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Session 1: Word List

theme

n. a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation

synonym: subject, topic, motif

(1) **theme** park, (2) central **theme**

The **theme** of the novel is the corrupting influence of power.

conversation

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

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

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

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

discourse

n. any form of communication in speech or writing

synonym: discussion, dialogue, communication

(1) hold **discourse** with him, (2) a **discourse** about art

Sweet **discourse** makes short days and nights.

architecture

n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings

synonym: design, structure, layout

(1) **architecture** design, (2) classic **architecture**

The city is known for its impressive **architecture** and beautiful old buildings.

architect

n. a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

synonym : creator, designer, planner

(1) landscape **architect**, (2) **architect** of the peace accord

The building **architect** tried to build the house above the tree.

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.

architectural

adj. of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures

synonym : structural, building, constructive

(1) study **architectural** engineering, (2) beautiful **architectural** landmarks

The **architectural** style of the building was a mix of modern and traditional.

urban

adj. relating to or located in a town or city

synonym : metropolitan, civic

(1) **urban** planning, (2) **urban** property owners

Only a small number of **urban** utilities offer sanitation services.

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.

landscape

n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

synonym : geography, terrain, topography

(1) a peaceful **landscape**, (2) **landscape** painting

Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political **landscape** in Europe.

opportune

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

synonym : suitable, timely, practical

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

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

contribute

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

synonym : donate, devote, commit

(1) **contribute** a large sum of money to the fund,

(2) **contribute** to society

Government workers cannot **contribute** to political campaigns.

slightly

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

synonym : barely, narrowly, scarcely

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

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

mystical

adj. relating to or characterized by spiritual powers; beyond ordinary understanding

synonym : occult, esoteric, enigmatic

(1) **mystical** intuition, (2) **mystical** belief

While meditating, he had a **mystical** experience and felt a sense of unity with the universe.

embrace

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

synonym : grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**

The woods **embrace** the house.

profession

n. an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training

synonym : occupation, vocation, trade

(1) **profession** choice, (2) healthcare **profession**

Being a doctor is considered a highly respected **profession**.

pursue

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

synonym : seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms

She intends to **pursue** a political career.

specialized

adj. possessing or relating to specific knowledge or skills that are unique to a particular field or task; designed or intended for a particular purpose or function

synonym : technical, expert, skilled

(1) **specialized** knowledge, (2) **specialized** equipment

The hospital has many **specialized** departments, including cardiology and oncology.

pervasive

adj. spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place

synonym : extensive, ubiquitous, prevalent

(1) **pervasive** language, (2) the **pervasive** odor of garlic

Suspicion and worry were **pervasive** in our minds.

shelter

n. a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger

synonym : refuge, hideout, lair

(1) rainproof **shelter**, (2) anti-air raid **shelter**

They need food and **shelter**.

interaction

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

synonym: dealings, exchange, relations

(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,

(2) **interaction** among human beings

The **interaction** of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

construct

v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

synonym: build, assemble, create

(1) **construct** a 3D image, (2) **construct** a dam

He **constructs** hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

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**.

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?

predominance

n. the state or condition of being dominant, prevalent, or more powerful or influential than others; the act or process of being in control or having authority or superiority over something or someone

synonym: dominance, superiority, ascendancy

(1) global **predominance**, (2) military **predominance**

The **predominance** of fast-food restaurants in the area has increased obesity rates.

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym : exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

(1) **exciting** football player, (2) **exciting** news

The findings of the experiment were both **exciting** and unexpected.

advancement

n. the development, improvement, or progress of something

synonym : progression, breakthrough, improvement

(1) **advancement** of knowledge, (2) career **advancement**

Competition between countries resulted in fast technological **advancement**.

perception

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

synonym : understanding, idea, awareness

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

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

commodify

v. to turn something into an object of trade or commerce, particularly a good or service that was previously seen as having value beyond its market value

synonym : commercialize, market, sell

(1) **commodify** user data, (2) **commodify** athletes

Many companies try to **commodify** popular trends to make a profit.

dimension

n. a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

synonym : extent, measurement, size

(1) new **dimension**, (2) the crosswise **dimension**

Overall **dimensions** are approximately 400x200mm.

laptop

n. a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap

(1) bring my **laptop**, (2) thin-and-light **laptop**

I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my **laptop** all day.

monitor

v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time

synonym : proctor, check, observe

(1) **monitor** an exam, (2) **monitor** the data carefully

They used a special receiver to **monitor** police radio channels.

expand

v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

synonym : extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

icon

n. a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

synonym : figure, hero, idol

(1) **icon** for young people, (2) television **icon**

Some comic book characters are considered gay **icons**.

notion

n. a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts

synonym : idea, concept, belief

(1) **notion** of success, (2) vague **notion**

The **notion** of time travel has long fascinated scientists and fiction writers alike.

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.

convey

v. to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another

synonym : communicate, transfer, deliver

(1) **convey** a complex idea, (2) **convey** goods by truck
An ironic remark often **conveys** an intended meaning obliquely.

accustomed

adj. familiar with; used to; in the habit of; having become habituated to something, often a behavior or situation

synonym : familiar, customary, habitual

(1) **accustomed** routine, (2) **accustomed** to complaints
I am **accustomed** to waking up early for work.

primarily

adv. mainly

synonym : largely, mainly, mostly

(1) intended **primarily** for young people, (2) **primarily** affect adults
All peaceful cooperation is based **primarily** on mutual trust.

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.

commodity

n. a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold

synonym : merchandise, goods, entity

(1) **commodity** tax, (2) international **commodity**
The government announced a policy to control the rise in **commodity** prices.

aesthetic

adj. connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty

synonym : beautiful, artistic, esthetic

(1) **aesthetic** value, (2) **aesthetic** feeling
My **aesthetic** standards are quite different from hers.

sensory

adj. of or relating to the physical senses

synonym : receptive, sensuous, neural

(1) a **sensory** organ, (2) a child with **sensory** issues

Sharks have highly developed **sensory** systems and are extremely sensitive creatures.

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.

operate

v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something

synonym : work, use, employ

(1) **operate** 24 hours a day, (2) manually **operate** a machine

This machine is too difficult to **operate** for me.

context

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

synonym : background, setting, environment

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

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

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym : fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

predict

v. to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

synonym : forecast, anticipate, foresee

(1) **predict** the future, (2) **predict** when she will arrive

It's notoriously challenging to **predict** birth rates.

locate

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

synonym: discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

programmatic

adj. relating to or characterized by a systematic plan or program, especially one implemented using computers or other methods

synonym: systematic, planned, programmed

(1) make a **programmatic** decision, (2) **programmatic** framework

The advertising platform uses a **programmatic** approach to match ads to relevant websites and mobile apps automatically.

aspect

n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

synonym: characteristic, element, factor

(1) nontechnical **aspects** of the job, (2) **aspects** of social, political, and economic life

His professional experience includes all **aspects** of media production.

privilege

n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

synonym: benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership

In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the **privilege** of royalty and nobility.

desire

n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

synonym: ambition, appetite, greed

(1) unsatisfied **desire**, (2) fleshly **desire**

Low sexual **desire** typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

advance

v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

synonym : progress, boost, come along

(1) **advance** the technology, (2) **advance** a cooperative relationship

Scientific knowledge will **advance** significantly with the power of AI.

monument

n. a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event

synonym : memorial, marker, statue

(1) humanity's **monument**, (2) **monument** honoring

The stone **monument** was built to commemorate the war heroes.

sensation

n. a feeling associated with stimulation of a sense organ or with a specific body condition; a general feeling of interest and excitement

synonym : feeling, perception, mania

(1) cause a widespread **sensation**, (2) taste **sensation**

If you apply this ointment, you may feel a mild burning **sensation**.

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.

buzzword

n. a word or phrase that is fashionable or popular within a particular industry, field, or culture, often used to convey a sense of innovation or sophistication

synonym : cant, catchphrase, trendy word

(1) **buzzword** bingo, (2) business **buzzwords**

Synergy has become such a **buzzword** in the business world that it has lost its meaning.

sustainable

adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time

synonym: continuable, enduring, tolerable

(1) **sustainable** alternative fuel, (2) principles of **sustainable** development

The government should do more to support environmentally **sustainable** agriculture.

triangulation

n. the process of determining the location or position of something, such as an object, place, or point, by measuring the angles or distances between multiple reference points or landmarks

synonym: measurement, surveying, trilateration

(1) **triangulation** method, (2) political **triangulation**

The archaeologists used GPS **triangulation** to accurately map the ancient ruins.

economy

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

synonym: finance, trade, business

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

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

meltdown

n. a severe overheating of the core of a nuclear reactor resulting in the core melting and radiation escaping; a situation in which something fails or weakens suddenly or dramatically

synonym: collapse, disaster, failure

(1) **meltdown** disaster, (2) economic **meltdown**

The nuclear **meltdown** in the country was a disaster with

far-reaching consequences.

- tide** *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
synonym: ripple, surge, swell
(1) **tide** cycle, (2) ride the **tide** of change
Red **tide** is often harmful to the local ecosystem.
- disaster** *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
synonym: catastrophe, calamity, tragedy
(1) global **disaster**, (2) **disaster** recovery
The **disaster** response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.
- threaten** *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
synonym: endanger, terrorize, intimidate
(1) **threaten** a healthy relationship, (2) **threaten** national security
Various artificially induced causes are **threatening** our ecosystem.
- equilibrium** *n.* a state in which opposing forces or influences are balanced
synonym: balance, stability, harmony
(1) **equilibrium** point, (2) political **equilibrium**
The company struggled to maintain an **equilibrium** between its profits and social responsibilities.
- paradigm** *n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
synonym: example, standard, epitome
(1) major **paradigm** shift, (2) cultural **paradigm**
He postulated a completely different **paradigm** to explain all these phenomena.

perceive

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

synonym: sense, discern, feel

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

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

crucial

adj. extremely vital or necessary

synonym: essential, pivotal, vital

(1) **crucial** information, (2) a **crucial** issue for women

The revitalization of technology companies is **crucial** to the country's growth.

specifically

adv. only associated with or meant for one thing

synonym: especially, particularly, notably

(1) designed **specifically** for men, (2) for **specifically** American customers

This ad campaign is aimed **specifically** at young women.

infiltrate

v. to enter or penetrate a group, organization, or place covertly or secretly, usually with a specific purpose or goal in mind; to spread or diffuse through something gradually or subtly

synonym: penetrate, sneak in, invade

(1) **infiltrate** the bloodstream, (2) **infiltrate** a community

The spy was able to **infiltrate** the enemy's headquarters undetected.

balance

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

synonym: equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

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

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

symbol

n. something visible that is used to represent something else

synonym: mark, character, insignia

(1) **symbol** color, (2) **symbol** for happiness

The dragon is considered a **symbol** of bravery.

cipher

n. a secret or disguised way of writing or encoding a message, often using a code or key to decipher it; a person or thing of no value or importance, often used derogatorily to describe someone who lacks personality or individuality

synonym: code, symbol, character

(1) telegram in **cipher**, (2) secret **cipher**

The encrypted message was written in an unknown **cipher** that the codebreakers had to decipher.

confluence

n. the point at which two or more streams or rivers come together; a gathering of people or things at a particular location or moment

synonym: merging, convergence, meeting

(1) arterial **confluence**, (2) **confluence** of ideas

A **confluence** of two smaller streams formed the river.

specific

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

synonym: particular, definite, distinct

(1) **specific** instructions, (2) industry- **specific** regulations

The scientist conducted a study that provided **specific** details about the species' behavior.

cluster

n. a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit

synonym: group, aggregation, array

(1) live in a **cluster**, (2) a **cluster** of stars

A **cluster** of grapes hung from the vine.

conglomerate

n. a large corporation or organization made up of many smaller companies or divisions; (verb) to gather or combine various things or entities together, typically to form a larger and more diverse whole

synonym : aggregate, mixture, combination

(1) multinational **conglomerate**, (2) media **conglomerate**
The **conglomerate** of companies managed to dominate the market.

conurbation

n. a large urban area formed by the merging of several cities or towns, typically with a high population density and interconnected infrastructure

synonym : urban agglomeration, megalopolis

(1) dense **conurbation**, (2) expanding **conurbation**
The rapid urbanization led to the formation of a large **conurbation** in the region.

profound

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

synonym : deep, unsounded, far-reaching

(1) a **profound** book, (2) the **profound** depths of the sea
My mother's illness had a **profound** impact on us all.

