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Session 1: Word List

disillusion

v. to disappoint someone or something because you found that something you believed in or hoped for was not as it seemed

synonym: disenchant, disappoint, embitter

(1) **disillusion** the young, (2) **disillusion** him about reality
She felt **disillusioned** with the management and decided to leave.

rediscover

v. to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost

synonym: recover, get back, revive

(1) **rediscover** a value, (2) **rediscover** an old truth
The painting was **rediscovered** in an attic and turned out to be a long-lost masterpiece.

idealist

n. a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity

synonym: dreamer, idealizer, visionary

(1) **idealist** at heart, (2) an **idealist** perspective
As a dedicated **idealist**, she always fought for what was right, no matter the cost.

wreckage

n. the remains of something that has been destroyed, ruined, severely damaged, or crashed, usually referring to vehicles, buildings, or machinery

synonym : debris, remains, demolition

(1) **wreckage** recovery, (2) ship **wreckage**

The **wreckage** of the plane was scattered across the field after the crash.

screwup

n. a person or thing that causes a mistake or error; a disorderly or confused situation resulting from mistakes or errors

synonym : blunder, mistake, error

(1) financial **screwup**, (2) career **screwup**

His latest **screwup** at work may cost him his job.

fragment

n. a small piece or part broken off or detached

synonym : piece, shard, segment

(1) **fragment** of a text, (2) a broken **fragment**

The archaeologist carefully pieced together the tiny **fragments** of pottery found at the dig site.

straightforward

adj. easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity

synonym : honest, candid, forthright

(1) **straightforward** manner, (2) make a **straightforward** dash

The defendant gave a **straightforward** and accurate description of the accident.

narrative

n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story

synonym : the tale, chronology, annals

(1) **narrative** poetry, (2) personal **narrative**

The **narrative** handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.

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.

consequence

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

synonym: result, impact, outcome

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

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

neat

adj. clean or tidy, with everything in its place

synonym: tidy, uncluttered, refined

(1) a **neat** piece of work, (2) **neat** idea

She has **neat** habits.

encourage

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

synonym: facilitate, persuade, stimulate

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

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

random

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

synonym: incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**

To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

diplomat

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

synonym: envoy, ambassador, representative

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

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

colorblind

adj. (of a person) unable to distinguish certain colors or used to describe a lack of racial or cultural bias

synonym: color-deficient, chromatic-impaired

(1) **colorblind** condition, (2) **colorblind** person

The company's HR policy advocates for a **colorblind** workplace where all employees are treated equally regardless of race.

pilot

n. a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water

synonym: aviator, flyer, chief

(1) a test **pilot**, (2) **pilot** production

The **pilot** exercised great care in landing.

barrel

n. a large round container made of wood, metal, or plastic, with flat ends and, usually, curved sides; one of several units of volume

synonym: cask, firkin, drum

(1) a **barrel** of beer, (2) \$30 a **barrel**

One rotten apple spoils the whole **barrel**.

countryside

n. rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery

synonym: rural, rustic, pastoral

(1) **countryside** scenery, (2) **countryside** lifestyle

The small village in the **countryside** was perfect for a quiet

getaway.

royal

adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

synonym: imperial, noble, aristocratic

(1) a **royal** palace, (2) prince **royal**

She is willing to give up her position in the **royal** family to marry him.

blink

v. to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way

synonym: twinkle, flash, flicker

(1) **blink** his eyes, (2) **blink** in astonishment

He **blinked** in the dazzling sunlight.

distinguish

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

synonym: determine, differentiate, characterize

(1) **distinguish** these two things, (2) **distinguish** man from the other animals

This study **distinguished** four different ways to run a business.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym: comparative, proximate, congeneric

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

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

abide

v. to accept or tolerate something or to act in accordance with a rule, decision, recommendation, etc.; to remain in a particular state or condition

synonym: reside, dwell, live

(1) **abide** by a contract, (2) **abide** in the same place

They must **abide** by the rules set by the governing body.

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.

childhood

n. the state or time of being a child
synonym : youth, infancy, adolescence

(1) since **childhood**, (2) **childhood** development

He had fond memories of his **childhood** spent playing in the park with his friends.

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.

thorough

adj. done completely; significantly careful and accurate
synonym : complete, comprehensive, meticulous

(1) **thorough** investigation, (2) provide **thorough** analysis

A **thorough** brushing helps to keep your mouth fresh.

fascinate

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

synonym : captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

negotiation

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

synonym : bargaining, dialogue, haggling

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

The **negotiation** between the two countries was a delicate

and complex process.

intermediate

adj. situated between two locations, things, states, etc.;
around the middle of a scale of evaluation

synonym: middle, medium, central

(1) **intermediate** sanction, (2) **intermediate** level

Purple is **intermediate** between blue and red.

nuclear

adj. of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom;
deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic
energy

synonym: atomic

(1) **nuclear** fusion, (2) use of **nuclear** power

Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use
of **nuclear** weapons.

missile

n. a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is
self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an
internal guidance mechanism

synonym: projectile, rocket, bomb

(1) **missile** defense, (2) cruise **missile** attack

The military launched a ballistic **missile** at the enemy's
stronghold.

proxy

n. a person or entity that is authorized to act on behalf of
another person or entity

synonym: surrogate, representative, agent

(1) healthcare **proxy**, (2) **proxy** server

She voted by **proxy** because she was unable to attend in
person.

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.

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.

announce

v. to make something known or officially inform people about something

synonym: disclose, declare, broadcast

(1) **announce** candidacy, (2) **announce** the award winners

The third season of the anime show has been **announced**.

par

n. a state of being equal to someone or something

synonym: equality, standard, balance

(1) above **par** performance, (2) not up to **par**

Shares in the company finally fell below their **par** value.

deny

v. to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

synonym: refute, reject, repudiate

(1) adamantly **deny** killing, (2) **deny** the allegations

He is still **denying** stealing the money from the cash register.

ambition

n. a strong wish to do or achieve something

synonym: purpose, aim, endeavor

(1) an **ambition** for political power, (2) boundless **ambition**

Greed and **ambition** composed his personality.

sealed

adj. closed or secured with

synonym: closed, impenetrable

(1) **sealed** orders, (2) **sealed** jar

We packed and shipped the product in **sealed** containers.

applied

adj. of or relating to a subject of study, especially a science, that is used in a practical way

synonym : practical, practiced, used

(1) **applied** research, (2) **applied** physics

Military technology eventually became the foundation for **applied** technology that supported people's lives.

succeed

v. to accomplish or achieve a desired or intended result or goal; to prosper or attain success in a given field or endeavor

synonym : achieve, accomplish, triumph

(1) **succeed** beyond expectations, (2) **succeed** academically

I hope to **succeed** in my career and live a happy life.

numb

adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

synonym : dazed, insensitive, emotionless

(1) **numb** with cold, (2) a **numb** mind

My left arm became **numb**.

induct

v. to formally admit someone to a job or position of authority; to officially introduce someone to an organization or group, or beliefs or ideas

synonym : enlist, recruit, conscript

(1) **induct** them into military service, (2) **induct** a clergyperson to a benefice

We were **inducted** into the honor society.

elite

adj. belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society

synonym : privileged, favored, elect

(1) earn **elite** status, (2) **elite** athlete

Very few educational **elites** go to Oxford or Cambridge.

fascinating

adj. extremely interesting

synonym : alluring, intriguing, captivating

(1) **fascinating** story, (2) completely **fascinating** to me
The museum houses a **fascinating** collection of Celtic artifacts.

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.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed
Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

suit

n. a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

synonym: clothes, lawsuit, (verb) fit

(1) **suit** and tie restaurant, (2) **suit** at law
Six **suits** are awaiting trial or verdict.

leather

n. a material made from the skin of an animal, typically by tanning, and used for clothing, shoes, furniture, and other items

synonym: hide, skin, suede

(1) enameled **leather**, (2) **leather** boots
The **leather** jacket was worn in but still comfortable.

revelry

n. lively and noisy festivities, typically involving drinking, dancing, and general merrymaking; a celebration marked by indulgence and enjoyment

synonym: festivity, merrymaking, celebration

(1) **revelry** in the streets, (2) festival **revelry**
The street was filled with **revelry** on New Year's Eve.

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.

strip

v. to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

synonym : deprive, undress, (noun) ribbon

(1) **strip** a tire off, (2) coast **strip**

The doctor advised him to **strip** down for a check.

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.

sect

n. a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

synonym : group, faction, cult

(1) **sect** beliefs, (2) secret **sect**

The minority **sect** believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

ministry

n. a department of government responsible for a particular area of public service

synonym : department, agency, bureau

(1) **ministry** officials, (2) enter the **ministry**

The **ministry** of education is responsible for managing the schools in the country.

secretary

n. a person whose job is to deal with correspondence, keep records, and do administrative work for a company or organization

synonym : assistant, clerk, administrator

(1) a confidential **secretary**, (2) **secretary** general

The chief **secretary** was responsible for organizing the meeting.

negotiate

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

synonym : discuss, mediate, bargain

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

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

transport

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

synonym : shipment, transit, conveyance

(1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport**

Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

warlord

n. a military leader who has gained control over a region or territory, typically through force or intimidation; a commander of an army or group of soldiers who operates outside the control of a legitimate government

synonym : chieftain, commander, leader

(1) tribal **warlord**, (2) regional **warlord**

The **warlord's** army was well-equipped and well-trained, making them a formidable force to reckon with.

hideaway

n. a place or location that is concealed, private, or secluded, often used as a retreat or escape from the demands of everyday life

synonym : retreat, sanctuary, refuge

(1) secluded **hideaway**, (2) romantic **hideaway**

I found a peaceful **hideaway** in the mountains to relax and recharge.

eradicate

v. to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad

synonym: destroy, eliminate, exterminate

(1) **eradicate** the deficit, (2) **eradicate** racial discrimination

We are trying to **eradicate** this disease from the world.

surround

v. to be all around something or somebody

synonym: encircle, encompass, envelop

(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace

On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.

specification

n. a detailed description of the characteristics, features, or requirements of something, typically a product or system; a written statement that outlines the standards, procedures, or requirements for a project or job

synonym: description, requirement, guideline

(1) functional **specification**, (2) engineering **specification**

The project's **specifications** outlined the goals and requirements for the team to complete.

escort

n. a person or group of people accompanying someone for protection, guidance, or courtesy; a companion or attendant; a service or a person providing a service for accompanying someone or something to or from a destination

synonym: chaperone, guardian, attendant

(1) **escort** for VIPs, (2) personal **escort**

An **escort** of bodyguards surrounded the celebrity to keep fans safe.

platoon

n. a subdivision of a military company consisting of a small group of soldiers, usually about 30, that operates as a unit within a larger military unit; a group of individuals or things that work together or share a common purpose

synonym: squad, unit

(1) **platoon** leader, (2) **platoon** sergeant

The **platoon** of soldiers marched in perfect formation during

the parade.

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym: exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

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

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

cadre

n. a group of trained and committed members of an organization or movement

synonym: core group, leadership, elite

(1) elite **cadre**, (2) **cadre** of leaders

The **cadre** of experienced soldiers led the attack.

incredibly

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

synonym: enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

(1) **incredibly** cheerful character, (2) get **incredibly** insecure

Several cities are experiencing **incredibly** high unemployment rates.

knit

v. to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine

synonym: weave, crochet, knot

(1) **knit** my eyebrows, (2) **knit** a pair of socks

The grandmother **knit** a warm sweater for her grandchild.

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.

pinnacle

n. the highest point or peak of something, particularly a mountain or a career; the greatest or highest level of achievement or success

synonym : summit, peak, apex

(1) architectural **pinnacle**, (2) reached the **pinnacle**

Climbing to the **pinnacle** of the mountain is a challenge that many outdoor enthusiasts strive to achieve.

security

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

synonym : safety, protection, stock

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

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

council

n. a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place

synonym : board, committee, assembly

(1) other **council** members, (2) city **council** election

The city **council** voted to approve the new development project.

delegate

n. a person sent or authorized to represent others, in particular, an elected representative sent to a conference; (verb) to transfer power to someone

synonym : representative, envoy, agent

(1) **delegate** a routine task, (2) send a **delegate**

The **delegate** from the small country was not allowed to speak at the meeting.

responsible

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

synonym : accountable, answerable, liable

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

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

specialty

n. an area or field in which a person or thing excels or specializes; a particular branch of study, occupation, or expertise; a special or unique skill or talent

synonym: expertise, specialization, skill

(1) coffee **specialty**, (2) regional **specialty**

The chef's **specialty** was a delicious seafood pasta dish that everyone loved.

