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Session 1: Word List

amazing

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

synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling
The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

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.

dynamics

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

synonym: mechanics, kinetics, kinematics

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

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

shifting

adj. constantly changing or moving

synonym : unfirm, shifty, fluctuating

(1) **shifting** balance, (2) continuously **shifting** landscape

Trends in the fashion industry are so **shifting** that it is challenging to keep up with them.

degree

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

synonym : level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

workforce

n. all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.

synonym : labor pool, manpower

(1) skilled **workforce**, (2) the **workforce** is on strike

Many companies outsource and hire consultants to keep their **workforce** flexible.

dominate

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

synonym : govern, rule, prevail

(1) **dominate** possession, (2) **dominate** over the weak

The perspective of his right brain **dominates** his consciousness.

profession

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

synonym : occupation, vocation, trade

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

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

banker

n. a person who is in charge of or has an important job in a bank

synonym : dealer, broker, financier

(1) central **bankers**, (2) investment **banker**

Bankers are only willing to lend with good security.

accountant

n. a person whose job is to keep financial records and accounts for a person or organization

synonym: bookkeeper, financial analyst, auditor

(1) audit by **accountant**, (2) **accountant** report

The associate **accountant** carefully reviewed the company's financial records.

economy

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

synonym: finance, trade, business

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

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

romantic

adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

synonym: idealistic, unrealistic, amatory

(1) **romantic** movies, (2) **romantic** breakup

It was his first **romantic** love.

comedy

n. a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

synonym: humor, farce, satire

(1) **comedy** series, (2) romantic **comedy**

I love going to see live **comedy** shows with my friends.

superhero

n. a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public

(1) **superhero** movies, (2) **superhero** comics

Superman is a classic **superhero** known for his superhuman

strength and flying ability.

rugged

adj. having a rough, uneven, or jagged surface or terrain; characterized by a sturdy, strong, or robust nature

synonym : rough, hardened, harsh

(1) **rugged** coastline, (2) **rugged** landscape

The hikers braved the **rugged** terrain to reach the summit of the mountain.

environment

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

synonym : atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

retire

v. to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age

synonym : relinquish, step down, withdraw

(1) **retire** voluntarily, (2) **retire** after four terms

After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to **retire** from her job.

replace

v. to take the place of something

synonym : substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone

Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

impressive

adj. arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill

synonym : impactful, remarkable, exceptional

(1) **impressive** performances, (2) an **impressive** array of facts

The budget reduction was an **impressive** feat for our nation.

specimen

n. an individual example or sample of something, typically used to represent a larger group or category

synonym :

example, sample, model

(1) **specimen** collection, (2) botanical **specimen**

The biology teacher showed the students a frog **specimen** so they could examine its anatomy.

parody

n. a humorous imitation of a serious piece of literature or music designed to ridicule or criticize the original work

synonym: spoof, satire, lampoon

(1) **parody** imitation, (2) comedic **parody**

The movie was a **parody** of classic horror films.

commerce

n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale

synonym: trade, transaction, dealings

(1) interstate **commerce**, (2) the local chamber of **commerce**

This company has invested heavily in Internet **commerce**.

phrase

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

synonym: expression, idiom, term

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

We bought a Spanish **phrase** book.

firstborn

adj. the first child born to a mother

synonym: eldest, older, primary

(1) **firstborn** female child, (2) **firstborn** grandchild

The **firstborn** child is often the parents' favorite.

ingrained

adj. deeply rooted in someone's mind or behavior; difficult to change due to being established for a long time

synonym: inborn, embedded, deep-seated

(1) **ingrained** habit, (2) **ingrained** prejudice

Her fear of dogs was **ingrained** after a traumatic experience in childhood.

conscious

adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

synonym : aware, cognizant, deliberate

(1) **conscious** effort, (2) **conscious** of having succeeded

He became **conscious** that he was being followed.

statistics

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

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

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

shock

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

synonym : amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**

He got an electric **shock** at work.

fertility

n. the state or quality of being able to produce babies, young animals, fruit, or new plants

synonym : richness, pregnancy, productivity

(1) soil **fertility**, (2) **fertility** above replacement

The sperm count is used as an indicator of male **fertility**.

clinic

n. a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition

synonym : hospital, infirmary

(1) visit to the veterinary **clinic**, (2) a dental **clinic**

She holds a **clinic** on Tuesday mornings.

strict

adj. strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.

synonym : rigorous, inflexible, relentless

(1) **strict** compliance regime, (2) in **strict** secrecy

Too **strict** a regulation for the private sector will stifle

innovation.

patriarchal

adj. relating to or characteristic of a society or system in which men hold the dominant roles and positions of power; male-dominated

synonym : male-dominated, paternalistic

(1) **patriarchal** society, (2) **patriarchal** government

The **patriarchal** system that many societies have is outdated and unfair to women.

prefer

v. to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another

synonym : choose, like, favor

(1) **prefer** physics to chemistry, (2) **prefer** a window seat

The birds **prefer** open water areas with reeds around them.

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

synonym : chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically increase.

dot

n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed

synonym : drop, dab, fleck

(1) connecting the **dots**, (2) **dot** blot method

The wallpaper had a pattern of pink **dots** on a white surface.

graduate

n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

synonym : alumna, alum, grad

(1) **graduate** degree program, (2) honor **graduate**

Many employers hire **graduate** trainees to train as managers.

projection

n. the act of calculating or guessing, or the state of being estimated; any solid shape or object that juts out from

something; an image on a screen cast from something

synonym : estimate, forecast, prediction

(1) draw a **projection** chart, (2) **projection** mapping

The weather forecast includes a **projection** of the high and low temperatures for the next week.

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**.

survey

n. an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

synonym : study, examination, poll

(1) a comprehensive **survey**, (2) recent **survey**

That **survey** shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.

preference

n. a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person

synonym : taste, choice, affection

(1) his meal **preferences**, (2) a particular **preference** for Chinese art

Her **preference** is comfortable clothing over fashionable ones.

progression

n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

synonym : advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease

The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.

passionate

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

synonym : ardent, fervent, intense

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

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

feminist

adj. describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women;
(noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women

synonym : egalitarian

(1) **feminist** movement, (2) **feminist** perspective

The **feminist** ideals of inclusivity and diversity are important in creating a more just and equal world.

movement

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

synonym : motion, progression, action

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

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

desire

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

synonym : ambition, appetite, greed

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

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

passion

n. intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction

synonym : fervor, zeal, ardor

(1) **passion** hobby, (2) **passion** drive

Her **passion** for cooking is evident in every dish she

prepares.

tune

n. a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard

synonym: melody, harmony, (verb) adjust

(1) the **tune** of a song, (2) **tune** a piano

The band played a beautiful **tune** on their instruments.

acknowledge

v. to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

synonym: accept, agree, declare

(1) **acknowledge** the deed, (2) **acknowledge** his help

He never **acknowledged** his fault.

transition

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

synonym: change, growth, shift

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

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

smoothly

adv. in a way that is steady, even, or without problems; without interruption or difficulty; with ease

synonym: efficiently, flawlessly, seamlessly

(1) **smoothly** transition, (2) **smoothly** operate

The project went **smoothly** and was completed ahead of schedule.

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.

recession

n. a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases

synonym: downturn, slump, contraction

(1) **recession** period, (2) recover from a **recession**

The country is facing a **recession**, with high unemployment and low GDP.

distinct

adj. noticeable from something else of a similar type

synonym: different, special, characteristic

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

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

betray

v. to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally

synonym: fail, denounce, display

(1) **betray** a friend, (2) **betray** confidence

He felt **betrayed** when his best friend revealed their secret to the enemy.

temporary

adj. not lasting or be used for a very long

synonym: provisional, short-term, interim

(1) a **temporary** permit, (2) **temporary** housing

He managed to get **temporary** jobs during the recession.

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.

shift

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

synonym: transition, change, modification

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

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

crisis

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

synonym: concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management

The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

slide

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

synonym: glide, drift, drop

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

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

labor

n. productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

synonym: toil, toil, donkeywork

(1) seasonal **labor**, (2) manual **labor**

In several countries, child **labor** is a serious social problem.

firm

adj. resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

synonym: stable, secure, steadfast

(1) **firm** grip, (2) accounting **firm**

The **firm** deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action
She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

intrigue

v. to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone

synonym: attract, captivate, charm

(1) **intrigue** him, (2) **intrigue** against his rival
The artist's innovative style of work **intrigues** me.

nationwide

adj. extending throughout an entire nation

synonym: countrywide, national

(1) **nationwide** strike, (2) **nationwide** network
This is a **nationwide** campaign to recruit women into trade unions.

census

n. an official count or survey of a population, typically recording various details such as age, sex, occupation, and education levels

synonym: count, survey, enumeration

(1) **census** data, (2) population **census**
The government conducted a **census** of the population to gather data on demographics.