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.

manufacture

v. to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines

synonym : create, fabricate, assemble

(1) **manufacture** an enzyme, (2) **manufacture** a product
The majority of synthetic vitamins are **manufactured** from oil.

relate

v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event,

experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

synonym : connect, link, associate

(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message

He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

constant

adj. happening repeatedly or all the time

synonym : ceaseless, stable, unchanging

(1) a **constant** wind, (2) a **constant** temperature

Constant dropping wears away the stone.

dynamic

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

synonym : energetic, active, vital

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

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

process

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

synonym : procedure, method, system

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

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

evolve

v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

synonym : develop, mature, grow

(1) **evolve**, (2) **evolve** over the past decade

Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

dynamics

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

synonym: mechanics, kinetics, kinematics

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

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

component

n. one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger

synonym: element, part, factor

(1) key **component**, (2) spare **components** for cars

The researchers try to discover a common **component** in all types of successful organizations.

element

n. a fundamental or essential part of something

synonym: component, feature, essence

(1) new design **elements**, (2) nonmetallic **elements**

Natural selection is an essential **element** in Darwin's theory of evolution.

unravel

v. undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads by separating it

synonym: separate, unknot, ravel

(1) **unravel** a knit, (2) **unravel** a plot

Detectives are still attempting to **unravel** the mystery of his death.

conceive

v. to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant

synonym: imagine, envision, concoct

(1) **conceive** of an idea, (2) **conceive** a child

I can't **conceive** he'd want to harm us.

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.

civitas

n. a community or society, particularly in political and social contexts

synonym: community, municipality, society

(1) the governing body of the **civitas**, (2) ancient **civitas**

The ancient Roman **civitas** served as the administrative center of the region.

axiom

n. a statement or principle that is regarded as being self-evidently true and does not require proof or justification; a fundamental truth upon which other truths or theories are based

synonym: principle, maxim, postulate

(1) self-evident **axiom**, (2) fundamental **axiom**

It is an **axiom** in mathematics that two parallel lines never intersect.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym: comparative, proximate, congeneric

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

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

colonial

adj. of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony

synonym: imperial, immigrant, gregarious

(1) oppressive **colonial** rule, (2) **colonial** style

The city has a rich **colonial** history, with many historic buildings and landmarks.

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.

ordinance

n. a law or regulation enacted by a local government or governing authority; typically used about laws that concern public health, safety, or morals

synonym : regulation, decree, law

(1) city **ordinance**, (2) county **ordinance**

The town council passed an **ordinance** banning the use of plastic bags.

predicate

n. a statement or assertion about something, especially a statement in logic or grammar; (verb) to base or found on a particular fact or assumption

synonym : statement, assertion, claim

(1) a **predicate** that it's true, (2) **predicate** noun

The **predicate** of the sentence states the action or condition of the subject.

formulate

v. to create or develop a plan, system, theory, or formula; to express an idea or concept in a clear, precise manner

synonym : devise, develop, articulate

(1) **formulate** a response, (2) **formulate** idea

The scientists worked together to **formulate** a plan for their research project.

gesture

n. a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning

synonym : motion, expression, gesticulation

(1) **gesture** of goodwill, (2) hand **gesture**

She made a facial **gesture** to express disagreement.

requirement

n. something that is needed or wanted

synonym: prerequisite, provision, condition

(1) meet **requirement**, (2) school **requirement**

What is the entry **requirement** for this course?

colony

n. a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away

synonym: settlement, territory, plantation

(1) plant a **colony**, (2) a **colony** of bacteria

The **colony** declared its independence and became a republic.

appropriate

adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

synonym: fitting, suitable, proper

(1) **appropriate** behavior, (2) an **appropriate** time

It would be **appropriate** to dress nicely for the wedding.

surrounding

adj. that is near or around, or closely encircling something

synonym: circumferent, encircling, neighboring

(1) **surrounding** areas, (2) a fence **surrounding** a castle

The **surrounding** mountains make the city difficult to be invaded.

macro

n. (computing) a set of instructions that automate a frequently used series of keystrokes or mouse actions; (photography) a lens that allows you to take close-up photographs; (economics) a large-scale economic policy or system

synonym: large-scale, big-picture, major

(1) **macro** economy, (2) **macro** scale

Macro photography is a technique that allows you to take close-up photos of small objects.

evolution

n. a gradual process of transformation of living things

synonym: elaboration, expansion, transition

(1) human **evolution**, (2) **evolution** theory

They study the **evolution** of the universe.

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.

excess

n. an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable

synonym: exuberance, glut, surplus

(1) lose **excess** weight, (2) an **excess** of exports

The road of **excess** leads to the palace of wisdom.

arrangement

n. a plan or preparation for the future event; the action or process of placing things in a particular order

synonym: placement, configuration, account

(1) **arrangement** of the furniture, (2) **arrangement** committee

As a first **arrangement**, we agreed to meet the following Friday.

matrix

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

synonym: grid, cast, table

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

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

infrastructure

n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

synonym: foundation, framework

(1) IT **infrastructure**, (2) **infrastructure** cost
Aging societies tend to require huge costs for **infrastructure** maintenance.

undergo

v. to go through something unpleasant or that involves a change

synonym: experience, suffer, endure

(1) **undergo** surgery, (2) **undergo** a decrease
The train has to **undergo** rigorous safety checks.

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.

comprise

v. to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something

synonym: consist of, include, be composed of

(1) **comprise** a large percentage, (2) **comprise** the recent past

The team **comprises** players from different countries.

constitute

v. to be the essential or fundamental elements or parts of something; to establish, appoint, or assign someone to a particular office or position; to make up or compose something

synonym: comprise, form, make up

(1) **constitute** a threat, (2) **constitute** a majority

The new regulations **constitute** a significant change in the industry standards.

megalopolis

n. a very large, densely populated urban area that is made up of several cities or metropolitan regions that have grown together over time

synonym: megacity, metropolis

(1) multi-center **megalopolis**, (2) coastal **megalopolis**

The development of **megalopolis** regions poses significant challenges for urban planners and policymakers

sprawl

v. to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and legs spread out

synonym: drape, spread out

(1) **sprawl** out luxuriously on the sofa, (2) **sprawl** for acres

The lush vegetation **sprawls** across the wonderfully landscaped gardens.

comprehend

v. to understand the nature or meaning of something fully

synonym: understand, grasp, apprehend

(1) **comprehend** English, (2) **comprehend** instructions

She struggled to **comprehend** complex math problems.

traffic

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

synonym: congestion, jam, flow

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

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

congest

v. to make something blocked or crowded so as to hinder or prevent freedom of movement or flow of liquid

synonym: clog, choke, crowd

(1) **congest** in a vein, (2) **congest** a highway

The roads to the airport were heavily **congested**.

segregation

n. the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation

synonym: isolation, separation, discrimination

(1) racial **segregation**, (2) **segregation** of power

Segregation based on race or ethnicity is illegal and unjust.

polarization

n. the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles

synonym : polarity, division, separation

(1) **polarization** effect, (2) dielectric **polarization**

The **polarization** of political views has created a deep divide in the country.

emergency

n. a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

synonym : crisis, trouble, difficulty

(1) **emergency** action, (2) acute **emergency**

The president declared a state of **emergency**.

insurmountable

adj. impossible to overcome or conquer; too difficult or daunting to overcome

synonym : invincible, hopeless, overwhelming

(1) **insurmountable** odds, (2) **insurmountable** disadvantage

The challenge seemed **insurmountable**, but they overcame it with hard work and determination.

victim

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

synonym : prey, target, sufferer

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

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

willingness

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

synonym : readiness, eagerness, enthusiasm

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

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

willful

adj. deliberate or intentional; done on purpose; characterized by stubborn determination or self-will

synonym : stubborn, obstinate, headstrong

(1) **willful** disobedience, (2) **willful** misconduct

The **willful** child refused to listen to any instructions from his parents.

phenomenon

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

synonym : marvel, wonder, splendor

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

A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

commensurate

adj. corresponding in size, extent, or degree; in proper proportion or relation to something else; appropriately or fairly measured or balanced about something

synonym : proportional, equivalent, corresponding

(1) **commensurate** salary, (2) **commensurate** with the level of importance

A person's salary should be **commensurate** with their qualifications and experience.

predominate

v. to be the most powerful, important, or frequent; to be more common or prevalent than others

synonym : reign, prevail, rule

(1) **predominate** in the army, (2) **predominate** religion

In this particular field, his work **predominated** over all others.

typology

n. the study or classification of types or patterns, particularly in terms of objects, concepts, or characteristics; a system or method of categorizing or organizing things into specific types or groups based on shared traits or attributes

synonym : classification, categorization, taxonomy

(1) **typology** study, (2) psychological **typology**

The linguist studied the **typology** of languages across different regions.

high-rise

adj. describing a tall building or structure that has many floors or levels above the ground, often used to describe residential or commercial buildings in urban areas with multiple stories

synonym : tall building, skyscraper, high building

(1) **high-rise** building, (2) **high-rise** office

Living in a **high-rise** apartment offers spectacular views of the city.

magnificent

adj. extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

synonym : splendid, brilliant, exquisite

(1) a **magnificent** plan, (2) a **magnificent** mountain

The **magnificent** scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.

structure

n. the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

synonym : construction, architecture, establishment

(1) the **structure** of a machine, (2) **structure** and function of the brain

The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

fortune

n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

synonym : wealth, affluence, assets

(1) ill **fortune**, (2) bit of good **fortune**

Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal **fortune**.

emblem

n. a design or symbol that represents a quality or idea

synonym : symbol, sign, badge

(1) a national **emblem**, (2) family **emblem**

The eagle is an **emblem** of strength and courage.

modernity

n. the quality or condition of being modern; the state or era of being up-to-date in technology, science, and culture
synonym: contemporaneousness, present-day, contemporaneity

(1) spirit of **modernity**, (2) path toward **modernity**

He was fascinated by the contrasts between traditional life and the city's **modernity**.

mall

n. a large, enclosed shopping center that typically contains many stores, restaurants, and other businesses

synonym: shopping center, shopping complex

(1) largest electronic **mall**, (2) **mall** crawler

Many people go to the shopping **mall** to socialize and spend time with friends.

predominant

adj. having control, authority, or influence that is greater than that of others; prevailing or vastly more abundant than others of the same kind

synonym: cardinal, prevailing, superior

(1) **predominant** color, (2) a **predominant** species

In this office, teamwork is the **predominant** factor in achieving success.

prevalent

adj. existing very commonly in a particular area or in a specific time

synonym: common, ubiquitous, rampant

(1) **prevalent** in Japan, (2) **prevalent** belief

This virus is **prevalent** in many tropical nations.

concentration

n. the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.

synonym: attention, engagement, assiduity

(1) **concentration** of armaments, (2) his research area of **concentration**

This exam requires excellent **concentration** to pass.

retail

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

through retail outlets

synonym : sales, trade, commerce

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

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

function

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

synonym : purpose, mapping, job

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

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

highway

n. a main road, especially one connecting major towns or cities

synonym : road, expressway, freeway

(1) **highway** system, (2) an interstate **highway**

I'm going to take the **highway** to get to my destination faster.

suburb

n. an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods

synonym : outskirts, district, quarter

(1) **suburb** development, (2) **suburb** life

He grew up in the **suburbs** but always dreamed of living in the city.

modern

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

synonym : contemporary, stylish, current

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

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

confront

v. to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person

synonym: engage, encounter, contend

(1) **confront** a global warming, (2) **confront** the issue

He finally decided to **confront** problems directly.