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym: abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

destruction

n. the act of causing so much damage to something

synonym: devastation, annihilation, ruin

(1) path of **destruction**, (2) cyclonic **destruction**

The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat **destruction**.

sanction

n. official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization; a penalty or punishment imposed for breaking the law, rule, or agreement; (verb) to impose a penalty or punishment for breaking the law, rule, or agreement

synonym: approve, authorize, endorse

(1) Imperial **sanction**, (2) popular **sanction**

The government imposed economic **sanctions** on the country.

oblige

v. to force or require someone to do something through legal, social, or moral obligations; to voluntarily do something to help or please someone; to be indebted or grateful to someone

synonym: compel, require, force

(1) **oblige** him to reject, (2) **oblige** a request

As a citizen, we must **oblige** to the laws of the land.

disarm

v. to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary

synonym: demilitarize, neutralize

(1) **disarm** opponents, (2) **disarm** a bomb

The police were able to **disarm** the suspect without any violence.

chief

adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

synonym: essential, primary, leading

(1) **chief** accountant, (2) **chief** events of the year

Mining is a **chief** source of income for the country.

steep

adj. having a sharp inclination or slope

synonym: sheer, precipitous, abrupt

(1) a **steep** staircase, (2) **steep** discount

The **steep** cliff made it difficult to climb.

dramatic

adj. very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement

synonym: striking, theatrical, breathtaking

(1) make **dramatic** changes, (2) a **dramatic** rescue at sea

The statement had a **dramatic** impact on house prices.

diplomacy

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

synonym: tact, negotiation, delicacy

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

resolution

n. a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display

synonym: determination, decision, settlement

(1) **resolution** of a conflict, (2) display **resolution**

He made a New Year's **resolution** to exercise more and eat healthier.

condemn

v. to express strong disapproval or criticism of something

synonym: criticize, denounce, censure

(1) **condemn** violence, (2) **condemn** crime

The government was **condemned** for its handling of the crisis.

penthouse

n. a luxurious apartment or living space situated on the highest floor or roof of a building, often with additional amenities or features such as a balcony, terrace, or panoramic view; the top floor or floors of a building

synonym: apartment, suite, flat

(1) **penthouse** apartment, (2) **penthouse** terrace

The **penthouse** in the city center offers stunning views of the skyline.

sabbatical

n. a period of leave granted to a person for rest, travel, or other pursuits, often in academia or other professions

synonym: leave, vacation, break

(1) **sabbatical** leave, (2) **sabbatical** year

After ten years of teaching, she took a **sabbatical** to travel the world.

inchoate

adj. being in an early or incomplete stage; not fully formed or developed

synonym : beginning, incipient, embryonic

(1) **inchoate** idea, (2) **inchoate** relationship

The entrepreneur's business plan was still **inchoate** and needed further development before implementation.

inarticulate

adj. struggling to express oneself clearly or effectively in speech or writing; lacking the ability to communicate ideas or feelings fluently or coherently

synonym : incoherent, unintelligible, muddled

(1) **inarticulate** speech, (2) **inarticulate** mumble

The author's **inarticulate** writing style made it difficult for readers to follow his story.

exhausted

adj. extremely tired

synonym : drowsy, depleted, fatigued

(1) the **exhausted** food sources, (2) **exhausted** parents

The **exhausted** runner fell to the ground and gasped.

generous

adj. willing to give and share something such as money, help, kindness, etc., especially more than is necessary or expected

synonym : charitable, benevolent, giving

(1) a **generous** reward, (2) a **generous** and thoughtful person

This teacher is **generous** in his grading.

unpaid

adj. not yet paid; without payment

synonym : overdue, delinquent, outstanding

(1) **unpaid** account, (2) **unpaid** leave

Some employees claim they were simply **unpaid**.

eventually

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

synonym : finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco

business.

administer

v. to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

synonym: allocate, distribute, dispense

(1) **administer** justice, (2) **administer** the funds

After the accident, three governmental bodies **administer** the company.

pivot

n. a change in direction or focus, especially in a business or political strategy; a fixed point that supports something that turns or balances

synonym: center point, fulcrum, heart

(1) center- **pivot** irrigation, (2) **pivot** point

The team needed to come up with a **pivot** strategy to turn things around.

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.

reluctantly

adv. in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation

synonym: unwillingly, hesitantly, grudgingly

(1) **reluctantly** approve the idea, (2) **reluctantly** leave

He **reluctantly** agreed to go to the party.

inquiry

n. the act or process of asking a question or asking for information; an official process of investigating a matter of public interest

synonym: question, research, exploration

(1) **inquiry** about the product, (2) launch an **inquiry**

Our tech support responds to the first **inquiry** exceptionally promptly.

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.

testimony

n. a formal written or spoken statement that something is true, especially one given in court; something that serves as evidence

synonym : affirmant, evidence, proof

(1) **testimony** before Congress, (2) give his **testimony**

Witness **testimony** backed up the defendant's claims.

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.

internal

adj. of or relating to the inside of something

synonym : interior, inner, domestic

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

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

assess

v. to judge or decide the nature or quality of someone or something

synonym : estimate, evaluate, consider

(1) **assess** a tax of 10 pounds, (2) **assess** the quality

Our company needs to **assess** the business impact of climate change.

pose

v. to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed

synonym : present, put, position

(1) **pose** a significant threat to my company, (2) **pose** a challenge

The chemicals **pose** a massive health risk.

threat

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

synonym : menace, danger, hazard

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

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

secondly

adv. used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.

synonym : in the second place, next, subsequently

(1) **secondly** connected, (2) **secondly**, it is important

Firstly, we will discuss the budget; **secondly**, we will go over the schedule.

ignore

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

synonym : neglect, disregard, shun

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

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

alternative

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

synonym : choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**

Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

discredit

v. to harm the reputation or credibility of someone or something; to make something appear untrue or unreliable

synonym : disprove, undermine, disgrace

(1) **discredit** a theory, (2) **discredit** a witness

The company's unethical practices have **discredited** its brand image in the eyes of consumers.

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.

critic

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

synonym : pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

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**.

minister

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

synonym : bishop, official, ambassador

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

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

perpetrate

v. to commit or carry out a harmful or illegal act, particularly one that involves violence or deception; to be responsible for the creation or continuation of a negative situation

synonym : commit, perform, execute

(1) **perpetrate** harassment, (2) **perpetrate** a fraud

The criminal decided to **perpetrate** another robbery despite

his previous arrest.

falsehood

n. a statement or belief that is untrue, often intentionally deceptive or misleading

synonym: lie, untruth, deception

(1) spread **falsehoods**, (2) palpable **falsehood**

The media exposed the politician's **falsehoods**.

moan

v. to make a low, prolonged sound of pain, grief, or sexual pleasure; to complain about something

synonym: groan, sigh, lament

(1) **moan** the current situation, (2) **moan** with pleasure

She **moaned** in pain as the doctor examined her injury.

hesitate

v. to pause decision before saying or doing something

synonym: waver, pause, waffle

(1) **hesitate** for a moment, (2) **hesitate** to ask for help

Please do not **hesitate** to call us.

suffer

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

synonym: endure, undergo, tolerate

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

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

resign

v. to give up a position or job voluntarily; to accept something unpleasant or undesirable as inevitable

synonym: quit, relinquish, retire

(1) **resign** all hopes, (2) **resign** to fate

After a long battle with her health, the teacher had no choice but to **resign** from her position.

insider

n. a person who has privileged access to special or secret information about a particular organization or field

synonym: mole, privileged person

(1) **insider** trading, (2) company **insider**

He's a Wall Street **insider** with a lot of valuable information.

tobacco

n. a plant grown for its leaves, which are dried and processed for smoking or chewing or extraction of nicotine

synonym: smoking, nicotine, cigar

(1) **tobacco** industry, (2) a mild **tobacco**

Tobacco product is a leading cause of preventable deaths worldwide.

prime

adj. main or most important; basic; (prime number, noun) a natural number greater than 1 that cannot be formed by multiplying two smaller natural numbers (e.g., 2, 3, 5, 7, 11 and 13)

synonym: excellent, exceptional, premium

(1) **prime** number, (2) deputy **prime** minister

After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the **prime** suspect.

leap

v. to jump or spring into the air, often with the feet leaving the ground or a surface below; to move quickly or suddenly, often forward or upward

synonym: jump, bound, hop

(1) **leap** to a conclusion, (2) **leap** of faith

The athlete was able to **leap** over the hurdle with ease.

cliff

n. a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river

synonym: crag, escarpment, precipice

(1) a bold **cliff**, (2) **cliff** diving

He stood at the edge of the **cliff** and looked out to sea.

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**.

unpleasant

adj. not enjoyable or comfortable

synonym : disagreeable, displeasing, distasteful

(1) **unpleasant** behavior, (2) with **unpleasant** body odor
It is **unpleasant** to see criminal behavior even though it is minor.

sensation

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

synonym : feeling, perception, mania

(1) cause a widespread **sensation**, (2) taste **sensation**
If you apply this ointment, you may feel a mild burning **sensation**.

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.

gulp

v. to swallow quickly and forcefully; to take in a large amount of air or liquid quickly and audibly because of surprise, fear, or excitement

synonym : swallow, chug, gulp down

(1) **gulp** water, (2) **gulp** air
He had to **gulp** down his coffee before rushing to work.

forgiveness

n. the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion

synonym : pardon, amnesty, compassion

(1) **forgiveness** of liabilities, (2) beg for **forgiveness**
He gained debt **forgiveness**.

ambassador

n. a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization

synonym: envoy, diplomat, representative

(1) **ambassador** for football, (2) send an **ambassador** abroad

The **ambassador** of peace met with government officials to discuss bilateral relations.

mentor

n. a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school

synonym: adviser, coach, tutor

(1) **mentor** for life, (2) fashion **mentor**

As a **mentor**, he helped me realize my career.

hero

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

synonym: champion, protagonist, savior

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

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

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**.

pension

n. a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working

synonym: allowance, annuity, grant

(1) a disability **pension**, (2) public **pension** funds

Because of the country's poor economic prospects, the number of **pension** defaulters has been increasing.

- riot** *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
synonym : disturbance, unrest, upheaval
(1) **riot** police, (2) **riot** control gas
The **riots** in the city have left many buildings damaged and several people injured.
- province** *n.* the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation
synonym : area, section, region
(1) Bengal **province**, (2) home **province**
A network of railways has developed over the **province**.
- anarchy** *n.* a state of society without government or law
synonym : chaos, disorder, lawlessness
(1) **anarchy** in the classroom, (2) lapse into **anarchy**
The concept of **anarchy** has been used in literature, music, and other art forms to explore ideas about power, freedom, and rebellion.
- horrible** *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
synonym : dreadful, terrible, awful
(1) **horrible** accident, (2) **horrible** smell
The experience was **horrible** and left a lasting impression.
- military** *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
synonym : armed, martial, warlike
(1) a **military** operation, (2) a **military** leader
The **military** academy was known for its strict discipline and training.
- troop** *n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
synonym : group, unit, band

(1) the members of a military **troop**, (2) a **troop** of deer
The **troop** of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.

ramp

n. a sloping surface connecting two levels or inclines, typically used for the movement of people, vehicles, or goods

synonym: slope, incline, gradient

(1) the **ramp** of a chasm, (2) an exit **ramp**

The wheelchair user needed a **ramp** to access the building's entrance.

mob

n. a large and disorderly crowd of people; a large horde of animals

synonym: crowd, throng, horde

(1) **mob** psychology, (2) **mob** violence

The excited **mob** was getting out of control at the concert.

burning

adj. intense or scorching heat

synonym: scorching, blazing, smoldering

(1) **burning** desire, (2) **burning** passion

The fire spread rapidly, engulfing everything in its path in a **burning** inferno.

killing

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

synonym: slaughter, homicide, assassination

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

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

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym: directly, instantly, promptly

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

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

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.

complicated

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

synonym : complex, convoluted, intricate

(1) a **complicated** process, (2) become increasingly **complicated**

He did **complicated** pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

disenfranchise

v. to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote

synonym : deny, exclude, marginalize

(1) **disenfranchise** voters, (2) **disenfranchise** citizens

The new citizenship laws will **disenfranchise** many immigrants.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym : take part, partake, enter

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

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

fancy

v. to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy

synonym : imagine, visualize, (noun) fantasy

(1) **fancy** a cup of coffee, (2) a flight of **fancy**

I don't **fancy** acting in such an important role.

frustrate

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

synonym: hinder, thwart, dishearten

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

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

manifestation

n. a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition

synonym: expression, embodiment, presentation

(1) **manifestation** of a deeper problem, (2) **manifestation** of psychological stress

The **manifestation** of his anxiety was evident in his shaking hands.

frustration

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

synonym: disappointment, discouragement, dissatisfaction

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

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

pretension

n. the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

synonym: presumption, pretense, affectation

(1) **pretension** to authority, (2) baseless **pretension**

His **pretensions** of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

inspiration

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

synonym: motivation, drive, encouragement

(1) source of **inspiration**, (2) get **inspiration** from nature
He found **inspiration** in the works of his favorite authors.

precise

adj. sharply exact or accurate or delimited

synonym: accurate, exact, distinct

(1) **precise** analyses, (2) estimate **precise** costs

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

immense

adj. extremely large or great

synonym: enormous, giant, huge

(1) **immense** amount, (2) **immense** pressure

He left his wife an **immense** fortune.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym: root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

independence

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

synonym: freedom, liberty, autonomy

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

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

advisory

adj. giving advice or suggestions on a particular matter;
having the function of providing recommendations or guidance

synonym: consultative, recommendatory

(1) **advisory** committee, (2) environmental **advisory**

The travel agent provided **advisory** services to the clients.

nonprofit

adj. not established for commercial profit

synonym: charitable

(1) a **nonprofit** organization, (2) **nonprofit** agency

Our law firm also focuses on **nonprofit** activities.

propose

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

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

successive

adj. following one after another in a series or sequence; happening or occurring in continuous or consecutive order; consecutive or sequential in nature

synonym: consecutive, serial, sequential

(1) **successive** attempts, (2) **successive** failures

The team won their seventh **successive** game, maintaining their winning streak.

define

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

synonym: characterize, depict, express

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

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

definition

n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

synonym: description, connotation, meaning

(1) a precise **definition**, (2) the **definition** of a word

Parallel lines are, by **definition**, lines on the same plane that never cross.

unify

v. to bring or join something together so that they form a single unit

synonym: bring together, consolidate, merge

(1) **unify** the system, (2) **unify** the party

The people believe that they can **unify** the country.