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.

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.

earner

n. an individual who earns money through their work or employment

synonym: breadwinner, provider, supporter

(1) self-employed **earner**, (2) high **earner** tax

As a full-time **earner**, I must work hard to support my family.

graph

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

synonym: chart, diagram, figure

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

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

flood

n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

synonym: deluge, downpour, overflow

(1) **flood** advisory, (2) a **flood** of questions

These heavy rains caused flash **floods** on several islands.

economical

adj. providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary

synonym: frugal, thrifty, parsimonious

(1) **economical** use of her time, (2) an **economical** meal

It is more **economical** to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

polarization

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

synonym: polarity, division, separation

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

The **polarization** of political views has created a deep divide

in the country.

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?

wage

n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

synonym: payment, compensation, salary

(1) unpaid **wages**, (2) increase in the minimum **wage**

His **wages** continued to rise as his skills improved.

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.

stagnate

v. to remain still, inactive, or without growth or development; to become stale or foul-smelling due to a lack of circulation or movement

synonym: stall, halt, idle

(1) **stagnate** economy, (2) **stagnate** due to problems

If you don't exercise regularly, your fitness levels may **stagnate**.

zoom

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

synonym: move quickly, dive, buzz

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

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

boost

v. to improve, raise, or increase something

synonym: raise, advance, promote

(1) **boost** the economy, (2) **boost** flexibility

The new service helped **boost** net income by 10%.

sneak

v. to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily

synonym: creep, tiptoe, smuggle

(1) **sneak** a cigarette, (2) **sneak** out of danger

The children tried to **sneak** out and eat the candy.

serum

n. the thin yellowish liquid that is a component of blood from which the clotting proteins have been removed, usually used to protect people or animals from disease, poison, etc.

(1) a **serum** injection, (2) examine **serum**

Serum therapy often involves injecting detoxified toxins to acquire antibodies.

manufacture

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

synonym: create, fabricate, assemble

(1) **manufacture** an enzyme, (2) **manufacture** a product

The majority of synthetic vitamins are **manufactured** from oil.

creative

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

synonym: imaginative, innovative, inventive

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

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

acquire

v. to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself

synonym: attain, earn, catch

(1) **acquire** knowledge, (2) **acquire** a new company

Children **acquire** language at a fantastic rate.

specific

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

synonym : particular, definite, distinct

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

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

union

n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

synonym : alliance, coalition, confederation

(1) bank and credit **unions**, (2) a craft **union**

The trade **union** remained adamant about its demands.

indifferent

adj. having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral

synonym : apathetic, disinterested, unmoved

(1) an **indifferent** glance, (2) emotionally **indifferent**

Despite the good news, she remained **indifferent** to the situation.

strength

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

synonym : resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**

Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

intelligence

n. the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

synonym : brains, brightness, cleverness

(1) an **intelligence** test, (2) field of artificial **intelligence**

In terms of **intelligence**, he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

communicate

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

synonym : convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,

(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

openly

adv. without hiding any of your feelings, opinions, or facts; frankly and trustfully

synonym : honestly, blatantly, candidly

(1) **openly** break the law, (2) **openly** discuss disagreement

He **openly** apologized for his mistake.

operate

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

synonym : work, use, employ

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

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

fluid

n. a substance that can flow and is not solid

synonym : liquid, aqua, sap

(1) plenty of **fluids**, (2) **fluid** assets

She was diagnosed with a **fluid** buildup in her lungs.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym : farthestmost, outermost, fierce

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

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

hierarchy

n. a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest

synonym : ranking, order, scale

(1) top of the **hierarchy**, (2) **hierarchy** of folders

She has taken a step up in the organizational **hierarchy**.

foster

v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents

synonym : nurture, nourish, cultivate

(1) **foster** a better relationship, (2) **foster** two kids

The pastor contributed to **fostering** the sense of a community embracing all classes.

employee

n. a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

synonym : worker, staff, personnel

(1) **employee** benefits, (2) **employee** evaluation

The **employee** handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

cascade

n. a small waterfall or series of small waterfalls; a succession of stages or operations or processes or units

synonym : waterfall, watercourse, step

(1) **cascade** connection, (2) transistor **cascade**

The **cascade** of waterfalls in the national park was a breathtaking sight.

childcare

n. a service involving care for other people's children

synonym : babysitting

(1) **childcare** allowance, (2) allow **childcare** leave

Our company offers a full range of **childcare** facilities as part of our benefits package.

preparation

n. the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready

synonym : practice, trial, rehearsal

(1) a **preparation** program, (2) the **preparation** of meals

He helped me with the **preparation** of this book.

moth

n. an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light

(1) **moth** larva, (2) **moth** attracted to the light

The **moth** is a serious threat to the farm's output.

hire

v. to give somebody a job

synonym : employ, engage, lease

(1) **hire** a guide, (2) **hire** a car by the hour

We should always be prepared to **hire** talented recruits.

out-of-work

adj. currently unemployed or not having a job, typically due to economic circumstances or the lack of available opportunities

synonym : unemployed, jobless, idle

(1) **out-of-work** actor, (2) **out-of-work** accountant

He struggled to find a job after being **out-of-work** for several months.

steelwork

n. the use of steel in construction, engineering, or manufacturing; a factory or industrial complex where steel is produced or processed, typically involving the use of furnaces, rollers, and other heavy equipment to shape and refine raw materials into finished products

synonym : steel mill, foundry, ironworks

(1) rusted **steelwork**, (2) **steelwork** production

The bridge's **steelwork** had to be reinforced to withstand the high winds in the area.

fairly

adv. to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner

synonym : moderately, reasonably, pretty

(1) **fairly** accurate, (2) have a **fairly** clear view

He deals **fairly** with his employees.

mystery

n. something difficult to understand or explain; a secret or enigmatic quality that adds to the fascination or interest of something; a genre of fiction that involves the solution of a crime or a puzzle

synonym : enigma, puzzle, secret

(1) **mystery** novel, (2) unsolved **mystery**

The **mystery** surrounding the disappearance of the traveler has yet to be solved by authorities.

retool

v. to adapt, modify, or overhaul something, often a system or process, to make it more efficient or effective for its intended purpose or to meet changing needs or demands

synonym : revamp, remodel, adapt

(1) **retool** a strategy, (2) **retool** a business

We need to **retool** our manufacturing process and invest in new technology to stay competitive in the market.

uncomfortable

adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

synonym : comfortless, discomforting, painful

(1) an **uncomfortable** silence, (2) with an **uncomfortable** face

His abusive words made me **uncomfortable**.

provider

n. a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted

synonym : supplier

(1) an information **provider**, (2) the **provider** of the family

People select Internet **providers** not only in terms of price but also in terms of transmission speed.

disturb

v. to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

synonym : agitate, bother, intrude

(1) **disturb** the peace, (2) **disturb** his sleep

Tourists frequently **disturb** the island's delicate natural balance.

excessive

adj. greater than what seems necessary, normal, or desirable

synonym : unreasonable, exorbitant, inflated

(1) an **excessive** force, (2) take **excessive** care

It would be best if you did not demand such an **excessive**

charge.

verbal

adj. expressed in spoken rather than written words

synonym : speaking, lingual, oral

(1) **verbal** communication, (2) **verbal** abuse

The candidate must have excellent **verbal** skills.

curriculum

n. a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.

synonym : program, syllabus, course of study

(1) a **curriculum** vitae, (2) an academic **curriculum**

A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the **curriculum**.

initially

adv. at the beginning; at first

synonym : originally, primarily, firstly

(1) **initially** anticipated, (2) diagnosed **initially** as a tumor

This train departed later than **initially** scheduled.

grade

n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

synonym : score, rate, degree

(1) boys in the twelfth **grade**, (2) students at all **grade** levels

Departments may set requirements for a higher **grade** point average.

writ

n. a written legal order or command

synonym : legal document, order, legal process

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

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

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.

vocabulary

n. the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses

synonym : lexicon, glossary, dictionary

(1) **vocabulary** list, (2) academic **vocabulary**

Using proper **vocabulary** is essential for writing a good essay.

recess

n. a period of time when the members of a parliament, committee, etc., are adjourned; a short break in a trial in court

synonym : break, interval, pause

(1) a court **recess**, (2) during noon **recess**

The company decided to take a **recess** and reconvene the meeting later that day.

