen, fortify, support

(1) **reinforce** the military, (2) **reinforce** good behavior

We should **reinforce** the troops at the front line.

spectator

n. someone present at an event, such as a sports game, play, or concert, to watch or observe it

synonym : onlooker, observer, viewer

(1) mass **spectator** sport, (2) **spectator** seat

She enjoyed watching the game as a **spectator**.

hero

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

synonym : champion, protagonist, savior

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

The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national **hero**.

leadership

n. the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization

synonym : captaincy, direction, initiative

(1) under his **leadership**, (2) **leadership** by politicians

The country's **leadership** has decided to take large-scale measures against global warming.

prophecy

n. a statement or prediction that something will happen in the future, typically one made by a religious leader

synonym : prediction, foretelling, divination

(1) **prophecy** fulfillment, (2) **prophecy** of doom

The fortune teller's **prophecy** that I would meet my soulmate next year has yet to come true.

heroic

adj. courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

synonym : brave, courageous, daring

(1) a **heroic** poem, (2) **heroic** explorers

The **heroic** actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.

collective

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

synonym : composite, concerted, cumulative

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

Product development is a **collective** effort.

imperfectly

adv. in a faulty or incomplete way

synonym : amiss, insufficiently, clumsily

(1) **imperfectly** developed, (2) **imperfectly** known disease
He created an **imperfectly** shaped torso.

glamorous

adj. highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people

synonym : alluring, bewitching, enchanting

(1) **glamorous** movie stars, (2) cast **glamorous** eyes
The south coast is less **glamorous** yet has many clean and appealing hotels.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym : abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**
Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

ongoing

adj. continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening

synonym : continuous, current, proceeding

(1) still **ongoing**, (2) **ongoing** support
The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the **ongoing** economic crisis.

voluntary

adj. done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced

synonym : self-willed, spontaneous, discretionary

(1) **voluntary** action, (2) **voluntary** participation
The program is **voluntary**, so participants can choose whether or not to take part.

heroism

n. great courage or bravery, especially in the face of danger or adversity; the act of sacrificing oneself for a noble cause

synonym : bravery, valor, courage

(1) acts of **heroism**, (2) military **heroism**
The firefighter showed true **heroism** when he rescued the

family from the burning building.

scratch

v. to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object

synonym: claw, rub, scrape

(1) **scratch** off a name, (2) **scratch** my signature

Don't **scratch** your mosquito bites.

forehead

n. the part of the face above the eyebrows and below the hairline; the upper part of the face that extends from the eyes to the hairline

synonym: brow, frontal bone, temple

(1) **forehead** wrinkles, (2) kiss on the **forehead**

The athlete had sweat dripping down her **forehead** after the intense workout.

characteristic

n. a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody

synonym: feature, quality, attribute

(1) stripes **characteristic** of the zebra, (2) my friend's **characteristic** laugh

Bananas have their **characteristic** taste and odor.

invite

v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

synonym: ask, request, summon

(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism

We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

creative

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

synonym : imaginative, innovative, inventive

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

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

organization

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

synonym : association, institution, community

(1) **organization** chart, (2) agricultural **organization**

She is the president of a large international **organization**.

rely

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

synonym : depend, count, lean

(1) **rely** on convenience stores, (2) **rely** entirely on him

Babies heavily **rely** on others for food.

poll

n. an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election

synonym : survey, ballot, voting

(1) a pre-election **poll**, (2) public opinion **polls**

Several **polls** show a decline in the president's approval rating.

regurgitate

v. to bring back partially digested food from the stomach to the mouth; to repeat or recite something without understanding or adding anything new or original

synonym : repeat, echo, restate

(1) **regurgitate** food, (2) **regurgitate** information

The biology student had to **regurgitate** all the material she had learned for the final exam.

expense

n. the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something

synonym: cost, expenditure, outlay

(1) enormous **expenses**, (2) **expense** account

For this project to be successful, we must control **expenses** strictly.

bold

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

synonym: brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds

The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

fee

n. a sum of money charged for a particular service

synonym: charge, cost, expense

(1) **fee** calculation, (2) service **fee**

The lawyer's **fee** for the case was \$10,000.