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**.

motto

n. a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal

synonym: slogan, catchphrase, phrase

(1) the **motto** for safe traffic, (2) company **motto**

The company's **motto** is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.

generate

v. to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

synonym: create, yield, produce

(1) **generate** more electricity, (2) **generate** \$100 a month

The economic stimulation program would **generate** a lot of new jobs.

profit

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

synonym: earnings, gain, proceeds

(1) gross **profit**, (2) make a **profit**

This business yields little **profit**.

consume

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

synonym: absorb, ingest, use up

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

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

avored

adj. preferred or supported over anyone or anything else
synonym : famous, popular, preferred

(1) **avored** by good weather, (2) **avored** candidates
He is **avored** with a privileged position because of his abilities.

significance

n. the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy

synonym : importance, value, worth

(1) **significance** level, (2) mystical **significance**

The **significance** of his discovery cannot be overstated.

diminish

v. to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.

synonym : decline, dwindle, lessen

(1) **diminish** a reputation, (2) **diminish** swelling

As people get old, their energies may **diminish**.

margin

n. the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

synonym : edge, border, periphery

(1) **margin** error, (2) a profit **margin**

Unfortunately, the book's **margin** was too small to make notes.

consequence

n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

synonym : result, impact, outcome

(1) unintended **consequences**, (2) the **consequence** of an argument

These economic activities had disastrous environmental **consequences**.

undermine

v. to make someone or something less powerful, less effective, weaker gradually; to make someone's fame, confidence, or authority less effective or weaker gradually

synonym : damage, subvert, weaken

(1) **undermine** a good relationship, (2) **undermine** their adversary's reputation

They tried to **undermine** her position by slandering her.

integrity

n. the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

synonym : honesty, honor, morality

(1) a person of **integrity**, (2) **integrity** of data

The company's reputation for honesty and **integrity** is highly valued among its customers.

accommodate

v. to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose

synonym : house, rent, adjust

(1) **accommodate** a person with money, (2) **accommodate** these needs

This large SUV **accommodates** eight people.

exclusive

adj. not divided or shared with others

synonym : sole, deluxe, limited

(1) **exclusive** authority, (2) **exclusive** clubs

The condo offers **exclusive** access to the beach.

high-end

adj. of the highest quality or luxury, often used to describe expensive or exclusive products or services

synonym : top-of-the-line, upscale, premium

(1) **high-end** hotels, (2) **high-end** technology

The boutique sold **high-end** clothing and accessories for affluent customers.

qualified

adj. officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to

perform a particular job

synonym : eligible, skillful, accomplished

(1) a **qualified** doctor, (2) **qualified** in medicine

We seek a person **qualified** for the post.

educated

adj. having received a high standard of education

synonym : knowledgeable, erudite, enlightened

(1) **educated** adult, (2) **educated** speech

Excellent speech is a characteristic of an **educated** man.

qualification

n. an official record of an exam showing that you have completed

synonym : credentials, capability, adequacy

(1) **qualifications** for the job, (2) possess distinctive **qualifications**

Applicants must possess a verified teaching **qualification**.

concerned

adj. feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention

synonym : worried, caring, involved

(1) persons **concerned**, (2) **concerned** citizen

I am **concerned** about the safety of the children playing in the park.

similarly

adv. in almost the same way

synonym : also, likewise, ditto

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

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

premium

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

synonym : dividend, bonus, (adjective) expensive

(1) insurance **premium**, (2) **premium** quality

Some people are willing to pay a **premium** for a rare and valuable collectible.

periphery

n. the outer edge or margin of something, especially a geographical area or a group of people

synonym: edge, border, margin

(1) around the **periphery**, (2) **periphery** countries

The factory was located on the city's **periphery**, away from residential areas.

disposable

adj. designed to be used once and then thrown away

synonym: throwaway, single-use, expendable

(1) total **disposable** income, (2) **disposable** camera

I prefer using **disposable** razors because they are more convenient.

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.

equitable

adj. fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly

synonym: fair, honest, impartial

(1) in an **equitable** manner, (2) an **equitable** price

In a democratic country, governments promote **equitable** opportunities to participate in society.

undue

adj. excessive, unwarranted, or improper; not justified by the circumstances; beyond what is appropriate or reasonable

synonym: excessive, unwarranted, unjustified

(1) **undue** favoritism towards certain industries, (2) **undue** hardship

Undue pressure from my boss caused me to feel

overwhelmed and stressed.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym: administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

proliferate

v. to grow or increase rapidly in number; to reproduce or spread rapidly, especially in an uncontrolled manner

synonym: multiply, spread, propagate

(1) **proliferate** cells, (2) **proliferate** weeds

The number of COVID cases continued to **proliferate** in many countries worldwide.

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.

beneficial

adj. helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being

synonym: useful, advantageous, fruitful

(1) a **beneficial** result, (2) **beneficial** to all countries

Laughing is **beneficial** to our health.

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.

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.

dissipate

v. to disperse or scatter widely

synonym: scatter, disperse, evaporate

(1) **dissipate** heat, (2) **dissipate** stress

The fog **dissipated**, and the air cleared up.

disaggregate

v. to separate something into its parts or smaller units,
often for analysis or examination

synonym: break down, separate

(1) **disaggregate** the costs, (2) **disaggregate** the test
scores

I must **disaggregate** the data into smaller categories to
analyze it more effectively.

polarize

v. to cause or become divided into two contrasting or
opposite groups, opinions, or positions; to create or
intensify a sharp division or conflict

synonym: divide, separate, split

(1) **polarize** society, (2) **polarize** opinions

The controversial new law has the potential to **polarize** the
entire nation.

isolate

v. to physically or socially separate someone or something
from other people or things

synonym: separate, sequester, insulate

(1) **isolate** a compound, (2) **isolate** a patient

You should not **isolate** them from the community.

polar

adj. relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites

synonym : opposing, contrary, contrasting

(1) **polar** bears, (2) **polar** regions

Polar animals are graceful and efficient swimmers.

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.

stack

n. a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated

synonym : accumulation, heap, pile

(1) high **stack**, (2) a large **stack** of paper

The earthquake caused a **stack** of lumber to crumble noisily.

bomb

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

synonym : missile, explosive, ammunition

(1) atomic **bombs**, (2) disarm the **bomb**

The use of cluster **bombs** is strictly prohibited by international law.

collapse

v. to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart

synonym : tumble, spill, bankruptcy

(1) the stock market **collapsed**, (2) ready to **collapse**

The roof finally **collapsed** after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.

circumstance

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

synonym : condition, context, environment

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

shunt

v. to redirect or transfer something, often a flow of liquid or gas, to an alternative path or conduit; to move someone or something aside or out of the way; (noun) a device used to divert or redirect the flow of something, usually electrical current or fluid

synonym: redirect, divert, reroute

(1) **shunt** surgery, (2) **shunt** the output wavelength
The railway workers had to **shunt** the train to a different track to clear the tracks.

afford

v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

(1) **afford** to buy a new car, (2) **afford** a high travel cost
He cannot **afford** a holiday.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

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.

capitalize

v. to write a whole letter or the first letter of the alphabet as a capital; to provide a company, etc. with the money; to take the chance to gain advantage from something

synonym: bankroll, finance, endow

(1) **capitalize** on an interest, (2) **capitalize** the 1st letter of a word

You must **capitalize** on your full of opportunities to become a professor.

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.

integrate

v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

synonym: mix, merge, combine

(1) **integrate** into the existing system, (2) **integrate** both businesses

He found that it is difficult to **integrate** socially.

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.

initiative

n. the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need

synonym: enterprise, drive, ambition

(1) a peace **initiative**, (2) take **initiative**

The teacher's **initiative** to start a school garden project was met with enthusiasm from the students.

transformation

n. a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something

synonym: change, conversion, renewal

(1) the **transformation** of a tadpole into a frog, (2) cast a

transformation spell

Understanding unitary **transformations** of a normal matrix require considerable mathematical sophistication.

facilitate

v. to make something easier or more likely to happen

synonym: aid, assist, help

(1) **facilitate** a smooth transition, (2) **facilitate** the process

The company implemented a new software system to **facilitate** employee communication and collaboration.

aggregate

n. a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items

synonym: total, sum, whole

(1) data **aggregate**, (2) an **aggregate** of people

The **aggregate** amount of money raised for the charity was over a million dollars.

achieve

v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

synonym: accomplish, attain, reach

(1) **achieve** success, (2) **achieve** milestones

I will work hard to **achieve** my goals and realize my dreams.

mayor

n. an elected official who presides over a city or town government

synonym: governor, leader, chief executive

(1) a deputy **mayor**, (2) **mayor's** race

The incumbent **mayor** announced his plans to address the city's homelessness crisis.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta

for dinner.

doll *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
synonym : puppet, dolly, toy
(1) plastic **doll**, (2) rag **doll**
The antique **doll** was worth thousands of dollars.

encouraging *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
synonym : uplifting, inspiring, optimistic
(1) **encouraging** approval, (2) **encouraging** sign
The test results were **encouraging** and showed improvement.

trifling *adj.* of little importance or value; insignificant
synonym : insignificant, negligible, minimal
(1) **trifling** accident, (2) **trifling** amount
The argument between the two coworkers was just a **trifling** matter that should have been easily resolved.

contest *n.* a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals
synonym : battle, competition, match
(1) a speech **contest**, (2) a close **contest**
There was a vast **contest** between the two tribes.

moving *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
synonym : emotional, poignant, touching
(1) **moving** experience, (2) **moving** ceremony
His **moving** speech about his struggles with addiction brought tears to the audience's eyes.

inhibit *v.* to prevent something, such as an action, process, etc., from happening or make it less likely to happen than normal

synonym : deter, hinder, impede

(1) **inhibit** desires, (2) **inhibit** tumor growth

Excessive parental interference may **inhibit** children's eagerness to learn.

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.

stigma

n. a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person

synonym : mark, blemish, disgrace

(1) social **stigma**, (2) **stigma** against obesity

The mental health **stigma** often prevents people from seeking treatment.

bleak

adj. unlikely to be favorable; unpleasantly cold and damp; offering little or no hope

synonym : miserable, pathetic, dim

(1) prospects were **bleak**, (2) **bleak** future

The political landscape looks **bleak** without a change of administration.

horrible

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

synonym : dreadful, terrible, awful

(1) **horrible** accident, (2) **horrible** smell

The experience was **horrible** and left a lasting impression.

unwelcome

adj. not wanted, not invited, or not appreciated; causing annoyance or displeasure

synonym : uninvited, disliked, undesired

(1) **unwelcome** interruption, (2) **unwelcome** surprise

The **unwelcome** visitor quickly made their presence known.

zoom

v. to move along very quickly; (noun) the act of rising upward into the air

synonym: move quickly, dive, buzz

(1) **zoom** in on a photo, (2) **zoom** lens

He **zoomed** back in time to the soccer game.

independence

n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence

synonym: freedom, liberty, autonomy

(1) financial **independence**, (2) **independence** ceremony

There is nothing more valuable than **independence** and freedom.

accommodation

n. a place to live, work, or stay, particularly for a temporary or short-term period; adjustment or adaptation to meet various needs or circumstances

synonym: lodging, housing, quarters

(1) temporary **accommodation**, (2) for your **accommodation**

The hotel offers comfortable **accommodations** for both business and leisure travelers.

facility

n. a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry

synonym: building, structure, installation

(1) a cell phone with an internet **facility**, (2) **facility** design

This company has an entire recycling **facility**, including major reprocessing plants.

amenity

n. a feature or aspect that adds comfort, convenience, or enjoyment to a place or situation; a pleasant or desirable quality or attribute; to features or services in a building, neighborhood, or public space

synonym: pleasantries, convenience, facility

(1) luxury **amenity**, (2) an **amenity** of professional coaching

While the hotel was quaint and charming, it lacked the modern **amenity** of high-speed internet.

civic

adj. of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
synonym : community, municipal, communal

(1) **civic** activity, (2) **civic** center

The city promotes **civic** collaboration in community development

movement

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

synonym : motion, progression, action

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

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

uplift

n. the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits

synonym : upthrust, upheaval, (verb) raise

(1) **uplift** mountains, (2) **uplift** my spirit

The **uplift** in the stock market has been a relief to investors.

transition

n. the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another

synonym : change, growth, shift

(1) **transition** phase, (2) ensure a smooth **transition**

The nation's healthcare system is in **transition** at the moment.

maximum

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

synonym : peak, top, highest

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

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

waterfront

n. the area of land along the edge of a body of water, such as a lake, river, or ocean

synonym : lakefront, seaside, shoreline

(1) **waterfront** property, (2) **waterfront** view

The city's **waterfront** area was undergoing renovations to improve its accessibility and aesthetics.

neglect

v. to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone

synonym : delinquency, carelessness, decay

(1) **neglect** to call, (2) **neglect** ethical issues

He **neglected** his health to make the project a success.

determinant

n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

synonym : cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

synonym : cooperate, combine, collaborate

(1) **interact** directly with customers, (2) **interact** with one another

He should **interact** more with his colleagues.

regardless

adv. not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

synonym : anyhow, nevertheless, still

(1) **regardless** of the difficulties, (2) **regardless** tread

People can pick out superior products **regardless** of the quality of the advertising.

relax

v. to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer

synonym : soften, comfort, soothe

(1) **relax** a series of muscles, (2) **relax** at home
The rules were **relaxed** after the new executive arrived.

division

n. the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector

synonym: branch, separator, section

(1) cellular **division**, (2) **division** chief

Which **division** of the company do you work in?

mandate

n. an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task

synonym: command, instruction, authority

(1) **mandate** obligation, (2) an Imperial **mandate**

The **mandate** given to the new government is to improve the economy.

measured

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

synonym: calculated, deliberate, thought-out

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

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

invest

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

synonym: fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

immeasurable

adj. too great to be measured or calculated; vast or incalculable in extent or degree; impossible to quantify or express in numerical terms

synonym: boundless, limitless, endless

(1) **immeasurable** joy, (2) **immeasurable** loss

The impact of climate change on the planet is **immeasurable**.

demonstrate

v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience

synonym: show, illustrate, display

(1) **demonstrate** a difference, (2) **demonstrate** mastery

How can you **demonstrate** that the earth is a sphere?

inclusive

adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

synonym: cover-all, all-embracing, comprehensive

(1) a fully **inclusive** price, (2) **inclusive** education

The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its **inclusive** policy.