rosin

n. a solid form of resin that is obtained from conifers and is used to make varnishes, adhesives, and other products; a sticky substance used on the bows of stringed instruments to improve the grip on the strings

synonym : resin, sap, pitch

(1) **rosin** paper, (2) **rosin** flux

A bit of **rosin** on the bow hair helps produce a smooth and clear sound on the cello.

thesis

n. a written essay, especially one submitted for a university degree, that sets out the author's findings on a particular subject

synonym : dissertation, argument, treatise

(1) a drift of a **thesis**, (2) master **thesis**

His **thesis** on the effects of climate change won several awards.

quotation

n. a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker

synonym : excerpt, passage, quote

(1) double **quotation** marks, (2) take a **quotation**
He included a **quotation** from the book in his essay.

chain

n. a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

synonym : series, string, link

(1) **chain** reaction, (2) supply **chain**

The **chain** on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

sting

v. to cause a sharp, painful sensation or injury with a poison, venom, or other substance or by a physical action such as a bite or prick

synonym : bite, prick, poke

(1) **sting** me on the arm, (2) **sting** his face

Bees **sting** as a defense mechanism when they feel threatened.

reverse

v. to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

synonym : overturn, shift, switch

(1) **reverse** the trend, (2) **reverse** the order

The restaurant **reversed** a ban on smoking.

victim

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

synonym : prey, target, sufferer

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

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

contractor

n. a person or company that enters into a contract to provide materials or labor to perform a specific task or service

synonym : builder, declarer, construction company

(1) management **contractor**, (2) major defense **contractor**

The company hired a **contractor** to remodel their office building.

boom

n. a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound

synonym: roaring, prosperity, boost

(1) **boom** in sales, (2) a sonic **boom**

The high-technology industry is enjoying a **boom**.

instruct

v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

synonym: train, coach, guide

(1) **instruct** a student, (2) **instruct** a computer

The facility manager **instructed** the security guards to be on high alert.

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

synonym: character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

moral

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

synonym: honest, ethical, conscientious

(1) **moral** hazard, (2) **moral** burden

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym: affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

dishearten

v. to cause someone to lose hope, confidence, or enthusiasm; to discourage or demoralize

synonym: discourage, dismay, demoralize

(1) **dishearten** employees, (2) **dishearten** the hopeful job applicant

The team's loss in the semifinals did not **dishearten** their determination to return stronger next season.

salary

n. a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month

synonym: compensation, earnings, pay

(1) a handsome **salary**, (2) **salary** after taxes

What are your annual **salary** expectations?

damn

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

synonym: curse, condemn, denounce

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

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

shudder

v. to tremble uncontrollably or convulsively, often due to fear, cold, or intense emotion; to recoil or react strongly to something unpleasant, disturbing, or shocking

synonym: tremble, shake, quiver

(1) **shudder** at the thought, (2) **shudder** with fear

I couldn't help but **shudder** when I heard the scary noise from the dark alleyway.

urgent

adj. requiring immediate attention or action; pressing

synonym: pressing, critical, immediate

(1) an **urgent** telegram, (2) **urgent** situation

It is **urgent** that we leave for the airport now to catch our flight.

counterpart

n. a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing

synonym: equivalent, analogue, match

(1) **counterpart** agreement, (2) negotiating **counterpart**

His **counterpart** in the other company is responsible for marketing.

entrepreneurship

n. the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one

synonym: self-employment, risk-taking

(1) **entrepreneurship** culture, (2) embody

entrepreneurship

The government is investing in programs to support **entrepreneurship** and small business development.

enshrine

v. to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect

synonym: ensconce, preserve, cherish

(1) **enshrine** memories, (2) **enshrine** tradition

The Constitution **enshrines** the rights and freedoms of citizens.

domestic

adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

synonym: endemic, private, household

(1) **domestic** airline, (2) a **domestic** animal

GDP stands for gross **domestic** product.

servant

n. a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant

synonym: attendant, helper, assistant

(1) **servant** of God, (2) fellow **servant**

The faithful **servant** had been working for the family for many years and was well-trusted.

pray

v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

synonym: implore, supplicate, entreat

(1) **pray** devoutly, (2) **pray** for rain

She closed her eyes and **prayed** for strength to overcome difficult times.

spirit

n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

synonym: soul, attitude, enthusiasm

(1) **spirit** and the letter of the law, (2) an indomitable **spirit**

Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great **spirit**.

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.

industrialize

v. to organize the production of something into an industry

synonym: motorize

(1) **industrialize** service, (2) **industrialized** textile production

The nations of South East Asia will quickly **industrialize** and catch up with the West.

chart

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

synonym: diagram, graph, map

(1) a weather **chart**, (2) a statistical **chart**

This pie **chart** represents our market share.

weird

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
synonym : bizarre, creepy, peculiar

(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**
My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

exaggerate

v. to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is

synonym : overstate, overestimate, amplify

(1) **exaggerate** in degree, (2) **exaggerate** story
She **exaggerated** the extent of her injuries to get more money from the settlement.

stereotype

n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

(1) avoid **stereotype**, (2) negative **stereotypes**
Changing **stereotypes** about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

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**.

omega

n. the last (24th) letter of the Greek alphabet; the ending of a series or sequence

(1) **omega-3** fat, (2) from alpha to **omega**
Omega-3 fatty acids are a type of polyunsaturated fat that is important for heart health.

perpetual

adj. continuing for an extended period in the same way without stopping or being interrupted

synonym : enduring, unchanging, incessant

(1) **perpetual** motion machine, (2) **perpetual** struggle
The company employs a **perpetual** inventory system.

adolescent

n. a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult

synonym: teen, preadult, youth

(1) **adolescent** girl, (2) pre-**adolescent** children

Timely education about birth control might help reduce **adolescent** pregnancies.

charm

n. the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people

synonym: allure, appeal, beauty

(1) masculine **charm**, (2) **charm** against bad luck

These are significantly more exquisite than typical **charm** bracelets.

misanthrope

n. a person who dislikes or distrusts humankind, typically showing a general hatred or disdain for human society or social interaction

synonym: cynic, hermit, recluse

(1) cynical **misanthrope**, (2) reclusive **misanthrope**

The novel paints the protagonist as a maladjusted **misanthrope**, unable to fit into society or connect meaningfully with others.

bud

n. a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot

synonym: shoot, sprout, germ

(1) pinch off a **bud**, (2) **bud** grafting

The flower was starting to show its **bud** and would soon bloom into a beautiful blossom.

couch

n. a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

synonym: sofa, settee, divan

(1) leather **couch**, (2) a **couch** potato

I love to relax on the **couch** and watch movies on the weekends.

opposition

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

synonym: resistance, hostility, antagonism

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

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

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym: insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme

The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

bond

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

synonym: bind, adhesion, attachment

(1) **bond** as a family, (2) global **bond** market

They had formed a friendship **bond**.

norm

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

synonym: criterion, mean, standard

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

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

sphere

n. a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity

synonym: ball, globe, scope

(1) **sphere** of influence, (2) business **sphere**

The **sphere** of the earth is divided into several layers including the crust, mantle, and core.

ceiling

n. a room's top interior surface

synonym: canopy, awning, shelter

(1) **ceiling** board, (2) **ceiling** light

There was a crack in the **ceiling** that I found.

antagonistic

adj. characterized by opposition or hostility towards someone or something, often used to describe a confrontational or aggressive attitude

synonym : hostile, opposing, conflicting

(1) an **antagonistic** contradiction, (2) **antagonistic** relationship

His **antagonistic** behavior was causing trouble in the workplace.

relation

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

synonym : association, linkage, connection

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

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

devious

adj. cunning and deceitful; not straightforward; tricky

synonym : cunning, deceitful, tricky

(1) **devious** plot, (2) use **devious** methods

The **devious** plan to cheat on the test was foiled by the teacher.

trickster

n. a person or character who uses cunning and deceit to achieve their goals, often in traditional folklore or mythology

synonym : swindler, cheat, deceiver

(1) **trickster** character, (2) cunning **trickster**

The con artist was known as a notorious **trickster** who scammed people out of their money.

suppose

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

synonym : guess, assume, presume

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

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

shatter

v. to break suddenly into many pieces

synonym: break, crash, destroy

(1) **shatter** the plate, (2) **shatter** a world record

Her husband's death **shattered** her life entirely.

definitely

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

synonym: absolutely, certainly, indeed

(1) **definitely** become a problem, (2) say **definitely**

The paper is **definitely** worth reading thoroughly.

terrifying

adj. very frightening or intimidating

synonym: frightening, intimidating, alarming

(1) **terrifying** experience, (2) **terrifying** events

Large earthquakes often generate **terrifying** tsunamis.

exhilarating

adj. making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill

synonym: thrilling, exciting, stimulating

(1) an **exhilarating** drink, (2) **exhilarating** view

Bungee jumping was an **exhilarating** experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.

standing

adj. existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position;

(noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation

synonym: upright, vertical, (noun) position

(1) **standing** water, (2) his social **standing**

The **standing** concert was packed with fans.

cable

n. a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

synonym: wire, cord, rope

(1) **cable** television, (2) coaxial **cable**

This system uses submarine **cables** to exchange information between continents.

babysitter

n. a person hired to look after a child or children while the parents are away or occupied; someone who provides temporary care and supervision for children in the absence of their parents or guardians

synonym: childcare provider, nanny, nurse

(1) need a trustworthy **babysitter**, (2) experienced **babysitter**

Our regular **babysitter** was sick, so we had to find a replacement at the last minute.

drag

v. to pull or haul with force

synonym: haul, pull, draw

(1) **drag** a chair over, (2) **drag** a team down

He **dragged** the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.

confidence

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

synonym: self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

deserve

v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable

synonym: merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize

The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

decision

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job

offers.