cynicism

n. a belief or attitude of distrust or skepticism, particularly concerning the motives or integrity of other people; an inclination to believe that people are motivated purely by self-interest

synonym: distrust, skepticism, pessimism

(1) **cynicism** towards politics, (2) intellectual **cynicism**

His constant **cynicism** made it difficult for him to connect with others.

charitable

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

synonym: generous, helping, giving

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

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

advocacy

n. the act of supporting or promoting a particular cause or point of view, often through public campaigning or lobbying

synonym: support, promotion, defense

(1) **advocacy** group, (2) consumer **advocacy** group

The group engages in **advocacy** through lobbying and campaigning for policy changes.

passionate

adj. showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief

synonym : ardent, fervent, intense

(1) **passionate** speech, (2) **passionate** kiss

Their **passionate** argument lasted for hours, neither willing to back down.

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.

out-of-date

adj. no longer current or applicable; proceeding or produced in an older or previous time period and no longer considered fashionable, useful, or relevant

synonym : obsolete, outdated, old-fashioned

(1) **out-of-date** information, (2) **out-of-date** fashion

The technology used in this computer is **out-of-date** and needs an upgrade.

unfair

adj. not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception

synonym : wrongful, biased, dishonest

(1) **unfair** employment practices, (2) have an **unfair** advantage

In a democracy, it is necessary to monitor the judiciary to see if it is making **unfair** decisions.

random

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

synonym : incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**
To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

genuine

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

synonym : actual, honest, unpretending

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

encourage

v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

synonym : facilitate, persuade, stimulate

(1) **encourage** a sense of affinity, (2) **encourage** antisocial behavior

They **encouraged** customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

apathetic

adj. lacking interest, enthusiasm, or concern; indifferent or unconcerned, often in situations where one might be expected to be emotionally engaged or invested

synonym : indifferent, uninterested, unconcerned

(1) **apathetic** attitude, (2) **apathetic** response

She was **apathetic** about the project and didn't care if it succeeded or failed.

brick

n. a rectangular block of baked clay used as a building material

synonym : block, tile, paver

(1) **brick** wall, (2) dressed **brick**

The wall was made of hard **bricks** that had been used for centuries.

negative

adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

synonym : minus, adverse, pessimistic

(1) have a **negative** effect, (2) a **negative** number
The movie has received almost universally **negative** criticism.

quitter

n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
synonym: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

opposition

n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

synonym: resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly
synonym: reference, allude, cite

(1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report

I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

reform

n. the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem

synonym: change, modify, improve

(1) economic **reform**, (2) **reform** movement

The government is proposing a **reform** to the healthcare system to make it more accessible and affordable for all citizens.

elector

n. a person who has the right to vote in an election

synonym: voter, constituent, citizen

(1) presidential **elector**, (2) qualified for an **elector**

The **elector** cast their vote for the candidate they believed in.

democracy

n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

synonym: self-government, republic, commonwealth

(1) **democracy** advocate, (2) principles of **democracy**

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

redefine

v. to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way

synonym: reconsider, reformulate, alter

(1) **redefine** customer experience, (2) **redefine** our role

The video telephony application has **redefined** the way we work.

internal

adj. of or relating to the inside of something

synonym: interior, inner, domestic

(1) **internal** organs, (2) the **internal** economy

The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve **internal** disputes.

syndrome

n. a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder

synonym: disorder, condition, complication

(1) **syndrome** of dementia, (2) acute **syndrome**

The patient was diagnosed with a rare genetic **syndrome**.

complexity

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

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

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

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

disengage

v. to withdraw or separate oneself from a situation or relationship

synonym: withdraw, separate, detach

(1) **disengage** the clutch, (2) **disengage** socially

He **disengaged** from the conversation and walked away.

define

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

synonym: characterize, depict, express

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

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

identify

v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

synonym: determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

dismantle

v. to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment

synonym: take apart, demolish, take down

(1) **dismantle** a machine, (2) **dismantle** a system

The old building had to be **dismantled** because it was structurally unsound.