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.

occupation

n. a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession

synonym: job, profession, vocation

(1) **occupation** disease, (2) **occupation** of a building
The police stopped the suspicious person and asked him to give his name, address, and **occupation**.

dispossess

v. to deprive someone of the possession or use of something, often property or land

synonym: deprive, evict, seize

(1) **dispossess** a person of his property, (2) **dispossess** an entire township

He was forced to **dispossess** his tenants because they couldn't pay the rent.

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.

climate

n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period

synonym: atmosphere, weather, environment

(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change

Climate and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

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?

culminate

v. to reach a peak or climax

synonym : end, finish, conclude

(1) **culminate** in a heart attack, (2) **culminate** in failure

The event will **culminate** in a grand fireworks display.

lord

n. a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office

synonym : master, noble, peer

(1) a young **lord**, (2) **lord** of castle

The feudal **lord** had ruled the land for many years.

ridiculous

adj. very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at

synonym : absurd, fatuous, foolish

(1) a **ridiculous** amount of money, (2) a **ridiculous** suggestion

Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as **ridiculous** but was later proven correct.

bump

v. to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident

synonym : collide, hit, jolt

(1) **bump** against a wall, (2) **bump** up prices

She accidentally **bumped** into him in the crowded room.

grand

adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent

synonym : impressive, great, ambitious

(1) a **grand** meal, (2) **grand** bargain

This year's **grand** gathering will be held in Canada.

moving

adj. causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy

synonym : emotional, poignant, touching

(1) **moving** experience, (2) **moving** ceremony

His **moving** speech about his struggles with addiction brought tears to the audience's eyes.

innovation

n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation

synonym: invention, initiation, creation

(1) **innovation** leader, (2) cutting-edge **innovation**

The vegetarian burger was an **innovation** that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

probable

adj. likely to happen or likely to be true

synonym: likely, possible, potential

(1) **probable** outcome, (2) **probable** cause of a fire

It seems **probable** that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.

develop

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

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

flavor

n. the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth

synonym: taste, savor, essence

(1) a delicate **flavor**, (2) **flavor** enhancer

The **flavor** of the coffee was rich and full-bodied.

chew

v. to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it

synonym: masticate, crush, grind

(1) **chew** each word, (2) **chew** a stick of gum

My dog loves to **chew** on bones.

gum

n. a soft, sticky substance that is chewed to freshen the breath or to clean the teeth; the flesh that surrounds the

teeth in the mouth

synonym : mucilage, glue, alveolar arch

(1) bubble **gum**, (2) chewing **gum**

I always like having a pack of **gum** to freshen my breath.

innovate

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

synonym : bring in, introduce, found

(1) **innovate** a new method, (2) **innovate** the quality of his life

Companies developing self-driving cars consistently **innovate** the emerging technologies.

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym : approach, procedure, scenario

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

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

politic

adj. wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions

synonym : wise, tactful, expedient

(1) a **politic** decision, (2) heal the body **politic**

She was **politic** in her behavior.

ancient

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

synonym : archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories

They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

institute

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

synonym : academy, university, college

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

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

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.

incorporate

v. to include something as a part of a larger entity

synonym : contain, integrate, amalgamate

(1) **incorporate** the current trends, (2) **incorporate** technology into daily life

We will attempt to **incorporate** some of your suggestions into our future strategy.

laptop

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

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

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

naive

adj. showing unaffected simplicity and lack of experience, wisdom, or judgment

synonym : innocent, unsophisticated, gullible

(1) **naive** belief, (2) **naive** mistake

The con artist's lies quickly took in the **naive** young man.

inject

v. to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)

synonym : shoot, infiltrate, insinuate

(1) **inject** under the skin, (2) **inject** a personal opinion into a debate

Let's try to **inject** a bit of enthusiasm into your performance.

recommend

v. to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role

synonym: advise, suggest, instruct

(1) **recommend** a hospitalization, (2) **recommend** reading

We **recommend** taking media training every six months.

trend

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

synonym: direction, movement, tendency

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

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

emerging

adj. starting to exist, mature, or become well-known

synonym: arising, occurring, state-of-the-art

(1) **emerging** country, (2) **emerging** technologies

Emerging technologies have dramatically improved productivity in various industries.

evident

adj. apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment

synonym: apparent, noticeable, obvious

(1) **evident** to all, (2) plainly **evident**

With **evident** joy, he signed his name.

decline

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

synonym: descend, drop, deny

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

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

corporation

n. a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

synonym: business, company, enterprise

(1) a public **corporation**, (2) **corporation** assets

Four companies were amalgamated into a single **corporation**.

mafia

n. a secret criminal organization that engages in illegal activities such as gambling, extortion, racketeering, prostitution, and drug trafficking, typically maintains a strict code of loyalty, secrecy, and omertà (= silence or non-cooperation with authorities)

synonym: syndicate, gang

(1) organized crime **mafia**, (2) **mafia** activities

The boss of the **mafia** was finally caught after years on the run.

embrace

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

synonym: grasp, hold tightly, accept

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

The woods **embrace** the house.

affair

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

synonym: matter, incident, fling

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

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

chaos

n. a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control

synonym: disorder, turmoil, confusion

(1) **chaos** theory, (2) midst of **chaos**

The conference room was in **chaos** as everyone tried to speak at once.

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.

separate

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

synonym : disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

militia

n. a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs

synonym : reserves

(1) **militia** groups, (2) armed **militia**

Militia suddenly occupied the presidential palace.

intimate

adj. having a very close friendship, personal

synonym : close, tight, friendly

(1) my **intimate** affairs, (2) **intimate** relationship

He has an **intimate** knowledge of American history.

provable

adj. capable of being demonstrated or shown to be true; able to be verified through evidence or logical reasoning

synonym : evident, verifiable, demonstrable

(1) **provable** fact, (2) **provable** theory

The defense found no **provable** evidence to support the accusations against their client.

politician

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

synonym : congressperson, lawmaker, legislator

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

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

loose

adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

synonym : relaxed, unconsolidated, open

(1) a **loose** tongue, (2) remove **loose** hair

The inspector discovered **loose** bolts under the fuel rods.

embody

v. to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea

synonym: represent, exemplify, personify

(1) **embody** my goal, (2) **embody** a spirit of charity

The company's new products **embody** the values of innovation and sustainability.

charter

n. a document that grants certain rights or privileges; a contract to hire or lease transportation

synonym: constitution, agreement, pact

(1) a **charter** flight, (2) the **Charter** of the United Nations

The **charter** of the organization outlines its mission and goals.

conflict

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

synonym: clash, discord, competition

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

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

interstate

adj. between or involving different states (= the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation)

synonym: cross-state, between states

(1) **interstate** disputes, (2) **interstate** travel

The **interstate** highway connects the major cities of the state.

agenda

n. a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered

synonym: program, schedule, list

(1) **agenda** setting, (2) ambitious **agenda**

The **agenda** for the meeting includes discussions on the

budget and new project proposals.

involve

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

synonym: implicate, include, engage

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

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

guerrilla

n. a member of small, independent soldiers or fighters who engage in irregular, often surprise attacks against enemy forces

synonym: partisan, rebel, insurgent

(1) an urban **guerrilla**, (2) **guerrilla** warfare

The government's efforts to suppress the **guerrilla** movement were met with resistance from local communities.

separatist

adj. relating to or advocating for the separation or withdrawal of a group or region from a larger entity, often for political, cultural, or ideological reasons; seeking independence or autonomy

synonym: fissiparous, divisive, independent

(1) **separatist** movement, (2) regional **separatist**

The **separatist** group demanded independence from the ruling government.

terrorism

n. the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act

(1) **terrorism** against civilians, (2) anti- **terrorism** bill

Democracy is utterly opposed to any form of **terrorism**.

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.

affected

adj. influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere

synonym: artificial, pretentious, stilted

(1) **affected** way of walking, (2) the **affected** part

Her **affected** accent made it difficult to take her seriously.

invite

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

synonym: ask, request, summon

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

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

tradition

n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

synonym: custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

consult

v. to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject

synonym: confer, consider, see

(1) regularly **consult** with a doctor, (2) **consult** my wallet

Always **consult** a lawyer before launching a business.

institutionalize

v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

synonym: formalize, establish, regularize

(1) **institutionalize** a system, (2) **institutionalize** customary laws

The new policy aims to **institutionalize** the use of renewable energy sources.

exchange

v. to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

synonym: trade, swap, interchange

(1) **exchange** rate, (2) **exchange** a few friendly words

My sister and I frequently **exchange** books, as we love reading.

durable

adj. capable of lasting and being used for a long time without being damaged or destroyed

synonym: enduring, stable, long-lasting

(1) **durable** peace, (2) **durable** materials

Our company's products are made of highly **durable** materials.

logical

adj. characterized by clear and sound reasoning; following a rational and systematic approach; based on or in accordance with logic or reason

synonym: rational, reasonable, coherent

(1) **logical** conclusion, (2) **logical** reasoning

The mathematical equation had a **logical** solution that was easy to follow.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym: completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

observation

n. the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone

synonym: watching, notice, reflection

(1) class **observation** day, (2) **observation** instrument

In the hospital, she will remain under constant **observation**.

- bug** *n.* any tiny insect; a fault or defect in a computer program, system, or machine
synonym: insect, bacterium, microbe
(1) **bug** bites, (2) number of **bug** fixes
I found a stink **bug** crawling across the ceiling.
- lobby** *n.* a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation
synonym: entrance, hall, anteroom
(1) **lobby** for legislation, (2) a hotel **lobby**
That **lobby** group actively advocated environmental protection to the government.
- dispute** *n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one
synonym: argument, disagreement, quarrel
(1) a legal **dispute** over the title, (2) **dispute** settlement
The **dispute** over the ownership of the land has been ongoing for years.
- rebel** *n.* someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
synonym: insurgent, dissenter, mutineer
(1) **rebel** uprising, (2) group of **rebels**
The **rebels** fought against the government for their independence.
- awful** *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
synonym: terrible, appalling, horrible
(1) an **awful** error, (2) do **awful** damage
I regretted making an **awful** mistake in my final exam.
- laundry** *n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
synonym: wash, clothes, linen

(1) send out the **laundry**, (2) **laundry** room
I need to do the **laundry** before I run out of clean clothes.

chaotic

adj. without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing

synonym: disorderly, cluttered, topsy-turvy

(1) the **chaotic** economic situation, (2) **chaotic** theory
Change is also occurring in Turkey as a result of **chaotic** reform.

conversation

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

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**
Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

entirely

adv. completely

synonym: completely, fully, totally

(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame

Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

chant

n. a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

synonym: hymn, mantra, (verb) recite

(1) **chant** melodies, (2) **chant** in the chapel

The soccer game crowd broke into a **chant** of "Go, team, go!"

fundamental

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

synonym: basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

frank

adj. honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

synonym:

candid, direct, freehearted

(1) **frank** and open discussion, (2) make a **frank** apology
Full involvement means **frank** and prompt responses.

preach

v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
synonym: expound, advocate, sermonize

(1) **preach** the gospel, (2) **preach** to the masses

The pastor **preached** about the importance of forgiveness.

twit

n. a silly or foolish person; someone regarded as annoying or irritating

synonym: fool, idiot, imbecile

(1) celebrity **twit**, (2) neighborhood **twit**

Please ignore that **twit** on social media; their opinions are irrelevant.

demonstration

n. a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others

synonym: manifestation, presentation, show

(1) **demonstration** project, (2) a campus **demonstration**

Thousands of people attended the protest **demonstration** against the proposed policy.

remains

n. the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal

synonym: leftovers, debris, relic

(1) **remains** of a building, (2) human **remains**

The **remains** of the ancient civilization can still be seen in the city's ruins.