Session 2: Spelling

1. emotionally ind_____nt
adj. having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral
2. ro_____ic movies
adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
3. de____e on a course of action
v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
4. cr____s management
n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
5. n__m of action
n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
6. re____l a business
v. to adapt, modify, or overhaul something, often a system or process, to make it more efficient or effective for its intended purpose or to meet changing needs or demands
7. his social st_____ng
adj. existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
8. have a fa____y clear view
adv. to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
9. exa_____te story
v. to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is

ANSWERS: 1. indifferent, 2. romantic, 3. decide, 4. crisis, 5. norm, 6. retool, 7. standing, 8. fairly, 9. exaggerate

22. de____s plot *adj.* cunning and deceitful; not straightforward; tricky
23. el__t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
24. di____ct from each other *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
25. unpaid w__es *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
26. top of the hi____hy *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
27. a drift of a th____s *n.* a written essay, especially one submitted for a university degree, that sets out the author's findings on a particular subject
28. ant____tic relationship *adj.* characterized by opposition or hostility towards someone or something, often used to describe a confrontational or aggressive attitude
29. from alpha to om__a *n.* the last (24th) letter of the Greek alphabet; the ending of a series or sequence
30. pos____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
31. a statistical ch__t *n.* a visual display of information such as a diagram, lists of figures, etc.; a map designed to assist navigation by air or sea

ANSWERS: 22. devious, 23. elect, 24. distinct, 25. wage, 26. hierarchy, 27. thesis, 28. antagonistic, 29. omega, 30. possibility, 31. chart

32. vi___m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
33. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
34. need a trustworthy bab_____er *n.* a person hired to look after a child or children while the parents are away or occupied; someone who provides temporary care and supervision for children in the absence of their parents or guardians
35. his meal pre_____ces *n.* a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person
36. draw a pro_____on chart *n.* the act of calculating or guessing, or the state of being estimated; any solid shape or object that juts out from something; an image on a screen cast from something
37. sp___e of influence *n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
38. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
39. op___y discuss disagreement *adv.* without hiding any of your feelings, opinions, or facts; frankly and trustfully
40. 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

ANSWERS: 32. victim, 33. suppose, 34. babysitter, 35. preference, 36. projection, 37. sphere, 38. emotional, 39. openly, 40. process

41. barren of cr____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
42. coaxial ca__e *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
43. re____e the order *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
44. re____e the trend *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
45. di____b his sleep *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
46. vi___m compensation *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
47. a comprehensive su___y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
48. bo__t flexibility *v.* to improve, raise, or increase something
49. su_____ro movies *n.* a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public

ANSWERS: 41. creative, 42. cable, 43. reverse, 44. reverse, 45. disturb, 46. victim, 47. survey, 48. boost, 49. superhero

50. pr___r a window seat *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
51. ru___d coastline *adj.* having a rough, uneven, or jagged surface or terrain; characterized by a sturdy, strong, or robust nature
52. fo___r two kids *v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
53. banner he_____ne *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
54. st__g his face *v.* to cause a sharp, painful sensation or injury with a poison, venom, or other substance or by a physical action such as a bite or prick
55. d__g a team down *v.* to pull or haul with force
56. di_____b the peace *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
57. mo__l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
58. id_____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
59. b__m in sales *n.* a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
60. my_____y novel *n.* something difficult to understand or explain; a secret or enigmatic quality that adds to the fascination or interest of something; a genre of fiction that involves the solution of a crime or a puzzle

ANSWERS: 50. prefer, 51. rugged, 52. foster, 53. headline, 54. sting, 55. drag, 56. disturb, 57. moral, 58. identity, 59. boom, 60. mystery

61. master th___s *n.* a written essay, especially one submitted for a university degree, that sets out the author's findings on a particular subject
62. pro_____on of disease *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
63. ter_____ng experience *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
64. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
65. in_____ue against his rival *v.* to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone
66. st_____te due to problems *v.* to remain still, inactive, or without growth or development; to become stale or foul-smelling due to a lack of circulation or movement
67. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
68. di_____e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
69. mo__l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
70. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
71. the wo_____ce is on strike *n.* all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.

ANSWERS: 61. thesis, 62. progression, 63. terrifying, 64. amazing, 65. intrigue, 66. stagnate, 67. creative, 68. divide, 69. moral, 70. shift, 71. workforce

72. unsatisfied de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
73. di_____ct difference *adj.* noticeable from something else of a similar type
74. dis_____en the hopeful job applicant *v.* to cause someone to lose hope, confidence, or enthusiasm; to discourage or demoralize
75. cou_____rt agreement *n.* a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
76. ro__n flux *n.* a solid form of resin that is obtained from conifers and is used to make varnishes, adhesives, and other products; a sticky substance used on the bows of stringed instruments to improve the grip on the strings
77. an unc_____ble silence *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
78. 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
79. an exh_____ing drink *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
80. d__n the consequences *v.* to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger

ANSWERS: 72. desire, 73. distinct, 74. dishearten, 75. counterpart, 76. rosin, 77. uncomfortable, 78. process, 79. exhilarating, 80. damn

81. gen_____on gap *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
82. fellow se_____t *n.* a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant
83. ro_____ic breakup *adj.* of or relating to love or a sexual relationship
84. romantic co____y *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
85. voc_____ry list *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
86. the t__e of a song *n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
87. te_____ry housing *adj.* not lasting or be used for a very long
88. fl__d assets *n.* a substance that can flow and is not solid
89. pre-ado_____nt children *n.* a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult
90. allow ch_____re leave *n.* a service involving care for other people's children

ANSWERS: 81. generation, 82. servant, 83. romantic, 84. comedy, 85. vocabulary, 86. tune, 87. temporary, 88. fluid, 89. adolescent, 90. childcare

91. h__e a car by the hour *v.* to give somebody a job
92. seasonal la__r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
93. a w__t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
94. skilled wo____ce *n.* all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.
95. a handsome sa____y *n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
96. the state of being we__d *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
97. nat____de strike *adj.* extending throughout an entire nation
98. exh____ing view *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
99. re____e after four terms *v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
100. high ea____r tax *n.* an individual who earns money through their work or employment
101. m__h attracted to the light *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
102. unpre____ted boom *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before

ANSWERS: 91. hire, 92. labor, 93. writ, 94. workforce, 95. salary, 96. weird, 97. nationwide, 98. exhilarating, 99. retire, 100. earner, 101. moth, 102. unprecedented

103. sp___t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
104. dy_____cs of economy *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
105. ve___l communication *adj.* expressed in spoken rather than written words
106. em_____ee evaluation *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
107. pro_____on choice *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
108. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
109. in_____ed prejudice *adj.* deeply rooted in someone's mind or behavior; difficult to change due to being established for a long time

ANSWERS: 103. spirit, 104. dynamics, 105. verbal, 106. employee, 107. profession, 108. economy, 109. ingrained

110. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
111. m__h larva *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
112. pa_____n drive *n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction
113. use de_____s methods *adj.* cunning and deceitful; not straightforward; tricky
114. fl__d advisory *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
115. ac_____e knowledge *v.* to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself
116. re_____on period *n.* a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases
117. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
118. gr__h theory *n.* a picture consisting of a line, lines, points, etc., that shows how two or more sets of certain quantities are related to each other
119. death from sh__k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

ANSWERS: 110. communal, 111. moth, 112. passion, 113. devious, 114. flood, 115. acquire, 116. recession, 117. opposition, 118. graph, 119. shock

120. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
121. ve___l abuse *adj.* expressed in spoken rather than written words
122. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
123. d_t blot method *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
124. supply ch__n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
125. a particular pre_____ce for Chinese art *n.* a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person
126. ready-made ph___es *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
127. reclusive mis_____pe *n.* a person who dislikes or distrusts humankind, typically showing a general hatred or disdain for human society or social interaction
128. take ex_____ve care *adj.* greater than what seems necessary, normal, or desirable
129. with an unc_____ble face *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
130. a se__m injection *n.* the thin yellowish liquid that is a component of blood from which the clotting proteins have been removed, usually used to protect people or animals from disease, poison, etc.

