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Session 1: Word List

ethnic

adj. relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition

synonym : racial, ethnical, tribal

(1) **ethnic** minority, (2) single **ethnic** group

Each **ethnic** group has its unique rituals.

conflict

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

synonym : clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

normally

adv. usually; under normal conditions

synonym : commonly, generally, naturally

(1) complete **normally**, (2) not **normally** drink much

I don't **normally** take a vacation in the middle of summer.

cheerful

adj. happy and positive; causing feelings of happiness or optimism; marked by or expressing joy or optimism

synonym : happy, joyful, lively

(1) **cheerful** smile, (2) a **cheerful** disposition

Her **cheerful** personality brightened up the room.

topic

n. a subject that is being discussed or written about
synonym: subject, theme, issue

(1) a serious **topic**, (2) the **topic** of the book

The **topic** of the discussion was the current state of the economy.

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.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym: consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

suffer

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

synonym: endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades

The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

inflict

v. to cause harm, injury, or suffering to someone or something

synonym: impose, levy, administer

(1) **inflict** a heavier tax, (2) **inflict** a hard blow

The storm **inflicted** significant damage on the town.

leadership

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

synonym: captaincy, direction, initiative

(1) under his **leadership**, (2) **leadership** by politicians
The country's **leadership** has decided to take large-scale measures against global warming.

diplomacy

n. the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way

synonym: tact, negotiation, delicacy

(1) the language of **diplomacy**, (2) the art of **diplomacy**
Effective **diplomacy** is necessary to resolve conflicts and maintain relationships between countries.

institutional

adj. of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.

synonym: corporate, governmental

(1) **institutional** bank, (2) address **institutional** constraints
We have to discuss the **institutional** reforms of our country.

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.

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.

hone

v. to sharpen or perfect something; to improve a skill or ability through practice

synonym: sharpen, refine, perfect

(1) **hone** abilities, (2) **hone** intuition

The athlete worked with a coach to **hone** her techniques and improve her performance.

headline

n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

synonym: title, caption

(1) **headline** article, (2) banner **headline**

The engagement of the two golf players became **headline** news.

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.

presence

n. the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

synonym: existence, actuality, fact

(1) the evidence of the **presence**, (2) his majestic **presence**

The path to a solid online **presence** necessitates a high technical ability.

security

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

synonym: safety, protection, stock

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

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

threat

n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

synonym : menace, danger, hazard

(1) economic **threat**, (2) environmental **threat**

The **threat** of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

haunting

adj. lingering in the mind or memory, often in a disturbing or unsettling way; (noun) something difficult to forget or shake off

synonym : lingering, disturbing, unsettling

(1) **haunting** memory, (2) a **haunting** sense of fear

The song's **haunting** melody stayed with me long after I heard it.

stalemate

n. a situation in which neither side of a conflict or dispute can make progress or gain an advantage, typically resulting in a deadlock or impasse

synonym : deadlock, impasse, standstill

(1) political **stalemate**, (2) **stalemate** situation

The negotiations between the two companies reached a **stalemate**, and neither side would compromise.

resurgence

n. the return or growth of something after a period of decline or disappearance

synonym : revival, recovery, rejuvenation

(1) **resurgence** in popularity, (2) **resurgence** of exports

After years of decline, the city is experiencing a **resurgence** in economic growth.

violent

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

synonym : aggressive, intense, turbulent

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

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to

disperse them.

escalate

v. to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

synonym: increase, intensify, expand

(1) **escalate** into a major international incident, (2) to **escalate**

The situation quickly **escalated** and turned violent.

divide

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

synonym: separate, disconnect, split

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

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

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.

president

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym: leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

elect

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

synonym: select, choose, prefer

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

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

inter

v. to bury or place a dead body in a tomb or grave; to temporarily detain or imprison someone; (prefix) between or among

synonym : bury, entomb, inhume

(1) **inter** a dead body, (2) **inter-disciplinary**

The funeral director explained the process of how they **inter** remains after cremation.

killing

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

synonym : slaughter, homicide, assassination

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

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

displacement

n. the act of forcing someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

synonym : eviction, exile, exodus

(1) **displacement** camp, (2) a car with 1800 cc

displacement

The **displacement** of the residents was a consequence of the construction of the new highway.

minority

n. the smaller part of a group, especially a number or part representing less than half of the whole; a period before adult legal age

synonym : adolescence, nonage, juvenility

(1) a **minority** position, (2) number of **minority** students

Some ethnic **minority** groups experienced discrimination in society.

bloody

adj. covered in or smeared with blood; involving or characterized by bloodshed or brutality

synonym : gory, gruesome, savage

(1) **bloody** massacre, (2) **bloody** diarrhea

The crime scene was **bloody** and gruesome.

climax

n. the most intense or exciting moment of an event or experience; the point of highest dramatic tension or emotional intensity in a story, plot, or performance

synonym : finale, pinnacle, apex

(1) emotional **climax**, (2) reach a **climax**

The **climax** of the movie had everyone on the edge of their seats.

unprecedented

adj. never having been seen, done, or known before

synonym : novel, outstanding, unparalleled

(1) **unprecedented** boom, (2) **unprecedented** business opportunity

Unprecedented amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.

displace

v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

synonym : evict, exile, remove

(1) **displace** workers, (2) **displace** the explosive power

The construction of the new dam will **displace** hundreds of families living downstream.

flee

v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

synonym : exit, escape, run away

(1) **flee** their homes, (2) **flee** abroad

It is a basic instinct to **flee** from a dangerous situation.

abate

v. to lessen, reduce, or diminish in intensity or severity; to decline or wane in amount or strength over time

synonym : decrease, diminish, reduce

(1) **abate** a storm, (2) **abate** a crisis

He tried to **abate** his anger by taking deep breaths and counting to ten.

sustainable

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

synonym: continuable, endurable, tolerable

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

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

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.

sheer

adj. complete or total, often used to emphasize the extreme or uncompromising nature of something; not mixed with anything else; transparent or nearly transparent

synonym: absolute, pure, utter

(1) **sheer** cliff, (2) **sheer** fabric

The **sheer** beauty of the sunset left us in awe.

misery

n. a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune

synonym: affliction, despair, anguish

(1) live in **misery**, (2) untold **misery**

Our company suffered **misery** from incurring a heavy loss.

fathom

v. to understand or comprehend (a difficult or complex problem or situation); to measure the depth of water

synonym: comprehend, understand, grasp

(1) **fathom** the depth, (2) **fathom** the mystery

I cannot **fathom** why some people enjoy horror movies.

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.

parliamentary

adj. of or relating to a parliament (= a legislative body) or the system of government it is a part of

synonym : legislative, congressional, representative

(1) **parliamentary** government, (2) a **parliamentary** body

The **parliamentary** system of government is used in many countries.

notwithstanding

adv. despite anything to the contrary; nevertheless;
(preposition) despite or in spite of

synonym : although, however, (preposition) in spite of

(1) **notwithstanding** the preceding provisions,

(2) **notwithstanding** my protests

Notwithstanding his disapproval, the decree was passed.

gloomy

adj. characterized by a lack of light or sunshine, resulting in a dark or dim atmosphere; feeling despondent, dismal, or melancholy

synonym : melancholy, dismal, dreary

(1) **gloomy** mood, (2) **gloomy** expression

The **gloomy** weather made staying motivated and happy throughout the day hard.

trend

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

synonym : direction, movement, tendency

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

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

represent

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

synonym : depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that

represent numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

decline

v. to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

synonym: descend, drop, deny

(1) **decline** a job offer, (2) **decline** in quality

As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually **declines**.

ongoing

adj. continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening

synonym: continuous, current, proceeding

(1) still **ongoing**, (2) **ongoing** support

The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the **ongoing** economic crisis.

ambiguous

adj. open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided

synonym: unclear, uncertain, equivocal

(1) **ambiguous** situation, (2) clarify **ambiguous** points

The instructions provided were **ambiguous** and confused the team.

battlefield

n. a place where a battle or conflict is fought

synonym: warzone, front line, combat area

(1) **battlefield** casualties, (2) tactics on the **battlefield**

The general reviewed the plans for the upcoming battle on the **battlefield**.

rebel

n. someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it

synonym: insurgent, dissenter, mutineer

(1) **rebel** uprising, (2) group of **rebels**

The **rebels** fought against the government for their independence.

combat

n. a fight or battle, usually between opposing military forces; an engagement in which opposing parties attempt to defeat each other by force

synonym : battle, fight, warfare

(1) **combat** zone, (2) hand-to-hand **combat**

The veteran was honored for his service in **combat**.

casualty

n. a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim

synonym : victim, injured, fatality

(1) civilian **casualty**, (2) military **casualty**

Unfortunately, the driver was the only **casualty** in the car accident.

downward

adj. moving towards a lower position or a lower level

synonym : lower, earthward, descending

(1) a **downward** slope, (2) maintain **downward** compatibility

The stock market has been in a **downward** trend for the past month.

civilian

n. a person who is not a member of the military or armed forces; a person who is not a law enforcement officer or public official in a position of authority or responsibility

synonym : citizen, inhabitant, resident

(1) **civilian** casualties, (2) **civilian** life

The army is instructed not to target any **civilians** during the conflict.

deliberately

adv. done in an intentional or slow and careful manner

synonym : intentionally, knowingly, willfully

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

He **deliberately** misleads others.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**
There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

genocide

n. the intentional killing of a large group of people, especially those of a particular ethnic group or nation
synonym: mass murder, extermination, annihilation

(1) **genocide** victims, (2) **genocide** resolution
The international community condemned the **genocide** in the country.

slaughter

n. the killing of a large number of animals or people brutally and indiscriminately; a violent and bloody event that results in the death of many individuals
synonym: thrashing, massacre, carnage

(1) **slaughter** of animals, (2) senseless **slaughter**
The **slaughter** of endangered animals must be stopped.

accomplishment

n. the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
synonym: success, achievement, complete

(1) proud of his **accomplishments**, (2) the **accomplishment** of a social goal
Graduating from college was a major **accomplishment** for her.

surpass

v. to be or do better than someone or something; to excel or go beyond the limits or standards of something
synonym: excel, outdo, outperform

(1) **surpass** imagination, (2) **surpass** \$20 billion in sales
The athlete's record-breaking performance **surpassed** all expectations.

fig

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

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

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

exclude

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

synonym: expel, ban, bar

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

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

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**.

hunger

n. a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition

synonym: appetite, craving, starvation

(1) **hunger** pangs, (2) chronic **hunger**

Many people in the world suffer from **hunger** and malnourishment every day.

disease

n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

synonym: illness, ailment, affliction

(1) **disease** prevention, (2) **disease** control

The doctor diagnosed him with a rare **disease** that had no known cure.