Session 2: Spelling

1. a mi_____ry leader
adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
2. g__p water
v. to swallow quickly and forcefully; to take in a large amount of air or liquid quickly and audibly because of surprise, fear, or excitement
3. du_____e peace
adj. capable of lasting and being used for a long time without being damaged or destroyed
4. per_____te harassment
v. to commit or carry out a harmful or illegal act, particularly one that involves violence or deception; to be responsible for the creation or continuation of a negative situation
5. exh_____ing view
adj. making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
6. ex_____ed parents
adj. extremely tired
7. Imperial sa_____on
n. official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization; a penalty or punishment imposed for breaking the law, rule, or agreement; (verb) to impose a penalty or punishment for breaking the law, rule, or agreement

ANSWERS: 1. military, 2. gulp, 3. durable, 4. perpetrate, 5. exhilarating, 6. exhausted, 7. sanction

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| 8. dis_____ise voters | <i>v.</i> to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote |
| 9. se_____te video into chapter | <i>v.</i> to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different |
| 10. a ra_____m choice | <i>adj.</i> made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern |
| 11. with unp_____nt body odor | <i>adj.</i> not enjoyable or comfortable |
| 12. te_____sm against civilians | <i>n.</i> the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act |
| 13. cl__f diving | <i>n.</i> a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river |
| 14. gov_____nt funding | <i>n.</i> the group of people with authority to control a country or state |
| 15. co_____t my wallet | <i>v.</i> to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject |
| 16. the ex_____ed food sources | <i>adj.</i> extremely tired |
| 17. Bengal pr_____ce | <i>n.</i> the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation |
| 18. co_____al swimming pool | <i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use |
| 19. en_____ge a sense of affinity | <i>v.</i> to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do |

ANSWERS: 8. disenfranchise, 9. separate, 10. random, 11. unpleasant, 12. terrorism, 13. cliff, 14. government, 15. consult, 16. exhausted, 17. province, 18. communal, 19. encourage

20. deputy pr__e minister *adj.* main or most important; basic; (prime number, noun) a natural number greater than 1 that cannot be formed by multiplying two smaller natural numbers (e.g., 2, 3, 5, 7, 11 and 13)
21. national se____ty *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
22. en_____ge antisocial behavior *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
23. fa__y a cup of coffee *v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
24. su____d academically *v.* to accomplish or achieve a desired or intended result or goal; to prosper or attain success in a given field or endeavor
25. research in_____tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

ANSWERS: 20. prime, 21. security, 22. encourage, 23. fancy, 24. succeed, 25. institute

26. na_____ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
27. a gr__d meal *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
28. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
29. pa_____n hobby *n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction
30. nu_____r fusion *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
31. pe_____se terrace *n.* a luxurious apartment or living space situated on the highest floor or roof of a building, often with additional amenities or features such as a balcony, terrace, or panoramic view; the top floor or floors of a building
32. er_____te racial discrimination *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
33. the Ch_____r of the United Nations *n.* a document that grants certain rights or privileges; a contract to hire or lease transportation
34. em_____e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
35. su_____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody

ANSWERS: 26. narrative, 27. grand, 28. suppose, 29. passion, 30. nuclear, 31. penthouse, 32. eradicate, 33. charter, 34. embrace, 35. surround

36. send out the la____y *n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
37. dis_____ss an entire township *v.* to deprive someone of the possession or use of something, often property or land
38. pre-Christian an____t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
39. an international tr__d *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
40. ma__a activities *n.* a secret criminal organization that engages in illegal activities such as gambling, extortion, racketeering, prostitution, and drug trafficking, typically maintains a strict code of loyalty, secrecy, and omertà (= silence or non-cooperation with authorities)
41. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
42. fa_____te the young *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
43. in___t a personal opinion into a debate *v.* to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)
44. ob___e him to reject *v.* to force or require someone to do something through legal, social, or moral obligations; to voluntarily do something to help or please someone; to be indebted or grateful to someone

ANSWERS: 36. laundry, 37. dispossess, 38. ancient, 39. trend, 40. mafia, 41. absolutely, 42. fascinate, 43. inject, 44. oblige

45. completely fas_____ng to me *adj.* extremely interesting
46. se_____ry general *n.* a person whose job is to deal with correspondence, keep records, and do administrative work for a company or organization
47. a po_____c decision *adj.* wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
48. plainly ev_____t *adj.* apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment
49. pr_____le theory *adj.* capable of being demonstrated or shown to be true; able to be verified through evidence or logical reasoning
50. ins_____ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
51. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
52. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
53. the longstanding co_____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
54. pi__t point *n.* a change in direction or focus, especially in a business or political strategy; a fixed point that supports something that turns or balances
55. se_____ty analyst *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation

ANSWERS: 45. fascinating, 46. secretary, 47. politic, 48. evident, 49. provable, 50. institutionalize, 51. participate, 52. innovation, 53. conflict, 54. pivot, 55. security

56. r__t police *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
57. secluded hi_____ay *n.* a place or location that is concealed, private, or secluded, often used as a retreat or escape from the demands of everyday life
58. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
59. baseless pre_____on *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
60. send an amb_____or abroad *n.* a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization
61. a test pi__t *n.* a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water
62. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
63. bl__k his eyes *v.* to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way
64. ch__f events of the year *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

ANSWERS: 56. riot, 57. hideaway, 58. responsible, 59. pretension, 60. ambassador, 61. pilot, 62. colleague, 63. blink, 64. chief

65. in___t under the skin *v.* to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)
66. financial sc____p *n.* a person or thing that causes a mistake or error; a disorderly or confused situation resulting from mistakes or errors
67. an aw__l error *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
68. er_____te the deficit *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
69. a rid_____us suggestion *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
70. fas_____ng story *adj.* extremely interesting
71. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
72. di_____it a theory *v.* to harm the reputation or credibility of someone or something; to make something appear untrue or unreliable
73. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
74. na__e belief *adj.* showing unaffected simplicity and lack of experience, wisdom, or judgment
75. ne_____te a settlement *v.* to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement

ANSWERS: 65. inject, 66. screwup, 67. awful, 68. eradicate, 69. ridiculous, 70. fascinating, 71. involve, 72. discredit, 73. decide, 74. naive, 75. negotiate

76. bl__k in astonishment *v.* to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way
77. re_____nd a hospitalization *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
78. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
79. col_____nd person *adj.* (of a person) unable to distinguish certain colors or used to describe a lack of racial or cultural bias
80. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
81. get ins_____on from nature *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
82. city co_____l election *n.* a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place
83. st__p a tire off *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
84. ex_____ge rate *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

ANSWERS: 76. blink, 77. recommend, 78. norm, 79. colorblind, 80. mass, 81. inspiration, 82. council, 83. strip, 84. exchange

85. int_____ate sanction *adj.* situated between two locations, things, states, etc.; around the middle of a scale of evaluation
86. dis_____ise citizens *v.* to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote
87. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
88. in_____te the quality of his life *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
89. provide th_____gh analysis *adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate
90. coffee sp_____ty *n.* an area or field in which a person or thing excels or specializes; a particular branch of study, occupation, or expertise; a special or unique skill or talent
91. a broken fr_____nt *n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached
92. a ro__l palace *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
93. id_____st at heart *n.* a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity
94. g__p air *v.* to swallow quickly and forcefully; to take in a large amount of air or liquid quickly and audibly because of surprise, fear, or excitement

ANSWERS: 85. intermediate, 86. disenfranchise, 87. fundamental, 88. innovate, 89. thorough, 90. specialty, 91. fragment, 92. royal, 93. idealist, 94. gulp

95. per_____te a fraud
v. to commit or carry out a harmful or illegal act, particularly one that involves violence or deception; to be responsible for the creation or continuation of a negative situation
96. a ba____l of beer
n. a large round container made of wood, metal, or plastic, with flat ends and, usually, curved sides; one of several units of volume
97. inc_____ly cheerful character
adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
98. exa_____te story
v. to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is
99. pi__t production
n. a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water
100. to_____o industry
n. a plant grown for its leaves, which are dried and processed for smoking or chewing or extraction of nicotine
101. no_____it agency
adj. not established for commercial profit
102. in_____al organs
adj. of or relating to the inside of something
103. fa_____te the public
v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
104. m__n with pleasure
v. to make a low, prolonged sound of pain, grief, or sexual pleasure; to complain about something
105. pl_____n leader
n. a subdivision of a military company consisting of a small group of soldiers, usually about 30, that operates as a unit within a larger military unit; a group of individuals or things that work together or share a common purpose

ANSWERS: 95. perpetrate, 96. barrel, 97. incredibly, 98. exaggerate, 99. pilot, 100. tobacco, 101. nonprofit, 102. internal, 103. fascinate, 104. moan, 105. platoon

106. in_____te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
107. cor_____on assets *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
108. inc_____te technology into daily life *v.* to include something as a part of a larger entity
109. te_____ny before Congress *n.* a formal written or spoken statement that something is true, especially one given in court; something that serves as evidence
110. fr__k and open discussion *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
111. architectural pi_____le *n.* the highest point or peak of something, particularly a mountain or a career; the greatest or highest level of achievement or success
112. ab__e by a contract *v.* to accept or tolerate something or to act in accordance with a rule, decision, recommendation, etc.; to remain in a particular state or condition
113. an unc_____ble silence *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
114. pro_____on choice *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training

ANSWERS: 106. institute, 107. corporation, 108. incorporate, 109. testimony, 110. frank, 111. pinnacle, 112. abide, 113. uncomfortable, 114. profession

115. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
116. taste se_____on *n.* a feeling associated with stimulation of a sense organ or with a specific body condition; a general feeling of interest and excitement
117. se_____ly, it is important *adv.* used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.
118. me____r for life *n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
119. enameled le_____r *n.* a material made from the skin of an animal, typically by tanning, and used for clothing, shoes, furniture, and other items
120. pa_____n drive *n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction
121. em_____ng technologies *adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
122. ad_____ry committee *adj.* giving advice or suggestions on a particular matter; having the function of providing recommendations or guidance
123. access to public tr_____rt *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
124. man_____ion of a deeper problem *n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition

ANSWERS: 115. communal, 116. sensation, 117. secondly, 118. mentor, 119. leather, 120. passion, 121. emerging, 122. advisory, 123. transport, 124. manifestation

125. p__e a significant threat to my company
v. to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed
126. send a de____te
n. a person sent or authorized to represent others, in particular, an elected representative sent to a conference; (verb) to transfer power to someone
127. ob____s reasons
adj. easy to see, discover or understand
128. regional sp____ty
n. an area or field in which a person or thing excels or specializes; a particular branch of study, occupation, or expertise; a special or unique skill or talent
129. not up to p_r
n. a state of being equal to someone or something
130. sep____st movement
adj. relating to or advocating for the separation or withdrawal of a group or region from a larger entity, often for political, cultural, or ideological reasons; seeking independence or autonomy
131. an id____st perspective
n. a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity
132. n__b with cold
adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
133. ap____d research
adj. of or relating to a subject of study, especially a science, that is used in a practical way

ANSWERS: 125. pose, 126. delegate, 127. obvious, 128. specialty, 129. par, 130. separatist, 131. idealist, 132. numb, 133. applied

134. st__p discount *adj.* having a sharp inclination or slope
135. public pe_____n funds *n.* a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working
136. ho_____le smell *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
137. res_____on of a conflict *n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display
138. occ_____on disease *n.* a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession
139. int_____ate level *adj.* situated between two locations, things, states, etc.; around the middle of a scale of evaluation
140. boundless am_____on *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
141. k__t my eyebrows *v.* to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine
142. use of nu_____r power *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
143. dis_____ss a person of his property *v.* to deprive someone of the possession or use of something, often property or land

ANSWERS: 134. steep, 135. pension, 136. horrible, 137. resolution, 138. occupation, 139. intermediate, 140. ambition, 141. knit, 142. nuclear, 143. dispossess

144. cou_____de lifestyle *n.* rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery
145. cyclonic des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
146. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
147. beg for for_____ss *n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion
148. adamantly d__y killing *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
149. ex_____ge a few friendly words *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
150. di____m a bomb *v.* to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary
151. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
152. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

ANSWERS: 144. countryside, 145. destruction, 146. innovation, 147. forgiveness, 148. deny, 149. exchange, 150. disarm, 151. obvious, 152. consequence