ANSWERS: 120. shift, 121. verbal, 122. environment, 123. dot, 124. chain, 125. preference, 126. phrase, 127. misanthrope, 128. excessive, 129. uncomfortable, 130. serum

131. ent_____hip culture *n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one
132. he_____ne article *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
133. pas_____te kiss *adj.* showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
134. an int_____nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
135. leather co__h *n.* a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person
136. z__m in on a photo *v.* to move along very quickly; (noun) the act of rising upward into the air
137. pat_____al government *adj.* relating to or characteristic of a society or system in which men hold the dominant roles and positions of power; male-dominated
138. the local chamber of co_____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
139. bachelor's de___e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
140. t__e a piano *n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard

ANSWERS: 131. entrepreneurship, 132. headline, 133. passionate, 134. intelligence, 135. couch, 136. zoom, 137. patriarchal, 138. commerce, 139. degree, 140. tune

141. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
142. pro_____on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
143. d__g a chair over *v.* to pull or haul with force
144. unsolved my_____y *n.* something difficult to understand or explain; a secret or enigmatic quality that adds to the fascination or interest of something; a genre of fiction that involves the solution of a crime or a puzzle
145. an eco_____al meal *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
146. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
147. a fl__d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
148. students at all gr__e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
149. f__m grip *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
150. masculine ch__m *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people

ANSWERS: 141. relation, 142. progression, 143. drag, 144. mystery, 145. economical, 146. colleague, 147. flood, 148. grade, 149. firm, 150. charm

151. experienced bab_____er *n.* a person hired to look after a child or children while the parents are away or occupied; someone who provides temporary care and supervision for children in the absence of their parents or guardians
152. ind_____ized textile production *v.* to organize the production of something into an industry
153. an imp_____ve array of facts *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
154. en_____ne tradition *v.* to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect
155. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
156. manually op_____e a machine *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
157. sp_____en collection *n.* an individual example or sample of something, typically used to represent a larger group or category
158. manual la__r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
159. population ce____s *n.* an official count or survey of a population, typically recording various details such as age, sex, occupation, and education levels

ANSWERS: 151. babysitter, 152. industrialize, 153. impressive, 154. enshrine, 155. amazing, 156. operate, 157. specimen, 158. labor, 159. census

160. boost my con_____ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
161. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
162. p__y devoutly *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
163. fo___r a better relationship *v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
164. acc_____nt report *n.* a person whose job is to keep financial records and accounts for a person or organization
165. bo__t the economy *v.* to improve, raise, or increase something
166. de_____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
167. nat_____de network *adj.* extending throughout an entire nation
168. a we__d dress *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
169. pat_____al society *adj.* relating to or characteristic of a society or system in which men hold the dominant roles and positions of power; male-dominated
170. ter_____ng events *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
171. transistor ca_____e *n.* a small waterfall or series of small waterfalls; a succession of stages or operations or processes or units

ANSWERS: 160. confidence, 161. possibility, 162. pray, 163. foster, 164. accountant, 165. boost, 166. deserve, 167. nationwide, 168. weird, 169. patriarchal, 170. terrifying, 171. cascade

172. sh__k-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
173. sn__k out of danger *v.* to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily
174. st___t compliance regime *adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.
175. z__m lens *v.* to move along very quickly; (noun) the act of rising upward into the air
176. central ba___rs *n.* a person who is in charge of or has an important job in a bank
177. exa_____te in degree *v.* to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is
178. business sp___e *n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
179. an ex_____ve force *adj.* greater than what seems necessary, normal, or desirable
180. connecting the d_ts *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
181. investment ba___r *n.* a person who is in charge of or has an important job in a bank
182. recent su___y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

ANSWERS: 172. shock, 173. sneak, 174. strict, 175. zoom, 176. banker, 177. exaggerate, 178. sphere, 179. excessive, 180. dot, 181. banker, 182. survey

183. mistaken id____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
184. accounting f__m *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
185. ce___s data *n.* an official count or survey of a population, typically recording various details such as age, sex, occupation, and education levels
186. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
187. sh_____r with fear *v.* to tremble uncontrollably or convulsively, often due to fear, cold, or intense emotion; to recoil or react strongly to something unpleasant, disturbing, or shocking
188. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
189. co_____us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
190. ur___t situation *adj.* requiring immediate attention or action; pressing
191. dielectric pol_____ion *n.* the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles

ANSWERS: 183. identity, 184. firm, 185. census, 186. crazy, 187. shudder, 188. norm, 189. conscious, 190. urgent, 191. polarization

192. rusted st_____rk *n.* the use of steel in construction, engineering, or manufacturing; a factory or industrial complex where steel is produced or processed, typically involving the use of furnaces, rollers, and other heavy equipment to shape and refine raw materials into finished products
193. dy_____cs of group *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
194. a do_____ic animal *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
195. boys in the twelfth gr__e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
196. om__a-3 fat *n.* the last (24th) letter of the Greek alphabet; the ending of a series or sequence
197. ado_____nt girl *n.* a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult
198. ac_____e a new company *v.* to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself
199. sp_____ic instructions *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
200. management con_____or *n.* a person or company that enters into a contract to provide materials or labor to perform a specific task or service

ANSWERS: 192. steelwork, 193. dynamics, 194. domestic, 195. grade, 196. omega, 197. adolescent, 198. acquire, 199. specific, 200. contractor

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| 201. ex_____e sports | <i>adj.</i> very great in amount or degree |
| 202. b_d grafting | <i>n.</i> a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot |
| 203. ack_____ge the deed | <i>v.</i> to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.; |
| 204. ch__n reaction | <i>n.</i> a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle |
| 205. diagnosed in_____ly as a tumor | <i>adv.</i> at the beginning; at first |
| 206. pa_____n hobby | <i>n.</i> intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction |
| 207. ce_____g light | <i>n.</i> a room's top interior surface |
| 208. pro_____on mapping | <i>n.</i> the act of calculating or guessing, or the state of being estimated; any solid shape or object that juts out from something; an image on a screen cast from something |
| 209. sh_____r a world record | <i>v.</i> to break suddenly into many pieces |
| 210. visit to the veterinary cl____c | <i>n.</i> a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition |
| 211. fe_____st movement | <i>adj.</i> describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women; (noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women |

ANSWERS: 201. extreme, 202. bud, 203. acknowledge, 204. chain, 205. initially, 206.

passion, 207. ceiling, 208. projection, 209. shatter, 210. clinic, 211. feminist

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| 212. ob____s reasons | <i>adj.</i> easy to see, discover or understand |
| 213. his conclusion was ob____s | <i>adj.</i> easy to see, discover or understand |
| 214. muscular st____th | <i>n.</i> the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong |
| 215. ch__m against bad luck | <i>n.</i> the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people |
| 216. ch_____re allowance | <i>n.</i> a service involving care for other people's children |
| 217. global b__d market | <i>n.</i> a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money |
| 218. re___e voluntarily | <i>v.</i> to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age |
| 219. pr___r physics to chemistry | <i>v.</i> to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another |
| 220. fleshly de___e | <i>n.</i> a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something |
| 221. su_____ro comics | <i>n.</i> a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public |
| 222. sh_____r the plate | <i>v.</i> to break suddenly into many pieces |
| 223. st_____rk production | <i>n.</i> the use of steel in construction, engineering, or manufacturing; a factory or industrial complex where steel is produced or processed, typically involving the use of furnaces, rollers, and other heavy equipment to shape and refine raw materials into finished products |

ANSWERS: 212. obvious, 213. obvious, 214. strength, 215. charm, 216. childcare, 217. bond, 218. retire, 219. prefer, 220. desire, 221. superhero, 222. shatter, 223. steelwork

224. se_____t of God *n.* a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant
225. op_____e 24 hours a day *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
226. co____y series *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
227. audit by acc_____nt *n.* a person whose job is to keep financial records and accounts for a person or organization
228. st_____ng water *adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
229. an ant_____tic contradiction *adj.* characterized by opposition or hostility towards someone or something, often used to describe a confrontational or aggressive attitude
230. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
231. a craft un__n *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
232. d__n with faint praise *v.* to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger

ANSWERS: 224. servant, 225. operate, 226. comedy, 227. accountant, 228. standing, 229. antagonistic, 230. relation, 231. union, 232. damn

242. tr_____er character *n.* a person or character who uses cunning and deceit to achieve their goals, often in traditional folklore or mythology
243. fe_____st perspective *adj.* describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women; (noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women
244. fi_____rn female child *adj.* the first child born to a mother
245. pa___y imitation *n.* a humorous imitation of a serious piece of literature or music designed to ridicule or criticize the original work
246. def_____ly become a problem *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
247. botanical sp_____en *n.* an individual example or sample of something, typically used to represent a larger group or category
248. p__y for rain *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
249. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
250. man_____re a product *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
251. a pre_____on program *n.* the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready

ANSWERS: 242. trickster, 243. feminist, 244. firstborn, 245. parody, 246. definitely, 247. specimen, 248. pray, 249. government, 250. manufacture, 251. preparation

252. ca_____e connection *n.* a small waterfall or series of small waterfalls; a succession of stages or operations or processes or units
253. con_____ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
254. negative ste_____pes *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
255. industry-sp_____ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
256. pe_____al motion machine *adj.* continuing for an extended period in the same way without stopping or being interrupted
257. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
258. double qu_____on marks *n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
259. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
260. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

ANSWERS: 252. cascade, 253. confidence, 254. stereotype, 255. specific, 256. perpetual, 257. communicate, 258. quotation, 259. opposition, 260. decision

261. tra_____on phase *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
262. negotiating cou_____rt *n.* a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
263. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
264. an academic cur_____um *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
265. sm_____ly transition *adv.* in a way that is steady, even, or without problems; without interruption or difficulty; with ease
266. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
267. st__g me on the arm *v.* to cause a sharp, painful sensation or injury with a poison, venom, or other substance or by a physical action such as a bite or prick
268. a te_____ry permit *adj.* not lasting or be used for a very long
269. ensure a smooth tra_____on *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
270. an und_____ng motive *adj.* significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly
271. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

ANSWERS: 261. transition, 262. counterpart, 263. slide, 264. curriculum, 265. smoothly, 266. movement, 267. sting, 268. temporary, 269. transition, 270. underlying, 271. suppose

272. ack_____ge his help *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
273. op___y break the law *adv.* without hiding any of your feelings, opinions, or facts; frankly and trustfully
274. honor gr_____te *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
275. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
276. be___y confidence *v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
277. a gr__h sample *n.* a picture consisting of a line, lines, points, etc., that shows how two or more sets of certain quantities are related to each other
278. comedic pa___y *n.* a humorous imitation of a serious piece of literature or music designed to ridicule or criticize the original work
279. el__t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
280. en_____ne memories *v.* to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect

ANSWERS: 272. acknowledge, 273. openly, 274. graduate, 275. environment, 276. betray, 277. graph, 278. parody, 279. elect, 280. enshrine

281. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
282. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
283. say def_____ly *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
284. major defense con_____or *n.* a person or company that enters into a contract to provide materials or labor to perform a specific task or service
285. ro__n paper *n.* a solid form of resin that is obtained from conifers and is used to make varnishes, adhesives, and other products; a sticky substance used on the bows of stringed instruments to improve the grip on the strings
286. bank and credit un__ns *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
287. a dental cl___c *n.* a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition
288. do_____ic airline *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
289. an information pr_____er *n.* a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted

ANSWERS: 281. emotional, 282. statistics, 283. definitely, 284. contractor, 285. rosin, 286. union, 287. clinic, 288. domestic, 289. provider

290. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
291. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
292. issue a w__t *n.* a written legal order or command
293. b__d as a family *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
294. sh_____r at the thought *v.* to tremble uncontrollably or convulsively, often due to fear, cold, or intense emotion; to recoil or react strongly to something unpleasant, disturbing, or shocking
295. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
296. increase in the minimum w__e *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
297. pas_____te speech *adj.* showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
298. imp_____ve performances *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
299. re___l a strategy *v.* to adapt, modify, or overhaul something, often a system or process, to make it more efficient or effective for its intended purpose or to meet changing needs or demands

ANSWERS: 290. statistics, 291. decision, 292. writ, 293. bond, 294. shudder, 295. communal, 296. wage, 297. passionate, 298. impressive, 299. retool

300. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
301. recover from a re_____on *n.* a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases
302. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
303. self-employed ea____r *n.* an individual who earns money through their work or employment
304. de_____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
305. em_____ee benefits *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
306. cynical mis_____pe *n.* a person who dislikes or distrusts humankind, typically showing a general hatred or disdain for human society or social interaction
307. re_____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
308. do_____te over the weak *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
309. interstate co_____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
310. cunning tr_____er *n.* a person or character who uses cunning and deceit to achieve their goals, often in traditional folklore or mythology
311. an und_____ng cause of an accident *adj.* significant as a cause or basis of something but not immediately apparent or stated clearly

ANSWERS: 300. communicate, 301. recession, 302. crazy, 303. earner, 304. deserve, 305. employee, 306. misanthrope, 307. replace, 308. dominate, 309. commerce, 310. trickster, 311. underlying

312. a court re___s *n.* a period of time when the members of a parliament, committee, etc., are adjourned; a short break in a trial in court
313. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
314. in_____ly anticipated *adv.* at the beginning; at first
315. fi_____rn grandchild *adj.* the first child born to a mother
316. academic voc_____ry *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
317. di___e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
318. in_____ed habit *adj.* deeply rooted in someone's mind or behavior; difficult to change due to being established for a long time
319. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
320. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
321. an ind_____nt glance *adj.* having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral
322. out_____rk actor *adj.* currently unemployed or not having a job, typically due to economic circumstances or the lack of available opportunities

ANSWERS: 312. recess, 313. degree, 314. initially, 315. firstborn, 316. vocabulary, 317. divide, 318. ingrained, 319. decide, 320. colleague, 321. indifferent, 322. out-of-work

323. out_____rk accountant *adj.* currently unemployed or not having a job, typically due to economic circumstances or the lack of available opportunities
324. ru___d landscape *adj.* having a rough, uneven, or jagged surface or terrain; characterized by a sturdy, strong, or robust nature
325. during noon re___s *n.* a period of time when the members of a parliament, committee, etc., are adjourned; a short break in a trial in court
326. sh_____ng balance *adj.* constantly changing or moving
327. pol_____ion effect *n.* the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles
328. noun ph___e *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
329. 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
330. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
331. ex_____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
332. ec_____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 323. out-of-work, 324. rugged, 325. recess, 326. shifting, 327. polarization, 328. phrase, 329. generation, 330. movement, 331. extreme, 332.

economy

333. hi_____hy of folders *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
334. fe_____ty above replacement *n.* the state or quality of being able to produce babies, young animals, fruit, or new plants
335. avoid ste_____pe *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
336. examine se__m *n.* the thin yellowish liquid that is a component of blood from which the clotting proteins have been removed, usually used to protect people or animals from disease, poison, etc.
337. do_____te possession *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
338. plenty of fl__ds *n.* a substance that can flow and is not solid
339. st_____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
340. pinch off a b_d *n.* a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot
341. soil fe_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being able to produce babies, young animals, fruit, or new plants
342. in_____ct a computer *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

ANSWERS: 333. hierarchy, 334. fertility, 335. stereotype, 336. serum, 337. dominate, 338. fluid, 339. strength, 340. bud, 341. fertility, 342. instruct

343. field of artificial int_____nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
344. ce_____g board *n.* a room's top interior surface
345. a cur_____um vitae *n.* a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
346. healthcare pro_____on *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
347. in_____ct a student *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
348. the pr_____er of the family *n.* a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted
349. a sonic b__m *n.* a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
350. an indomitable sp____t *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
351. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
352. dis_____en employees *v.* to cause someone to lose hope, confidence, or enthusiasm; to discourage or demoralize

ANSWERS: 343. intelligence, 344. ceiling, 345. curriculum, 346. profession, 347. instruct, 348. provider, 349. boom, 350. spirit, 351. slide, 352. dishearten

353. be___y a friend *v.* to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
354. ca__e television *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
355. sm_____ly operate *adv.* in a way that is steady, even, or without problems; without interruption or difficulty; with ease
356. in_____ue him *v.* to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone
357. eco_____al use of her time *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
358. re_____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something

ANSWERS: 353. betray, 354. cable, 355. smoothly, 356. intrigue, 357. economical, 358. replace

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Using proper _____ is essential for writing a good essay.
 - n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses

2. This system uses submarine _____ to exchange information between continents.
 - n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

3. The nations of South East Asia will quickly _____ and catch up with the West.
 - v.* to organize the production of something into an industry