prop

n. a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

synonym : support, buttress, column

(1) emotional **prop**, (2) **prop** stick

We have finally lost our last **prop**.

torture

n. the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason

synonym : torment, abuse, mistreatment

(1) a **torture** chamber, (2) an instrument of **torture**

The use of **torture** is strictly prohibited under international law.

rap

n. a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

synonym : hip-hop, emceeing, MCing

(1) **rap** music, (2) get a **rap**

The new **rap** album is getting a lot of attention.

cleanser

n. a product that cleans or removes dirt or other substances, especially a liquid or cream for cleaning your face

synonym : cleaner, purifier, deodorant

(1) pore refining **cleanser**, (2) powder **cleanser**

I have sensitive skin and use a weakly acidic **cleanser**.

lethal

adj. causing or capable of causing death; extremely dangerous

synonym : destructive, fatal, brutal

(1) **lethal** injection, (2) **lethal** weapon

Malignant hypertension is the most **lethal** form of hypertension.

maim

v. to injure or wound someone seriously, particularly by permanently disabling or disfiguring a body part

synonym : injure, incapacitate, wound

(1) **maim** a victim, (2) **maim** his hand

The reckless driver **maimed** several pedestrians after losing control of the vehicle.

military

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

synonym : armed, martial, warlike

(1) a **military** operation, (2) a **military** leader

The **military** academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

victory

n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

synonym : win, triumph, success

(1) **victory** in the law court, (2) **victory** over terrorism

We are optimistic about our final **victory**.

rarely

adv. not happening often; infrequently; seldom

synonym : seldom, infrequently, hardly ever

(1) **rarely** seen, (2) **rarely** used

I **rarely** eat fast food because I prefer healthy options.

humanitarian

adj. something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare

synonym : philanthropic, compassionate, caring

(1) **humanitarian** crisis, (2) a truly **humanitarian** act

The organization is dedicated to providing **humanitarian** aid to disaster-stricken areas worldwide.

defeat

v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt

synonym : conquer, beat, overpower

(1) **defeat** a global power, (2) **defeat** body odor

Despite his best efforts, he was unable to **defeat** the enemy.

balk

v. to hesitate or stop abruptly before completing an action, often due to fear, uncertainty, or opposition; to refuse to comply with or agree to something

synonym : hesitate, recoil, shy away

(1) **balk** at extra work, (2) **balk** in fear

After her first attempt to bake a cake failed, she didn't **balk** at trying again.

compliment

n. an expression of praise, admiration, or approval; a polite or flattering statement intended to make someone feel good

synonym: praise, acclamation, tribute

(1) a backhanded **compliment**, (2) accept a **compliment**

Her **compliment** made my day; I felt so competent and appreciated.

negotiate

v. to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement

synonym: discuss, mediate, bargain

(1) **negotiate** a settlement, (2) **negotiate** the price of the house

We are always happy to **negotiate** a discount.

settlement

n. an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.

synonym: agreement, accommodation, colonization

(1) the **settlement** of a dispute, (2) **settlement** in a new house

Our goal must be to achieve a peaceful **settlement**.

cease

v. to stop an action or event

synonym: stop, end, terminate

(1) **cease** to exist, (2) **cease** drinking

The company decided to **cease** production of the product.

peacekeeping

n. the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives

synonym: peacebuilding, peacemaking, reconciliation

(1) **peacekeeping** efforts, (2) **peacekeeping** force

The **peacekeeping** mission in the war-torn country was challenging but necessary.

deploy

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

synonym: set up, expand, launch

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

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

resound

v. to make a loud, deep sound that echoes

synonym: echo, reverberate, ring

(1) **resound** with his fame, (2) **resound** in an enclosure

The sound of the drums **resounded** through the concert hall.

colleague

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

prevention

n. the action, process, or strategy of stopping something undesirable or harmful from happening; the act of preventing, interfering, or hindering unwanted events or outcomes

synonym: precaution, hindrance, obstruction

(1) **prevention** of crime, (2) **prevention** strategy

The company will need to invest in fire **prevention** equipment to ensure the safety of its employees.

afterward

adv. after the time mentioned

synonym: later, thereafter, following

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

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

animosity

n. strong hostility or hatred towards someone or something, often resulting in conflict or ill-will

synonym : enmity, hostility, bitterness

(1) personal **animosity**, (2) deep-seated **animosity**

The **animosity** between the two political parties has only grown stronger over the years.

conclude

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

synonym : complete, finish, decide

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

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

historic

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

synonym : memorable, momentous, historical

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

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

initial

adj. of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name

synonym : basic, primary, beginning

(1) **initial** velocity, (2) an **initial** letter

They took the **initial** step toward reconciliation.

skillful

adj. possessing or demonstrating a high level of proficiency, ability, or expertise in a particular skill or activity; adept or accomplished in a specific area

synonym : adept, proficient, adroit

(1) **skillful** craftsmanship, (2) **skillful** negotiation

The **skillful** artist effortlessly painted a masterpiece with precision and finesse.

mediate

v. to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict

synonym : arbitrate, reconcile, intervene

(1) **mediate** allergic reaction, (2) **mediate** a negotiation

The teacher had to **mediate** a disagreement between two students over a stolen pencil.

senator

n. a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate

synonym: legislator, politician, representative

(1) junior **senator**, (2) **senator** term

The hawkish **senator** gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.

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.

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.

impose

v. to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received

synonym: charge, levy, foist

(1) **impose** harsher sanctions, (2) **impose** tariffs

The problem with achievement tests is the narrowness they **impose** on students.

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.

negotiation

n. the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

synonym: bargaining, dialogue, haggling

(1) **negotiation** process, (2) **negotiation** skills

The **negotiation** between the two countries was a delicate and complex process.

commitment

n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

synonym: burden, obligation, promise

(1) a **commitment** to an alliance, (2) meet his **commitments**

His business **commitments** took him to the United States.

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.

peaceful

adj. not involving violence, conflict, or war

synonym: friendly, pacific, amicable

(1) **peaceful** country, (2) **peaceful** coexistence

Plutonium has limited **peaceful** applications.

subsequent

adj. happening or occurring later or after something else

synonym: later, following, ensuing

(1) over **subsequent** months, (2) reduce **subsequent** mortality

In the **subsequent** meeting, the team discussed ways to improve productivity.

revision

n. the act or process of reviewing, correcting, and improving something, such as written work, plans, or ideas; a revised version of something

synonym : editing, modification, alteration

(1) **revision** process, (2) a **revision** history

I made a **revision** to my paper based on feedback from my professor.

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.

waver

v. to move in a quivering manner; to become weak

synonym : lurch, sway, wobble

(1) **waver** in purpose, (2) **waver** between work and private life

She didn't **waver** in her decision to pursue her dream career, despite the challenges.

determination

n. the quality of being persistent and purposeful; the act of finding out the exact nature or essence of something

synonym : resolve, willpower, conviction

(1) a steely **determination**, (2) **determination** of a DNA sequence

His **determination** to succeed was unwavering, even in the face of adversity.

stability

n. the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast

synonym : resilience, solidity, steadiness

(1) **stability** pact, (2) fiscal **stability** pact

The policy should increase the country's monetary **stability**.

core

n. the most essential or fundamental part of something

synonym : center, basis, heart

(1) the **core** of an apple, (2) **core** business activity
These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic **cores**.

institute

n. an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

synonym: academy, university, college

(1) **institute** a lawsuit, (2) research **institutes**

This region has many **institutes** offering higher education.

modification

n. the act of changing something, usually to improve it, or something changed

synonym: change, amendment, alteration

(1) a **modification** of last year's model, (2) further **modification**

As a result of this **modification**, we have revised our safety measures.

innovative

adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.

synonym: creative, ingenious, inventive

(1) use of **innovative** technology, (2) stylistically **innovative** works

The Prime Minister stressed the need to create **innovative** industries.

combine

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

synonym: coalesce, cohere, blend

(1) **combine** chemically with another substance,
(2) **combine** augmented reality

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

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.

cross-border

adj. relating to or involving movement, interaction, or communication between different countries or regions, especially those that share a common border

synonym: international, transnational, cross-national

(1) **cross-border** relations, (2) **cross-border** cooperation

The two neighboring countries have a **cross-border** trade agreement.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym: acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

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.

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.

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.

provision

n. the act of providing or supplying something; a clause in a document or law that specifies a particular requirement or condition

synonym : supply, agreement, stocking

(1) **provision** for loan losses, (2) administrative **provision**

The new law includes **provisions** for increased penalties for repeat offenders.

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.

underlying

adj. significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly

synonym : fundamental, latent, basic

(1) an **underlying** motive, (2) an **underlying** cause of an accident

The **underlying** principle of every business was identical.

repeatedly

adv. again and again; many times

synonym : frequently, over and over, constantly

(1) use cell phone **repeatedly**, (2) **repeatedly** nod

He claims that his legitimate requests were **repeatedly** ignored.

compromise

v. to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

synonym : agree, settle, negotiate

(1) **compromise** the matter, (2) cannot **compromise** anymore

They never **compromised** on development despite the lack of funds.

enthusiastically

adv. in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval

synonym : fervently, eagerly, passionately

(1) **enthusiastically** applauded, (2) discuss

enthusiastically

The study participants **enthusiastically** participated in the discussion, showing genuine interest.

joint

adj. shared, held, or made between two or more people;
(noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton

synonym : collaborative, cooperative, combined

(1) a **joint** venture, (2) the bone of a **joint**

After the summit meeting, the prime ministers issued a **joint** statement.

govern

v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

synonym : control, rule, preside

(1) a nation's right to **govern**, (2) **govern** a public enterprise

The regulations **governing** medical malpractice claims are rigorous.

deputy

n. a person who is appointed as the substitute of another and given the power to do something instead of another

synonym : aide, assistant, appointee

(1) a **deputy** governor, (2) **deputy** attorney general

She left the decision to her **deputy**

minister

n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

synonym : bishop, official, ambassador

(1) **Minister** for Education, (2) deputy prime **minister**

The **minister** occasionally preaches at this church.

unique

adj. being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else

synonym: one-of-a-kind, unparalleled, incomparable

(1) a **unique** teacher, (2) **unique** design

The painting is **unique**, and there is no other like it.

explanation

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

synonym: description, elucidation, account

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

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

democracy

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

synonym: self-government, republic, commonwealth

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

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

long-lasting

adj. existing or continuing for a long time

synonym: enduring, abiding, durable

(1) **long-lasting** battery, (2) a **long-lasting** friendship

They finally decided to solve the **long-lasting** problem.

illustrate

v. to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation

synonym: demonstrate, explain, exemplify

(1) **illustrate** a key point, (2) **illustrate** a story

The company's financial records **illustrate** how successful it has been.