Session 2: Spelling

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v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
5. do_____te over the weak
v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
6. private se____r
n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
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n. a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
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24. sy_____me of dementia *n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder
25. re_____ne our role *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
26. get into a m__s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
27. org_____ion chart *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
28. pro_____ve taxation *adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one
29. ac_____ly engage *adv.* in a way that involves taking action or participating actively; with energy and determination
30. a pro_____le job *adj.* making or likely to make material gain or profit

ANSWERS: 20. redefine, 21. communal, 22. scandal, 23. substantial, 24. syndrome, 25. redefine, 26. mess, 27. organization, 28. progressive, 29. actively, 30. profitable

31. re____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
32. vi___l navigation *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
33. am____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
34. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
35. el__t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
36. el__t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
37. dis_____ue scene *n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance
38. a b__d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
39. do_____te possession *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
40. under his lea_____ip *n.* the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
41. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
42. ha_____y decent job *adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
43. he___c explorers *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

ANSWERS: 31. relation, 32. visual, 33. amazing, 34. mention, 35. elect, 36. elect, 37. discotheque, 38. bold, 39. dominate, 40. leadership, 41. amazing, 42. halfway, 43. heroic

44. military he____m *n.* great courage or bravery, especially in the face of danger or adversity; the act of sacrificing oneself for a noble cause
45. dressed br__k *n.* a rectangular block of baked clay used as a building material
46. de_____cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
47. int_____al destruction of evidence *adj.* done, made or performed with purpose and intent
48. un___r employment practices *adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception
49. en_____ge antisocial behavior *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
50. col_____ve ownership *adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people
51. serial qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
52. baseball ce_____ty *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
53. di_____ge the clutch *v.* to withdraw or separate oneself from a situation or relationship

ANSWERS: 44. heroism, 45. brick, 46. democracy, 47. intentional, 48. unfair, 49. encourage, 50. collective, 51. quitter, 52. celebrity, 53. disengage

54. a he___c poem *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring
55. pr_____ze post offices *v.* to transfer ownership or control of a business or industry from government or public control to private ownership or control; to make something into a private enterprise or organization
56. artistic exp_____on *n.* the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood
57. gl_____us movie stars *adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
58. ha_____y through my journey *adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
59. show ge_____e regret *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
60. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
61. political ap___y *n.* lack of emotion, concern, or enthusiasm
62. a con_____ly innovative enterprise *adv.* all the time
63. cy_____sm towards politics *n.* a belief or attitude of distrust or skepticism, particularly concerning the motives or integrity of other people; an inclination to believe that people are motivated purely by self-interest

ANSWERS: 54. heroic, 55. privatize, 56. expression, 57. glamorous, 58. halfway, 59. genuine, 60. opposition, 61. apathy, 62. constantly, 63. cynicism

64. a television ad___t for the product *v.* an advertisement; (verb) to make reference to something in speaking or writing
65. gender ex_____on *n.* the act of keeping someone or something out or preventing them from participating in or being part of something
66. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
67. digital bi_____rd *n.* a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads
68. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
69. ig___e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
70. reg_____te information *v.* to bring back partially digested food from the stomach to the mouth; to repeat or recite something without understanding or adding anything new or original
71. 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

ANSWERS: 64. advert, 65. exclusion, 66. environment, 67. billboard, 68. debate, 69. ignore, 70. regurgitate, 71. process

72. imp_____ly developed *adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way
73. ess_____ly correct *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
74. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
75. in___e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
76. big, b__d piano sounds *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
77. pas_____te speech *adj.* showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
78. de___e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
79. pro_____le trade *adj.* making or likely to make material gain or profit
80. stripes cha_____tic of the zebra *n.* a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody
81. still on_____g *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
82. ap_____ic attitude *adj.* lacking interest, enthusiasm, or concern; indifferent or unconcerned, often in situations where one might be expected to be emotionally engaged or invested

ANSWERS: 72. imperfectly, 73. essentially, 74. engage, 75. invite, 76. bold, 77. passionate, 78. define, 79. profitable, 80. characteristic, 81. ongoing, 82. apathetic