4. 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

5. He got an electric _____ at work.
 - n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

6. The bridge's _____ had to be reinforced to withstand the high winds in the area.
 - n.* the use of steel in construction, engineering, or manufacturing; a factory or industrial complex where steel is produced or processed, typically involving the use of furnaces, rollers, and other heavy equipment to shape and refine raw materials into finished products

7. His _____ on the effects of climate change won several awards.
 - n.* a written essay, especially one submitted for a university degree, that sets out the author's findings on a particular subject

ANSWERS: 1. vocabulary, 2. cables, 3. industrialize, 4. government, 5. shock, 6. steelwork, 7. thesis

8. The budget reduction was an _____ feat for our nation.
adj. arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
9. There was a crack in the _____ that I found.
n. a room's top interior surface
10. The flower was starting to show its ____ and would soon bloom into a beautiful blossom.
n. a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot
11. He felt _____ when his best friend revealed their secret to the enemy.
v. to reveal or deliver to an enemy by treachery or disloyalty; to reveal something unintentionally
12. Being a doctor is considered a highly respected _____.
n. an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
13. The majority of synthetic vitamins are _____ from oil.
v. to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
14. The candidate must have excellent _____ skills.
adj. expressed in spoken rather than written words
15. The movie was a _____ of classic horror films.
n. a humorous imitation of a serious piece of literature or music designed to ridicule or criticize the original work
16. The government conducted a _____ of the population to gather data on demographics.
n. an official count or survey of a population, typically recording various details such as age, sex, occupation, and education levels

ANSWERS: 8. impressive, 9. ceiling, 10. bud, 11. betrayed, 12. profession, 13. manufactured, 14. verbal, 15. parody, 16. census

17. My computer has been acting _____ recently.

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

18. _____ are only willing to lend with good security.

n. a person who is in charge of or has an important job in a bank

19. The _____ handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

n. a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

20. The government is investing in programs to support _____ and small business development.

n. the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one

21. He helped me with the _____ of this book.

n. the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready

22. The perspective of his right brain _____ his consciousness.

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

23. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

24. She has taken a step up in the organizational _____.

n. a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest

ANSWERS: 17. weird, 18. Bankers, 19. employee, 20. entrepreneurship, 21. preparation, 22. dominates, 23. crazy, 24. hierarchy

25. The company decided to take a _____ and reconvene the meeting later that day.
- n.* a period of time when the members of a parliament, committee, etc., are adjourned; a short break in a trial in court
26. The _____ concert was packed with fans.
- adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
27. Our company offers a full range of _____ facilities as part of our benefits package.
- n.* a service involving care for other people's children
28. What are your annual _____ expectations?
- n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
29. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.
- n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
30. It is _____ that we leave for the airport now to catch our flight.
- adj.* requiring immediate attention or action; pressing
31. Too _____ a regulation for the private sector will stifle innovation.
- adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.
32. The restaurant _____ a ban on smoking.
- v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

ANSWERS: 25. recess, 26. standing, 27. childcare, 28. salary, 29. possibility, 30. urgent, 31. strict, 32. reversed

33. The pastor contributed to _____ the sense of a community embracing all classes.
- v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
34. Large earthquakes often generate _____ tsunamis.
- adj. very frightening or intimidating
35. The company's poor financial performance is likely to _____ the CEO's chances of being re-elected to the board.
- v. to express disapproval of or disappointment in something or someone; to condemn or to curse; (a swear word) an expression of anger
36. The trade _____ remained adamant about its demands.
- n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
37. 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
38. Her fear of dogs was _____ after a traumatic experience in childhood.
- adj. deeply rooted in someone's mind or behavior; difficult to change due to being established for a long time
39. A bit of _____ on the bow hair helps produce a smooth and clear sound on the cello.
- n. a solid form of resin that is obtained from conifers and is used to make varnishes, adhesives, and other products; a sticky substance used on the bows of stringed instruments to improve the grip on the strings

ANSWERS: 33. fostering, 34. terrifying, 35. damn, 36. union, 37. process, 38. ingrained, 39. rosin

40. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.
- v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
41. The country is facing a _____ with high unemployment and low GDP.
- n.* a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases
42. The _____ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.
- n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
43. The company hired a _____ to remodel their office building.
- n.* a person or company that enters into a contract to provide materials or labor to perform a specific task or service
44. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
- v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
45. The biology teacher showed the students a frog _____ so they could examine its anatomy.
- n.* an individual example or sample of something, typically used to represent a larger group or category
46. He managed to get _____ jobs during the recession.
- adj.* not lasting or be used for a very long
47. People select Internet _____ not only in terms of price but also in terms of transmission speed.
- n.* a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted

ANSWERS: 40. communicate, 41. recession, 42. victim, 43. contractor, 44. decide, 45. specimen, 46. temporary, 47. providers

48. The engagement of the two golf players became _____ news.
n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
49. The wallpaper had a pattern of pink _____ on a white surface.
n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
50. He _____ apologized for his mistake.
adv. without hiding any of your feelings, opinions, or facts; frankly and trustfully
51. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.
adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
52. 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
53. The associate _____ carefully reviewed the company's financial records.
n. a person whose job is to keep financial records and accounts for a person or organization
54. The children tried to _____ out and eat the candy.
v. to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily
55. Bees _____ as a defense mechanism when they feel threatened.
v. to cause a sharp, painful sensation or injury with a poison, venom, or other substance or by a physical action such as a bite or prick

ANSWERS: 48. headline, 49. dots, 50. openly, 51. creative, 52. elected, 53. accountant, 54. sneak, 55. sting

56. He never _____ his fault.

- v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

57. It would be best if you did not demand such an _____ charge.

- adj.* greater than what seems necessary, normal, or desirable

58. Their _____ argument lasted for hours, neither willing to back down.

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

59. His _____ in the other company is responsible for marketing.

- n.* a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing

60. He included a _____ from the book in his essay.

- n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker

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

- adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

62. That _____ shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.

- n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

63. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

- n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

ANSWERS: 56. acknowledged, 57. excessive, 58. passionate, 59. counterpart, 60. quotation, 61. obvious, 62. survey, 63. crisis

64. The _____ of the earth is divided into several layers including the crust, mantle, and core.
- n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
65. In terms of _____ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.
- n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
66. The project went _____ and was completed ahead of schedule.
- adv.* in a way that is steady, even, or without problems; without interruption or difficulty; with ease
67. He was served with a _____ of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.
- n.* a written legal order or command
68. The team's loss in the semifinals did not _____ their determination to return stronger next season.
- v.* to cause someone to lose hope, confidence, or enthusiasm; to discourage or demoralize
69. _____ amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.
- adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
70. Changing _____ about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.
- n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

ANSWERS: 64. sphere, 65. intelligence, 66. smoothly, 67. writ, 68. dishearten, 69. Unprecedented, 70. stereotypes

71. She _____ the extent of her injuries to get more money from the settlement.

v. to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is

72. The _____ system that many societies have is outdated and unfair to women.

adj. relating to or characteristic of a society or system in which men hold the dominant roles and positions of power; male-dominated

73. GDP stands for gross _____ product.

adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international

74. It was his first _____ love.

adj. of or relating to love or a sexual relationship

75. The _____ surrounding the disappearance of the traveler has yet to be solved by authorities.

n. something difficult to understand or explain; a secret or enigmatic quality that adds to the fascination or interest of something; a genre of fiction that involves the solution of a crime or a puzzle

76. The company has made great strides in its _____ toward sustainability.

n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

77. This machine is too difficult to _____ for me.

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

78. Many employers hire _____ trainees to train as managers.

n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

ANSWERS: 71. exaggerated, 72. patriarchal, 73. domestic, 74. romantic, 75. mystery, 76. progression, 77. operate, 78. graduate

79. It is essential to keep these two issues _____.
adj. noticeable from something else of a similar type
80. Her _____ for cooking is evident in every dish she prepares.
n. intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction
81. The band played a beautiful _____ on their instruments.
n. a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
82. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
83. Despite the good news, she remained _____ to the situation.
adj. having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral
84. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
adj. relating to people's feelings
85. This company has invested heavily in Internet _____.
n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
86. The birds _____ open water areas with reeds around them.
v. to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
87. The high-technology industry is enjoying a _____.
n. a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound

ANSWERS: 79. distinct, 80. passion, 81. tune, 82. opposition, 83. indifferent, 84. emotional, 85. commerce, 86. prefer, 87. boom

88. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?