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

synonym: significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**

I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

implement

v. to put a decision, plan, or system into effect

synonym: execute, enforce, put through

(1) **implement** a corporate strategy, (2) **implement** security measures

The government promised to **implement** a new system to control the financial crisis.

hop

v. to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

synonym: jump, bounce, skip

(1) **hop** on one foot, (2) **hop** from one place to another

The rabbit **hopped** over the fence.

vested

adj. having a legal right to something, especially property or money, that cannot be taken away

synonym: entitled, possessed, owned

(1) a **vested** right, (2) the authority **vested** in an office

The union has a **vested** interest in the outcome of the negotiations.

accord

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

synonym: alliance, pact, agreement

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

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

resolve

v. to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty

synonym: decide, determine, fix

(1) **resolve** a dispute, (2) **resolve** the computer error

This company **resolves** its battery problem completely.

committed

adj. willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something

synonym : devoted, faithful, attached

(1) in a **committed** relationship, (2) strong and **committed** sales staff

Our company is strongly **committed** to meeting customers' needs.

revisit

v. to go to a place again, especially after a long period

synonym : reexplore, review, reexamine

(1) **revisit** a place, (2) **revisit** an old friend

We need to **revisit** this proposal as soon as the budget is more apparent than before.

grasping

adj. eager in acquiring or wanting to acquire more wealth, property, or power than is necessary

synonym : greedy, extorting, acquisitive

(1) **grasping** landlord, (2) **grasping** disposition

He was criticized for his **grasping** attitude, always looking for ways to make more money.

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.

disengage

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

synonym : withdraw, separate, detach

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

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

distracted

adj. having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried

synonym : preoccupied, inattentive, absent-minded

(1) get **distracted** by an urgent matter, (2) **distracted** by a conversation

I was so **distracted** by my phone that I nearly walked into a lamppost.

intifada

n. an Arabic term meaning "uprising" or "shaking off," specifically referring to a Palestinian uprising against Israeli occupation in the late 20th century, marked by civil disobedience, protests, and acts of violence

synonym: uprising, rebellion, revolt

(1) **intifada** protests, (2) ongoing **intifada**

Over the past decades, the region has experienced several **intifadas**, leading to widespread violence and unrest.

comprehensive

adj. complete and including all or everything necessary

synonym: complete, encyclopedic, thorough

(1) a **comprehensive** explanation, (2) conduct a **comprehensive** survey

We have a **comprehensive** grasp of this topic.

envisage

v. to imagine and expect something in the future; to plan or forecast something

synonym: imagine, visualize, picture

(1) **envisage** consequences, (2) **envisage** a profit

She **envisaged** a bright future for her children.

seed

n. a small, hard, often round, a reproductive structure that contains a plant's genetic material and is capable of growing into a new plant

synonym: germ, kernel, ovule

(1) a **seed** coat, (2) **seed** money

He planted the **seed** in the soil and waited for it to sprout.

shortcoming

n. a lack or deficiency in a particular respect; a fault or defect

synonym: deficiency, fault, weakness

(1) have a serious **shortcoming**, (2) the **shortcoming** in

the system

The company's main **shortcoming** was a lack of innovation.

boundary

n. a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places

synonym: border, frontier, limitation

(1) geographical **boundary**, (2) the **boundary** between reality and fantasy

He wandered the **boundary** between life and death by gunfire.

squabble

v. to engage in a petty quarrel, argument, or dispute, often about a minor or trivial matter; to bicker or exchange angry words in a noisy or aggressive manner

synonym: argue, bicker, quarrel

(1) **squabble** over money, (2) **squabble** with a neighbor

The siblings always **squabble** over who gets to sit in the car's front seat.

revenue

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

synonym: earnings, payment, remuneration

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

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

tribal

adj. relating to a social group or tribe, especially a preliterate society

synonym: indigenous, ethnic, traditional

(1) **tribal** culture, (2) **tribal** community

The **tribal** leaders gathered for a summit to discuss important issues.

depress

v. to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active

synonym: sadden, discourage, deflate

(1) **depress** their spirits, (2) **depress** crop prices
The economic recession **depressed** the housing market.

affair

n. event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship

synonym: matter, incident, fling

(1) current **affairs**, (2) domestic **affairs**

Some critics say this exhibition will be a big **affair**.

tension

n. a state of mental or emotional strain or excitement; the state of being stretched tight

synonym: stress, strain, anxiety

(1) **tension** headache, (2) a high- **tension** wire

The **tension** in the room was palpable as the team waited for their leader to speak.

facto

adj. of or relating to facts; done in reality; actually existing or occurring

synonym: actual, real

(1) ex post **facto** approval, (2) a de **facto** government

The new software has become the de **facto** tool for professionals in the field.

partition

n. a physical divider or barrier that divides a space or area into two or more separate parts; a separation or division of something into different parts or sections

synonym: divider, screen, panel

(1) **partition** wall, (2) hard drive **partition**

We must install a **partition** to separate the living room from the dining area.

intransigence

n. refusal to compromise or negotiate; unyielding stubbornness or inflexibility in the face of different opinions, proposals, or circumstances

synonym: inflexibility, stubbornness, obstinacy

(1) managerial **intransigence**, (2) **intransigence** towards

change

The company's **intransigence** in negotiating with suppliers led to consumer price hikes.

settle

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

synonym: inhabit, occupy, decide

(1) **settle** a dispute, (2) **settle** down in the town

I don't want to **settle** for second best.

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.

diplomat

n. a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

synonym: envoy, ambassador, representative

(1) allied **diplomat**, (2) expel a **diplomat**

The senior **diplomat** worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.

hamper

v. to hinder or impede the progress or movement of something or someone; to prevent or limit the functioning or effectiveness of something or someone; to obstruct or block access to something

synonym: hinder, impede, obstruct

(1) **hamper** progress, (2) **hamper** growth

The piles of laundry on the floor **hampered my** ability to walk around my room.

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.

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.

alike

adv. similar or identical in nature or appearance

synonym: similar, identical, comparable

(1) young and old **alike**, (2) **alike** in nature

The two paintings looked **alike** as if the same artist had done them.

token

n. something that serves as a symbol, sign, or expression of something else; a physical object representing a particular idea or concept

synonym: symbol, emblem, representation

(1) digital **token**, (2) **token** payment

As a **token** of appreciation, the teacher gave each student a small gift at the end of the school year.

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**.

restraint

n. a measure taken to prevent someone or something from acting freely or excessively; self-control or moderation; a physical device used to restrict or limit movement

synonym: constraint, limitation, control

(1) physical **restraint**, (2) self- **restraint**

It's important to practice **restraint** when it comes to spending money.

- situ** *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
synonym : situational, contextual, circumstantial
(1) ex- **situ** conservation, (2) in- **situ** control
Melanoma in **situ** is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.
- outcome** *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
synonym : result, consequence, effect
(1) improved student **outcomes**, (2) a desirable **outcome**
They awaited news of the **outcome** of the election.
- optimal** *adj.* the best; most likely to be successful or advantageous
synonym : optimum, desirable, favorable
(1) achieve **optimal** health, (2) **optimal** for intellectual growth
Wild animals need to go forward with the **optimal** action to survive.
- distinguish** *v.* to notice or understand the difference between two people or things
synonym : determine, differentiate, characterize
(1) **distinguish** these two things, (2) **distinguish** man from the other animals
This study **distinguished** four different ways to run a business.
- critic** *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
synonym : pundit, analyst, attacker
(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**
Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

human-made

adj. created or produced by humans; artificial

synonym : artificial, unnatural, manufactured

(1) **human-made** climate change, (2) the worst **human-made** disaster

The bridge is a **human-made** structure and was built to span the river.

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.

automatically

adv. without needing a direct human control

synonym : mechanically, unconsciously, spontaneously

(1) record driving **automatically**, (2) **automatically** adjusted

Our subscription plan is **automatically** renewed.

capable

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

synonym : able, competent, proficient

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

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

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.

visionary

adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

synonym : prophetic, far-sighted, imaginative

(1) **visionary** business, (2) **visionary** ideas

The **visionary** leader had a clear plan for the company's future.

arduous

adj. requiring strenuous effort; difficult and tiring, often involving physical or mental labor

synonym : challenging, difficult, strenuous

(1) **arduous** task, (2) an **arduous** journey

The climb up the mountain was **arduous** and took us hours to complete.

sustained

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

synonym : prolonged, extended, continual

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

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

incentive

n. something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something

synonym : encouragement, inducement, enticement

(1) financial **incentives**, (2) an **incentive** to work hard

They have no **incentive** to win the game.

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.

broad

adj. very wide; general

synonym : wide, expansive, comprehensive

(1) attract **broad** attention, (2) a **broad** mind

He accumulated wealth across a **broad** spectrum of assets.

coalition

n. a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body

synonym : union, confederation, alliance

(1) a three-party **coalition**, (2) **coalition** forces

The two largest opposition parties announced they would form a **coalition** in the next elections.

keen

adj. having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest

synonym : eager, enthusiastic, ardent

(1) **keen** interest, (2) **keen** observation

He was **keen** to learn more about the subject and attended every lecture.

flexible

adj. able to change or be changed to suit new conditions or situations; able to bend easily

synonym : adaptable, elastic, pliable

(1) **flexible** schedules, (2) a **flexible** wire

You can be more **flexible** and creative in your approach.

substance

n. the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug

synonym : essence, core, material

(1) an explosive **substance**, (2) **substance** abuse problem

The **substance** of the argument was well-presented.

label

n. a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

synonym : tag, mark, identifier

(1) a mailing **label**, (2) **label** a bag with my name

The **label** on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

attach

v. to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another

synonym: fix, fasten, bind

(1) **attach** firmly, (2) **attach** a file to an e-mail

He does not **attach** importance to these rumors.

stall

v. to stop or cause to stop making progress; (noun) small area or booth set off for the sale of goods in a market or large covered area

synonym: halt, hamper, (noun) cubicle

(1) **stall** at sea, (2) **stall** in a tunnel

The negotiations proceeded slowly and finally **stalled**.

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.

vision

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

synonym: sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

fraught

adj. causing, accompanied by, or full of anxiety, tension, or stress

synonym: tense, anxious, stressed

(1) become increasingly **fraught**, (2) **fraught** with danger

The negotiations were **fraught** with challenges and setbacks.

frustration

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

synonym: disappointment, discouragement, dissatisfaction

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

He felt a deep **frustration** as he realized the project would

not be completed on time.

setback

n. an unfortunate happening that hinders or impedes; a reversal or check in progress

synonym: obstacle, hindrance, difficulty

(1) major **setback**, (2) suffer a **setback**

The team experienced a **setback** when their star player was injured during the game.

generation

n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

synonym: cohort, age group, era

(1) **generation** gap, (2) the **generation** of electricity

The younger **generation** has different values and beliefs than the older one.

accomplish

v. to finish or achieve something successfully

synonym: achieve, complete, execute

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

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

responsible

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

Session 2: Spelling

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|-----------------------------|---|
| 1. unintended con_____ces | <i>n.</i> the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual |
| 2. re_____ve factors | <i>adj.</i> considered and evaluated through comparison with something else |
| 3. fru_____on level | <i>n.</i> the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something |
| 4. la__l a bag with my name | <i>n.</i> a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category |
| 5. re_____nt by a diagram | <i>v.</i> to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute |
| 6. co_____de a meeting | <i>v.</i> to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning |
| 7. domestic af____rs | <i>n.</i> event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship |
| 8. in__r-disciplinary | <i>v.</i> to bury or place a dead body in a tomb or grave; to temporarily detain or imprison someone; (prefix) between or among |
| 9. del_____ely amateurish | <i>adv.</i> done in an intentional or slow and careful manner |

ANSWERS: 1. consequence, 2. relative, 3. frustration, 4. label, 5. represent, 6. conclude, 7. affair, 8. inter, 9. deliberately

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17. emotional p__p *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
18. vi_____ry ideas *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

ANSWERS: 10. animosity, 11. settle, 12. depress, 13. recognize, 14. generation, 15. grasping, 16. govern, 17. prop, 18. visionary

19. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
20. the exp_____on for the failure *n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear
21. achieve the hi_____ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
22. sl_____er of animals *n.* the killing of a large number of animals or people brutally and indiscriminately; a violent and bloody event that results in the death of many individuals
23. su____r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
24. a three-party co_____on *n.* a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body
25. di_____e control *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
26. get a r_p *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
27. not_____ing the preceding provisions *adv.* despite anything to the contrary; nevertheless; (preposition) despite or in spite of

ANSWERS: 19. government, 20. explanation, 21. historic, 22. slaughter, 23. suffer, 24. coalition, 25. disease, 26. rap, 27. notwithstanding

28. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
29. ins_____nal bank *adj.* of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.
30. administrative pr_____on *n.* the act of providing or supplying something; a clause in a document or law that specifies a particular requirement or condition
31. ge_____te \$100 a month *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
32. not no_____ly drink much *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
33. es_____te into a major international incident *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
34. di_____e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
35. go there af_____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
36. a ch_____ul disposition *adj.* happy and positive; causing feelings of happiness or optimism; marked by or expressing joy or optimism
37. hand-to-hand co_____t *n.* a fight or battle, usually between opposing military forces; an engagement in which opposing parties attempt to defeat each other by force
38. k____n observation *adj.* having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest

ANSWERS: 28. colleague, 29. institutional, 30. provision, 31. generate, 32. normally, 33. escalate, 34. divide, 35. afterward, 36. cheerful, 37. combat, 38. keen

39. cr____l information *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
40. the bo____ry between reality and fantasy *n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
41. ent_____lly applauded *adv.* in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval
42. ongoing in____da *n.* an Arabic term meaning "uprising" or "shaking off," specifically referring to a Palestinian uprising against Israeli occupation in the late 20th century, marked by civil disobedience, protests, and acts of violence
43. still on____g *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
44. sh__r cliff *adj.* complete or total, often used to emphasize the extreme or uncompromising nature of something; not mixed with anything else; transparent or nearly transparent
45. gl___y mood *adj.* characterized by a lack of light or sunshine, resulting in a dark or dim atmosphere; feeling despondent, dismal, or melancholy
46. an explosive su_____ce *n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
47. self-re_____nt *n.* a measure taken to prevent someone or something from acting freely or excessively; self-control or moderation; a physical device used to restrict or limit movement

ANSWERS: 39. crucial, 40. boundary, 41. enthusiastically, 42. intifada, 43. ongoing, 44. sheer, 45. gloomy, 46. substance, 47. restraint

48. financial in_____ves *n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something
49. wa__r in purpose *v.* to move in a quivering manner; to become weak
50. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
51. unp_____ted business opportunity *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
52. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
53. de___y safety measures *v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
54. geographical bo_____ry *n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
55. a few years af_____rd *adv.* after the time mentioned
56. op_____l for intellectual growth *adj.* the best; most likely to be successful or advantageous
57. hu___r pangs *n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition
58. accept a com_____nt *n.* an expression of praise, admiration, or approval; a polite or flattering statement intended to make someone feel good

ANSWERS: 48. incentive, 49. waver, 50. participate, 51. unprecedented, 52. consequence, 53. deploy, 54. boundary, 55. afterward, 56. optimal, 57. hunger, 58. compliment

59. f_g marigold *n.* a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow
60. improved student ou____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
61. binational ac____d *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
62. ma____m limit *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
63. banner he____ne *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
64. bl____y diarrhea *adj.* covered in or smeared with blood; involving or characterized by bloodshed or brutality
65. the co____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
66. su____s imagination *v.* to be or do better than someone or something; to excel or go beyond the limits or standards of something
67. neg____on process *n.* the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others
68. m__m his hand *v.* to injure or wound someone seriously, particularly by permanently disabling or disfiguring a body part
69. complete no____ly *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
70. acc____sh a goal *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully

ANSWERS: 59. fig, 60. outcome, 61. accord, 62. maximum, 63. headline, 64. bloody, 65. conflict, 66. surpass, 67. negotiation, 68. maim, 69. normally, 70. accomplish

71. a br__d mind *adj.* very wide; general
72. a jo__t venture *adj.* shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton
73. address ins_____nal constraints *adj.* of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.
74. me_____e a negotiation *v.* to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict
75. ar_____s task *adj.* requiring strenuous effort; difficult and tiring, often involving physical or mental labor
76. vi_____ry business *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
77. unp_____ted boom *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
78. global di_____er *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
79. re_____on process *n.* the act or process of reviewing, correcting, and improving something, such as written work, plans, or ideas; a revised version of something
80. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

ANSWERS: 71. broad, 72. joint, 73. institutional, 74. mediate, 75. arduous, 76. visionary, 77. unprecedented, 78. disaster, 79. revision, 80. complexity

81. b__k in fear
v. to hesitate or stop abruptly before completing an action, often due to fear, uncertainty, or opposition; to refuse to comply with or agree to something
82. ra___y seen
adv. not happening often; infrequently; seldom
83. in a co_____ed relationship
adj. willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
84. el__t death
v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
85. bl___y massacre
adj. covered in or smeared with blood; involving or characterized by bloodshed or brutality
86. co_____al combination of funds
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
87. int_____nce towards change
n. refusal to compromise or negotiate; unyielding stubbornness or inflexibility in the face of different opinions, proposals, or circumstances
88. stylistically inn_____ve works
adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
89. k__n interest
adj. having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest
90. over sub_____nt months
adj. happening or occurring later or after something else
91. ca_____e leader
adj. having the ability, skill, or potential to do something; competent or proficient in a particular task or area of expertise

ANSWERS: 81. balk, 82. rarely, 83. committed, 84. elect, 85. bloody, 86. communal, 87. intransigence, 88. innovative, 89. keen, 90. subsequent, 91. capable

92. st_____ty pact *n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
93. di_____e prevention *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
94. a par_____ary body *adj.* of or relating to a parliament (= a legislative body) or the system of government it is a part of
95. hum_____de climate change *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
96. group of re__ls *n.* someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
97. res_____ce in popularity *n.* the return or growth of something after a period of decline or disappearance
98. co_____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
99. a fl_____le wire *adj.* able to change or be changed to suit new conditions or situations; able to bend easily
100. cro_____der cooperation *adj.* relating to or involving movement, interaction, or communication between different countries or regions, especially those that share a common border
101. lea_____ip by politicians *n.* the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
102. co_____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

ANSWERS: 92. stability, 93. disease, 94. parliamentary, 95. human-made, 96. rebel, 97. resurgence, 98. combine, 99. flexible, 100. cross-border, 101. leadership, 102. conclude

103. vi_____t incident	<i>adj.</i> involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
104. dis_____ed by a conversation	<i>adj.</i> having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried
105. in_____t a hard blow	<i>v.</i> to cause harm, injury, or suffering to someone or something
106. de____t body odor	<i>v.</i> to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
107. ce__e to exist	<i>v.</i> to stop an action or event
108. tr____l community	<i>adj.</i> relating to a social group or tribe, especially a preliterate society
109. par_____te in the program	<i>v.</i> to take part in something
110. di_____ge socially	<i>v.</i> to withdraw or separate oneself from a situation or relationship
111. res_____ce of exports	<i>n.</i> the return or growth of something after a period of decline or disappearance
112. cannot com_____se anymore	<i>v.</i> to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
113. co_____e chemically with another substance	<i>v.</i> to join or merge to form a single thing or group
114. pa_____on wall	<i>n.</i> a physical divider or barrier that divides a space or area into two or more separate parts; a separation or division of something into different parts or sections

ANSWERS: 103. violent, 104. distracted, 105. inflict, 106. defeat, 107. cease, 108. tribal, 109. participate, 110. disengage, 111. resurgence, 112. compromise, 113. combine, 114. partition

115. 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
116. the gen_____on of electricity *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
117. se_____r term *n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
118. in an eq_____le manner *adj.* fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly
119. ex_____e a newcomer *v.* to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity
120. the crosswise di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
121. 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
122. a mailing la__l *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
123. ab__e a storm *v.* to lessen, reduce, or diminish in intensity or severity; to decline or wane in amount or strength over time

ANSWERS: 115. process, 116. generation, 117. senator, 118. equitable, 119. exclude, 120. dimension, 121. develop, 122. label, 123. abate

124. fr____t with danger *adj.* causing, accompanied by, or full of anxiety, tension, or stress
125. a mi____ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
126. a car with 1800 cc dis_____ent *n.* the act of forcing someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
127. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
128. f__e abroad *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
129. neg_____on skills *n.* the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others
130. st_____te situation *n.* a situation in which neither side of a conflict or dispute can make progress or gain an advantage, typically resulting in a deadlock or impasse
131. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
132. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
133. de_____e a job offer *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
134. su_____s \$20 billion in sales *v.* to be or do better than someone or something; to excel or go beyond the limits or standards of something

ANSWERS: 124. fraught, 125. military, 126. displacement, 127. responsible, 128. flee, 129. negotiation, 130. stalemate, 131. imaginary, 132. opportune, 133. decline, 134. surpass

135. major se_____k *n.* an unfortunate happening that hinders or impedes; a reversal or check in progress
136. hard drive pa_____on *n.* a physical divider or barrier that divides a space or area into two or more separate parts; a separation or division of something into different parts or sections
137. com_____se the matter *v.* to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession
138. record driving aut_____lly *adv.* without needing a direct human control
139. a mod_____ion of last year's model *n.* the act of changing something, usually to improve it, or something changed
140. detailed exp_____on *n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear
141. in__r a dead body *v.* to bury or place a dead body in a tomb or grave; to temporarily detain or imprison someone; (prefix) between or among
142. de___y attorney general *n.* a person who is appointed as the substitute of another and given the power to do something instead of another
143. powder cl_____er *n.* a product that cleans or removes dirt or other substances, especially a liquid or cream for cleaning your face
144. ra___y used *adv.* not happening often; infrequently; seldom