83. PhD ca_____te *n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
84. sc_____h off a name *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
85. a ge_____e article *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
86. re_____ce good behavior *v.* to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger
87. si____t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
88. qualified for an el_____r *n.* a person who has the right to vote in an election
89. full page ad____t *v.* an advertisement; (verb) to make reference to something in speaking or writing
90. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
91. consumer ad_____cy group *n.* the act of supporting or promoting a particular cause or point of view, often through public campaigning or lobbying
92. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 83. candidate, 84. scratch, 85. genuine, 86. reinforce, 87. silent, 88. elector, 89. advert, 90. environment, 91. advocacy, 92. develop

93. field of vi___l arts *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
94. su____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
95. di_____le a system *v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment
96. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
97. enormous ex_____es *n.* the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something
98. cast gl_____us eyes *adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
99. 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
100. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
101. a tr_____t visa *n.* the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation
102. id_____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

ANSWERS: 93. visual, 94. suddenly, 95. dismantle, 96. debate, 97. expense, 98. glamorous, 99. process, 100. communal, 101. transit, 102. identify

103. m__t in the morning *n.* a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water
104. a ne____ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
105. di____le a machine *v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment
106. break off an eng____nt *n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
107. bombs fell at ra____m *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
108. die su____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
109. out____te fashion *adj.* no longer current or applicable; proceeding or produced in an older or previous time period and no longer considered fashionable, useful, or relevant
110. sp____or seat *n.* someone present at an event, such as a sports game, play, or concert, to watch or observe it
111. r__y entirely on him *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
112. f_e calculation *n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service

ANSWERS: 103. mist, 104. negative, 105. dismantle, 106. engagement, 107. random, 108. suddenly, 109. out-of-date, 110. spectator, 111. rely, 112. fee

113. right to col_____ve bargaining	<i>adj.</i> done or shared by every member of a group of people
114. public opinion p__ls	<i>n.</i> an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
115. pr_____e changes	<i>v.</i> to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
116. pro_____ve development	<i>adj.</i> relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one
117. a prior eng_____nt	<i>n.</i> a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
118. bi_____rd advertising	<i>n.</i> a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads
119. mass sp_____or sport	<i>n.</i> someone present at an event, such as a sports game, play, or concert, to watch or observe it
120. industrial se____r	<i>n.</i> a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
121. de_____p a strategy	<i>v.</i> to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 113. collective, 114. poll, 115. propose, 116. progressive, 117. engagement, 118. billboard, 119. spectator, 120. sector, 121. develop

122. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
123. acts of he_____m *n.* great courage or bravery, especially in the face of danger or adversity; the act of sacrificing oneself for a noble cause
124. se_____h desire *adj.* concerned primarily with one's profit or pleasure without regard for others; forming or arising from a person's self or interest
125. the in_____al economy *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
126. ig_____e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
127. pr_____e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
128. information ba_____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
129. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
130. dis_____ue party *n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance
131. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
132. sc_____h my signature *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object

ANSWERS: 122. opposition, 123. heroism, 124. selfish, 125. internal, 126. ignore, 127. propose, 128. barrier, 129. inspire, 130. discotheque, 131. involve, 132. scratch

133. exp_____on of interest *n.* the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood
134. f__t size *n.* a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen
135. re_____ce the military *v.* to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger
136. do_____wn building *adv.* in or towards the central area of a town or city
137. ex_____on criteria *n.* the act of keeping someone or something out or preventing them from participating in or being part of something
138. fo_____ad wrinkles *n.* the part of the face above the eyebrows and below the hairline; the upper part of the face that extends from the eyes to the hairline
139. unsung h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
140. do_____wn traffic *adv.* in or towards the central area of a town or city
141. en_____ge a sense of affinity *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

ANSWERS: 133. expression, 134. font, 135. reinforce, 136. downtown, 137. exclusion, 138. forehead, 139. hero, 140. downtown, 141. encourage

142. presidential el____r *n.* a person who has the right to vote in an election
143. barren of cr____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
144. br__k wall *n.* a rectangular block of baked clay used as a building material
145. have a ne____ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
146. principles of de____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
147. an ob____le to progress *n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
148. ac____ly participate *adv.* in a way that involves taking action or participating actively; with energy and determination
149. ob____le avoidance *n.* a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
150. give si____t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
151. ca____te selection *n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
152. a pre-election p__l *n.* an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election