153. l__d of castle *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
154. suc_____ve attempts *adj.* following one after another in a series or sequence; happening or occurring in continuous or consecutive order; consecutive or sequential in nature
155. popular sa_____on *n.* official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization; a penalty or punishment imposed for breaking the law, rule, or agreement; (verb) to impose a penalty or punishment for breaking the law, rule, or agreement
156. a rid_____us amount of money *adj.* very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
157. st_____ng water *adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
158. prince ro__l *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
159. spread fa_____ods *n.* a statement or belief that is untrue, often intentionally deceptive or misleading
160. ca__e of leaders *n.* a group of trained and committed members of an organization or movement
161. a disability pe_____n *n.* a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working

ANSWERS: 153. lord, 154. successive, 155. sanction, 156. ridiculous, 157. standing, 158. royal, 159. falsehood, 160. cadre, 161. pension

162. allied di____at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
163. as____s a tax of 10 pounds *v.* to judge or decide the nature or quality of someone or something
164. healthcare pr____y *n.* a person or entity that is authorized to act on behalf of another person or entity
165. su____d beyond expectations *v.* to accomplish or achieve a desired or intended result or goal; to prosper or attain success in a given field or endeavor
166. Mi____er for Education *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
167. he____te for a moment *v.* to pause decision before saying or doing something
168. lo____l reasoning *adj.* characterized by clear and sound reasoning; following a rational and systematic approach; based on or in accordance with logic or reason
169. inc____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
170. suc____ve failures *adj.* following one after another in a series or sequence; happening or occurring in continuous or consecutive order; consecutive or sequential in nature
171. cu____te in a heart attack *v.* to reach a peak or climax
172. a warm em____e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasp another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

ANSWERS: 162. diplomat, 163. assess, 164. proxy, 165. succeed, 166. minister, 167. hesitate, 168. logical, 169. incredible, 170. successive, 171. culminate, 172. embrace

173. the members of a military tr__p *n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
174. personal es___t *n.* a person or group of people accompanying someone for protection, guidance, or courtesy; a companion or attendant; a service or a person providing a service for accompanying someone or something to or from a destination
175. un___d leave *adj.* not yet paid; without payment
176. de_____e a job offer *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
177. ch__f accountant *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
178. lo__y for legislation *n.* a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation
179. cruise mi_____e attack *n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism
180. engineering spe_____ion *n.* a detailed description of the characteristics, features, or requirements of something, typically a product or system; a written statement that outlines the standards, procedures, or requirements for a project or job

ANSWERS: 173. troop, 174. escort, 175. unpaid, 176. decline, 177. chief, 178. lobby, 179. missile, 180. specification

181. in___e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
182. as___s the quality *v.* to judge or decide the nature or quality of someone or something
183. r__t control gas *n.* a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
184. path of des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
185. di_____it a witness *v.* to harm the reputation or credibility of someone or something; to make something appear untrue or unreliable
186. n__t idea *adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place
187. ap_____d physics *adj.* of or relating to a subject of study, especially a science, that is used in a practical way
188. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
189. mi_____ry officials *n.* a department of government responsible for a particular area of public service
190. career sc_____p *n.* a person or thing that causes a mistake or error; a disorderly or confused situation resulting from mistakes or errors
191. gen_____on gap *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

ANSWERS: 181. invite, 182. assess, 183. riot, 184. destruction, 185. discredit, 186. neat, 187. applied, 188. opposition, 189. ministry, 190. screwup, 191. generation

192. make a str_____ard dash *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
193. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
194. a mi_____ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
195. ind_____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
196. mi_____a groups *n.* a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs
197. ag____a setting *n.* a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
198. ig____e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
199. the af_____ed part *adj.* influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
200. col_____nd condition *adj.* (of a person) unable to distinguish certain colors or used to describe a lack of racial or cultural bias
201. red_____er a value *v.* to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost
202. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
203. pr__e number *adj.* main or most important; basic; (prime number, noun) a natural number greater than 1 that cannot be formed by multiplying two smaller natural numbers (e.g., 2, 3, 5, 7, 11 and 13)

ANSWERS: 192. straightforward, 193. decision, 194. military, 195. independence, 196. militia, 197. agenda, 198. ignore, 199. affected, 200. colorblind, 201. rediscover, 202. immediately, 203. prime

204. he was en_____ly to blame *adv.* completely
205. su____r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
206. ne_____te the price of the house *v.* to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement
207. an urban gu_____la *n.* a member of small, independent soldiers or fighters who engage in irregular, often surprise attacks against enemy forces
208. meet with opp_____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
209. launch an in_____y *n.* the act or process of asking a question or asking for information; an official process of investigating a matter of public interest
210. sab_____al leave *n.* a period of leave granted to a person for rest, travel, or other pursuits, often in academia or other professions
211. re____n to fate *v.* to give up a position or job voluntarily; to accept something unpleasant or undesirable as inevitable
212. reached the pi_____le *n.* the highest point or peak of something, particularly a mountain or a career; the greatest or highest level of achievement or success
213. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
214. deputy prime mi_____er *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

ANSWERS: 204. entirely, 205. suffer, 206. negotiate, 207. guerrilla, 208. opposition, 209. inquiry, 210. sabbatical, 211. resign, 212. pinnacle, 213. suppose, 214. minister

215. lapse into an____y *n.* a state of society without government or law
216. ch____c theory *adj.* without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing
217. bombs fell at ra____m *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
218. a corrupt pol____an *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
219. \$30 a ba____l *n.* a large round container made of wood, metal, or plastic, with flat ends and, usually, curved sides; one of several units of volume
220. k__t a pair of socks *v.* to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine
221. re__l uprising *n.* someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
222. b__p up prices *v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident
223. pr____le fact *adj.* capable of being demonstrated or shown to be true; able to be verified through evidence or logical reasoning
224. 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

ANSWERS: 215. anarchy, 216. chaotic, 217. random, 218. politician, 219. barrel, 220. knit, 221. rebel, 222. bump, 223. provable, 224. generation

225. in_____te a new method *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
226. tr_____rt facilities *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
227. in_____y about the product *n.* the act or process of asking a question or asking for information; an official process of investigating a matter of public interest
228. in_____e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
229. financial ind_____nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
230. an_____t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
231. rel_____ly leave *adv.* in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation
232. regional wa_____d *n.* a military leader who has gained control over a region or territory, typically through force or intimidation; a commander of an army or group of soldiers who operates outside the control of a legitimate government
233. a campus dem_____ion *n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others
234. or_____n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something

ANSWERS: 225. innovate, 226. transport, 227. inquiry, 228. invite, 229. independence, 230. ancient, 231. reluctantly, 232. warlord, 233. demonstration, 234. origin

235. le____r boots *n.* a material made from the skin of an animal, typically by tanning, and used for clothing, shoes, furniture, and other items
236. inc_____te the current trends *v.* to include something as a part of a larger entity
237. a confidential se_____ry *n.* a person whose job is to deal with correspondence, keep records, and do administrative work for a company or organization
238. an_____ce candidacy *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
239. a n__t piece of work *adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place
240. 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
241. above p_r performance *n.* a state of being equal to someone or something
242. financial cr____s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
243. se____d jar *adj.* closed or secured with
244. organized crime ma__a *n.* a secret criminal organization that engages in illegal activities such as gambling, extortion, racketeering, prostitution, and drug trafficking, typically maintains a strict code of loyalty, secrecy, and omertà (= silence or non-cooperation with authorities)

ANSWERS: 235. leather, 236. incorporate, 237. secretary, 238. announce, 239. neat,

240. process, 241. par, 242. crisis, 243. sealed, 244. mafia

245. mo___g ceremony *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
246. re____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
247. in____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
248. dis____sh man from the other animals *v.* to notice or understand the difference between two people or things
249. in____r trading *n.* a person who has privileged access to special or secret information about a particular organization or field
250. home pr____ce *n.* the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation
251. personal na____ve *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
252. for____ss of liabilities *n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion
253. de____te a routine task *n.* a person sent or authorized to represent others, in particular, an elected representative sent to a conference; (verb) to transfer power to someone
254. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
255. make a fr__k apology *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

ANSWERS: 245. moving, 246. relative, 247. involve, 248. distinguish, 249. insider, 250. province, 251. narrative, 252. forgiveness, 253. delegate, 254. amazing, 255. frank

256. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
257. dis_____on him about reality *v.* to disappoint someone or something because you found that something you believed in or hoped for was not as it seemed
258. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
259. ev_____t to all *adj.* apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment
260. celebrity t__t *n.* a silly or foolish person; someone regarded as annoying or irritating
261. a hotel lo__y *n.* a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation
262. coast st__p *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
263. m__n the current situation *v.* to make a low, prolonged sound of pain, grief, or sexual pleasure; to complain about something
264. functional spe_____ion *n.* a detailed description of the characteristics, features, or requirements of something, typically a product or system; a written statement that outlines the standards, procedures, or requirements for a project or job

ANSWERS: 256. tradition, 257. disillusion, 258. climate, 259. evident, 260. twit, 261. lobby, 262. strip, 263. moan, 264. specification

265. cr___s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
266. estimate pr____e costs *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
267. th____gh investigation *adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate
268. obs_____on instrument *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
269. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
270. make dr____ic changes *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
271. su___r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
272. de___e a word *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
273. regional sep_____st *adj.* relating to or advocating for the separation or withdrawal of a group or region from a larger entity, often for political, cultural, or ideological reasons; seeking independence or autonomy
274. im_____e pressure *adj.* extremely large or great
275. field of artificial int_____nce *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
276. armed mi_____a *n.* a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs

ANSWERS: 265. crisis, 266. precise, 267. thorough, 268. observation, 269. absolutely, 270. dramatic, 271. suffer, 272. define, 273. separatist, 274. immense, 275. intelligence, 276. militia

277. thin-and-light la___p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
278. ki_____g spree *n.* the act of causing death; a sudden and intense force or effect that causes significant damage or destruction; a situation where someone is making a substantial amount of money or experiencing significant financial success
279. bu_____g passion *adj.* intense or scorching heat
280. ch__t in the chapel *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
281. neighborhood t__t *n.* a silly or foolish person; someone regarded as annoying or irritating
282. lo_____l conclusion *adj.* characterized by clear and sound reasoning; following a rational and systematic approach; based on or in accordance with logic or reason
283. mo_____g experience *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
284. ig___e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
285. se___d orders *adj.* closed or secured with
286. festival re_____y *n.* lively and noisy festivities, typically involving drinking, dancing, and general merrymaking; a celebration marked by indulgence and enjoyment

ANSWERS: 277. laptop, 278. killing, 279. burning, 280. chant, 281. twit, 282. logical, 283. moving, 284. ignore, 285. sealed, 286. revelry

287. re_____y in the streets *n.* lively and noisy festivities, typically involving drinking, dancing, and general merrymaking; a celebration marked by indulgence and enjoyment
288. environmental th_____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
289. in_____te relationship *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
290. the in_____al economy *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
291. a remote re_____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
292. em_____y a spirit of charity *v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea
293. mi_____e defense *n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism
294. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
295. earn el____e status *adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society
296. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
297. become increasingly com_____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

ANSWERS: 287. revelry, 288. threat, 289. intimate, 290. internal, 291. relative, 292. embody, 293. missile, 294. climate, 295. elite, 296. separate, 297. complicated

298. na__e mistake *adj.* showing unaffected simplicity and lack of experience, wisdom, or judgment
299. b__p against a wall *v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident
300. ina_____ate mumble *adj.* struggling to express oneself clearly or effectively in speech or writing; lacking the ability to communicate ideas or feelings fluently or coherently
301. m_b psychology *n.* a large and disorderly crowd of people; a large horde of animals
302. l__p to a conclusion *v.* to jump or spring into the air, often with the feet leaving the ground or a surface below; to move quickly or suddenly, often forward or upward
303. ab__e in the same place *v.* to accept or tolerate something or to act in accordance with a rule, decision, recommendation, etc.; to remain in a particular state or condition
304. local h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities
305. fashion me___r *n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
306. s__t beliefs *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

ANSWERS: 298. naive, 299. bump, 300. inarticulate, 301. mob, 302. leap, 303. abide, 304. hero, 305. mentor, 306. sect

307. 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
308. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
309. pl_____n sergeant *n.* a subdivision of a military company consisting of a small group of soldiers, usually about 30, that operates as a unit within a larger military unit; a group of individuals or things that work together or share a common purpose
310. el__e athlete *adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society
311. the art of di_____cy *n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way
312. a ge_____us reward *adj.* willing to give and share something such as money, help, kindness, etc., especially more than is necessary or expected
313. a legal di_____e over the title *n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one
314. ho_____le accident *adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust

ANSWERS: 307. degree, 308. statistics, 309. platoon, 310. elite, 311. diplomacy, 312. generous, 313. dispute, 314. horrible

315. elite ca__e *n.* a group of trained and committed members of an organization or movement
316. gu_____la warfare *n.* a member of small, independent soldiers or fighters who engage in irregular, often surprise attacks against enemy forces
317. re_____s of a building *n.* the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal
318. a young l__d *n.* a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office
319. enter the mi_____ry *n.* a department of government responsible for a particular area of public service
320. d__y the allegations *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
321. occ_____on of a building *n.* a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession
322. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
323. romantic hi_____ay *n.* a place or location that is concealed, private, or secluded, often used as a retreat or escape from the demands of everyday life
324. se_____ly connected *adv.* used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.