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

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

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

90. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

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

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

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

92. They had formed a friendship _____.

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

93. The artist's innovative style of work _____ me.

v. to make someone interested, especially by being strange, unusual, or mysterious; to make a secret plan with other people to harm someone

94. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.

adj. very great in amount or degree

95. It is more _____ to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

adj. providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary

ANSWERS: 88. divide, 89. relations, 90. economy, 91. dynamics, 92. bond, 93. intrigues, 94. extreme, 95. economical

96. He became _____ that he was being followed.

adj. being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

97. The hikers braved the _____ terrain to reach the summit of the mountain.

adj. having a rough, uneven, or jagged surface or terrain; characterized by a sturdy, strong, or robust nature

98. The _____ is a serious threat to the farm's output.

n. an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light

99. The sperm count is used as an indicator of male _____.

n. the state or quality of being able to produce babies, young animals, fruit, or new plants

100. The _____ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

n. a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

101. The _____ deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

adj. resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

102. We should always be prepared to _____ talented recruits.

v. to give somebody a job

103. This pie _____ represents our market share.

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

ANSWERS: 96. conscious, 97. rugged, 98. moth, 99. fertility, 100. chain, 101. firm, 102. hire, 103. chart

104. The paper is _____ worth reading thoroughly.

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

105. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.

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

106. 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

107. If you don't exercise regularly, your fitness levels may _____.

v. to remain still, inactive, or without growth or development; to become stale or foul-smelling due to a lack of circulation or movement

108. This is a _____ campaign to recruit women into trade unions.

adj. extending throughout an entire nation

109. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

110. Tourists frequently _____ the island's delicate natural balance.

v. to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

111. The faithful _____ had been working for the family for many years and was well-trusted.

n. a person who performs duties for others, especially a person employed in a house on domestic duties or as a personal attendant

112. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

ANSWERS: 104. definitely, 105. environment, 106. colleague, 107. stagnate, 108. nationwide, 109. Communal, 110. disturb, 111. servant, 112. degree

113. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.
v. to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
114. These heavy rains caused flash _____ on several islands.
n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
115. The _____ plan to cheat on the test was foiled by the teacher.
adj. cunning and deceitful; not straightforward; tricky
116. He deals _____ with his employees.
adv. to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
117. I love going to see live _____ shows with my friends.
n. a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
118. After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to _____ from her job.
v. to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
119. Skill and _____ are an unconquered army.
n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
120. _____ fatty acids are a type of polyunsaturated fat that is important for heart health.
n. the last (24th) letter of the Greek alphabet; the ending of a series or sequence

ANSWERS: 113. deserved, 114. floods, 115. devious, 116. fairly, 117. comedy, 118. retire, 119. confidence, 120. Omega-3

121. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
122. The weather forecast includes a _____ of the high and low temperatures for the next week.
n. the act of calculating or guessing, or the state of being estimated; any solid shape or object that juts out from something; an image on a screen cast from something
123. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
124. _____ therapy often involves injecting detoxified toxins to acquire antibodies.
n. the thin yellowish liquid that is a component of blood from which the clotting proteins have been removed, usually used to protect people or animals from disease, poison, etc.
125. Could you help me _____ some furniture?
n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
126. A committee was appointed to manage the reorganization of the _____.
n. a series of subjects comprising a course of study in a school, college, etc.
127. This train departed later than _____ scheduled.
adv. at the beginning; at first
128. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.
n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

ANSWERS: 121. norms, 122. projection, 123. amazing, 124. Serum, 125. shift, 126. curriculum, 127. initially, 128. grade

129. As a full-time _____ I must work hard to support my family.

n. an individual who earns money through their work or employment

130. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

131. His _____ behavior was causing trouble in the workplace.

adj. characterized by opposition or hostility towards someone or something, often used to describe a confrontational or aggressive attitude

132. Her _____ is comfortable clothing over fashionable ones.

n. a stronger liking or interest for something or someone than another thing or person

133. 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

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

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

135. The scientist conducted a study that provided _____ details about the species' behavior.

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

136. She holds a _____ on Tuesday mornings.

n. a building or hospital department where people can go for medical care or advice, especially of a particular condition

ANSWERS: 129. earner, 130. identity, 131. antagonistic, 132. preference, 133. generation, 134. movement, 135. specific, 136. clinic

137. The nation's healthcare system is in _____ at the moment.

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

138. He _____ the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.

v. to pull or haul with force

139. His abusive words made me _____.

adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain

140. Many companies outsource and hire consultants to keep their _____ flexible.

n. all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.

141. His _____ continued to rise as his skills improved.

n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

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

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

143. We need to _____ our manufacturing process and invest in new technology to stay competitive in the market.

v. to adapt, modify, or overhaul something, often a system or process, to make it more efficient or effective for its intended purpose or to meet changing needs or demands

144. He _____ back in time to the soccer game.

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

ANSWERS: 137. transition, 138. dragged, 139. uncomfortable, 140. workforce, 141. wages, 142. graph, 143. retool, 144. zoomed

145. She closed her eyes and _____ for strength to overcome difficult times.

- v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

146. Our regular _____ was sick, so we had to find a replacement at the last minute.

- n.* a person hired to look after a child or children while the parents are away or occupied; someone who provides temporary care and supervision for children in the absence of their parents or guardians

147. The novel paints the protagonist as a maladjusted _____ unable to fit into society or connect meaningfully with others.

- n.* a person who dislikes or distrusts humankind, typically showing a general hatred or disdain for human society or social interaction

148. The Constitution _____ the rights and freedoms of citizens.

- v.* to cherish or protect something as if it is sacred; to place something in a position of honor or respect

149. Her husband's death _____ her life entirely.

- v.* to break suddenly into many pieces

150. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.

- adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

151. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

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

152. The company employs a _____ inventory system.

- adj.* continuing for an extended period in the same way without stopping or being interrupted

ANSWERS: 145. prayed, 146. babysitter, 147. misanthrope, 148. enshrines, 149. shattered, 150. moral, 151. desire, 152. perpetual

153. I love to relax on the _____ and watch movies on the weekends.

n. a piece of furniture made for sitting, usually with a back and armrests, designed to seat more than one person

154. He struggled to find a job after being _____ for several months.

adj. currently unemployed or not having a job, typically due to economic circumstances or the lack of available opportunities

155. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.

v. to take the place of something

156. The new service helped _____ net income by 10%.

v. to improve, raise, or increase something

157. Trends in the fashion industry are so _____ that it is challenging to keep up with them.

adj. constantly changing or moving

158. Children _____ language at a fantastic rate.

v. to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself

159. The _____ of waterfalls in the national park was a breathtaking sight.

n. a small waterfall or series of small waterfalls; a succession of stages or operations or processes or units

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

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

ANSWERS: 153. couch, 154. out-of-work, 155. replace, 156. boost, 157. shifting, 158. acquire, 159. cascade, 160. statistics

161. Bungee jumping was an _____ experience that left me shaking with adrenaline.
adj. making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
162. The _____ of political views has created a deep divide in the country.
n. the division or separation of something into two opposing or contrasting groups or factions; the condition of being polarized or having poles
163. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
164. Timely education about birth control might help reduce _____ pregnancies.
n. a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult
165. The facility manager _____ the security guards to be on high alert.
v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
166. Superman is a classic _____ known for his superhuman strength and flying ability.
n. a fictional hero who possesses extraordinary powers and abilities and is dedicated to protecting the public
167. The _____ child is often the parents' favorite.
adj. the first child born to a mother
168. These are significantly more exquisite than typical _____ bracelets.
n. the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people

ANSWERS: 161. exhilarating, 162. polarization, 163. decision, 164. adolescent, 165. instructed, 166. superhero, 167. firstborn, 168. charm

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

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

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

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

171. She was diagnosed with a _____ buildup in her lungs.

n. a substance that can flow and is not solid

172. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great _____.

n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

173. In several countries, child _____ is a serious social problem.

n. productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

174. The _____ ideals of inclusivity and diversity are important in creating a more just and equal world.

adj. describing a belief in and advocacy for achieving gender equality in social, political, and economic spheres; advocating for the rights and empowerment of women; (noun) a person who believes in and advocates for gender equality between men and women

175. The con artist was known as a notorious _____ who scammed people out of their money.

n. a person or character who uses cunning and deceit to achieve their goals, often in traditional folklore or mythology

ANSWERS: 169. suppose, 170. slide, 171. fluid, 172. spirit, 173. labor, 174. feminist, 175. trickster

176. I couldn't help but _____ when I heard the scary noise from the dark alleyway.

- v.* to tremble uncontrollably or convulsively, often due to fear, cold, or intense emotion; to recoil or react strongly to something unpleasant, disturbing, or shocking

177. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.

- n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

178. We bought a Spanish _____ book.

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

179. The _____ principle of every business was identical.

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

ANSWERS: 176. shudder, 177. strength, 178. phrase, 179. underlying