ANSWERS: 142. elector, 143. creative, 144. brick, 145. negative, 146. democracy, 147. obstacle, 148. actively, 149. obstacle, 150. silent, 151. candidate, 152. poll

153. reg_____te food *v.* to bring back partially digested food from the stomach to the mouth; to repeat or recite something without understanding or adding anything new or original
154. op_____ng counsel *adj.* competing, fighting, or working against each other
155. acute sy_____me *n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder
156. my friend's cha_____tic laugh *n.* a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody
157. cost ba_____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
158. in an op_____ng direction *adj.* competing, fighting, or working against each other
159. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
160. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
161. pr_____cy of doom *n.* a statement or prediction that something will happen in the future, typically one made by a religious leader
162. de____e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

ANSWERS: 153. regurgitate, 154. opposing, 155. syndrome, 156. characteristic, 157. barrier, 158. opposing, 159. identify, 160. inspire, 161. prophecy, 162. define

163. r__y on convenience stores *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
164. lea_____ip by politicians *n.* the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
165. pr_____ze healthcare *v.* to transfer ownership or control of a business or industry from government or public control to private ownership or control; to make something into a private enterprise or organization
166. ap___y in the election *n.* lack of emotion, concern, or enthusiasm
167. ap_____ic response *adj.* lacking interest, enthusiasm, or concern; indifferent or unconcerned, often in situations where one might be expected to be emotionally engaged or invested
168. ad_____cy group *n.* the act of supporting or promoting a particular cause or point of view, often through public campaigning or lobbying
169. a con_____ly varying mind *adv.* all the time
170. have an un___r advantage *adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception
171. di_____ge socially *v.* to withdraw or separate oneself from a situation or relationship
172. a ra___m choice *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

ANSWERS: 163. rely, 164. leadership, 165. privatize, 166. apathy, 167. apathetic, 168. advocacy, 169. constantly, 170. unfair, 171. disengage, 172. random

173. time z__e *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
174. ex_____e account *n.* the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something
175. vo_____ry action *adj.* done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced
176. have a whole m__s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
177. cha_____le organizations *adj.* giving money, food, or help free to those who are poor or in need; full of love and generosity
178. ce_____ty known worldwide *n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
179. mass tr_____t *n.* the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation
180. me_____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
181. easy qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
182. on_____g support *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
183. z__e defense *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
184. an int_____al walk *adj.* done, made or performed with purpose and intent
185. economic re___m *n.* the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem

ANSWERS: 173. zone, 174. expense, 175. voluntary, 176. mess, 177. charitable, 178. celebrity, 179. transit, 180. mention, 181. quitter, 182. ongoing, 183. zone, 184. intentional, 185. reform

186. script f__t *n.* a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen
187. sc_____l magazine *n.* an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage
188. imp_____ly known disease *adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way
189. se_____h motive *adj.* concerned primarily with one's profit or pleasure without regard for others; forming or arising from a person's self or interest
190. pas_____te kiss *adj.* showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
191. re___m movement *n.* the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem
192. in_____al organs *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
193. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
194. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

ANSWERS: 186. font, 187. scandal, 188. imperfectly, 189. selfish, 190. passionate, 191. reform, 192. internal, 193. complexity, 194. creative

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The sun has risen, and the _____ has faded.
n. a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water
2. The lawyer's _____ for the case was \$10,000.
n. a sum of money charged for a particular service
3. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
4. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.
adj. without any or little sound
5. We have no intention of _____ his idea.
adj. competing, fighting, or working against each other
6. I am _____ looking for a new job opportunity.
adv. in a way that involves taking action or participating actively; with energy and determination
7. He decided to take a walk _____ area to explore the city.
adv. in or towards the central area of a town or city
8. The government wants to _____ specific industries to boost their efficiency.
v. to transfer ownership or control of a business or industry from government or public control to private ownership or control; to make something into a private enterprise or organization

ANSWERS: 1. mist, 2. fee, 3. complexity, 4. silent, 5. opposing, 6. actively, 7. downtown, 8. privatize