ANSWERS: 135. setback, 136. partition, 137. compromise, 138. automatically, 139. modification, 140. explanation, 141. inter, 142. deputy, 143. cleanser, 144. rarely

145. a ve___d right *adj.* having a legal right to something, especially property or money, that cannot be taken away
146. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
147. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
148. h__e intuition *v.* to sharpen or perfect something; to improve a skill or ability through practice
149. ill_____te a story *v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
150. a backhanded com_____nt *n.* an expression of praise, admiration, or approval; a polite or flattering statement intended to make someone feel good
151. h__e abilities *v.* to sharpen or perfect something; to improve a skill or ability through practice
152. re_____t an old friend *v.* to go to a place again, especially after a long period
153. re_____e the computer error *v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
154. tr___l culture *adj.* relating to a social group or tribe, especially a preliterate society
155. the ma_____m speed *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
156. ce__e drinking *v.* to stop an action or event

ANSWERS: 145. vested, 146. colleague, 147. president, 148. hone, 149. illustrate, 150. compliment, 151. hone, 152. revisit, 153. resolve, 154. tribal, 155. maximum, 156. cease

157. meet his com_____nts *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
158. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
159. in_____da protests *n.* an Arabic term meaning "uprising" or "shaking off," specifically referring to a Palestinian uprising against Israeli occupation in the late 20th century, marked by civil disobedience, protests, and acts of violence
160. en_____ge a profit *v.* to imagine and expect something in the future; to plan or forecast something
161. to es_____te *v.* to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious
162. deputy prime mi_____er *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
163. a mi_____ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
164. arr_____nt committee *n.* a plan or preparation for the future event; the action or process of placing things in a particular order
165. a desirable ou_____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
166. f__e their homes *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

ANSWERS: 157. commitment, 158. determinant, 159. intifada, 160. envisage, 161. escalate, 162. minister, 163. military, 164. arrangement, 165. outcome, 166. flee

167. economic th___t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
168. environmental th___t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
169. art cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
170. young and old al___e *adv.* similar or identical in nature or appearance
171. ind_____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
172. pr_____on for loan losses *n.* the act of providing or supplying something; a clause in a document or law that specifies a particular requirement or condition
173. le___l weapon *adj.* causing or capable of causing death; extremely dangerous
174. vi_____y over terrorism *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
175. 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

ANSWERS: 167. threat, 168. threat, 169. critic, 170. alike, 171. independence, 172. provision, 173. lethal, 174. victory, 175. achieve

176. digital to__n *n.* something that serves as a symbol, sign, or expression of something else; a physical object representing a particular idea or concept
177. acc_____sh military operations *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
178. the language of di_____cy *n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way
179. r_p music *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
180. ne_____te the price of the house *v.* to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement
181. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
182. reduce sub_____nt mortality *adj.* happening or occurring later or after something else
183. the authority ve___d in an office *adj.* having a legal right to something, especially property or money, that cannot be taken away
184. current af___rs *n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship

ANSWERS: 176. token, 177. accomplish, 178. diplomacy, 179. rap, 180. negotiate, 181. violent, 182. subsequent, 183. vested, 184. affair

185. an in_____ve to work hard *n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something
186. a cr_____l issue for women *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
187. conduct a com_____ive survey *adj.* complete and including all or everything necessary
188. de_____s crop prices *v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
189. b__k at extra work *v.* to hesitate or stop abruptly before completing an action, often due to fear, uncertainty, or opposition; to refuse to comply with or agree to something
190. re_____d with his fame *v.* to make a loud, deep sound that echoes
191. emotional cl____x *n.* the most intense or exciting moment of an event or experience; the point of highest dramatic tension or emotional intensity in a story, plot, or performance
192. achieve op_____l health *adj.* the best; most likely to be successful or advantageous
193. hi_____ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
194. the art of di_____cy *n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way
195. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state

ANSWERS: 185. incentive, 186. crucial, 187. comprehensive, 188. depress, 189. balk, 190. resound, 191. climax, 192. optimal, 193. historic, 194. diplomacy, 195. government

196. di____ce the explosive power *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
197. bat_____ld casualties *n.* a place where a battle or conflict is fought
198. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
199. maintain do_____rd compatibility *adj.* moving towards a lower position or a lower level
200. gl____y expression *adj.* characterized by a lack of light or sunshine, resulting in a dark or dim atmosphere; feeling despondent, dismal, or melancholy
201. a mi_____ty position *n.* the smaller part of a group, especially a number or part representing less than half of the whole; a period before adult legal age
202. wa__r between work and private life *v.* to move in a quivering manner; to become weak
203. junior se_____r *n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
204. further mod_____ion *n.* the act of changing something, usually to improve it, or something changed
205. ex_____ve authority *adj.* not divided or shared with others
206. me_____e allergic reaction *v.* to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict

ANSWERS: 196. displace, 197. battlefield, 198. democracy, 199. downward, 200. gloomy, 201. minority, 202. waver, 203. senator, 204. modification, 205. exclusive, 206. mediate

207. im___e harsher sanctions *v.* to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
208. financial ind_____nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
209. become increasingly fr_____t *adj.* causing, accompanied by, or full of anxiety, tension, or stress
210. a re_____on history *n.* the act or process of reviewing, correcting, and improving something, such as written work, plans, or ideas; a revised version of something
211. a high-te_____n wire *n.* a state of mental or emotional strain or excitement; the state of being stretched tight
212. not_____ing my protests *adv.* despite anything to the contrary; nevertheless; (preposition) despite or in spite of
213. sk_____ul negotiation *adj.* possessing or demonstrating a high level of proficiency, ability, or expertise in a particular skill or activity; adept or accomplished in a specific area
214. an in_____l letter *adj.* of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name
215. single et___c group *adj.* relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition
216. under his lea_____ip *n.* the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
217. telescopic vi___n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

ANSWERS: 207. impose, 208. independence, 209. fraught, 210. revision, 211. tension, 212. notwithstanding, 213. skillful, 214. initial, 215. ethnic, 216. leadership, 217. vision

218. an ar____s journey *adj.* requiring strenuous effort; difficult and tiring, often involving physical or mental labor
219. te____n headache *n.* a state of mental or emotional strain or excitement; the state of being stretched tight
220. the longstanding co____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
221. a remote re____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
222. st__l at sea *v.* to stop or cause to stop making progress; (noun) small area or booth set off for the sale of goods in a market or large covered area
223. com____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
224. fac____te the process *v.* to make something easier or more likely to happen
225. ge____de resolution *n.* the intentional killing of a large group of people, especially those of a particular ethnic group or nation
226. in____t a heavier tax *v.* to cause harm, injury, or suffering to someone or something
227. a de____y governor *n.* a person who is appointed as the substitute of another and given the power to do something instead of another
228. Mi____er for Education *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

ANSWERS: 218. arduous, 219. tension, 220. conflict, 221. relative, 222. stall, 223. complexity, 224. facilitate, 225. genocide, 226. inflict, 227. deputy, 228. minister

229. a man of imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
230. attract br__d attention *adj.* very wide; general
231. the sho_____ng in the system *n.* a lack or deficiency in a particular respect; a fault or defect
232. 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
233. an und_____ng cause of an accident *adj.* significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly
234. the tr__d away from television *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
235. se___e down in the town *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
236. su_____ed release medication *adj.* lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
237. a lon_____ing friendship *adj.* existing or continuing for a long time
238. pre_____on strategy *n.* the action, process, or strategy of stopping something undesirable or harmful from happening; the act of preventing, interfering, or hindering unwanted events or outcomes
239. f_g tree *n.* a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow

ANSWERS: 229. importance, 230. broad, 231. shortcoming, 232. develop, 233. underlying, 234. trend, 235. settle, 236. sustained, 237. long-lasting, 238. prevention, 239. fig

240. fa___m the depth *v.* to understand or comprehend (a difficult or complex problem or situation); to measure the depth of water
241. pe_____ul coexistence *adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war
242. expel a di_____at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
243. tactics on the bat_____ld *n.* a place where a battle or conflict is fought
244. a co_____nt temperature *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
245. to__n payment *n.* something that serves as a symbol, sign, or expression of something else; a physical object representing a particular idea or concept
246. at___h firmly *v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
247. ci_____an casualties *n.* a person who is not a member of the military or armed forces; a person who is not a law enforcement officer or public official in a position of authority or responsibility
248. sq_____le with a neighbor *v.* to engage in a petty quarrel, argument, or dispute, often about a minor or trivial matter; to bicker or exchange angry words in a noisy or aggressive manner
249. an instrument of to_____e *n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason

ANSWERS: 240. fathom, 241. peaceful, 242. diplomat, 243. battlefield, 244. constant, 245. token, 246. attach, 247. civilian, 248. squabble, 249. torture

250. a nation's right to go___n *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
251. commit a crime del_____ely *adv.* done in an intentional or slow and careful manner
252. m__m a victim *v.* to injure or wound someone seriously, particularly by permanently disabling or disfiguring a body part
253. ill_____te a key point *v.* to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
254. se_____ty analyst *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
255. 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
256. gr_____ng disposition *adj.* eager in acquiring or wanting to acquire more wealth, property, or power than is necessary

ANSWERS: 250. govern, 251. deliberately, 252. maim, 253. illustrate, 254. security, 255. process, 256. grasping

257. de_____cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
258. principles of sus_____le development *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
259. pore refining cl_____er *n.* a product that cleans or removes dirt or other substances, especially a liquid or cream for cleaning your face
260. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
261. fac_____te a smooth transition *v.* to make something easier or more likely to happen
262. ki_____g spree *n.* the act of causing death; a sudden and intense force or effect that causes significant damage or destruction; a situation where someone is making a substantial amount of money or experiencing significant financial success
263. a truly hum_____ian act *adj.* something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare
264. tax re_____e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
265. strong and co_____ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
266. fa____m the mystery *v.* to understand or comprehend (a difficult or complex problem or situation); to measure the depth of water

ANSWERS: 257. democracy, 258. sustainable, 259. cleanser, 260. obvious, 261. facilitate, 262. killing, 263. humanitarian, 264. revenue, 265. committed, 266. fathom

267. ex-s__u conservation *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
268. untold mi___y *n.* a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune
269. en_____ge consequences *v.* to imagine and expect something in the future; to plan or forecast something
270. su_____ed economic growth *adj.* lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
271. di_____ce workers *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
272. pe_____ul country *adj.* not involving violence, conflict, or war
273. le___l injection *adj.* causing or capable of causing death; extremely dangerous
274. at___h a file to an e-mail *v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
275. set_____nt in a new house *n.* an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.
276. 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
277. use cell phone rep_____ly *adv.* again and again; many times

ANSWERS: 267. situ, 268. misery, 269. envisage, 270. sustained, 271. displace, 272. peaceful, 273. lethal, 274. attach, 275. settlement, 276. determinant, 277. repeatedly

278. ha___r progress *v.* to hinder or impede the progress or movement of something or someone; to prevent or limit the functioning or effectiveness of something or someone; to obstruct or block access to something
279. annual re_____e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
280. a close co_____t *n.* a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals
281. par_____ary government *adj.* of or relating to a parliament (= a legislative body) or the system of government it is a part of
282. fl_____le schedules *adj.* able to change or be changed to suit new conditions or situations; able to bend easily
283. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
284. a un_____e teacher *adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
285. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
286. a co_____nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
287. a speech co_____t *n.* a competition in which people compete for supremacy in a sport or other activity; a struggle between rivals

ANSWERS: 278. hamper, 279. revenue, 280. contest, 281. parliamentary, 282. flexible, 283. obvious, 284. unique, 285. opportune, 286. constant, 287. contest

288. pre_____on of crime *n.* the action, process, or strategy of stopping something undesirable or harmful from happening; the act of preventing, interfering, or hindering unwanted events or outcomes
289. a de fa__o government *adj.* of or relating to facts; done in reality; actually existing or occurring
290. ge_____de victims *n.* the intentional killing of a large group of people, especially those of a particular ethnic group or nation
291. ex_____ve clubs *adj.* not divided or shared with others
292. have a serious sho_____ng *n.* a lack or deficiency in a particular respect; a fault or defect
293. an eq_____le price *adj.* fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly
294. get dis_____ed by an urgent matter *adj.* having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried
295. dis_____sh these two things *v.* to notice or understand the difference between two people or things
296. ha____r growth *v.* to hinder or impede the progress or movement of something or someone; to prevent or limit the functioning or effectiveness of something or someone; to obstruct or block access to something
297. de_____e in quality *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

ANSWERS: 288. prevention, 289. facto, 290. genocide, 291. exclusive, 292. shortcoming, 293. equitable, 294. distracted, 295. distinguish, 296. hamper, 297. decline

298. in-s__u control *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
299. research in_____tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
300. new di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
301. a s__d coat *n.* a small, hard, often round, a reproductive structure that contains a plant's genetic material and is capable of growing into a new plant
302. proud of his acc_____ents *n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
303. cro_____der relations *adj.* relating to or involving movement, interaction, or communication between different countries or regions, especially those that share a common border
304. an und_____ng motive *adj.* significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly
305. ge_____te more electricity *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
306. s__d money *n.* a small, hard, often round, a reproductive structure that contains a plant's genetic material and is capable of growing into a new plant

ANSWERS: 298. situ, 299. institute, 300. dimension, 301. seed, 302. accomplishment, 303. cross-border, 304. underlying, 305. generate, 306. seed

307. fiscal st_____ty pact *n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
308. su___r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
309. im___e tariffs *v.* to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received
310. a ha_____ng sense of fear *adj.* lingering in the mind or memory, often in a disturbing or unsettling way; (noun) something difficult to forget or shake off
311. ex post fa__o approval *adj.* of or relating to facts; done in reality; actually existing or occurring
312. un___e design *adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
313. ab__e a crisis *v.* to lessen, reduce, or diminish in intensity or severity; to decline or wane in amount or strength over time
314. reach a cl___x *n.* the most intense or exciting moment of an event or experience; the point of highest dramatic tension or emotional intensity in a story, plot, or performance
315. re_____e a dispute *v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
316. el__t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
317. severe cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
318. hum_____ian crisis *adj.* something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare

ANSWERS: 307. stability, 308. suffer, 309. impose, 310. haunting, 311. facto, 312. unique, 313. abate, 314. climax, 315. resolve, 316. elect, 317. critic, 318. humanitarian

319. 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
320. co___r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
321. political st_____te *n.* a situation in which neither side of a conflict or dispute can make progress or gain an advantage, typically resulting in a deadlock or impasse
322. ha_____ng memory *adj.* lingering in the mind or memory, often in a disturbing or unsettling way; (noun) something difficult to forget or shake off
323. a com_____ive explanation *adj.* complete and including all or everything necessary
324. sq_____le over money *v.* to engage in a petty quarrel, argument, or dispute, often about a minor or trivial matter; to bicker or exchange angry words in a noisy or aggressive manner
325. live in mi_____y *n.* a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune
326. he_____ne article *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
327. the c__e of an apple *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
328. allied di_____at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

ANSWERS: 319. arrangement, 320. confer, 321. stalemate, 322. haunting, 323. comprehensive, 324. squabble, 325. misery, 326. headline, 327. core, 328. diplomat

329. re__l uprising *n.* someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
330. personal an_____ty *n.* strong hostility or hatred towards someone or something, often resulting in conflict or ill-will
331. discuss ent_____lly *adv.* in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval
332. co___r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
333. p__p stick *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
334. de___y troops for battle *v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
335. in___t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
336. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
337. dis_____ent camp *n.* the act of forcing someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

ANSWERS: 329. rebel, 330. animosity, 331. enthusiastically, 332. confer, 333. prop, 334. deploy, 335. invest, 336. responsible, 337. displacement

338. c__e business activity *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
339. ch____ul smile *adj.* happy and positive; causing feelings of happiness or optimism; marked by or expressing joy or optimism
340. 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
341. profit-ki____g *n.* the act of causing death; a sudden and intense force or effect that causes significant damage or destruction; a situation where someone is making a substantial amount of money or experiencing significant financial success
342. the evidence of the pr____ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
343. co____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
344. suffer a se____k *n.* an unfortunate happening that hinders or impedes; a reversal or check in progress
345. a com____nt to an alliance *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
346. de____t a global power *v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
347. high imp____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note

ANSWERS: 338. core, 339. cheerful, 340. achieve, 341. killing, 342. presence, 343. communal, 344. setback, 345. commitment, 346. defeat, 347. importance

348. pea_____ing efforts *n.* the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives
349. re_____d in an enclosure *v.* to make a loud, deep sound that echoes
350. sh__r fabric *adj.* complete or total, often used to emphasize the extreme or uncompromising nature of something; not mixed with anything else; transparent or nearly transparent
351. con_____te to society *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
352. h_p on one foot *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
353. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
354. con_____te a large sum of money to the fund *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
355. on_____g support *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
356. ci_____an life *n.* a person who is not a member of the military or armed forces; a person who is not a law enforcement officer or public official in a position of authority or responsibility

ANSWERS: 348. peacekeeping, 349. resound, 350. sheer, 351. contribute, 352. hop, 353. individual, 354. contribute, 355. ongoing, 356. civilian

357. ca_____e worker *adj.* having the ability, skill, or potential to do something; competent or proficient in a particular task or area of expertise
358. co____t zone *n.* a fight or battle, usually between opposing military forces; an engagement in which opposing parties attempt to defeat each other by force
359. a serious to__c *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
360. im_____nt a corporate strategy *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
361. di____e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
362. express fru_____on *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
363. h_p from one place to another *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
364. a to_____e chamber *n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason
365. st__l in a tunnel *v.* to stop or cause to stop making progress; (noun) small area or booth set off for the sale of goods in a market or large covered area
366. ex_____e all other possibilities *v.* to deny someone or something enter to a place or taking part in an activity

ANSWERS: 357. capable, 358. combat, 359. topic, 360. implement, 361. divide, 362. frustration, 363. hop, 364. torture, 365. stall, 366. exclude

367. the worst hum_____de disaster *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
368. chronic hu____r *n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition
369. di_____er recovery *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
370. al__e in nature *adv.* similar or identical in nature or appearance
371. managerial int_____nce *n.* refusal to compromise or negotiate; unyielding stubbornness or inflexibility in the face of different opinions, proposals, or circumstances
372. civilian ca_____ty *n.* a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim
373. in_____l velocity *adj.* of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name
374. physical re_____nt *n.* a measure taken to prevent someone or something from acting freely or excessively; self-control or moderation; a physical device used to restrict or limit movement
375. the set_____nt of a dispute *n.* an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.

ANSWERS: 367. human-made, 368. hunger, 369. disaster, 370. alike, 371. intransigence, 372. casualty, 373. initial, 374. restraint, 375. settlement

376. in_____te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
377. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
378. the bone of a jo__t *adj.* shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton
379. senseless sl_____er *n.* the killing of a large number of animals or people brutally and indiscriminately; a violent and bloody event that results in the death of many individuals
380. his majestic pr_____ce *n.* the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present
381. sus_____le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
382. et___c minority *adj.* relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition
383. the to__c of the book *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
384. military ca_____ty *n.* a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim
385. an international tr__d *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
386. clarify am_____us points *adj.* open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided

ANSWERS: 376. institute, 377. individual, 378. joint, 379. slaughter, 380. presence, 381. sustainable, 382. ethnic, 383. topic, 384. casualty, 385. trend, 386. ambiguous

387. use of inn_____ve technology *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
388. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
389. the acc_____ent of a social goal *n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
390. co_____on forces *n.* a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body
391. ne_____te a settlement *v.* to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement
392. rep_____ly nod *adv.* again and again; many times
393. im_____nt security measures *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
394. dis_____sh man from the other animals *v.* to notice or understand the difference between two people or things
395. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
396. vi_____y in the law court *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
397. a steely det_____ion *n.* the quality of being persistent and purposeful; the act of finding out the exact nature or essence of something
398. re_____t a place *v.* to go to a place again, especially after a long period

ANSWERS: 387. innovative, 388. imaginary, 389. accomplishment, 390. coalition, 391. negotiate, 392. repeatedly, 393. implement, 394. distinguish, 395. recognize, 396. victory, 397. determination, 398. revisit

399. det_____ion of a DNA sequence *n.* the quality of being persistent and purposeful; the act of finding out the exact nature or essence of something
400. a prodigious vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
401. ac____d with public opinion *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
402. the characters that re_____nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
403. su_____ce abuse problem *n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug
404. am_____us situation *adj.* open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided
405. lon_____ing battery *adj.* existing or continuing for a long time
406. di_____ge the clutch *v.* to withdraw or separate oneself from a situation or relationship
407. pea_____ing force *n.* the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives
408. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

ANSWERS: 399. determination, 400. vision, 401. accord, 402. represent, 403. substance, 404. ambiguous, 405. long-lasting, 406. disengage, 407. peacekeeping, 408. president

409. number of mi____ty students *n.* the smaller part of a group, especially a number or part representing less than half of the whole; a period before adult legal age
410. sk____ul craftsmanship *adj.* possessing or demonstrating a high level of proficiency, ability, or expertise in a particular skill or activity; adept or accomplished in a specific area
411. in____t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
412. national se____ty *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
413. aut____lly adjusted *adv.* without needing a direct human control
414. a do____rd slope *adj.* moving towards a lower position or a lower level

ANSWERS: 409. minority, 410. skillful, 411. invest, 412. security, 413. automatically, 414. downward

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. This region has many _____ offering higher education.
n. an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
2. The instructions provided were _____ and confused the team.
adj. open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided
3. Some ethnic _____ groups experienced discrimination in society.
n. the smaller part of a group, especially a number or part representing less than half of the whole; a period before adult legal age
4. The organization finally signed a peace _____.
n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
5. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.
n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
6. The _____ in the room was palpable as the team waited for their leader to speak.
n. a state of mental or emotional strain or excitement; the state of being stretched tight
7. They took the _____ step toward reconciliation.
adj. of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name

ANSWERS: 1. institutes, 2. ambiguous, 3. minority, 4. accord, 5. Democracy, 6. tension, 7. initial

8. Her _____ personality brightened up the room.

adj. happy and positive; causing feelings of happiness or optimism; marked by or expressing joy or optimism

9. Effective _____ is necessary to resolve conflicts and maintain relationships between countries.

n. the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way

10. I cannot _____ why some people enjoy horror movies.

v. to understand or comprehend (a difficult or complex problem or situation); to measure the depth of water

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

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

12. The engagement of the two golf players became _____ news.

n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

13. The army is instructed not to target any _____ during the conflict.

n. a person who is not a member of the military or armed forces; a person who is not a law enforcement officer or public official in a position of authority or responsibility

14. The _____ of the discussion was the current state of the economy.

n. a subject that is being discussed or written about

15. The negotiations proceeded slowly and finally _____.

v. to stop or cause to stop making progress; (noun) small area or booth set off for the sale of goods in a market or large covered area

ANSWERS: 8. cheerful, 9. diplomacy, 10. fathom, 11. generate, 12. headline, 13. civilians, 14. topic, 15. stalled

16. The building's _____ system includes cameras, alarms, and security guards.
- n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
17. I don't want to _____ for second best.
- v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
18. He planted the _____ in the soil and waited for it to sprout.
- n.* a small, hard, often round, a reproductive structure that contains a plant's genetic material and is capable of growing into a new plant
19. The _____ of the movie had everyone on the edge of their seats.
- n.* the most intense or exciting moment of an event or experience; the point of highest dramatic tension or emotional intensity in a story, plot, or performance
20. The policy should increase the country's monetary _____.
- n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
21. He does not _____ importance to these rumors.
- v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
22. Our company is strongly _____ to meeting customers' needs.
- adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
23. Many people in the world suffer from _____ and malnourishment every day.
- n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition

ANSWERS: 16. security, 17. settle, 18. seed, 19. climax, 20. stability, 21. attach, 22. committed, 23. hunger

24. The revitalization of technology companies is _____ to the country's growth.
adj. extremely vital or necessary
25. The storm _____ significant damage on the town.
v. to cause harm, injury, or suffering to someone or something
26. After her first attempt to bake a cake failed, she didn't _____ at trying again.
v. to hesitate or stop abruptly before completing an action, often due to fear, uncertainty, or opposition; to refuse to comply with or agree to something
27. We need to _____ this proposal as soon as the budget is more apparent than before.
v. to go to a place again, especially after a long period
28. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.
n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
29. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?
v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
30. We _____ a cease-fire.
v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
31. Wild animals need to go forward with the _____ action to survive.
adj. the best; most likely to be successful or advantageous
32. The sound of the drums _____ through the concert hall.
v. to make a loud, deep sound that echoes

ANSWERS: 24. crucial, 25. inflicted, 26. balk, 27. revisit, 28. colleague, 29. divide, 30. concluded, 31. optimal, 32. resounded

33. Overall _____ are approximately 400x200mm.

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

34. Her _____ made my day; I felt so competent and appreciated.

n. an expression of praise, admiration, or approval; a polite or flattering statement intended to make someone feel good

35. She left the decision to her _____

n. a person who is appointed as the substitute of another and given the power to do something instead of another

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

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

37. His _____ to succeed was unwavering, even in the face of adversity.

n. the quality of being persistent and purposeful; the act of finding out the exact nature or essence of something

38. The hawkish _____ gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.

n. a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate

39. The two neighboring countries have a _____ trade agreement.

adj. relating to or involving movement, interaction, or communication between different countries or regions, especially those that share a common border

40. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

ANSWERS: 33. dimensions, 34. compliment, 35. deputy, 36. elected, 37. determination, 38. senator, 39. cross-border, 40. represent

41. The _____ weather made staying motivated and happy throughout the day hard.

adj. characterized by a lack of light or sunshine, resulting in a dark or dim atmosphere; feeling despondent, dismal, or melancholy

42. The negotiations were _____ with challenges and setbacks.

adj. causing, accompanied by, or full of anxiety, tension, or stress

43. He ate the dried _____ he had preserved.

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

44. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.

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

45. Malignant hypertension is the most _____ form of hypertension.

adj. causing or capable of causing death; extremely dangerous

46. The oil price continued their downward _____.

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

47. As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually _____.

v. to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

48. 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

49. The general reviewed the plans for the upcoming battle on the _____.

n. a place where a battle or conflict is fought

ANSWERS: 41. gloomy, 42. fraught, 43. figs, 44. consequences, 45. lethal, 46. trend, 47. declines, 48. disaster, 49. battlefield

50. I was so _____ by my phone that I nearly walked into a lamppost.

adj. having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried

51. The painting is _____ and there is no other like it.

adj. being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else

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

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

53. He was criticized for his _____ attitude, always looking for ways to make more money.

adj. eager in acquiring or wanting to acquire more wealth, property, or power than is necessary

54. The reckless driver _____ several pedestrians after losing control of the vehicle.

v. to injure or wound someone seriously, particularly by permanently disabling or disfiguring a body part

55. 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

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

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

ANSWERS: 50. distracted, 51. unique, 52. killing, 53. grasping, 54. maimed, 55. achieve, 56. leadership

57. The piles of laundry on the floor _____ ability to walk around my room.
- v.* to hinder or impede the progress or movement of something or someone; to prevent or limit the functioning or effectiveness of something or someone; to obstruct or block access to something
58. The teacher had to _____ a disagreement between two students over a stolen pencil.
- v.* to try to bring about an agreement or understanding between people who are in conflict
59. The doctor diagnosed him with a rare _____ that had no known cure.
- n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
60. 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
61. The company decided to _____ production of the product.
- v.* to stop an action or event
62. The company's main _____ was a lack of innovation.
- n.* a lack or deficiency in a particular respect; a fault or defect
63. As a result of this _____ we have revised our safety measures.
- n.* the act of changing something, usually to improve it, or something changed
64. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
- adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 57. hampered my, 58. mediate, 59. disease, 60. develop, 61. cease, 62. shortcoming, 63. modification, 64. opportune

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

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

66. The senior _____ worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.

n. a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

67. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

68. I don't _____ take a vacation in the middle of summer.

adv. usually; under normal conditions

69. 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

70. The organization is dedicated to providing _____ aid to disaster-stricken areas worldwide.

adj. something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare

71. The company will need to invest in fire _____ equipment to ensure the safety of its employees.

n. the action, process, or strategy of stopping something undesirable or harmful from happening; the act of preventing, interfering, or hindering unwanted events or outcomes

ANSWERS: 65. violent, 66. diplomat, 67. Communal, 68. normally, 69. invest, 70. humanitarian, 71. prevention

72. The _____ of the argument was well-presented.

- n.* the real physical material of which a thing or person consist; the most important or main part of some idea or experience; an illegal drug

73. Humankind took centuries to _____ true democracy.

- v.* to finish or achieve something successfully

74. The use of _____ is strictly prohibited under international law.

- n.* the act of causing intense pain or suffering to someone to punish them, extract information from them, or for some other reason

75. The new ___ album is getting a lot of attention.

- n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

76. The athlete worked with a coach to _____ her techniques and improve her performance.

- v.* to sharpen or perfect something; to improve a skill or ability through practice

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

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

78. 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

79. _____ amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.

- adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before

ANSWERS: 72. substance, 73. accomplish, 74. torture, 75. rap, 76. hone, 77. capable, 78. complexity, 79. Unprecedented

80. The younger _____ has different values and beliefs than the older one.
n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
81. The new software has become the de _____ tool for professionals in the field.
adj. of or relating to facts; done in reality; actually existing or occurring
82. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.
v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group
83. Graduating from college was a major _____ for her.
n. the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training
84. The _____ leaders gathered for a summit to discuss important issues.
adj. relating to a social group or tribe, especially a preliterate society
85. After years of decline, the city is experiencing a _____ in economic growth.
n. the return or growth of something after a period of decline or disappearance
86. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of _____.
n. the quality of being important and worthy of note
87. The company's financial records _____ how successful it has been.
v. to provide pictures, photographs, diagrams, etc. in a book or something for explanation
88. 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

ANSWERS: 80. generation, 81. facto, 82. combine, 83. accomplishment, 84. tribal, 85. resurgence, 86. importance, 87. illustrate, 88. determinant

89. Our subscription plan is _____ renewed.

adv. without needing a direct human control

90. Government workers cannot _____ to political campaigns.

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

91. This country _____ its weapons in the east region.

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

92. The club _____ does not have absolute power.

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

93. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

94. The stock market has been in a _____ trend for the past month.

adj. moving towards a lower position or a lower level

95. They finally decided to solve the _____ problem.

adj. existing or continuing for a long time

96. We are always happy to _____ a discount.

v. to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement

97. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

ANSWERS: 89. automatically, 90. contribute, 91. deployed, 92. president, 93. obvious, 94. downward, 95. long-lasting, 96. negotiate, 97. historic

98. The _____ system of government is used in many countries.

adj. of or relating to a parliament (= a legislative body) or the system of government it is a part of

99. The _____ beauty of the sunset left us in awe.

adj. complete or total, often used to emphasize the extreme or uncompromising nature of something; not mixed with anything else; transparent or nearly transparent

100. The international community condemned the _____ in the country.

n. the intentional killing of a large group of people, especially those of a particular ethnic group or nation

101. They never _____ on development despite the lack of funds.

v. to settle a problem or disagreement by mutual concession

102. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.

v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

103. In a democratic country, governments promote _____ opportunities to participate in society.

adj. fair and impartial; treating everyone fairly

104. I made a _____ to my paper based on feedback from my professor.

n. the act or process of reviewing, correcting, and improving something, such as written work, plans, or ideas; a revised version of something

105. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

ANSWERS: 98. parliamentary, 99. sheer, 100. genocide, 101. compromised, 102. flee, 103. equitable, 104. revision, 105. threat

106. She didn't _____ in her decision to pursue her dream career, despite the challenges.

v. to move in a quivering manner; to become weak

107. This study _____ four different ways to run a business.

v. to notice or understand the difference between two people or things

108. He accumulated wealth across a _____ spectrum of assets.

adj. very wide; general

109. The team experienced a _____ when their star player was injured during the game.

n. an unfortunate happening that hinders or impedes; a reversal or check in progress

110. The _____ mission in the war-torn country was challenging but necessary.

n. the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives

111. We are optimistic about our final _____.

n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

112. The siblings always _____ over who gets to sit in the car's front seat.

v. to engage in a petty quarrel, argument, or dispute, often about a minor or trivial matter; to bicker or exchange angry words in a noisy or aggressive manner

113. The company's _____ in negotiating with suppliers led to consumer price hikes.

n. refusal to compromise or negotiate; unyielding stubbornness or inflexibility in the face of different opinions, proposals, or circumstances

ANSWERS: 106. waver, 107. distinguished, 108. broad, 109. setback, 110. peacekeeping, 111. victory, 112. squabble, 113. intransigence

114. The following _____ is currently being used to explain the phenomenon in question.

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

115. He tried to _____ his anger by taking deep breaths and counting to ten.

- v.* to lessen, reduce, or diminish in intensity or severity; to decline or wane in amount or strength over time

116. We must install a _____ to separate the living room from the dining area.

- n.* a physical divider or barrier that divides a space or area into two or more separate parts; a separation or division of something into different parts or sections

117. 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

118. Unfortunately, the driver was the only _____ in the car accident.

- n.* a person who has been killed or injured in a war, accident, or other disasters; a victim

119. I _____ eat fast food because I prefer healthy options.

- adv.* not happening often; infrequently; seldom

120. Our goal must be to achieve a peaceful _____.

- n.* an official agreement that brings an argument to a close; the process of establishing permanent residence in a place.

ANSWERS: 114. explanation, 115. abate, 116. partition, 117. process, 118. casualty, 119. rarely, 120. settlement

121. The new law includes _____ for increased penalties for repeat offenders.
n. the act of providing or supplying something; a clause in a document or law that specifies a particular requirement or condition
122. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.
v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
123. The company experienced _____ growth over the past decade.
adj. lasting for a long time or continuing for a long time without becoming weaker or less intense
124. _____ his disapproval, the decree was passed.
adv. despite anything to the contrary; nevertheless; (preposition) despite or in spite of
125. 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
126. You can be more _____ and creative in your approach.
adj. able to change or be changed to suit new conditions or situations; able to bend easily
127. Over the past decades, the region has experienced several _____ leading to widespread violence and unrest.
n. an Arabic term meaning "uprising" or "shaking off," specifically referring to a Palestinian uprising against Israeli occupation in the late 20th century, marked by civil disobedience, protests, and acts of violence
128. 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

ANSWERS: 121. provisions, 122. recognize, 123. sustained, 124. Notwithstanding, 125. government, 126. flexible, 127. intifadas, 128. contest

129. The company implemented a new software system to _____ employee communication and collaboration.
v. to make something easier or more likely to happen
130. The _____ fought against the government for their independence.
n. someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
131. The athlete's record-breaking performance _____ all expectations.
v. to be or do better than someone or something; to excel or go beyond the limits or standards of something
132. He was _____ to learn more about the subject and attended every lecture.
adj. having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest
133. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something
134. The condo offers _____ access to the beach.
adj. not divided or shared with others
135. Plutonium has limited _____ applications.
adj. not involving violence, conflict, or war
136. The two largest opposition parties announced they would form a _____ in the next elections.
n. a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body

ANSWERS: 129. facilitate, 130. rebels, 131. surpassed, 132. keen, 133. participated, 134. exclusive, 135. peaceful, 136. coalition

137. As a _____ of appreciation, the teacher gave each student a small gift at the end of the school year.

n. something that serves as a symbol, sign, or expression of something else; a physical object representing a particular idea or concept

138. The situation quickly _____ and turned violent.

v. to increase in intensity, size, or severity; to make something greater, worse, or more serious

139. The _____ principle of every business was identical.

adj. significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly

140. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

141. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

142. The rabbit _____ over the fence.

v. to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

143. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

144. The problem with achievement tests is the narrowness they _____ on students.

v. to officially force a new law, tax, duty, etc. to be obeyed or received

ANSWERS: 137. token, 138. escalated, 139. underlying, 140. relatives, 141. critics, 142. hopped, 143. vision, 144. impose

145. The veteran was honored for his service in _____.

- n.* a fight or battle, usually between opposing military forces; an engagement in which opposing parties attempt to defeat each other by force

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

- adv.* after the time mentioned

147. I have sensitive skin and use a weakly acidic _____.

- n.* a product that cleans or removes dirt or other substances, especially a liquid or cream for cleaning your face

148. She _____ a bright future for her children.

- v.* to imagine and expect something in the future; to plan or forecast something

149. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

- v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

150. The negotiations between the two companies reached a _____ and neither side would compromise.

- n.* a situation in which neither side of a conflict or dispute can make progress or gain an advantage, typically resulting in a deadlock or impasse

151. The economic recession _____ the housing market.

- v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active

152. After the summit meeting, the prime ministers issued a _____ statement.

- adj.* shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton

ANSWERS: 145. combat, 146. afterward, 147. cleanser, 148. envisaged, 149. suffers, 150. stalemate, 151. depressed, 152. joint

153. The climb up the mountain was _____ and took us hours to complete.

adj. requiring strenuous effort; difficult and tiring, often involving physical or mental labor

154. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

155. Some critics say this exhibition will be a big _____.

n. event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship

156. The _____ of endangered animals must be stopped.

n. the killing of a large number of animals or people brutally and indiscriminately; a violent and bloody event that results in the death of many individuals

157. It's important to practice _____ when it comes to spending money.

n. a measure taken to prevent someone or something from acting freely or excessively; self-control or moderation; a physical device used to restrict or limit movement

158. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.

n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

159. The crime scene was _____ and gruesome.

adj. covered in or smeared with blood; involving or characterized by bloodshed or brutality

160. The _____ between the two countries was a delicate and complex process.

n. the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

ANSWERS: 153. arduous, 154. confer, 155. affair, 156. slaughter, 157. restraint, 158. outcome, 159. bloody, 160. negotiation

161. The _____ leader had a clear plan for the company's future.

adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

162. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

163. This company _____ its battery problem completely.

v. to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty

164. The _____ between the two political parties has only grown stronger over the years.

n. strong hostility or hatred towards someone or something, often resulting in conflict or ill-will

165. We have to discuss the _____ reforms of our country.

adj. of, in, or relating to a large important organization, such as a university or bank; organized as or forming part of the standard systems, practices, etc.

166. The government should do more to support environmentally _____ agriculture.

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

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

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

168. The cost for the trip _____ food and beverages.

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

ANSWERS: 161. visionary, 162. responsible, 163. resolves, 164. animosity, 165. institutional, 166. sustainable, 167. maximum, 168. excludes

169. The _____ on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.
n. a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
170. They have no _____ to win the game.
n. something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something
171. He _____ from the conversation and walked away.
v. to withdraw or separate oneself from a situation or relationship
172. He claims that his legitimate requests were _____ ignored.
adv. again and again; many times
173. Our company suffered _____ from incurring a heavy loss.
n. a state of ill-being due to affliction or misfortune
174. The _____ artist effortlessly painted a masterpiece with precision and finesse.
adj. possessing or demonstrating a high level of proficiency, ability, or expertise in a particular skill or activity; adept or accomplished in a specific area
175. The Prime Minister stressed the need to create _____ industries.
adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
176. The two paintings looked _____ as if the same artist had done them.
adv. similar or identical in nature or appearance
177. The construction of the new dam will _____ hundreds of families living downstream.
v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

ANSWERS: 169. label, 170. incentive, 171. disengaged, 172. repeatedly, 173. misery, 174. skillful, 175. innovative, 176. alike, 177. displace

178. We have a _____ grasp of this topic.

adj. complete and including all or everything necessary

179. He _____ misleads others.

adv. done in an intentional or slow and careful manner

180. The _____ occasionally preaches at this church.

n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

181. Despite his best efforts, he was unable to _____ the enemy.

v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt

182. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

183. The union has a _____ interest in the outcome of the negotiations.

adj. having a legal right to something, especially property or money, that cannot be taken away

184. His business _____ took him to the United States.

n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

185. These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic _____.

n. the most essential or fundamental part of something

186. The funeral director explained the process of how they _____ remains after cremation.

v. to bury or place a dead body in a tomb or grave; to temporarily detain or imprison someone; (prefix) between or among

ANSWERS: 178. comprehensive, 179. deliberately, 180. minister, 181. defeat, 182. conflicts, 183. vested, 184. commitments, 185. cores, 186. inter

187. The government promised to _____ a new system to control the financial crisis.
- v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
188. He felt a deep _____ as he realized the project would not be completed on time.
- n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
189. The bridge is a _____ structure and was built to span the river.
- adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
190. The study participants _____ participated in the discussion, showing genuine interest.
- adv.* in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval
191. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.
- n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
192. He wandered the _____ between life and death by gunfire.
- n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
193. Each _____ group has its unique rituals.
- adj.* relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition
194. The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the _____ economic crisis.
- adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening

ANSWERS: 187. implement, 188. frustration, 189. human-made, 190. enthusiastically, 191. independence, 192. boundary, 193. ethnic, 194. ongoing

195. 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

196. Little children tend to have _____ friends.

adj. existing only in someone's mind

197. The song's _____ melody stayed with me long after I heard it.

adj. lingering in the mind or memory, often in a disturbing or unsettling way; (noun) something difficult to forget or shake off

198. Melanoma in _____ is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.

adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance

199. We have finally lost our last _____.

n. a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

200. The _____ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

201. 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

202. The path to a solid online _____ necessitates a high technical ability.

n. the fact or state that someone or something exists, occurs, or is present

ANSWERS: 195. arrangement, 196. imaginary, 197. haunting, 198. situ, 199. prop, 200. military, 201. individual, 202. presence

203. _____ dropping wears away the stone.

adj. happening repeatedly or all the time

204. This graph indicates the city's tourism _____ over five years.

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

205. In the _____ meeting, the team discussed ways to improve productivity.

adj. happening or occurring later or after something else

206. The _____ of the residents was a consequence of the construction of the new highway.

n. the act of forcing someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

207. The regulations _____ medical malpractice claims are rigorous.

v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

ANSWERS: 203. Constant, 204. revenue, 205. subsequent, 206. displacement, 207. governing