ANSWERS: 315. cadre, 316. guerrilla, 317. remains, 318. lord, 319. ministry, 320. deny, 321. occupation, 322. relation, 323. hideaway, 324. secondly

325. with an unc_____ble face *adj.* providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
326. la_____y room *n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
327. 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
328. human re_____s *n.* the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal
329. co_____n violence *v.* to express strong disapproval or criticism of something
330. tribal wa_____d *n.* a military leader who has gained control over a region or territory, typically through force or intimidation; a commander of an army or group of soldiers who operates outside the control of a legitimate government
331. midst of ch____s *n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
332. ch____s theory *n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
333. an am_____on for political power *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something

ANSWERS: 325. uncomfortable, 326. laundry, 327. decide, 328. remains, 329. condemn, 330. warlord, 331. chaos, 332. chaos, 333. ambition

334. there is no other alt_____ve *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
335. bu_____g desire *adj.* intense or scorching heat
336. ins_____ize a system *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
337. dis_____sh these two things *v.* to notice or understand the difference between two people or things
338. display res_____on *n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display
339. a precise def_____on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
340. a pol_____an in the ruling party *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
341. int_____te travel *adj.* between or involving different states (= the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation)
342. co_____n crime *v.* to express strong disapproval or criticism of something
343. a ge_____us and thoughtful person *adj.* willing to give and share something such as money, help, kindness, etc., especially more than is necessary or expected

ANSWERS: 334. alternative, 335. burning, 336. institutionalize, 337. distinguish, 338. resolution, 339. definition, 340. politician, 341. interstate, 342. condemn, 343. generous

344. pr____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
345. res____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
346. an____ce the award winners *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
347. economic th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
348. center-pi__t irrigation *n.* a change in direction or focus, especially in a business or political strategy; a fixed point that supports something that turns or balances
349. fr____nt of a text *n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached
350. healthcare pro____on *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
351. pr____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
352. his social st____ng *adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
353. a dr____ic rescue at sea *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
354. chewing g_m *n.* a soft, sticky substance that is chewed to freshen the breath or to clean the teeth; the flesh that surrounds the teeth in the mouth

ANSWERS: 344. probable, 345. responsible, 346. announce, 347. threat, 348. pivot, 349. fragment, 350. profession, 351. probable, 352. standing, 353. dramatic, 354. gum

355. di____e settlement *n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one
356. un____d account *adj.* not yet paid; without payment
357. un__y the system *v.* to bring or join something together so that they form a single unit
358. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
359. a tr__p of deer *n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
360. en____ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely
361. pr____e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
362. du____e materials *adj.* capable of lasting and being used for a long time without being damaged or destroyed
363. m_b violence *n.* a large and disorderly crowd of people; a large horde of animals
364. the co____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
365. un__y the party *v.* to bring or join something together so that they form a single unit
366. 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

ANSWERS: 355. dispute, 356. unpaid, 357. unify, 358. norm, 359. troop, 360. entirely, 361. propose, 362. durable, 363. mob, 364. conflict, 365. unify, 366. union

367. gr__d bargain *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
368. 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
369. imm_____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
370. ina_____ate speech *adj.* struggling to express oneself clearly or effectively in speech or writing; lacking the ability to communicate ideas or feelings fluently or coherently
371. 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
372. cu_____te in failure *v.* to reach a peak or climax
373. express fru_____on *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
374. str_____ard manner *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
375. em___y my goal *v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea
376. ch_____od development *n.* the state or time of being a child
377. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
378. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state

ANSWERS: 367. grand, 368. union, 369. immediately, 370. inarticulate, 371. degree, 372. culminate, 373. frustration, 374. straightforward, 375. embody, 376. childhood, 377. incredibly, 378. government

379. ob___e a request *v.* to force or require someone to do something through legal, social, or moral obligations; to voluntarily do something to help or please someone; to be indebted or grateful to someone
380. group of re__ls *n.* someone who resists or opposes authority or control, especially by fighting against it
381. man_____ion of psychological stress *n.* a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition
382. ex_____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
383. ex_____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
384. severe cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
385. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
386. s__t and tie restaurant *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
387. unsung h__o *n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

ANSWERS: 379. oblige, 380. rebel, 381. manifestation, 382. exciting, 383. exciting, 384. critic, 385. tradition, 386. suit, 387. hero

388. 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
389. in___t a clergyperson to a benefice *v.* to formally admit someone to a job or position of authority; to officially introduce someone to an organization or group, or beliefs or ideas
390. the ch____c economic situation *adj.* without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing
391. heal the body po____c *adj.* wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
392. racial or___n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
393. the language of di____cy *n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way
394. bring my la___p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
395. ambitious ag___a *n.* a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
396. fl___r enhancer *n.* the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth

ANSWERS: 388. process, 389. induct, 390. chaotic, 391. politic, 392. origin, 393. diplomacy, 394. laptop, 395. agenda, 396. flavor

397. re___n all hopes *v.* to give up a position or job voluntarily; to accept something unpleasant or undesirable as inevitable
398. do aw___l damage *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
399. 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
400. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
401. a no_____it organization *adj.* not established for commercial profit
402. cou_____de scenery *n.* rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery
403. a bold cl___f *n.* a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river
404. in_____te relationship *adj.* being in an early or incomplete stage; not fully formed or developed
405. de_____e in quality *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
406. exa_____te in degree *v.* to describe or represent something as better or worse than it is
407. expel a di_____at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

ANSWERS: 397. resign, 398. awful, 399. decision, 400. eventually, 401. nonprofit, 402. countryside, 403. cliff, 404. inchoate, 405. decline, 406. exaggerate, 407. diplomat

408. s__t at law *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
409. red_____er an old truth *v.* to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost
410. military st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
411. number of b_g fixes *n.* any tiny insect; a fault or defect in a computer program, system, or machine
412. pre_____on to authority *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
413. im_____e amount *adj.* extremely large or great
414. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
415. an_____y in the classroom *n.* a state of society without government or law
416. dis_____on the young *v.* to disappoint someone or something because you found that something you believed in or hoped for was not as it seemed

ANSWERS: 408. suit, 409. rediscover, 410. strategy, 411. bug, 412. pretension, 413. immense, 414. develop, 415. anarchy, 416. disillusion

417. a com_____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
418. an int_____nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
419. neg_____on skills *n.* the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others
420. rel_____ly approve the idea *adv.* in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation
421. a stone wall su_____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
422. a delicate fl____r *n.* the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth
423. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
424. di____m opponents *v.* to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary
425. art cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
426. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
427. de____e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

ANSWERS: 417. complicated, 418. intelligence, 419. negotiation, 420. reluctantly, 421. surround, 422. flavor, 423. fundamental, 424. disarm, 425. critic, 426. conversation, 427. define

428. re_____nd reading *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
429. profit-ki_____g *n.* the act of causing death; a sudden and intense force or effect that causes significant damage or destruction; a situation where someone is making a substantial amount of money or experiencing significant financial success
430. fr_____te other team members *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
431. amb_____or for football *n.* a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization
432. adm_____er the funds *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
433. a ch_____r flight *n.* a document that grants certain rights or privileges; a contract to hire or lease transportation
434. give his te_____ny *n.* a formal written or spoken statement that something is true, especially one given in court; something that serves as evidence
435. c__w a stick of gum *v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
436. secret s__t *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

ANSWERS: 428. recommend, 429. killing, 430. frustrate, 431. ambassador, 432. administer, 433. charter, 434. testimony, 435. chew, 436. sect

437. other co_____l members *n.* a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place
438. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
439. environmental ad_____ry *adj.* giving advice or suggestions on a particular matter; having the function of providing recommendations or guidance
440. since ch_____od *n.* the state or time of being a child
441. l__p of faith *v.* to jump or spring into the air, often with the feet leaving the ground or a surface below; to move quickly or suddenly, often forward or upward
442. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
443. pe_____se apartment *n.* a luxurious apartment or living space situated on the highest floor or roof of a building, often with additional amenities or features such as a balcony, terrace, or panoramic view; the top floor or floors of a building
444. neg_____on process *n.* the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others
445. b_g bites *n.* any tiny insect; a fault or defect in a computer program, system, or machine
446. cause a widespread se_____on *n.* a feeling associated with stimulation of a sense organ or with a specific body condition; a general feeling of interest and excitement

ANSWERS: 437. council, 438. colleague, 439. advisory, 440. childhood, 441. leap, 442. amazing, 443. penthouse, 444. negotiation, 445. bug, 446. sensation

447. pr___h to the masses *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
448. current af___rs *n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship
449. palpable fa_____od *n.* a statement or belief that is untrue, often intentionally deceptive or misleading
450. es___t for VIPs *n.* a person or group of people accompanying someone for protection, guidance, or courtesy; a companion or attendant; a service or a person providing a service for accompanying someone or something to or from a destination
451. pr_____e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
452. company in_____r *n.* a person who has privileged access to special or secret information about a particular organization or field
453. ch__t melodies *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
454. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
455. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

ANSWERS: 447. preach, 448. affair, 449. falsehood, 450. escort, 451. propose, 452. insider, 453. chant, 454. relation, 455. consequence

456. unpleas__nt behavior *adj.* not enjoyable or comfortable
457. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
458. remove lo__e hair *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
459. my in__te affairs *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
460. pr__y server *n.* a person or entity that is authorized to act on behalf of another person or entity
461. int__te disputes *adj.* between or involving different states (= the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation)
462. a n__b mind *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
463. pr__h the gospel *v.* to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience
464. a mild to__o *n.* a plant grown for its leaves, which are dried and processed for smoking or chewing or extraction of nicotine
465. the r__p of a chasm *n.* a sloping surface connecting two levels or inclines, typically used for the movement of people, vehicles, or goods
466. wr__ge recovery *n.* the remains of something that has been destroyed, ruined, severely damaged, or crashed, usually referring to vehicles, buildings, or machinery

ANSWERS: 456. unpleasant, 457. mass, 458. loose, 459. intimate, 460. proxy, 461. interstate, 462. numb, 463. preach, 464. tobacco, 465. ramp, 466. wreckage

467. adm_____er justice *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
468. anti-te_____sm bill *n.* the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act
469. the def_____on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
470. bubble g_m *n.* a soft, sticky substance that is chewed to freshen the breath or to clean the teeth; the flesh that surrounds the teeth in the mouth
471. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
472. source of ins_____on *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
473. in_____te idea *adj.* being in an early or incomplete stage; not fully formed or developed
474. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
475. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
476. af_____ed way of walking *adj.* influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
477. an alt_____ve plan *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice

ANSWERS: 467. administer, 468. terrorism, 469. definition, 470. gum, 471. statistics, 472. inspiration, 473. inchoate, 474. participate, 475. conversation, 476. affected, 477. alternative

478. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
479. he_____te to ask for help *v.* to pause decision before saying or doing something
480. an exh_____ing drink *adj.* making one feel very happy and lively; invigorating; providing a feeling of excitement or thrill
481. class obs_____on day *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
482. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
483. a flight of fa__y *v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
484. c__w each word *v.* to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it
485. dem_____ion project *n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others
486. pr_____e analyses *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
487. an exit r__p *n.* a sloping surface connecting two levels or inclines, typically used for the movement of people, vehicles, or goods
488. in___t them into military service *v.* to formally admit someone to a job or position of authority; to officially introduce someone to an organization or group, or beliefs or ideas
489. p__e a challenge *v.* to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed

ANSWERS: 478. eventually, 479. hesitate, 480. exhilarating, 481. observation, 482. incredible, 483. fancy, 484. chew, 485. demonstration, 486. precise, 487. ramp, 488. induct, 489. pose

490. fr_____te the advancement *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
491. regularly co_____t with a doctor *v.* to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject
492. em_____ng country *adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
493. a lo__e tongue *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
494. a st__p staircase *adj.* having a sharp inclination or slope
495. a public cor_____on *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
496. develop a st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
497. the tr__d away from television *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
498. fru_____on level *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
499. domestic af____rs *n.* event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship

ANSWERS: 490. frustrate, 491. consult, 492. emerging, 493. loose, 494. steep, 495. corporation, 496. strategy, 497. trend, 498. frustration, 499. affair

500. ship wr____ge
- n.* the remains of something that has been destroyed, ruined, severely damaged, or crashed, usually referring to vehicles, buildings, or machinery
501. sab____al year
- n.* a period of leave granted to a person for rest, travel, or other pursuits, often in academia or other professions
502. de____p a strategy
- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 500. wreckage, 501. sabbatical, 502. develop

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The defense found no _____ evidence to support the accusations against their client.
adj. capable of being demonstrated or shown to be true; able to be verified through evidence or logical reasoning
2. My left arm became _____.
adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
3. 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
4. He has an _____ knowledge of American history.
adj. having a very close friendship, personal
5. As a dedicated _____ she always fought for what was right, no matter the cost.
n. a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity
6. The media exposed the politician's _____.
n. a statement or belief that is untrue, often intentionally deceptive or misleading
7. The inspector discovered _____ bolts under the fuel rods.
adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

ANSWERS: 1. provable, 2. numb, 3. exhilarating, 4. intimate, 5. idealist, 6. falsehoods, 7. loose

8. His _____ speech about his struggles with addiction brought tears to the audience's eyes.

adj. causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy

9. The company's unethical practices have _____ its brand image in the eyes of consumers.

v. to harm the reputation or credibility of someone or something; to make something appear untrue or unreliable

10. Let's try to _____ a bit of enthusiasm into your performance.

v. to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)

11. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

12. 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

13. Please ignore that _____ on social media; their opinions are irrelevant.

n. a silly or foolish person; someone regarded as annoying or irritating

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

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

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

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

ANSWERS: 8. moving, 9. discredited, 10. inject, 11. mass, 12. intelligence, 13. twit, 14. responsible, 15. threat

16. I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my _____ all day.
- n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
17. The chef's _____ was a delicious seafood pasta dish that everyone loved.
- n.* an area or field in which a person or thing excels or specializes; a particular branch of study, occupation, or expertise; a special or unique skill or talent
18. Our company needs to _____ the business impact of climate change.
- v.* to judge or decide the nature or quality of someone or something
19. The _____ of soldiers marched in perfect formation during the parade.
- n.* a subdivision of a military company consisting of a small group of soldiers, usually about 30, that operates as a unit within a larger military unit; a group of individuals or things that work together or share a common purpose
20. The _____ of unarmed civilians is considered a war crime.
- n.* the act of causing death; a sudden and intense force or effect that causes significant damage or destruction; a situation where someone is making a substantial amount of money or experiencing significant financial success
21. The senior _____ worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.
- n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
22. The military launched a ballistic _____ at the enemy's stronghold.
- n.* a weapon, such as a rocket or guided projectile, that is self-propelled and directed by remote control or by an internal guidance mechanism

ANSWERS: 16. laptop, 17. specialty, 18. assess, 19. platoon, 20. killing, 21. diplomat, 22. missile

23. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

24. Our law firm also focuses on _____ activities.

adj. not established for commercial profit

25. The athlete was able to _____ over the hurdle with ease.

v. to jump or spring into the air, often with the feet leaving the ground or a surface below; to move quickly or suddenly, often forward or upward

26. She is willing to give up her position in the _____ family to marry him.

adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

27. One rotten apple spoils the whole _____.

n. a large round container made of wood, metal, or plastic, with flat ends and, usually, curved sides; one of several units of volume

28. Because of the country's poor economic prospects, the number of _____ defaulters has been increasing.

n. a regular payment to a person made by the government or a private company that is intended to allow them to subsist without working

29. The small village in the _____ was perfect for a quiet getaway.

n. rural areas or regions outside of cities and urban centers often characterized by open fields, farmland, forests, and countryside scenery

30. The _____ cliff made it difficult to climb.

adj. having a sharp inclination or slope

ANSWERS: 23. absolutely, 24. nonprofit, 25. leap, 26. royal, 27. barrel, 28. pension, 29. countryside, 30. steep

31. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.
n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
32. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.
adj. unbelievable; enormous
33. The criminal decided to _____ another robbery despite his previous arrest.
v. to commit or carry out a harmful or illegal act, particularly one that involves violence or deception; to be responsible for the creation or continuation of a negative situation
34. Our company's products are made of highly _____ materials.
adj. capable of lasting and being used for a long time without being damaged or destroyed
35. 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
36. The team won their seventh _____ game, maintaining their winning streak.
adj. following one after another in a series or sequence; happening or occurring in continuous or consecutive order; consecutive or sequential in nature
37. I found a stink ___ crawling across the ceiling.
n. any tiny insect; a fault or defect in a computer program, system, or machine
38. He _____ in the dazzling sunlight.
v. to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way

ANSWERS: 31. definition, 32. incredible, 33. perpetrate, 34. durable, 35. crisis, 36. successive, 37. bug, 38. blinked

39. He felt a deep _____ as he realized the project would not be completed on time.
- n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
40. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.
- adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
41. Her _____ accent made it difficult to take her seriously.
- adj.* influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
42. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
- v.* to take part in something
43. He gained debt _____.
- n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion
44. The project's _____ outlined the goals and requirements for the team to complete.
- n.* a detailed description of the characteristics, features, or requirements of something, typically a product or system; a written statement that outlines the standards, procedures, or requirements for a project or job
45. The experience was _____ and left a lasting impression.
- adj.* extremely unpleasant or bad; causing fear or disgust
46. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 39. frustration, 40. relatives, 41. affected, 42. participated, 43.

forgiveness, 44. specifications, 45. horrible, 46. develop

47. The grandmother _____ a warm sweater for her grandchild.
v. to make a garment or fabric by interlocking loops of yarn with needles or a machine
48. 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
49. The _____ of the plane was scattered across the field after the crash.
n. the remains of something that has been destroyed, ruined, severely damaged, or crashed, usually referring to vehicles, buildings, or machinery
50. After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the _____ suspect.
adj. main or most important; basic; (prime number, noun) a natural number greater than 1 that cannot be formed by multiplying two smaller natural numbers (e.g., 2, 3, 5, 7, 11 and 13)
51. I don't _____ acting in such an important role.
v. to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
52. Being a doctor is considered a highly respected _____.
n. an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
53. It seems _____ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.
adj. likely to happen or likely to be true
54. The oil price continued their downward _____.
n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing

ANSWERS: 47. knit, 48. degree, 49. wreckage, 50. prime, 51. fancy, 52. profession, 53. probable, 54. trend

55. The fire spread rapidly, engulfing everything in its path in a _____ inferno.

adj. intense or scorching heat

56. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

57. An _____ of bodyguards surrounded the celebrity to keep fans safe.

n. a person or group of people accompanying someone for protection, guidance, or courtesy; a companion or attendant; a service or a person providing a service for accompanying someone or something to or from a destination

58. I always like having a pack of ____ to freshen my breath.

n. a soft, sticky substance that is chewed to freshen the breath or to clean the teeth; the flesh that surrounds the teeth in the mouth

59. This region has many _____ offering higher education.

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

60. The police stopped the suspicious person and asked him to give his name, address, and _____.

n. a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession

61. The con artist's lies quickly took in the _____ young man.

adj. showing unaffected simplicity and lack of experience, wisdom, or judgment

62. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

ANSWERS: 55. burning, 56. conversation, 57. escort, 58. gum, 59. institutes, 60. occupation, 61. naive, 62. amazing

63. He left his wife an _____ fortune.

adj. extremely large or great

64. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.

v. to be all around something or somebody

65. After the accident, three governmental bodies _____ the company.

v. to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

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

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

67. He _____ agreed to go to the party.

adv. in a way that you are unwilling to do something; with hesitation

68. They have been living near water since _____ times.

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

69. He stood at the edge of the _____ and looked out to sea.

n. a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river

70. The _____ of his anxiety was evident in his shaking hands.

n. a visible or tangible form of something, especially a particular sign of a disease or condition

71. The wheelchair user needed a _____ to access the building's entrance.

n. a sloping surface connecting two levels or inclines, typically used for the movement of people, vehicles, or goods

ANSWERS: 63. immense, 64. surround, 65. administer, 66. obvious, 67. reluctantly, 68. ancient, 69. cliff, 70. manifestation, 71. ramp

72. 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
73. Military technology eventually became the foundation for _____ technology that supported people's lives.
- adj.* of or relating to a subject of study, especially a science, that is used in a practical way
74. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
75. Always _____ a lawyer before launching a business.
- v.* to seek or get advice or information from a person, book, or other source having special knowledge on a particular subject
76. The boss of the _____ was finally caught after years on the run.
- n.* a secret criminal organization that engages in illegal activities such as gambling, extortion, racketeering, prostitution, and drug trafficking, typically maintains a strict code of loyalty, secrecy, and omertà (= silence or non-cooperation with authorities)
77. The _____ of experienced soldiers led the attack.
- n.* a group of trained and committed members of an organization or movement
78. If you apply this ointment, you may feel a mild burning _____.
- n.* a feeling associated with stimulation of a sense organ or with a specific body condition; a general feeling of interest and excitement
79. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.
- n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

ANSWERS: 72. decide, 73. applied, 74. Communal, 75. consult, 76. mafia, 77. cadre, 78. sensation, 79. consequences

80. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.
n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
81. The people believe that they can _____ the country.
v. to bring or join something together so that they form a single unit
82. Six _____ are awaiting trial or verdict.
n. a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
83. His abusive words made me _____.
adj. providing or feeling physical discomfort or slight pain
84. He was forced to _____ his tenants because they couldn't pay the rent.
v. to deprive someone of the possession or use of something, often property or land
85. Since independence, the area has been completely _____.
v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
86. She felt _____ with the management and decided to leave.
v. to disappoint someone or something because you found that something you believed in or hoped for was not as it seemed
87. I want to _____ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.
v. to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

ANSWERS: 80. conflicts, 81. unify, 82. suits, 83. uncomfortable, 84. dispossess, 85. ignored, 86. disillusioned, 87. propose

88. The soccer game crowd broke into a _____ of "Go, team, go!"
n. a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
89. Some employees claim they were simply _____.
adj. not yet paid; without payment
90. As a _____ he helped me realize my career.
n. a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
91. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.
n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
92. The concept of _____ has been used in literature, music, and other art forms to explore ideas about power, freedom, and rebellion.
n. a state of society without government or law
93. He is still _____ stealing the money from the cash register.
v. to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
94. The _____ occasionally preaches at this church.
n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
95. She was _____ in her behavior.
adj. wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
96. Four companies were amalgamated into a single _____.
n. a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

ANSWERS: 88. chant, 89. unpaid, 90. mentor, 91. strategy, 92. anarchy, 93. denying, 94. minister, 95. politic, 96. corporation

97. 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
98. We are always happy to _____ a discount.
- v.* to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement
99. We _____ taking media training every six months.
- v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
100. The _____ from the small country was not allowed to speak at the meeting.
- n.* a person sent or authorized to represent others, in particular, an elected representative sent to a conference; (verb) to transfer power to someone
101. Her _____ for cooking is evident in every dish she prepares.
- n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction
102. The building's _____ system includes cameras, alarms, and security guards.
- n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
103. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.
- v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
104. The _____ concert was packed with fans.
- adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation

ANSWERS: 97. colleague, 98. negotiate, 99. recommend, 100. delegate, 101. passion, 102. security, 103. invite, 104. standing

105. The defendant gave a _____ and accurate description of the accident.

adj. easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity

106. Shares in the company finally fell below their ____ value.

n. a state of being equal to someone or something

107. His latest _____ at work may cost him his job.

n. a person or thing that causes a mistake or error; a disorderly or confused situation resulting from mistakes or errors

108. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.