9. The _____ course was challenging but fun.
n. a thing that blocks one's way or prevents or hinders progress
10. The firefighter showed true _____ when he rescued the family from the burning building.
n. great courage or bravery, especially in the face of danger or adversity; the act of sacrificing oneself for a noble cause
11. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.
v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
12. The technology used in this computer is _____ and needs an upgrade.
adj. no longer current or applicable; proceeding or produced in an older or previous time period and no longer considered fashionable, useful, or relevant
13. Our company took out a big _____ next to the highway.
v. an advertisement; (verb) to make reference to something in speaking or writing
14. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.
v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
15. The video telephony application has _____ the way we work.
v. to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
16. The fortune teller's _____ that I would meet my soulmate next year has yet to come true.
n. a statement or prediction that something will happen in the future, typically one made by a religious leader

ANSWERS: 9. obstacle, 10. heroism, 11. define, 12. out-of-date, 13. advert, 14. propose, 15. redefined, 16. prophecy

17. The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve _____ disputes.

adj. of or relating to the inside of something

18. The technology _____ is constantly evolving and innovating.

n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

19. 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

20. The _____ actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.

adj. courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

21. He _____ from the conversation and walked away.

v. to withdraw or separate oneself from a situation or relationship

22. Every five years, the provincial governors are _____.

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

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

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

ANSWERS: 17. internal, 18. sector, 19. develop, 20. heroic, 21. disengaged, 22. elected, 23. debate

24. She is the president of a large international _____.
- n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
25. The mobile application industry is _____ changing.
- adv.* all the time
26. He created an _____ shaped torso.
- adv.* in a faulty or incomplete way
27. The government is proposing a _____ to the healthcare system to make it more accessible and affordable for all citizens.
- n.* the act of improving or correcting something that is wrong or bad; a change made to correct a flaw or problem
28. His facial _____ showed a mix of surprise and confusion.
- n.* the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood
29. The policy of _____ has caused significant harm to marginalized communities.
- n.* the act of keeping someone or something out or preventing them from participating in or being part of something
30. The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national _____.
- n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
31. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
- n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

ANSWERS: 24. organization, 25. constantly, 26. imperfectly, 27. reform, 28. expression, 29. exclusion, 30. hero, 31. environment

32. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.

- v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

33. The police placed a _____ across the street to halt traffic.

- n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

34. The _____ approach to education emphasizes hands-on learning and student-centered classrooms.

- adj.* relating to or supporting development or advancement, especially social or political one

35. Is this painting _____ or forged?

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

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

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

37. They selected a gorgeous diamond _____ ring.

- n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

38. Since independence, the area has been completely _____.

- v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

39. He is always _____ to the poor.

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

ANSWERS: 32. invite, 33. barrier, 34. progressive, 35. genuine, 36. involves, 37. engagement, 38. ignored, 39. charitable

40. Don't _____ your mosquito bites.

- v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object

41. He was labeled as a _____ after he abandoned the project halfway.

- n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

42. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

43. They _____ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

- v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

44. The old building had to be _____ because it was structurally unsound.

- v.* to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment

45. The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the _____ economic crisis.

- adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening

46. For this project to be successful, we must control _____ strictly.

- n.* the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something

47. His _____ ambition caused him to step on others to climb the corporate ladder.

- adj.* concerned primarily with one's profit or pleasure without regard for others; forming or arising from a person's self or interest

ANSWERS: 40. scratch, 41. quitter, 42. amazing, 43. encouraged, 44. dismantled, 45. ongoing, 46. expenses, 47. selfish

48. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.
- adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
49. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
- v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
50. The _____ cast their vote for the candidate they believed in.
- n.* a person who has the right to vote in an election
51. The pandemic was a _____ business opportunity for certain companies.
- adj.* fairly large in size, value, or importance
52. He couldn't wait to hit the _____ and dance the night away.
- n.* a nightclub or restaurant where recorded music is played, and people dance
53. Babies heavily _____ on others for food.
- v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
54. _____ a society is an organism.
- adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
55. The perspective of his right brain _____ his consciousness.
- v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
56. His constant _____ made it difficult for him to connect with others.
- n.* a belief or attitude of distrust or skepticism, particularly concerning the motives or integrity of other people; an inclination to believe that people are motivated purely by self-interest

ANSWERS: 48. creative, 49. engaged, 50. elector, 51. substantial, 52. discotheque, 53. rely, 54. Essentially, 55. dominates, 56. cynicism