Session 2: Spelling

1. un__e hardship *adj.* excessive, unwarranted, or improper; not justified by the circumstances; beyond what is appropriate or reasonable
2. m__l crawler *n.* a large, enclosed shopping center that typically contains many stores, restaurants, and other businesses
3. dy_____cs of economy *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
4. secret ci____r *n.* a secret or disguised way of writing or encoding a message, often using a code or key to decipher it; a person or thing of no value or importance, often used derogatorily to describe someone who lacks personality or individuality
5. pre-mo____n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
6. pro_____te cells *v.* to grow or increase rapidly in number; to reproduce or spread rapidly, especially in an uncontrolled manner
7. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
8. keen per_____on *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

ANSWERS: 1. undue, 2. mall, 3. dynamics, 4. cipher, 5. modern, 6. proliferate, 7. participate, 8. perception

9. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
10. a fully in_____ve price *adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
11. make a pro_____tic decision *adj.* relating to or characterized by a systematic plan or program, especially one implemented using computers or other methods
12. the ma_____m speed *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
13. fleshly de____e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
14. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
15. ma____x multiplication *n.* a rectangular array of numbers, symbols, or expressions, arranged in rows and columns and often enclosed in brackets; an enclosure within which something originates or develops
16. a national em____m *n.* a design or symbol that represents a quality or idea
17. un_____o surgery *v.* to go through something unpleasant or that involves a change
18. co_____t a highway *v.* to make something blocked or crowded so as to hinder or prevent freedom of movement or flow of liquid

ANSWERS: 9. consequence, 10. inclusive, 11. programmatic, 12. maximum, 13. desire, 14. suppose, 15. matrix, 16. emblem, 17. undergo, 18. congest

19. as__ts of social, political, and economic life *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
20. tr____ng amount *adj.* of little importance or value; insignificant
21. com_____ate salary *adj.* corresponding in size, extent, or degree; in proper proportion or relation to something else; appropriately or fairly measured or balanced about something
22. me_____ed tone of voice *adj.* done with careful consideration or calculated precision; controlled or regulated in manner or speech; deliberate and thoughtful
23. a qu_____ed doctor *adj.* officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job
24. sh__t the output wavelength *v.* to redirect or transfer something, often a flow of liquid or gas, to an alternative path or conduit; to move someone or something aside or out of the way; (noun) a device used to divert or redirect the flow of something, usually electrical current or fluid
25. fo_____te a response *v.* to create or develop a plan, system, theory, or formula; to express an idea or concept in a clear, precise manner
26. no___n of success *n.* a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts

ANSWERS: 19. aspect, 20. trifling, 21. commensurate, 22. measured, 23. qualified, 24. shunt, 25. formulate, 26. notion

27. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
28. wil_____ss to help *n.* the state of being ready or inclined to do something
29. ind_____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
30. cultural pa_____gm *n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
31. un_____me surprise *adj.* not wanted, not invited, or not appreciated; causing annoyance or displeasure
32. vi____m compensation *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
33. su____b development *n.* an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods
34. sp_____ic instructions *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
35. pr_____t when she will arrive *v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
36. major pa_____gm shift *n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
37. com_____ate with the level of importance *adj.* corresponding in size, extent, or degree; in proper proportion or relation to something else; appropriately or fairly measured or balanced about something

ANSWERS: 27. involve, 28. willingness, 29. independence, 30. paradigm, 31. unwelcome, 32. victim, 33. suburb, 34. specific, 35. predict, 36. paradigm, 37. commensurate

38. an Imperial ma_____e *n.* an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task
39. the ma____x of Western civilization *n.* a rectangular array of numbers, symbols, or expressions, arranged in rows and columns and often enclosed in brackets; an enclosure within which something originates or develops
40. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
41. landscape ar_____ct *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
42. cellular di_____on *n.* the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector
43. television i__n *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
44. historical phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
45. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
46. ec_____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 38. mandate, 39. matrix, 40. suppose, 41. architect, 42. division, 43. icon, 44. phenomenon, 45. engage, 46. economy

47. plant a co___y *n.* a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away
48. around the pe_____ry *n.* the outer edge or margin of something, especially a geographical area or a group of people
49. st_____re and function of the brain *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
50. take ini_____ve *n.* the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need
51. wi_____l misconduct *adj.* deliberate or intentional; done on purpose; characterized by stubborn determination or self-will
52. in_____ct directly with customers *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
53. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
54. a ben_____al result *adj.* helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being
55. for spe_____lly American customers *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
56. sy___l for happiness *n.* something visible that is used to represent something else
57. per_____on of a stimulus *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

ANSWERS: 47. colony, 48. periphery, 49. structure, 50. initiative, 51. willful, 52. interact, 53. imaginary, 54. beneficial, 55. specifically, 56. symbol, 57. perception

58. luxury am____y *n.* a feature or aspect that adds comfort, convenience, or enjoyment to a place or situation; a pleasant or desirable quality or attribute; to features or services in a building, neighborhood, or public space
59. 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
60. persons co____ed *adj.* feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention
61. un____o a decrease *v.* to go through something unpleasant or that involves a change
62. par____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
63. a private ind____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
64. time z__e *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
65. dy____cs of group *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
66. pe____ve a threat *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
67. pre____te religion *v.* to be the most powerful, important, or frequent; to be more common or prevalent than others

ANSWERS: 58. amenity, 59. develop, 60. concerned, 61. undergo, 62. participate, 63. individual, 64. zone, 65. dynamics, 66. perceive, 67. predominate

68. dense con_____on *n.* a large urban area formed by the merging of several cities or towns, typically with a high population density and interconnected infrastructure
69. la_____pe painting *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
70. vague no___n *n.* a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts
71. ill fo_____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
72. pr_____ly affect adults *adv.* mainly
73. a re___l dealer *n.* the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets
74. vi___m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
75. ex_____ve clubs *adj.* not divided or shared with others
76. acc_____ed routine *adj.* familiar with; used to; in the habit of; having become habituated to something, often a behavior or situation

ANSWERS: 68. conurbation, 69. landscape, 70. notion, 71. fortune, 72. primarily, 73. retail, 74. victim, 75. exclusive, 76. accustomed

77. new design el_____ts *n.* a fundamental or essential part of something
78. the ba_____e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
79. arterial con_____ce *n.* the point at which two or more streams or rivers come together; a gathering of people or things at a particular location or moment
80. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
81. acc_____ed to complaints *adj.* familiar with; used to; in the habit of; having become habituated to something, often a behavior or situation
82. a co_____nt temperature *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
83. in an eq_____le manner *adj.* fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly
84. vi____l navigation *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
85. seg_____on of power *n.* the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation
86. pe_____ve light *v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

ANSWERS: 77. element, 78. balance, 79. confluence, 80. context, 81. accustomed, 82. constant, 83. equitable, 84. visual, 85. segregation, 86. perceive

87. co_____se a large percentage *v.* to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something
88. pr_____ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
89. 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
90. wat_____nt property *n.* the area of land along the edge of a body of water, such as a lake, river, or ocean
91. acute em_____cy *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
92. natural phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
93. asset on the company's ba_____e sheet *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
94. co_____se the recent past *v.* to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something
95. ur__n property owners *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
96. industry-sp_____ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

ANSWERS: 87. comprise, 88. privilege, 89. develop, 90. waterfront, 91. emergency, 92. phenomenon, 93. balance, 94. comprise, 95. urban, 96. specific

97. ad_____e the technology *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
98. in_____ve education *adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
99. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
100. inf_____ure cost *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
101. study arc_____ral engineering *adj.* of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures
102. 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
103. a dy_____c market *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
104. ma_____m limit *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained

ANSWERS: 97. advance, 98. inclusive, 99. individual, 100. infrastructure, 101. architectural, 102. process, 103. dynamic, 104. maximum

105. ready to co____se *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
106. beautiful arc_____ral landmarks *adj.* of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures
107. ac_____e milestones *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
108. industrial 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
109. qu_____ed in medicine *adj.* officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job
110. lose ex____s weight *n.* an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable
111. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
112. adv_____nt of knowledge *n.* the development, improvement, or progress of something
113. ae_____ic value *adj.* connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty
114. equ_____um point *n.* a state in which opposing forces or influences are balanced
115. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 105. collapse, 106. architectural, 107. achieve, 108. sector, 109. qualified, 110. excess, 111. imaginary, 112. advancement, 113. aesthetic, 114.

equilibrium, 115. economy

116. have a ne____ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
117. immune fu____on *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
118. mo____g ceremony *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
119. con____te to society *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
120. the int____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
121. reg____ss of the difficulties *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
122. ex____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
123. cause a widespread se____on *n.* a feeling associated with stimulation of a sense organ or with a specific body condition; a general feeling of interest and excitement
124. a child with se____y issues *adj.* of or relating to the physical senses
125. legal co____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

ANSWERS: 116. negative, 117. function, 118. moving, 119. contribute, 120. interaction, 121. regardless, 122. exciting, 123. sensation, 124. sensory, 125. context

126. co_____al style *adj.* of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony
127. is_____e a patient *v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things
128. right to col_____ve bargaining *adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people
129. 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
130. ne_____t to call *v.* to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone
131. ty_____gy study *n.* the study or classification of types or patterns, particularly in terms of objects, concepts, or characteristics; a system or method of categorizing or organizing things into specific types or groups based on shared traits or attributes
132. ev_____on theory *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
133. ci__c activity *adj.* of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
134. un_____ne a good relationship *v.* to make someone or something less powerful, less effective, weaker gradually; to make someone's fame, confidence, or authority less effective or weaker gradually

ANSWERS: 126. colonial, 127. isolate, 128. collective, 129. sector, 130. neglect, 131. typology, 132. evolution, 133. civic, 134. undermine

135. multinational con_____ate *n.* a large corporation or organization made up of many smaller companies or divisions; (verb) to gather or combine various things or entities together, typically to form a larger and more diverse whole
136. human ev_____on *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
137. re__x a series of muscles *v.* to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer
138. mo_____nt honoring *n.* a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event
139. pre_____te in the army *v.* to be the most powerful, important, or frequent; to be more common or prevalent than others
140. a cr_____l issue for women *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
141. pu___e freedoms *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
142. z__m in on a photo *v.* to move along very quickly; (noun) the act of rising upward into the air
143. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
144. field of vi___l arts *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
145. psychological ty_____gy *n.* the study or classification of types or patterns, particularly in terms of objects, concepts, or characteristics; a system or method of categorizing or organizing things into specific types or groups based on shared traits or attributes

ANSWERS: 135. conglomerate, 136. evolution, 137. relax, 138. monument, 139. predominate, 140. crucial, 141. pursue, 142. zoom, 143. complexity, 144. visual, 145. typology

146. pr_____te noun *n.* a statement or assertion about something, especially a statement in logic or grammar; (verb) to base or found on a particular fact or assumption
147. rag d__l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
148. col_____ve ownership *adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people
149. fa_____d by good weather *adj.* preferred or supported over anyone or anything else
150. enc_____ng sign *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
151. cir_____nce of birth *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
152. a co_____nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
153. meet req_____nt *n.* something that is needed or wanted
154. co_____e a large of alcohol *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
155. atomic b__bs *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
156. cir_____nce of injury *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
157. plastic d__l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive

ANSWERS: 146. predicate, 147. doll, 148. collective, 149. favored, 150. encouraging, 151. circumstance, 152. constant, 153. requirement, 154. consume, 155. bomb, 156. circumstance, 157. doll

158. in_____ty of data *n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
159. di_____on chief *n.* the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector
160. company mo__o *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
161. co_____nt a global warming *v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
162. ma_____n error *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
163. a close co_____t *n.* a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals
164. enormous ex_____es *n.* the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something
165. a mag_____nt plan *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
166. a person of in_____ty *n.* the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided
167. co_____t in a vein *v.* to make something blocked or crowded so as to hinder or prevent freedom of movement or flow of liquid
168. di_____te heat *v.* to disperse or scatter widely
169. the st_____re of a machine *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

ANSWERS: 158. integrity, 159. division, 160. motto, 161. confront, 162. margin, 163. contest, 164. expense, 165. magnificent, 166. integrity, 167. congest, 168. dissipate, 169. structure

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| 170. possess distinctive qua_____ions | <i>n.</i> | an official record of an exam showing that you have completed |
| 171. an ex___s of exports | <i>n.</i> | an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable |
| 172. humanity's mo_____nt | <i>n.</i> | a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event |
| 173. new di_____on | <i>n.</i> | a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length |
| 174. a di_____se about art | <i>n.</i> | any form of communication in speech or writing |
| 175. qua_____ions for the job | <i>n.</i> | an official record of an exam showing that you have completed |
| 176. central th___e | <i>n.</i> | a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation |
| 177. con_____ce of ideas | <i>n.</i> | the point at which two or more streams or rivers come together; a gathering of people or things at a particular location or moment |
| 178. make a pr___t | <i>n.</i> | money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved |
| 179. com_____nd instructions | <i>v.</i> | to understand the nature or meaning of something fully |
| 180. inf_____te the bloodstream | <i>v.</i> | to enter or penetrate a group, organization, or place covertly or secretly, usually with a specific purpose or goal in mind; to spread or diffuse through something gradually or subtly |

ANSWERS: 170. qualification, 171. excess, 172. monument, 173. dimension, 174. discourse, 175. qualification, 176. theme, 177. confluence, 178. profit, 179. comprehend, 180. infiltrate

181. media con_____ate *n.* a large corporation or organization made up of many smaller companies or divisions; (verb) to gather or combine various things or entities together, typically to form a larger and more diverse whole
182. in____t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
183. arr_____nt committee *n.* a plan or preparation for the future event; the action or process of placing things in a particular order
184. ar_____ct of the peace accord *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
185. su____b life *n.* an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods
186. nontechnical as____ts of the job *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
187. sur_____ng areas *adj.* that is near or around, or closely encircling something
188. hand ge_____e *n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
189. dem_____te a difference *v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
190. in_____te into the existing system *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

ANSWERS: 181. conglomerate, 182. invest, 183. arrangement, 184. architect, 185. suburb, 186. aspect, 187. surrounding, 188. gesture, 189. demonstrate, 190. integrate

191. ur__n planning *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
192. pol_____ion effect *n.* the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles
193. racial seg_____on *n.* the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation
194. ex___d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
195. un__e favoritism towards certain industries *adj.* excessive, unwarranted, or improper; not justified by the circumstances; beyond what is appropriate or reasonable
196. mo___g experience *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
197. insurance pr_____m *n.* an amount of money paid periodically; the price or cost of something, especially when it is considered to be of high quality or value; (adjective) having or reflecting superior quality or value
198. 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: 191. urban, 192. polarization, 193. segregation, 194. expand, 195. undue, 196. moving, 197. premium, 198. encourage

199. the tra_____ion of a tadpole into a frog *n.* a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
200. increase sl_____ly *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
201. bit of good fo_____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
202. a peace ini_____ve *n.* the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need
203. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
204. the stock market co_____sed *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
205. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
206. taste se_____on *n.* a feeling associated with stimulation of a sense organ or with a specific body condition; a general feeling of interest and excitement
207. a profit ma_____n *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
208. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 199. transformation, 200. slightly, 201. fortune, 202. initiative, 203. conversation, 204. collapse, 205. environment, 206. sensation, 207. margin, 208. opportune

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| 209. mystical sig_____nce | <i>n.</i> the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy |
| 210. re_____ve factors | <i>adj.</i> considered and evaluated through comparison with something else |
| 211. expanding con_____on | <i>n.</i> a large urban area formed by the merging of several cities or towns, typically with a high population density and interconnected infrastructure |
| 212. oppressive co_____al rule | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony |
| 213. wat_____nt view | <i>n.</i> the area of land along the edge of a body of water, such as a lake, river, or ocean |
| 214. co_____e electricity | <i>v.</i> to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount |
| 215. for your acc_____ion | <i>n.</i> a place to live, work, or stay, particularly for a temporary or short-term period; adjustment or adaptation to meet various needs or circumstances |
| 216. t__e cycle | <i>n.</i> the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull |
| 217. id_____fy handwriting | <i>v.</i> to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are |
| 218. ad_____e a cooperative relationship | <i>v.</i> to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way |
| 219. ma__o economy | <i>n.</i> (computing) a set of instructions that automate a frequently used series of keystrokes or mouse actions; (photography) a lens that allows you to take close-up photographs; (economics) a large-scale economic policy or system |

ANSWERS: 209. significance, 210. relative, 211. conurbation, 212. colonial, 213. waterfront, 214. consume, 215. accommodation, 216. tide, 217. identify, 218. advance, 219. macro

220. di_____te stress *v.* to disperse or scatter widely
221. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
222. classic arc_____ure *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
223. pu___e a goal *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
224. a deputy ma__r *n.* an elected official who presides over a city or town government
225. ensure a smooth tra_____on *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
226. spare co_____nts for cars *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
227. my_____al intuition *adj.* relating to or characterized by spiritual powers; beyond ordinary understanding
228. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
229. co_____ve a child *v.* to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant
230. a pr_____te that it's true *n.* a statement or assertion about something, especially a statement in logic or grammar; (verb) to base or found on a particular fact or assumption
231. imm_____ble loss *adj.* too great to be measured or calculated; vast or incalculable in extent or degree; impossible to quantify or express in numerical terms

ANSWERS: 220. dissipate, 221. government, 222. architecture, 223. pursue, 224. mayor, 225. transition, 226. component, 227. mystical, 228. communal, 229. conceive, 230. predicate, 231. immeasurable

232. cap_____ze on an interest *v.* to write a whole letter or the first letter of the alphabet as a capital; to provide a company, etc. with the money; to take the chance to gain advantage from something
233. di_____sh swelling *v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.
234. learn new co_____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
235. unsatisfied de_____e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
236. con_____te a threat *v.* to be the essential or fundamental elements or parts of something; to establish, appoint, or assign someone to a particular office or position; to make up or compose something
237. a remote re_____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
238. dem_____te mastery *v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
239. a mag_____nt mountain *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
240. en_____e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
241. co_____ed citizen *adj.* feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention
242. an eq_____le price *adj.* fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly

ANSWERS: 232. capitalize, 233. diminish, 234. concept, 235. desire, 236. constitute, 237. relative, 238. demonstrate, 239. magnificent, 240. engage, 241. concerned, 242. equitable

243. data ag_____te *n.* a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items
244. wi_____l disobedience *adj.* deliberate or intentional; done on purpose; characterized by stubborn determination or self-will
245. IT inf_____ure *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
246. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
247. fa_____d candidates *adj.* preferred or supported over anyone or anything else
248. z__m lens *v.* to move along very quickly; (noun) the act of rising upward into the air
249. dis_____le camera *adj.* designed to be used once and then thrown away
250. ho_____le accident *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
251. manually op_____e a machine *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
252. po__r regions *adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
253. pe_____ve language *adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
254. hi_____nd hotels *adj.* of the highest quality or luxury, often used to describe expensive or exclusive products or services

ANSWERS: 243. aggregate, 244. willful, 245. infrastructure, 246. government, 247. favored, 248. zoom, 249. disposable, 250. horrible, 251. operate, 252. polar, 253. pervasive, 254. high-end

255. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
256. co____ve of an idea *v.* to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant
257. key co_____nt *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
258. political tri_____ion *n.* the process of determining the location or position of something, such as an object, place, or point, by measuring the angles or distances between multiple reference points or landmarks
259. fac_____te a smooth transition *v.* to make something easier or more likely to happen
260. un_____me interruption *adj.* not wanted, not invited, or not appreciated; causing annoyance or displeasure
261. the pr_____nd depths of the sea *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
262. sl_____ly alkaline soils *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
263. multi-center meg_____is *n.* a very large, densely populated urban area that is made up of several cities or metropolitan regions that have grown together over time
264. re__x at home *v.* to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer

ANSWERS: 255. relate, 256. conceive, 257. component, 258. triangulation, 259. facilitate, 260. unwelcome, 261. profound, 262. slightly, 263. megalopolis, 264. relax

265. ed____ed speech *adj.* having received a high standard of education
266. lo___e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
267. hi_____se building *adj.* describing a tall building or structure that has many floors or levels above the ground, often used to describe residential or commercial buildings in urban areas with multiple stories
268. di_____er recovery *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
269. 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
270. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
271. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
272. hi_____se office *adj.* describing a tall building or structure that has many floors or levels above the ground, often used to describe residential or commercial buildings in urban areas with multiple stories

ANSWERS: 265. educated, 266. locate, 267. high-rise, 268. disaster, 269. equation, 270. decide, 271. movement, 272. high-rise

273. an am____y of professional coaching
n. a feature or aspect that adds comfort, convenience, or enjoyment to a place or situation; a pleasant or desirable quality or attribute; to features or services in a building, neighborhood, or public space
274. a speech co____t
n. a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals
275. st____a against obesity
n. a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
276. anti-air raid sh____r
n. a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
277. pr____t the future
v. to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
278. city or _____ce
n. a law or regulation enacted by a local government or governing authority; typically used about laws that concern public health, safety, or morals
279. spe_____ed equipment
adj. possessing or relating to specific knowledge or skills that are unique to a particular field or task; designed or intended for a particular purpose or function
280. ex____d agricultural output
v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

ANSWERS: 273. amenity, 274. contest, 275. stigma, 276. shelter, 277. predict, 278. ordinance, 279. specialized, 280. expand

281. inf_____te a community *v.* to enter or penetrate a group, organization, or place covertly or secretly, usually with a specific purpose or goal in mind; to spread or diffuse through something gradually or subtly
282. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
283. po_____ze opinions *v.* to cause or become divided into two contrasting or opposite groups, opinions, or positions; to create or intensify a sharp division or conflict
284. un_____l a knit *v.* undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads by separating it
285. sp____l out luxuriously on the sofa *v.* to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and legs spread out
286. intended pr_____ly for young people *adv.* mainly
287. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
288. economic me_____wn *n.* a severe overheating of the core of a nuclear reactor resulting in the core melting and radiation escaping; a situation in which something fails or weakens suddenly or dramatically
289. pre_____nt color *adj.* having control, authority, or influence that is greater than that of others; prevailing or vastly more abundant than others of the same kind

ANSWERS: 281. infiltrate, 282. interaction, 283. polarize, 284. unravel, 285. sprawl, 286. primarily, 287. communal, 288. meltdown, 289. predominant

290. mo____r an exam *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
291. fu____on properly *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (*v.*) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
292. sh__t surgery *v.* to redirect or transfer something, often a flow of liquid or gas, to an alternative path or conduit; to move someone or something aside or out of the way; (*n.*) a device used to divert or redirect the flow of something, usually electrical current or fluid
293. total dis_____le income *adj.* designed to be used once and then thrown away
294. st____h along the coast *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
295. man_____re an enzyme *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
296. fo_____te idea *v.* to create or develop a plan, system, theory, or formula; to express an idea or concept in a clear, precise manner
297. co___y goods by truck *v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another

ANSWERS: 290. monitor, 291. function, 292. shunt, 293. disposable, 294. stretch, 295. manufacture, 296. formulate, 297. convey

298. the pe_____ve odor of garlic *adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
299. hi_____y system *n.* a main road, especially one connecting major towns or cities
300. em_____e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
301. fa_____ty design *n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
302. arr_____nt of the furniture *n.* a plan or preparation for the future event; the action or process of placing things in a particular order
303. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
304. con_____te a majority *v.* to be the essential or fundamental elements or parts of something; to establish, appoint, or assign someone to a particular office or position; to make up or compose something
305. a breach of pr_____ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
306. county or _____ce *n.* a law or regulation enacted by a local government or governing authority; typically used about laws that concern public health, safety, or morals

ANSWERS: 298. pervasive, 299. highway, 300. embrace, 301. facility, 302. arrangement, 303. complexity, 304. constitute, 305. privilege, 306. ordinance

307. designed spe_____lly for men *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
308. thin-and-light la____p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
309. 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
310. th_____en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
311. pr_____nt in Japan *adj.* existing very commonly in a particular area or in a specific time
312. th_____en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
313. do_____wn traffic *adv.* in or towards the central area of a town or city
314. the mo__o for safe traffic *n.* a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
315. a co____y of bacteria *n.* a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away
316. up____t mountains *n.* the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits
317. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
318. live in a cl_____r *n.* a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit

ANSWERS: 307. specifically, 308. laptop, 309. barrier, 310. threaten, 311. prevalent, 312. threaten, 313. downtown, 314. motto, 315. colony, 316. uplift, 317. conversation, 318. cluster

319. sp___l for acres *v.* to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and legs spread out
320. an app_____te time *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
321. spe_____ed knowledge *adj.* possessing or relating to specific knowledge or skills that are unique to a particular field or task; designed or intended for a particular purpose or function
322. social st___a *n.* a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
323. military pre_____nce *n.* the state or condition of being dominant, prevalent, or more powerful or influential than others; the act or process of being in control or having authority or superiority over something or someone
324. ae_____ic feeling *adj.* connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty
325. the crosswise di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
326. a cl_____r of stars *n.* a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit
327. career adv_____nt *n.* the development, improvement, or progress of something
328. cr_____l information *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
329. reg_____ss tread *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

ANSWERS: 319. sprawl, 320. appropriate, 321. specialized, 322. stigma, 323. predominance, 324. aesthetic, 325. dimension, 326. cluster, 327. advancement, 328. crucial, 329. regardless

330. a large st__k of paper *n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
331. the governing body of the ci____s *n.* a community or society, particularly in political and social contexts
332. bu____rd bingo *n.* a word or phrase that is fashionable or popular within a particular industry, field, or culture, often used to convey a sense of innovation or sophistication
333. telegram in ci____r *n.* a secret or disguised way of writing or encoding a message, often using a code or key to decipher it; a person or thing of no value or importance, often used derogatorily to describe someone who lacks personality or individuality
334. in____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
335. global di____er *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
336. me____ed analysis *adj.* done with careful consideration or calculated precision; controlled or regulated in manner or speech; deliberate and thoughtful
337. self-evident ax__m *n.* a statement or principle that is regarded as being self-evidently true and does not require proof or justification; a fundamental truth upon which other truths or theories are based

ANSWERS: 330. stack, 331. civitas, 332. buzzword, 333. cipher, 334. involve, 335. disaster, 336. measured, 337. axiom

338. have si_____ly great abilities *adv.* in almost the same way
339. re____l store *n.* the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets
340. ge_____te \$100 a month *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
341. bring my la____p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
342. man_____re a product *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
343. hold di_____se with him *n.* any form of communication in speech or writing
344. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
345. em_____cy action *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
346. ho_____le smell *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
347. a pre_____nt species *adj.* having control, authority, or influence that is greater than that of others; prevailing or vastly more abundant than others of the same kind
348. global pre_____nce *n.* the state or condition of being dominant, prevalent, or more powerful or influential than others; the act or process of being in control or having authority or superiority over something or someone

ANSWERS: 338. similarly, 339. retail, 340. generate, 341. laptop, 342. manufacture, 343. discourse, 344. opportune, 345. emergency, 346. horrible, 347. predominant, 348. predominance

349. un_____l a plot *v.* undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads by separating it
350. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
351. a det_____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
352. fac_____te the process *v.* to make something easier or more likely to happen
353. op_____e 24 hours a day *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
354. healthcare pro_____on *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
355. in_____t desires *v.* to prevent something, such as an action, process, etc., from happening or make it less likely to happen than normal
356. temporary acc_____ion *n.* a place to live, work, or stay, particularly for a temporary or short-term period; adjustment or adaptation to meet various needs or circumstances
357. ac_____e success *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
358. path toward mo_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being modern; the state or era of being up-to-date in technology, science, and culture

ANSWERS: 349. unravel, 350. transform, 351. determinant, 352. facilitate, 353. operate, 354. profession, 355. inhibit, 356. accommodation, 357. achieve, 358. modernity

359. international co_____ty *n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
360. di_____sh a reputation *v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.
361. a warm em_____e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
362. ex_____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
363. ev_____e over the past decade *v.* to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually
364. ac_____ly engage *adv.* in a way that involves taking action or participating actively; with energy and determination
365. ancient ci_____s *n.* a community or society, particularly in political and social contexts
366. i__n for young people *n.* a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file
367. an interstate hi_____y *n.* a main road, especially one connecting major towns or cities
368. ma__o scale *n.* (computing) a set of instructions that automate a frequently used series of keystrokes or mouse actions; (photography) a lens that allows you to take close-up photographs; (economics) a large-scale economic policy or system

ANSWERS: 359. commodity, 360. diminish, 361. embrace, 362. exciting, 363. evolve, 364. actively, 365. civitas, 366. icon, 367. highway, 368. macro

369. co_____fy athletes *v.* to turn something into an object of trade or commerce, particularly a good or service that was previously seen as having value beyond its market value
370. si_____ly situated *adv.* in almost the same way
371. an ag_____te of people *n.* a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items
372. pro_____tic framework *adj.* relating to or characterized by a systematic plan or program, especially one implemented using computers or other methods
373. tra_____on phase *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
374. com_____nd English *v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully
375. ed_____ed adult *adj.* having received a high standard of education
376. acc_____te these needs *v.* to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose
377. co____y a complex idea *v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another
378. heavy tr_____c *n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time

ANSWERS: 369. commodify, 370. similarly, 371. aggregate, 372. programmatic, 373. transition, 374. comprehend, 375. educated, 376. accommodate, 377. convey, 378. traffic

379. arc_____ure design *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
380. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
381. co_____fy user data *v.* to turn something into an object of trade or commerce, particularly a good or service that was previously seen as having value beyond its market value
382. rainproof sh_____r *n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
383. political equ_____um *n.* a state in which opposing forces or influences are balanced
384. acc_____te a person with money *v.* to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose
385. co_____nt the issue *v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person
386. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
387. po_____ze society *v.* to cause or become divided into two contrasting or opposite groups, opinions, or positions; to create or intensify a sharp division or conflict
388. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 379. architecture, 380. construct, 381. commodify, 382. shelter, 383. equilibrium, 384. accommodate, 385. confront, 386. environment, 387. polarize, 388. decide

389. a circular mo_____nt
n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
390. sig_____nce level
n. the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy
391. pro_____te weeds
v. to grow or increase rapidly in number; to reproduce or spread rapidly, especially in an uncontrolled manner
392. dy_____c person
adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
393. financial ind_____nce
n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence
394. sy____l color
n. something visible that is used to represent something else
395. ne_____t ethical issues
v. to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone
396. lo____e a tumor
v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
397. do_____wn building
adv. in or towards the central area of a town or city
398. in_____te both businesses
v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

ANSWERS: 389. movement, 390. significance, 391. proliferate, 392. dynamic, 393. independence, 394. symbol, 395. neglect, 396. locate, 397. downtown, 398. integrate

399. is_____e a compound *v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things
400. a fence sur_____ng a castle *adj.* that is near or around, or closely encircling something
401. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
402. 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
403. mo_____r the data carefully *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
404. a peaceful la_____pe *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
405. ben_____al to all countries *adj.* helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being
406. 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: 399. isolate, 400. surrounding, 401. determinant, 402. encourage, 403. monitor, 404. landscape, 405. beneficial, 406. process

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| 407. a pr_____nd book | <i>adj.</i> extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension |
| 408. in_____t tumor growth | <i>v.</i> to prevent something, such as an action, process, etc., from happening or make it less likely to happen than normal |
| 409. ma_____e obligation | <i>n.</i> an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task |
| 410. th__e park | <i>n.</i> a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation |
| 411. con_____te a large sum of money to the fund | <i>v.</i> to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people |
| 412. dis_____ate the costs | <i>v.</i> to separate something into its parts or smaller units, often for analysis or examination |
| 413. business bu_____rds | <i>n.</i> a word or phrase that is fashionable or popular within a particular industry, field, or culture, often used to convey a sense of innovation or sophistication |
| 414. largest electronic m___l | <i>n.</i> a large, enclosed shopping center that typically contains many stores, restaurants, and other businesses |
| 415. bl__k future | <i>adj.</i> unlikely to be favorable; unpleasantly cold and damp; offering little or no hope |
| 416. spirit of mo_____ty | <i>n.</i> the quality or condition of being modern; the state or era of being up-to-date in technology, science, and culture |

ANSWERS: 407. profound, 408. inhibit, 409. mandate, 410. theme, 411. contribute, 412. disaggregate, 413. buzzword, 414. mall, 415. bleak, 416. modernity

417. gross pr___t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
418. ride the t__e of change *n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
419. the eq_____on of poverty with ignorance *n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
420. po__r bears *adj.* relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
421. coastal meg_____is *n.* a very large, densely populated urban area that is made up of several cities or metropolitan regions that have grown together over time
422. dielectric pol_____ion *n.* the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles
423. pr_____m quality *n.* an amount of money paid periodically; the price or cost of something, especially when it is considered to be of high quality or value; (adjective) having or reflecting superior quality or value
424. nonmetallic el_____ts *n.* a fundamental or essential part of something
425. pe_____ry countries *n.* the outer edge or margin of something, especially a geographical area or a group of people

ANSWERS: 417. profit, 418. tide, 419. equation, 420. polar, 421. megalopolis, 422. polarization, 423. premium, 424. element, 425. periphery

426. z__e defense *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
427. id____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
428. sus_____le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
429. co_____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
430. 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
431. fundamental ax__m *n.* a statement or principle that is regarded as being self-evidently true and does not require proof or justification; a fundamental truth upon which other truths or theories are based
432. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
433. hi_____nd technology *adj.* of the highest quality or luxury, often used to describe expensive or exclusive products or services
434. ma__r's race *n.* an elected official who presides over a city or town government
435. his research area of
con_____ion *n.* the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.
436. mo___n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times

ANSWERS: 426. zone, 427. identify, 428. sustainable, 429. concept, 430. barrier, 431. axiom, 432. consequence, 433. high-end, 434. mayor, 435. concentration, 436. modern

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| 437. pro_____on choice | <i>n.</i> | an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training |
| 438. af___d a high travel cost | <i>v.</i> | to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something |
| 439. tr_____c jam | <i>n.</i> | the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time |
| 440. up___t my spirit | <i>n.</i> | the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits |
| 441. ge_____e of goodwill | <i>n.</i> | a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning |
| 442. con_____ion of armaments | <i>n.</i> | the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else. |
| 443. co_____ty tax | <i>n.</i> | a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold |
| 444. tr_____rm an education system | <i>v.</i> | to change in outward structure or looks; |
| 445. tr_____ng accident | <i>adj.</i> | of little importance or value; insignificant |
| 446. af___d to buy a new car | <i>v.</i> | to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something |
| 447. a ne_____ve number | <i>adj.</i> | having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal |
| 448. principles of sus_____le development | <i>adj.</i> | able to continue or be continued for a long time |

ANSWERS: 437. profession, 438. afford, 439. traffic, 440. uplift, 441. gesture, 442. concentration, 443. commodity, 444. transform, 445. trifling, 446. afford, 447. negative, 448. sustainable

449. un_____ne their adversary's reputation
v. to make someone or something less powerful, less effective, weaker gradually; to make someone's fame, confidence, or authority less effective or weaker gradually
450. high st__k
n. a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
451. me_____wn disaster
n. a severe overheating of the core of a nuclear reactor resulting in the core melting and radiation escaping; a situation in which something fails or weakens suddenly or dramatically
452. indicate a wil_____ss to change
n. the state of being ready or inclined to do something
453. ex_____ve authority
adj. not divided or shared with others
454. cast a tra_____ion spell
n. a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
455. my_____al belief
adj. relating to or characterized by spiritual powers; beyond ordinary understanding
456. re___e a story
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
457. a cell phone with an internet fa_____ty
n. a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry

ANSWERS: 449. undermine, 450. stack, 451. meltdown, 452. willingness, 453. exclusive, 454. transformation, 455. mystical, 456. relate, 457. facility

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| 458. ev___e | <i>v.</i> to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually |
| 459. family em___m | <i>n.</i> a design or symbol that represents a quality or idea |
| 460. school req_____nt | <i>n.</i> something that is needed or wanted |
| 461. ge_____te more electricity | <i>v.</i> to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction |
| 462. st_____h a story | <i>v.</i> to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking |
| 463. pr_____nt belief | <i>adj.</i> existing very commonly in a particular area or in a specific time |
| 464. ci__c center | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it |
| 465. co_____ct a 3D image | <i>v.</i> to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole |
| 466. tri_____ion method | <i>n.</i> the process of determining the location or position of something, such as an object, place, or point, by measuring the angles or distances between multiple reference points or landmarks |
| 467. enc_____ng approval | <i>adj.</i> giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring |
| 468. ins_____ble odds | <i>adj.</i> impossible to overcome or conquer; too difficult or daunting to overcome |
| 469. app_____te behavior | <i>adj.</i> suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting |

ANSWERS: 458. evolve, 459. emblem, 460. requirement, 461. generate, 462. stretch, 463. prevalent, 464. civic, 465. construct, 466. triangulation, 467. encouraging, 468. insurmountable, 469. appropriate

470. in___t capital v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
471. imm_____ble joy *adj.* too great to be measured or calculated; vast or incalculable in extent or degree; impossible to quantify or express in numerical terms
472. dis_____ate the test scores v. to separate something into its parts or smaller units, often for analysis or examination
473. cap_____ze the 1st letter of a word v. to write a whole letter or the first letter of the alphabet as a capital; to provide a company, etc. with the money; to take the chance to gain advantage from something
474. prospects were bl__k *adj.* unlikely to be favorable; unpleasantly cold and damp; offering little or no hope
475. ins_____ble disadvantage *adj.* impossible to overcome or conquer; too difficult or daunting to overcome
476. a se_____y organ *adj.* of or relating to the physical senses
477. disarm the b__b *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
478. ac_____ly participate *adv.* in a way that involves taking action or participating actively; with energy and determination
479. ex_____e account *n.* the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something
480. in_____ct with one another v. to communicate or react with somebody

ANSWERS: 470. invest, 471. immeasurable, 472. disaggregate, 473. capitalize, 474. bleak, 475. insurmountable, 476. sensory, 477. bomb, 478. actively, 479. expense, 480. interact

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The team _____ players from different countries.
v. to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something
2. _____ based on race or ethnicity is illegal and unjust.
n. the act or process of separating or isolating people, things, or groups based on race, gender, religion, social class, or other characteristics; a political or social system that enforces such separation or isolation
3. Sharks have highly developed _____ systems and are extremely sensitive creatures.
adj. of or relating to the physical senses
4. The _____ of the novel is the corrupting influence of power.
n. a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation
5. The _____ of companies managed to dominate the market.
n. a large corporation or organization made up of many smaller companies or divisions; (verb) to gather or combine various things or entities together, typically to form a larger and more diverse whole
6. The stone _____ was built to commemorate the war heroes.
n. a statue, building, or other structure erected to commemorate a person or event
7. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.
v. to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
8. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 1. comprises, 2. Segregation, 3. sensory, 4. theme, 5. conglomerate, 6. monument, 7. consume, 8. decide

9. Try to keep a _____ between work and off.
- n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
10. Detectives are still attempting to _____ the mystery of his death.
- v.* undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads by separating it
11. The company implemented a new software system to _____ employee communication and collaboration.
- v.* to make something easier or more likely to happen
12. He found that it is difficult to _____ socially.
- v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
13. The town council passed an _____ banning the use of plastic bags.
- n.* a law or regulation enacted by a local government or governing authority; typically used about laws that concern public health, safety, or morals
14. 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
15. Sweet _____ makes short days and nights.
- n.* any form of communication in speech or writing
16. The advertising platform uses a _____ approach to match ads to relevant websites and mobile apps automatically.
- adj.* relating to or characterized by a systematic plan or program, especially one implemented using computers or other methods

ANSWERS: 9. balance, 10. unravel, 11. facilitate, 12. integrate, 13. ordinance, 14. engaged, 15. discourse, 16. programmatic

17. The _____ temperature recorded this summer was higher than average.

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

18. The economic stimulation program would _____ a lot of new jobs.

v. to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

19. The nuclear _____ in the country was a disaster with far-reaching consequences.

n. a severe overheating of the core of a nuclear reactor resulting in the core melting and radiation escaping; a situation in which something fails or weakens suddenly or dramatically

20. I am _____ looking for a new job opportunity.

adv. in a way that involves taking action or participating actively; with energy and determination

21. 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

22. The _____ in the stock market has been a relief to investors.

n. the process of raising land to a higher elevation, or the result of this process; (verb) fill with high spirits

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

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

24. A _____ of grapes hung from the vine.

n. a group of similar things or people close together, often forming a distinct mass or unit

ANSWERS: 17. maximum, 18. generate, 19. meltdown, 20. actively, 21. zone, 22. uplift, 23. suppose, 24. cluster

25. A person's salary should be _____ with their qualifications and experience.
adj. corresponding in size, extent, or degree; in proper proportion or relation to something else; appropriately or fairly measured or balanced about something
26. Competition between countries resulted in fast technological _____.
n. the development, improvement, or progress of something
27. The antique _____ was worth thousands of dollars.
n. a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
28. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.
v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
29. This machine is too difficult to _____ for me.
v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something
30. The hotel offers comfortable _____ for both business and leisure travelers.
n. a place to live, work, or stay, particularly for a temporary or short-term period; adjustment or adaptation to meet various needs or circumstances
31. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 25. commensurate, 26. advancement, 27. doll, 28. invest, 29. operate, 30. accommodations, 31. movement

32. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.

n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

33. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.

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

34. The _____ scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.

adj. extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

35. The majority of synthetic vitamins are _____ from oil.

v. to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines

36. It is an _____ in mathematics that two parallel lines never intersect.

n. a statement or principle that is regarded as being self-evidently true and does not require proof or justification; a fundamental truth upon which other truths or theories are based

37. The _____ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

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

38. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.

v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

39. The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its _____ policy.

adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

ANSWERS: 32. privilege, 33. modern, 34. magnificent, 35. manufactured, 36. axiom, 37. victim, 38. evolved, 39. inclusive

40. She made a facial _____ to express disagreement.

n. a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning

41. The rules were _____ after the new executive arrived.

v. to become or cause someone to become less active or tense and calmer

42. Laughing is _____ to our health.

adj. helpful, useful, or sound; promoting or enhancing well-being

43. It's notoriously challenging to _____ birth rates.

v. to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

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

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

45. I can't _____ he'd want to harm us.

v. to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant

46. You must _____ on your full of opportunities to become a professor.

v. to write a whole letter or the first letter of the alphabet as a capital; to provide a company, etc. with the money; to take the chance to gain advantage from something

47. The _____ style of the building was a mix of modern and traditional.

adj. of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures

ANSWERS: 40. gesture, 41. relaxed, 42. beneficial, 43. predict, 44. interaction, 45. conceive, 46. capitalize, 47. architectural

48. There was a vast _____ between the two tribes.
n. a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals
49. The building makes a remarkable _____ impact.
adj. relating to seeing or sight
50. You should not _____ them from the community.
v. to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things
51. The company's _____ is "Innovation and Service," which is reflected in its products and customer support.
n. a phrase or slogan that expresses a guiding principle or goal
52. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.
n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
53. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
n. the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
54. 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

ANSWERS: 48. contest, 49. visual, 50. isolate, 51. motto, 52. conversation, 53. economy, 54. process

55. 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
56. For this project to be successful, we must control _____ strictly.
n. the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something
57. We seek a person _____ for the post.
adj. officially recognized as having completed a training course or passed the exams that are necessary to perform a particular job
58. Unfortunately, the book's _____ was too small to make notes.
n. the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
59. The argument between the two coworkers was just a _____ matter that should have been easily resolved.
adj. of little importance or value; insignificant
60. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.
n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
61. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.
v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
62. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.
n. a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

ANSWERS: 55. barrier, 56. expenses, 57. qualified, 58. margin, 59. trifling, 60. infrastructure, 61. expand, 62. desire

63. The researchers try to discover a common _____ in all types of successful organizations.
n. one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
64. In a democratic country, governments promote _____ opportunities to participate in society.
adj. fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly
65. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
66. The company struggled to maintain an _____ between its profits and social responsibilities.
n. a state in which opposing forces or influences are balanced
67. The _____ of time travel has long fascinated scientists and fiction writers alike.
n. a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts
68. The rapid urbanization led to the formation of a large _____ in the region.
n. a large urban area formed by the merging of several cities or towns, typically with a high population density and interconnected infrastructure
69. 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
70. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

ANSWERS: 63. component, 64. equitable, 65. locate, 66. equilibrium, 67. notion, 68. conurbation, 69. identify, 70. relate

71. We decided to take a detour to avoid the construction _____ on the main road.
- n.* the movement of vehicles, people, or goods along a route or through a transport system; the amount of such movement in a particular place or at a particular time
72. He _____ back in time to the soccer game.
- v.* to move along very quickly; (noun) the act of rising upward into the air
73. This ad campaign is aimed _____ at young women.
- adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
74. The eagle is an _____ of strength and courage.
- n.* a design or symbol that represents a quality or idea
75. Which _____ of the company do you work in?
- n.* the act or outcome of splitting into separate parts; a critical organizational unit or sector
76. As people get old, their energies may _____.
- v.* to reduce or be reduced in size, extent, or importance; to make something smaller, weaker, etc.
77. 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
78. People can pick out superior products _____ of the quality of the advertising.
- adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

ANSWERS: 71. traffic, 72. zoomed, 73. specifically, 74. emblem, 75. division, 76. diminish, 77. involves, 78. regardless

79. 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
80. Some people are willing to pay a _____ for a rare and valuable collectible.
- n.* an amount of money paid periodically; the price or cost of something, especially when it is considered to be of high quality or value; (adjective) having or reflecting superior quality or value
81. This exam requires excellent _____ to pass.
- n.* the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.
82. Australia is widely _____ as having low levels of corruption.
- v.* to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
83. The nation's healthcare system is in _____ at the moment.
- n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
84. His _____ speech about his struggles with addiction brought tears to the audience's eyes.
- adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
85. The development of _____ regions poses significant challenges for urban planners and policymakers
- n.* a very large, densely populated urban area that is made up of several cities or metropolitan regions that have grown together over time
86. He finally decided to _____ problems directly.
- v.* to face, meet or deal with a problem or difficult situation or person

ANSWERS: 79. environment, 80. premium, 81. concentration, 82. perceived, 83. transition, 84. moving, 85. megalopolis, 86. confront

87. Excessive parental interference may _____ children's eagerness to learn.
v. to prevent something, such as an action, process, etc., from happening or make it less likely to happen than normal
88. The spy was able to _____ the enemy's headquarters undetected.
v. to enter or penetrate a group, organization, or place covertly or secretly, usually with a specific purpose or goal in mind; to spread or diffuse through something gradually or subtly
89. This virus is _____ in many tropical nations.
adj. existing very commonly in a particular area or in a specific time
90. Overall _____ are approximately 400x200mm.
n. a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
91. Applicants must possess a verified teaching _____.
n. an official record of an exam showing that you have completed
92. 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
93. The challenge seemed _____ but they overcame it with hard work and determination.
adj. impossible to overcome or conquer; too difficult or daunting to overcome
94. The government announced a policy to control the rise in _____ prices.
n. a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold

ANSWERS: 87. inhibit, 88. infiltrate, 89. prevalent, 90. dimensions, 91. qualification, 92. equations, 93. insurmountable, 94. commodity

95. The city promotes _____ collaboration in community development
adj. of or relating to a town, city, or the people who live in it
96. We argue that wages for temporary workers should _____ rise.
adv. in almost the same way
97. The _____ mountains make the city difficult to be invaded.
adj. that is near or around, or closely encircling something
98. _____ animals are graceful and efficient swimmers.
adj. relating to, or close to, the North or South Pole; characterized by complete opposites
99. While the hotel was quaint and charming, it lacked the modern _____ of high-speed internet.
n. a feature or aspect that adds comfort, convenience, or enjoyment to a place or situation; a pleasant or desirable quality or attribute; to features or services in a building, neighborhood, or public space
100. He decided to take a walk _____ area to explore the city.
adv. in or towards the central area of a town or city
101. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.
adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement
102. Scientific knowledge will _____ significantly with the power of AI.
v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
103. Only a small number of _____ utilities offer sanitation services.
adj. relating to or located in a town or city

ANSWERS: 95. civic, 96. similarly, 97. surrounding, 98. Polar, 99. amenity, 100. downtown, 101. exciting, 102. advance, 103. urban

104. The encrypted message was written in an unknown _____ that the codebreakers had to decipher.
- n.* a secret or disguised way of writing or encoding a message, often using a code or key to decipher it; a person or thing of no value or importance, often used derogatorily to describe someone who lacks personality or individuality
105. She explained the _____ surrounding the accident.
- n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
106. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.
- n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
107. The _____ visitor quickly made their presence known.
- adj.* not wanted, not invited, or not appreciated; causing annoyance or displeasure
108. He moved his body _____ to the left.
- adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
109. All peaceful cooperation is based _____ on mutual trust.
- adv.* mainly
110. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
111. They need food and _____.
- n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger

ANSWERS: 104. cipher, 105. circumstances, 106. independence, 107. unwelcome, 108. slightly, 109. primarily, 110. Communal, 111. shelter

112. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.
- n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
113. _____ photography is a technique that allows you to take close-up photos of small objects.
- n.* (computing) a set of instructions that automate a frequently used series of keystrokes or mouse actions; (photography) a lens that allows you to take close-up photographs; (economics) a large-scale economic policy or system
114. 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
115. The teacher's _____ to start a school garden project was met with enthusiasm from the students.
- n.* the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need
116. The controversial new law has the potential to _____ the entire nation.
- v.* to cause or become divided into two contrasting or opposite groups, opinions, or positions; to create or intensify a sharp division or conflict
117. The lush vegetation _____ across the wonderfully landscaped gardens.
- v.* to sit, lie, or fall with one's arms and legs spread out
118. The _____ of numbers on the spreadsheet allowed the accountant to track the company's profits and losses easily.
- n.* a rectangular array of numbers, symbols, or expressions, arranged in rows and columns and often enclosed in brackets; an enclosure within which something originates or develops

ANSWERS: 112. determinant, 113. Macro, 114. encouraged, 115. initiative, 116. polarize, 117. sprawls, 118. matrix

119. An ironic remark often _____ an intended meaning obliquely.

- v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another

120. The building _____ tried to build the house above the tree.

- n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

121. She intends to _____ a political career.

- v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

122. _____ pressure from my boss caused me to feel overwhelmed and stressed.

- adj.* excessive, unwarranted, or improper; not justified by the circumstances; beyond what is appropriate or reasonable

123. The city is known for its impressive _____ and beautiful old buildings.

- n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings

124. She struggled to _____ complex math problems.

- v.* to understand the nature or meaning of something fully

125. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

- v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

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

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

ANSWERS: 119. conveys, 120. architect, 121. pursue, 122. Undue, 123. architecture, 124. comprehend, 125. constructs, 126. measured

127. The _____ amount of money raised for the charity was over a million dollars.
- n.* a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items
128. Excellent speech is a characteristic of an _____ man.
- adj.* having received a high standard of education
129. 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
130. He grew up in the _____ but always dreamed of living in the city.
- n.* an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods
131. He is a man admired for the depth of his _____.
- n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
132. The scientist conducted a study that provided _____ details about the species' behavior.
- adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
133. The boutique sold _____ clothing and accessories for affluent customers.
- adj.* of the highest quality or luxury, often used to describe expensive or exclusive products or services
134. They tried to _____ her position by slandering her.
- v.* to make someone or something less powerful, less effective, weaker gradually; to make someone's fame, confidence, or authority less effective or weaker gradually

ANSWERS: 127. aggregate, 128. educated, 129. complexity, 130. suburbs, 131. perception, 132. specific, 133. high-end, 134. undermine

135. He _____ his health to make the project a success.
v. to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone
136. The mental health _____ often prevents people from seeking treatment.
n. a mark of shame or disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person
137. How can you _____ that the earth is a sphere?
v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
138. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.
n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract
139. The test results were _____ and showed improvement.
adj. giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
140. The incumbent _____ announced his plans to address the city's homelessness crisis.
n. an elected official who presides over a city or town government
141. They used a special receiver to _____ police radio channels.
v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
142. In this particular field, his work _____ over all others.
v. to be the most powerful, important, or frequent; to be more common or prevalent than others
143. Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal _____.
n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

ANSWERS: 135. neglected, 136. stigma, 137. demonstrate, 138. concept, 139. encouraging, 140. mayor, 141. monitor, 142. predominated, 143. fortune

144. Government workers cannot _____ to political campaigns.

- v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

145. The _____ of fast-food restaurants in the area has increased obesity rates.

- n.* the state or condition of being dominant, prevalent, or more powerful or influential than others; the act or process of being in control or having authority or superiority over something or someone

146. The sprinter has a _____ way of running.

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

147. He cannot _____ a holiday.

- v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

148. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.

- v.* to take part in something

149. The roads to the airport were heavily _____.

- v.* to make something blocked or crowded so as to hinder or prevent freedom of movement or flow of liquid

150. The city's _____ area was undergoing renovations to improve its accessibility and aesthetics.

- n.* the area of land along the edge of a body of water, such as a lake, river, or ocean

ANSWERS: 144. contribute, 145. predominance, 146. dynamic, 147. afford, 148. participated, 149. congested, 150. waterfront

151. They study the _____ of the universe.

n. a gradual process of transformation of living things

152. The railway workers had to _____ the train to a different track to clear the tracks.

v. to redirect or transfer something, often a flow of liquid or gas, to an alternative path or conduit; to move someone or something aside or out of the way; (noun) a device used to divert or redirect the flow of something, usually electrical current or fluid

153. The organizational _____ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

n. the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

154. Understanding unitary _____ of a normal matrix require considerable mathematical sophistication.

n. a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something

155. The new regulations _____ a significant change in the industry standards.

v. to be the essential or fundamental elements or parts of something; to establish, appoint, or assign someone to a particular office or position; to make up or compose something

156. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

157. The company's reputation for honesty and _____ is highly valued among its customers.

n. the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; the state of being whole and undivided

ANSWERS: 151. evolution, 152. shunt, 153. structure, 154. transformations, 155. constitute, 156. opportune, 157. integrity

158. The political landscape looks _____ without a change of administration.
adj. unlikely to be favorable; unpleasantly cold and damp; offering little or no hope
159. I am _____ about the safety of the children playing in the park.
adj. feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention
160. His professional experience includes all _____ of media production.
n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
161. Her _____ to help others earned her many friends.
n. the state of being ready or inclined to do something
162. As a first _____ we agreed to meet the following Friday.
n. a plan or preparation for the future event; the action or process of placing things in a particular order
163. The roof finally _____ after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.
v. to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
164. 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
165. What is the entry _____ for this course?
n. something that is needed or wanted
166. Product development is a _____ effort.
adj. done or shared by every member of a group of people

ANSWERS: 158. bleak, 159. concerned, 160. aspects, 161. willingness, 162. arrangement, 163. collapsed, 164. individual, 165. requirement, 166. collective

167. _____ dropping wears away the stone.

adj. happening repeatedly or all the time

168. The woods _____ the house.

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

169. Natural selection is an essential _____ in Darwin's theory of evolution.

n. a fundamental or essential part of something

170. My mother's illness had a _____ impact on us all.

adj. extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

171. The _____ industry has been affected by the rise of online shopping.

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

172. My _____ standards are quite different from hers.

adj. connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty

173. 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

174. The _____ of the sentence states the action or condition of the subject.

n. a statement or assertion about something, especially a statement in logic or grammar; (verb) to base or found on a particular fact or assumption

ANSWERS: 167. Constant, 168. embrace, 169. element, 170. profound, 171. retail, 172. aesthetic, 173. sector, 174. predicate

175. The _____ child refused to listen to any instructions from his parents.

adj. deliberate or intentional; done on purpose; characterized by stubborn determination or self-will

176. The impact of climate change on the planet is _____.

adj. too great to be measured or calculated; vast or incalculable in extent or degree; impossible to quantify or express in numerical terms

177. The city has a rich _____ history, with many historic buildings and landmarks.

adj. of or relating to a colony (= a territory that is controlled by a more powerful country); to the period of time during which a country or region was a colony

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

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

179. It would be _____ to dress nicely for the wedding.

adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

180. Being a doctor is considered a highly respected _____.

n. an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training

181. The _____ response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.

n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

182. The factory was located on the city's _____ away from residential areas.

n. the outer edge or margin of something, especially a geographical area or a group of people

ANSWERS: 175. willful, 176. immeasurable, 177. colonial, 178. transformed, 179. appropriate, 180. profession, 181. disaster, 182. periphery,

183. I will work hard to _____ my goals and realize my dreams.

- v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

184. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.

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

185. I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my _____ all day.

- n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap

186. The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's _____.

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

187. The number of COVID cases continued to _____ in many countries worldwide.

- v.* to grow or increase rapidly in number; to reproduce or spread rapidly, especially in an uncontrolled manner

188. The scientists worked together to _____ a plan for their research project.

- v.* to create or develop a plan, system, theory, or formula; to express an idea or concept in a clear, precise manner

189. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state

ANSWERS: 183. achieve, 184. context, 185. laptop, 186. function, 187. proliferate, 188. formulate, 189. government

190. He was fascinated by the contrasts between traditional life and the city's _____.

- n.* the quality or condition of being modern; the state or era of being up-to-date in technology, science, and culture

191. The archaeologists used GPS _____ to accurately map the ancient ruins.

- n.* the process of determining the location or position of something, such as an object, place, or point, by measuring the angles or distances between multiple reference points or landmarks

192. The linguist studied the _____ of languages across different regions.

- n.* the study or classification of types or patterns, particularly in terms of objects, concepts, or characteristics; a system or method of categorizing or organizing things into specific types or groups based on shared traits or attributes

193. The condo offers _____ access to the beach.

- adj.* not divided or shared with others

194. Many companies try to _____ popular trends to make a profit.

- v.* to turn something into an object of trade or commerce, particularly a good or service that was previously seen as having value beyond its market value

195. I am _____ to waking up early for work.

- adj.* familiar with; used to; in the habit of; having become habituated to something, often a behavior or situation

196. The ancient Roman _____ served as the administrative center of the region.

- n.* a community or society, particularly in political and social contexts

ANSWERS: 190. modernity, 191. triangulation, 192. typology, 193. exclusive, 194. commodify, 195. accustomed, 196. civitas

197. Many people go to the shopping _____ to socialize and spend time with friends.
n. a large, enclosed shopping center that typically contains many stores, restaurants, and other businesses
198. The relationship _____ between the two countries were complex and constantly changing.
n. the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
199. The revitalization of technology companies is _____ to the country's growth.
adj. extremely vital or necessary
200. Synergy has become such a _____ in the business world that it has lost its meaning.
n. a word or phrase that is fashionable or popular within a particular industry, field, or culture, often used to convey a sense of innovation or sophistication
201. If you apply this ointment, you may feel a mild burning _____.
n. a feeling associated with stimulation of a sense organ or with a specific body condition; a general feeling of interest and excitement
202. The road of _____ leads to the palace of wisdom.
n. an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable
203. The government should do more to support environmentally _____ agriculture.
adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time
204. The dragon is considered a _____ of bravery.
n. something visible that is used to represent something else

ANSWERS: 197. mall, 198. dynamics, 199. crucial, 200. buzzword, 201. sensation, 202. excess, 203. sustainable, 204. symbol

205. Living in a _____ apartment offers spectacular views of the city.

adj. describing a tall building or structure that has many floors or levels above the ground, often used to describe residential or commercial buildings in urban areas with multiple stories

206. The use of cluster _____ is strictly prohibited by international law.

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

207. Some comic book characters are considered gay _____.

n. a picture or statue of a holy person considered to be a sacred thing; a little icon on the screen of a computer or smartphone that denotes an application or a file

208. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

209. The experience was _____ and left a lasting impression.

adj. extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

210. Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political _____ in Europe.

n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

211. The fog _____ and the air cleared up.

v. to disperse or scatter widely

212. I prefer using _____ razors because they are more convenient.

adj. designed to be used once and then thrown away

ANSWERS: 205. high-rise, 206. bombs, 207. icons, 208. threatening, 209. horrible, 210. landscape, 211. dissipated, 212. disposable

213. The movie has received almost universally _____ criticism.

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

214. The _____ given to the new government is to improve the economy.

n. an official or authoritative instruction or command; a commission or authority to carry out a particular task

215. 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

216. The president declared a state of _____.

n. a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

217. I must _____ the data into smaller categories to analyze it more effectively.

v. to separate something into its parts or smaller units, often for analysis or examination

218. The hospital has many _____ departments, including cardiology and oncology.

adj. possessing or relating to specific knowledge or skills that are unique to a particular field or task; designed or intended for a particular purpose or function

219. Little children tend to have _____ friends.

adj. existing only in someone's mind

ANSWERS: 213. negative, 214. mandate, 215. develop, 216. emergency, 217. disaggregate, 218. specialized, 219. imaginary

220. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.
- n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
221. Suspicion and worry were _____ in our minds.
- adj.* spreading or existing throughout every part of a thing or place
222. I'm going to take the _____ to get to my destination faster.
- n.* a main road, especially one connecting major towns or cities
223. The _____ of political views has created a deep divide in the country.
- n.* the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles
224. Red _____ is often harmful to the local ecosystem.
- n.* the cyclical rise and fall of sea level caused by the moon's gravitational pull
225. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.
- adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
226. The train has to _____ rigorous safety checks.
- v.* to go through something unpleasant or that involves a change
227. He should _____ more with his colleagues.
- v.* to communicate or react with somebody
228. 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

ANSWERS: 220. consequences, 221. pervasive, 222. highway, 223. polarization, 224. tide, 225. relatives, 226. undergo, 227. interact, 228. stretch

229. This company has an entire recycling _____ including major reprocessing plants.

n. a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry

230. This large SUV _____ eight people.

v. to provide someone with a place to live or to be stored in; to make fit for or to change to suit a new purpose

231. This business yields little _____.

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

232. The _____ of his discovery cannot be overstated.

n. the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy

233. He postulated a completely different _____ to explain all these phenomena.

n. a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model

234. While meditating, he had a _____ experience and felt a sense of unity with the universe.

adj. relating to or characterized by spiritual powers; beyond ordinary understanding

235. The earthquake caused a _____ of lumber to crumble noisily.

n. a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated

236. A _____ of two smaller streams formed the river.

n. the point at which two or more streams or rivers come together; a gathering of people or things at a particular location or moment

ANSWERS: 229. facility, 230. accommodates, 231. profit, 232. significance, 233. paradigm, 234. mystical, 235. stack, 236. confluence

237. The _____ declared its independence and became a republic.

n. a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away

238. In this office, teamwork is the _____ factor in achieving success.

adj. having control, authority, or influence that is greater than that of others; prevailing or vastly more abundant than others of the same kind

239. He is _____ with a privileged position because of his abilities.

adj. preferred or supported over anyone or anything else

240. A rainbow is a natural _____.

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

ANSWERS: 237. colony, 238. predominant, 239. favored, 240. phenomenon