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

109. The event will _____ in a grand fireworks display.

v. to reach a peak or climax

110. The police were able to _____ the suspect without any violence.

v. to remove weapons or the means of attack from a person, group, or situation; to win over or reduce suspicion or hostility from an opponent or adversary

111. _____ product is a leading cause of preventable deaths worldwide.

n. a plant grown for its leaves, which are dried and processed for smoking or chewing or extraction of nicotine

112. The _____ group demanded independence from the ruling government.

adj. relating to or advocating for the separation or withdrawal of a group or region from a larger entity, often for political, cultural, or ideological reasons; seeking independence or autonomy

ANSWERS: 105. straightforward, 106. par, 107. screwup, 108. independence, 109. culminate, 110. disarm, 111. Tobacco, 112. separatist

113. The third season of the anime show has been _____.
v. to make something known or officially inform people about something
114. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.
adv. now or without delay
115. The _____ of the coffee was rich and full-bodied.
n. the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth
116. The _____ for the meeting includes discussions on the budget and new project proposals.
n. a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
117. _____ technologies have dramatically improved productivity in various industries.
adj. starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
118. We are trying to _____ this disease from the world.
v. to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
119. The entrepreneur's business plan was still _____ and needed further development before implementation.
adj. being in an early or incomplete stage; not fully formed or developed
120. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.
n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
121. Mining is a _____ source of income for the country.
adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

ANSWERS: 113. announced, 114. immediately, 115. flavor, 116. agenda, 117. Emerging, 118. eradicate, 119. inchoate, 120. narrative, 121. chief

122. The team needed to come up with a _____ strategy to turn things around.
n. a change in direction or focus, especially in a business or political strategy; a fixed point that supports something that turns or balances
123. The _____ jacket was worn in but still comfortable.
n. a material made from the skin of an animal, typically by tanning, and used for clothing, shoes, furniture, and other items
124. She voted by _____ because she was unable to attend in person.
n. a person or entity that is authorized to act on behalf of another person or entity
125. This study _____ four different ways to run a business.
v. to notice or understand the difference between two people or things
126. She has _____ habits.
adj. clean or tidy, with everything in its place
127. It is _____ to see criminal behavior even though it is minor.
adj. not enjoyable or comfortable
128. He had fond memories of his _____ spent playing in the park with his friends.
n. the state or time of being a child
129. 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
130. Companies developing self-driving cars consistently _____ the emerging technologies.
v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

ANSWERS: 122. pivot, 123. leather, 124. proxy, 125. distinguished, 126. neat, 127. unpleasant, 128. childhood, 129. decision, 130. innovate

131. _____ suddenly occupied the presidential palace.

n. a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs

132. The _____ fought against the government for their independence.

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

133. This year's _____ gathering will be held in Canada.

adj. important and large in size, scope, or extent

134. She _____ in pain as the doctor examined her injury.

v. to make a low, prolonged sound of pain, grief, or sexual pleasure; to complain about something

135. Change is also occurring in Turkey as a result of _____ reform.

adj. without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing

136. Very few educational _____ go to Oxford or Cambridge.

adj. belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society

137. I hope to _____ in my career and live a happy life.

v. to accomplish or achieve a desired or intended result or goal; to prosper or attain success in a given field or endeavor

138. I need to do the _____ before I run out of clean clothes.

n. the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed

ANSWERS: 131. Militia, 132. rebels, 133. grand, 134. moaned, 135. chaotic, 136. elites, 137. succeed, 138. laundry

139. 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
140. The _____ of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.
n. a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
141. The _____ lost his position in the end due to the scandal.
n. a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
142. The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve _____ disputes.
adj. of or relating to the inside of something
143. The new policy aims to _____ the use of renewable energy sources.
v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
144. The author's _____ writing style made it difficult for readers to follow his story.
adj. struggling to express oneself clearly or effectively in speech or writing; lacking the ability to communicate ideas or feelings fluently or coherently
145. This teacher is _____ in his grading.
adj. willing to give and share something such as money, help, kindness, etc., especially more than is necessary or expected
146. Some critics say this exhibition will be a big _____.
n. event, situation, or subject that is significant from a political or public perspective; a secretive or illicit sexual relationship

ANSWERS: 139. relations, 140. troop, 141. politician, 142. internal, 143. institutionalize, 144. inarticulate, 145. generous, 146. affair

147. We will attempt to _____ some of your suggestions into our future strategy.

v. to include something as a part of a larger entity

148. The _____ of the ancient civilization can still be seen in the city's ruins.

n. the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal

149. Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of _____ weapons.

adj. of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

150. Firstly, we will discuss the budget; _____ we will go over the schedule.

adv. used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.

151. My dog loves to _____ on bones.

v. to crush or grind something, especially food, with the teeth and then swallow it

152. My sister and I frequently _____ books, as we love reading.

v. to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

153. The new citizenship laws will _____ many immigrants.

v. to prevent someone from having the right to vote or from having an equal opportunity to vote

ANSWERS: 147. incorporate, 148. remains, 149. nuclear, 150. secondly, 151. chew, 152. exchange, 153. disenfranchise

154. Full involvement means _____ and prompt responses.

adj. honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

155. The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat _____.

n. the act of causing so much damage to something

156. With _____ joy, he signed his name.

adj. apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment

157. Witness _____ backed up the defendant's claims.

n. a formal written or spoken statement that something is true, especially one given in court; something that serves as evidence

158. I found a peaceful _____ in the mountains to relax and recharge.

n. a place or location that is concealed, private, or secluded, often used as a retreat or escape from the demands of everyday life

159. Enhanced rail _____ is crucial for our business.

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

160. In the hospital, she will remain under constant _____.

n. the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone

161. The _____ runner fell to the ground and gasped.

adj. extremely tired

162. The _____ in the city center offers stunning views of the skyline.

n. a luxurious apartment or living space situated on the highest floor or roof of a building, often with additional amenities or features such as a balcony, terrace, or panoramic view; the top floor or floors of a building

ANSWERS: 154. frank, 155. destruction, 156. evident, 157. testimony, 158. hideaway, 159. transportation, 160. observation, 161. exhausted, 162. penthouse

163. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
164. The _____ of the organization outlines its mission and goals.
n. a document that grants certain rights or privileges; a contract to hire or lease transportation
165. We packed and shipped the product in _____ containers.
adj. closed or secured with
166. The _____ in the city have left many buildings damaged and several people injured.
n. a violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd, characterized by destruction of property, looting, arson, and attacks on individuals
167. The _____ army was well-equipped and well-trained, making them a formidable force to reckon with.
n. a military leader who has gained control over a region or territory, typically through force or intimidation; a commander of an army or group of soldiers who operates outside the control of a legitimate government
168. The company's HR policy advocates for a _____ workplace where all employees are treated equally regardless of race.
adj. (of a person) unable to distinguish certain colors or used to describe a lack of racial or cultural bias
169. He's a Wall Street _____ with a lot of valuable information.
n. a person who has privileged access to special or secret information about a particular organization or field

ANSWERS: 163. Climate, 164. charter, 165. sealed, 166. riots, 167. warlord's, 168. colorblind, 169. insider

170. The painting was _____ in an attic and turned out to be a long-lost masterpiece.

v. to discover or find again something that was previously known but lost

171. Democracy is utterly opposed to any form of _____.

n. the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act

172. The _____ exercised great care in landing.

n. a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water

173. As a citizen, we must _____ to the laws of the land.

v. to force or require someone to do something through legal, social, or moral obligations; to voluntarily do something to help or please someone; to be indebted or grateful to someone

174. The content is _____ and informative for me.

adj. sharply exact or accurate or delimited

175. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

176. The coach explained a strategy to _____ the opponent's schemes to the players.

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

177. She accidentally _____ into him in the crowded room.

v. to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident

ANSWERS: 170. rediscovered, 171. terrorism, 172. pilot, 173. oblige, 174. precise, 175. exciting, 176. frustrate, 177. bumped

178. The woods _____ the house.

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

179. Our tech support responds to the first _____ exceptionally promptly.

- n.* the act or process of asking a question or asking for information; an official process of investigating a matter of public interest

180. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

- adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

181. 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

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

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

183. The _____ over the ownership of the land has been ongoing for years.

- n.* a disagreement, argument, or controversy between two people, groups, or countries, especially a formal one

184. 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

185. The _____ of education is responsible for managing the schools in the country.

- n.* a department of government responsible for a particular area of public service

ANSWERS: 178. embrace, 179. inquiry, 180. complicated, 181. union, 182. suppose, 183. dispute, 184. generation, 185. ministry

186. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
187. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.
n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
188. He made a New Year's _____ to exercise more and eat healthier.
n. a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display
189. He found _____ in the works of his favorite authors.
n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
190. 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
191. The statement had a _____ impact on house prices.
adj. very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
192. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
193. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.
n. the first existence or beginning of something

ANSWERS: 186. opposition, 187. critics, 188. resolution, 189. inspiration, 190. government, 191. dramatic, 192. innovation, 193. origin

194. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

195. The _____ highway connects the major cities of the state.

adj. between or involving different states (= the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation)

196. The magic tricks _____ the children.

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

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

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

198. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

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

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

200. Greed and _____ composed his personality.

n. a strong wish to do or achieve something

201. The travel agent provided _____ services to the clients.

adj. giving advice or suggestions on a particular matter; having the function of providing recommendations or guidance

ANSWERS: 194. fundamental, 195. interstate, 196. fascinated, 197. statistics, 198. eventually, 199. suffers, 200. ambition, 201. advisory

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

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

203. The _____ of peace met with government officials to discuss bilateral relations.

n. a diplomatic representative of a country who is sent to another country or international organization

204. I regretted making an _____ mistake in my final exam.

adj. causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

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

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

206. A network of railways has developed over the _____.

n. the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation

207. The pastor _____ about the importance of forgiveness.

v. to deliver a religious or moral message to an audience

208. After ten years of teaching, she took a _____ to travel the world.

n. a period of leave granted to a person for rest, travel, or other pursuits, often in academia or other professions

209. The feudal _____ had ruled the land for many years.

n. a person who has general authority, control, or power over others; a man of noble rank or high office

ANSWERS: 202. negotiation, 203. ambassador, 204. awful, 205. involves, 206. province, 207. preached, 208. sabbatical, 209. lord

210. Climbing to the _____ of the mountain is a challenge that many outdoor enthusiasts strive to achieve.
- n.* the highest point or peak of something, particularly a mountain or a career; the greatest or highest level of achievement or success
211. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.
- v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
212. The minority _____ believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.
- n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
213. The museum houses a _____ collection of Celtic artifacts.
- adj.* extremely interesting
214. The chief _____ was responsible for organizing the meeting.
- n.* a person whose job is to deal with correspondence, keep records, and do administrative work for a company or organization
215. The street was filled with _____ on New Year's Eve.
- n.* lively and noisy festivities, typically involving drinking, dancing, and general merrymaking; a celebration marked by indulgence and enjoyment
216. The government was _____ for its handling of the crisis.
- v.* to express strong disapproval or criticism of something
217. The soldier who sacrificed his life for his country is considered a national _____.
- n.* a person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities; a character in literature or history who is central to the plot and who exhibits heroic qualities

ANSWERS: 210. pinnacle, 211. separate, 212. sect, 213. fascinating, 214. secretary, 215. revelry, 216. condemned, 217. hero

218. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
219. The archaeologist carefully pieced together the tiny _____ of pottery found at the dig site.
n. a small piece or part broken off or detached
220. Later, his claim was found to be _____ false.
adv. completely
221. A _____ brushing helps to keep your mouth fresh.
adj. done completely; significantly careful and accurate
222. The mathematical equation had a _____ solution that was easy to follow.
adj. characterized by clear and sound reasoning; following a rational and systematic approach; based on or in accordance with logic or reason
223. Please do not _____ to call us.
v. to pause decision before saying or doing something
224. Thousands of people attended the protest _____ against the proposed policy.
n. a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others
225. The city _____ voted to approve the new development project.
n. a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place

ANSWERS: 218. norms, 219. fragments, 220. entirely, 221. thorough, 222. logical, 223. hesitate, 224. demonstration, 225. council

226. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using _____ medicines.

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

227. 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

228. The chemicals _____ a massive health risk.

v. to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed

229. The doctor advised him to _____ down for a check.

v. to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

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

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

231. Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as _____ but was later proven correct.

adj. very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at

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

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

ANSWERS: 226. alternative, 227. process, 228. pose, 229. strip, 230. random, 231. ridiculous, 232. diplomacy

233. After a long battle with her health, the teacher had no choice but to _____ from her position.
- v. to give up a position or job voluntarily; to accept something unpleasant or undesirable as inevitable
234. We were _____ into the honor society.
- v. to formally admit someone to a job or position of authority; to officially introduce someone to an organization or group, or beliefs or ideas
235. The excited ____ was getting out of control at the concert.
- n. a large and disorderly crowd of people; a large horde of animals
236. The government imposed economic _____ on the country.
- n. official permission or approval for an action, especially an economic or political action by a government or international organization; a penalty or punishment imposed for breaking the law, rule, or agreement; (verb) to impose a penalty or punishment for breaking the law, rule, or agreement
237. His _____ of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.
- n. the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
238. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
- n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
239. They _____ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.
- v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

ANSWERS: 233. resign, 234. inducted, 235. mob, 236. sanctions, 237. pretensions, 238. tradition, 239. encouraged

240. That _____ group actively advocated environmental protection to the government.
- n.* a large area inside the entrance of a public building where people can meet and wait; a group of people who try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group to influence legislation
241. The conference room was in _____ as everyone tried to speak at once.
- n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
242. They must _____ by the rules set by the governing body.
- v.* to accept or tolerate something or to act in accordance with a rule, decision, recommendation, etc.; to remain in a particular state or condition
243. Purple is _____ between blue and red.
- adj.* situated between two locations, things, states, etc.; around the middle of a scale of evaluation
244. The government's efforts to suppress the _____ movement were met with resistance from local communities.
- n.* a member of small, independent soldiers or fighters who engage in irregular, often surprise attacks against enemy forces
245. As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually _____.
- v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
246. He had to _____ down his coffee before rushing to work.
- v.* to swallow quickly and forcefully; to take in a large amount of air or liquid quickly and audibly because of surprise, fear, or excitement

ANSWERS: 240. lobby, 241. chaos, 242. abide, 243. intermediate, 244. guerrilla, 245. declines, 246. gulp

247. 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

248. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

249. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.

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

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

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

251. The company's new products _____ the values of innovation and sustainability.

v. to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea

ANSWERS: 247. exaggerated, 248. incredibly, 249. define, 250. military, 251. embody