57. The popularity of the show made her an instant _____.
- n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
58. 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
59. The south coast is less _____ yet has many clean and appealing hotels.
- adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
60. The athlete had sweat dripping down her _____ after the intense workout.
- n.* the part of the face above the eyebrows and below the hairline; the upper part of the face that extends from the eyes to the hairline
61. The _____ platform focused on healthcare reform and reducing income inequality.
- n.* a person who is seeking or being considered for some kind of position, title, honor, or award; a job applicant
62. The effort to alleviate climate change needs _____ action.
- adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
63. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
- v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
64. I changed the _____ on my resume to make it more visually appealing.
- n.* a complete set of characters in a particular style and size used for printing text or displaying information on a screen

ANSWERS: 57. celebrity, 58. process, 59. glamorous, 60. forehead, 61. candidate's, 62. bold, 63. identify, 64. font

65. Product development is a _____ effort.

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

66. To find drunk drivers, police conduct _____ tests.

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

67. Public _____ is an essential service for many cities.

n. the act or process of passing through or across a place or state; transportation

68. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.

n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

69. We should _____ the troops at the front line.

v. to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger

70. The political _____ rocked the nation and led to the resignation of several high-ranking officials.

n. an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage

71. She was _____ about the project and didn't care if it succeeded or failed.

adj. lacking interest, enthusiasm, or concern; indifferent or unconcerned, often in situations where one might be expected to be emotionally engaged or invested

72. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

ANSWERS: 65. collective, 66. random, 67. transit, 68. relations, 69. reinforce, 70. scandal, 71. apathetic, 72. opposition

73. The global economic crisis has led to pervasive _____ and powerlessness.
n. lack of emotion, concern, or enthusiasm
74. Their _____ argument lasted for hours, neither willing to back down.
adj. showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
75. The movie has received almost universally _____ criticism.
adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
76. The country's _____ has decided to take large-scale measures against global warming.
n. the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
77. Who answers _____ knows little.
adv. quickly and unexpectedly
78. The famous restaurant stands _____ up the hill.
adj. in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
79. The program is _____ so participants can choose whether or not to take part.
adj. done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced
80. The patient was diagnosed with a rare genetic _____.
n. a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder
81. She enjoyed watching the game as a _____.
n. someone present at an event, such as a sports game, play, or concert, to watch or observe it

ANSWERS: 73. apathy, 74. passionate, 75. negative, 76. leadership, 77. suddenly, 78. halfway, 79. voluntary, 80. syndrome, 81. spectator

82. The Prohibition amendment made bootlegging _____.

adj. making or likely to make material gain or profit

83. The new _____ on the highway promotes a popular vacation destination.

n. a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads

84. Bananas have their _____ taste and odor.

n. a typical feature or quality that can identify, tell apart, or describe something or somebody

85. The group engages in _____ through lobbying and campaigning for policy changes.

n. the act of supporting or promoting a particular cause or point of view, often through public campaigning or lobbying

86. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

87. The biology student had to _____ all the material she had learned for the final exam.

v. to bring back partially digested food from the stomach to the mouth; to repeat or recite something without understanding or adding anything new or original

88. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

89. The law distinguishes between accidental and _____ killing.

adj. done, made or performed with purpose and intent

ANSWERS: 82. profitable, 83. billboard, 84. characteristic, 85. advocacy, 86. Communal, 87. regurgitate, 88. mentioned, 89. intentional

90. He was reluctant to leave his comfort _____ and try something new.
n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
91. He made a frightful _____ in his room.
n. a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
92. The wall was made of hard _____ that had been used for centuries.
n. a rectangular block of baked clay used as a building material
93. Several _____ show a decline in the president's approval rating.
n. an inquiry into public opinion conducted by interviewing a random sample of people; the process of voting at an election
94. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.
n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
95. In a democracy, it is necessary to monitor the judiciary to see if it is making _____ decisions.
adj. not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception
96. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
97. The building makes a remarkable _____ impact.
adj. relating to seeing or sight

ANSWERS: 90. zone, 91. mess, 92. bricks, 93. polls, 94. Democracy, 95. unfair, 96. inspired, 97. visual

ANSWERS: