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Session 1: Word List

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.

claim

v. to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

synonym: assert, declare, maintain

(1) **claim** responsibility, (2) false **claim**

He wants to **claim** ownership of the abandoned property.

fame

n. the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on

synonym: celebrity, renown, stardom

(1) leap into **fame**, (2) his undying **fame**

Good **fame** is better than a good face.

historic

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

synonym: memorable, momentous, historical

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

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

crucial

adj. extremely vital or necessary

synonym : essential, pivotal, vital

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

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

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.

intellect

n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

synonym : mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

enlightenment

n. education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge

synonym : civilization, awareness, sophistication

(1) spiritual **enlightenment**, (2) **enlightenment** activity

He finally brought his **enlightenment** to perfection.

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.

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.

folk

n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

synonym : community, family, person

(1) **folk** art, (2) the **folk** songs of a particular district

Some seaweed was used as **folk** medicine in ancient times.

dawn

n. the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky

synonym : daybreak, sunrise, advent

(1) the wan light of **dawn**, (2) crack of **dawn**

Missile assaults on the capital continued around **dawn**.

dusk

n. the period of the day just before nightfall when the light begins to fade; the darker part of twilight

synonym : twilight, gloaming, sundown

(1) **dusk** sky, (2) **dusk** falls

The sky turned a beautiful orange hue at **dusk**.

alcohol

n. a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.

synonym : booze, liquor, ethanol

(1) stop drinking **alcohol**, (2) diluted **alcohol**

There is a clear association between **alcohol** consumption and cognitive decline.

beverage

n. a drink of any type

synonym : drink, libation, liquid

(1) food and **beverage**, (2) alcoholic **beverages**

Bring a snack or **beverage** to satisfy your appetite.

population

n. the total number of people in a country, region, or location

synonym: people, inhabitants, folk

(1) **population** change, (2) labor **population**

In just four years, the **population** has doubled.

depress

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

synonym: sadden, discourage, deflate

(1) **depress** their spirits, (2) **depress** crop prices

The economic recession **depressed** the housing market.

stimulant

n. a substance or drug that increases or heightens physiological or nervous system activity typically used to improve alertness, attention, or concentration

synonym: upper, energizer, booster

(1) memory **stimulant**, (2) prescription **stimulant**

Many athletes use **stimulants** like caffeine to boost their energy before a competition.

alert

v. to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action

synonym: warn, inform, (adjective) vigilant

(1) **alert** consumers to the dangers, (2) **alert** system

The company's cybersecurity team **alerted** the CEO to potential threats.

accident

n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

synonym: calamity, casualty, chance

(1) cause an **accident**, (2) injury in a car **accident**

The **accident** partially destroyed my vehicle.

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.

architecture

n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings

synonym: design, structure, layout

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

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

background

n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

synonym: ground, experience, backdrop

(1) a **background** color, (2) a criminal **background**

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's **background**.

expertise

n. specialized knowledge or skills in a particular field or subject; expert proficiency or knowledge

synonym: knowledge, skill, mastery

(1) marketing **expertise**, (2) demonstrate **expertise**

The company's success can be attributed to the **expertise** of its employees.

matte

adj. having a surface without a shine, luster; non-glossy

synonym: dull, flat, lusterless

(1) **matte** coating, (2) photo with a **matte** finish

The body of his car has a **matte** finish.

conjugal

adj. relating to marriage or the relationship between spouses; pertaining to the married state or married life

synonym: marital, connubial, wedded

(1) **conjugal** relationship, (2) **conjugal** rights

The couple decided to attend **conjugal** therapy to work on their marital issues.

astonishing

adj. surprising or shocking; difficult to believe

synonym: surprising, shocking, astounding

(1) **astonishing** achievement, (2) make **astonishing** gains

The news of her sudden death was **astonishing** to everyone who knew her.

quest

n. a long or challenging search for something

synonym: exploration, inquisition, pursuit

(1) the **quest** for truth, (2) on a **quest** for happiness

That adventurer traveled in **quest** of buried treasure.

investigate

v. to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth

synonym: examine, analyze, look into

(1) **investigate** the matter, (2) **investigate** a data leak

The committee **investigated** several apparent inconsistencies.

environment

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

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

creative

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

synonym: imaginative, innovative, inventive

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

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

extraordinary

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

synonym: exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

(1) **extraordinary** ability, (2) **extraordinary** weather

He narrated the **extraordinary** story of his adventure.

innovative

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

synonym: creative, ingenious, inventive

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

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

biology

n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

(1) evolutionary **biology**, (2) cell and molecular **biology**

In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in **biology** class.

coral

n. a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry

(1) **coral** island, (2) **coral** ornament

She is wearing a **coral** necklace.

reef

n. a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

(1) barrier **reef**, (2) coral **reefs**

The vessel ran aground on a **reef**.

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.

signature

n. a person's name, often handwritten, written in a distinctive way as a form of identification or authorization; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is a hallmark or identifying mark of something or someone

synonym: autograph, mark, handwriting

(1) **signature** dish, (2) artist's **signature**

The lawyer confirmed that the **signature** on the contract was genuine.

recurring

adj. happening or occurring again periodically or repeatedly

synonym: periodic, constant, frequent

(1) **recurring** payments, (2) **recurring** decimals

A **recurring** back pain interfered with his concentration.

organization

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

synonym: association, institution, community

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

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

principle

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

synonym: rule, creed, code

(1) **principle** of treatment, (2) **principle** in business

Efficiency isn't an essential **principle** here; fairness is.

conventional

adj. based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.

synonym: ancestral, customary, established

(1) a **conventional** style, (2) get a **conventional** loan

She is very **conventional** in her thoughts.

metaphor

n. a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a

similarity

synonym: conceit, analogy, symbol

(1) **metaphor** for death, (2) visual **metaphor**

She expressed her thought in an artful choice of **metaphors**.

steer

v. to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone

synonym: guide, direct, control

(1) **steer** a steady course, (2) **steer** a conversation

The captain told him to **steer** the ship north.

concept

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

synonym: idea, notion, vision

(1) learn new **concepts**, (2) **concept** car

One such rapidly growing **concept** is quantum cryptography.

vocabulary

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

synonym: lexicon, glossary, dictionary

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

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

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.

flash

n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness

synonym: sparkle, gleam, glimmer

(1) a **flash** of lightning, (2) brilliant **flash**

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

insight

n. the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

synonym : wisdom, discernment, understanding

(1) a profound **insight**, (2) share my **insights**

We gained various **insights** by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.

stroke

n. a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.

synonym : blow

(1) suffer **stroke**, (2) a **stroke** of the putter

This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat **stroke** cases.

epiphany

n. a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus

synonym : revelation, enlightenment, insight

(1) **epiphany** about life, (2) Feast of **Epiphany**

She had an **epiphany** while meditating and realized the answer to her problem.

eureka

n. exclamation of triumph on discovering something; realization or sudden insight

synonym : discovery, breakthrough, aha moment

(1) have a **eureka** moment, (2) shout "**eureka!**"

"**Eureka!**" he exclaimed, finally solving the problem.

bulb

n. a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball

(1) wet- **bulb** thermometer, (2) a lily **bulb**

The light **bulb** has burned out.

rhetoric

n. speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form

synonym : oratory, eloquence, persuasion

(1) the **rhetoric** of a debate, (2) high-flown **rhetoric**

He was known for his powerful **rhetoric** and ability to persuade people with his words.

florid

adj. decorated with elaborate designs or ornamentation; overly ornate or showy

synonym : ornate, elaborate, flowery

(1) **florid** music, (2) **florid** style

The **florid** language of the poet was often difficult to understand.

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym : guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

illuminating

adj. making something clear or easy to understand; providing light

synonym : enlightening, informative, clarifying

(1) **illuminating** light, (2) an **illuminating** answer

The lecture was **illuminating** and gave me a new perspective on the topic.

argue

v. to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others

synonym : debate, dispute, quarrel

(1) **argue** a case, (2) **argue** passionately

The couple began to **argue** over which restaurant to go to for

dinner.

element

n. a fundamental or essential part of something

synonym: component, feature, essence

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

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

brain

n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

synonym: intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage

X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

neuron

n. a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body

synonym: nerve cell

(1) excite the **neurons**, (2) **neuron** cell body

Our body transfers information along each **neuron** using an electrical impulse.

fir

n. a type of tall evergreen tree that is native to the northern hemisphere, with needle-like leaves and cones that stand upright on the branches

synonym: pine, spruce, cedar

(1) **fir** branch, (2) **fir** forest

The smell of fresh **fir** trees filled the air at the Christmas tree farm.

synchronize

v. to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate

synonym: coordinate, accompany, harmonize

(1) **synchronize** movements, (2) **synchronize** our watches

The ball speed will increase when the lower body movements are perfectly **synchronized**.

configuration

n. the arrangement or pattern of something or a group of related things

synonym : arrangement, composition, formatting

(1) **configuration** of the system, (2) engine **configuration**

The **configuration** of molecules in steel changes significantly with temperature.

mimic

v. to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh

synonym : mirror, imitate, ape

(1) **mimic** a human voice, (2) **mimic** numerous instruments

He is very popular at school because he can **mimic** all the teachers' accents.

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.

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.

tackle

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation

synonym : deal with, dive into, work on

(1) **tackle** the issue, (2) help **tackle** climate change

The government is determined to **tackle** sharp inflation.

infant

n. a baby or very young child

synonym : baby, newborn, tot

(1) **infant** daughter, (2) **infant** food

Mozart was an **infant** prodigy.

mortality

n. the quality or state of being subject to death

synonym : fatality

(1) **mortality** due to cancer, (2) lower infant **mortality**

This disease has a high **mortality**.

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.

modern

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

synonym : contemporary, stylish, current

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

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

neonatal

adj. relating to the first few weeks after birth; pertaining to newborn infants

synonym : newborn, infant, baby

(1) **neonatal** care, (2) **neonatal** jaundice

The **neonatal** unit at the hospital specializes in caring for premature babies.

incubator

n. an apparatus in which conditions are controlled for hatching eggs, growing cells, or keeping people or animals warm; a place, especially with support staff and equipment, offered at a low cost to new small businesses

synonym : hatchery, brooder, nursery

(1) infant **incubator**, (2) business **incubator** program

The eggs were placed in an artificial **incubator** to ensure proper hatching conditions.

context

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

synonym: background, setting, environment

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

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

premature

adj. occurring or done too early; happening before the appropriate time; born before the end of a full-term pregnancy

synonym: prematurely born, untimely, early

(1) **premature** birth, (2) **premature** death

The **premature** baby was small but healthy.

halve

v. to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size

synonym: reduce by half, cut in half, split

(1) **halve** the price, (2) **halve** the workload

I need to **halve** the recipe to make just enough for two people.

industrialize

v. to organize the production of something into an industry

synonym: motorize

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

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

spare

adj. additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone

synonym: extra, excess, (verb) afford

(1) **spare** parts, (2) **spare** cost

I made plans to spend my **spare** time beneficially.

equip

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

synonym : prepare, furnish, provide

(1) **equip** an army, (2) **equip** our children with some special skills

The construction company **equipped** the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

aid

n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support

synonym : helper, resource, assistance

(1) financial **aid**, (2) country-by-country **aid** programs

Pakistan's **aid** budget was still being reviewed.

advance

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

synonym : progress, boost, come along

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

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

electronics

n. the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems

synonym : technology, gadgets, circuitry

(1) **electronics** industry, (2) **electronics** store

The company specializes in manufacturing and selling cutting-edge **electronics**.

useless

adj. not serving any useful purpose; having no practical result

synonym : ineffectual, unhelpful, worthless

(1) **useless** information, (2) **useless** in the kitchen

The old, rusty tools were now **useless** and had to be thrown away.

abundant

adj. present in great quantity

synonym : ample, plentiful, generative

(1) live an **abundant** life, (2) an **abundant** supply of water
The country has **abundant** oil and natural gas resources.

microwave

n. a form of electromagnetic radiation with wavelengths ranging from about one millimeter to one meter and frequencies between 300 MHz (0.3 GHz) and 300 GHz; an electric oven that cooks food by exposing it to high-frequency electromagnetic radiation, which causes the food molecules to vibrate and heat up quickly

synonym: oven, waveguide, radar range

(1) **microwave** radiation, (2) **microwave** popcorn

I heated my leftover food in the **microwave** oven, which tasted just as good as freshly cooked.

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.

automobile

n. a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods

synonym: car, vehicle, motorcar

(1) driverless **automobile**, (2) **automobile** insurance

The **automobile** industry is a major contributor to air pollution in cities.

device

n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

synonym: gadget, instrument, tool

(1) electronic **device**, (2) tracking **device**

I always carry a backup **device** in case my phone runs out of battery.

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**.

fan

n. a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

synonym : lover, devotee, blade

(1) a film **fan**, (2) engine cooling **fan**

I'm a big **fan** of French food.

headlight

n. a bright forward-facing light on a vehicle, typically used at night to illuminate the road ahead

synonym : headlamp, beam, lamp

(1) **headlight** adjustment, (2) **headlight** switch

My car's **headlight** must be replaced before I drive again at night.

chime

v. to make a ringing sound, usually by striking an object like a bell or wind chime; to harmonize or agree with something else; (noun) a set of musical bells or metal tubes that produce a musical sound when struck or played

synonym : ring, toll, peal

(1) glass wind **chime**, (2) **chime** with the music

The grandfather clock **chimed** solemnly, signaling the hour.

alarm

n. a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

synonym : notice, warning, panic

(1) give the **alarm**, (2) an **alarm** clock

The **alarm** announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.

battery

n. a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them

synonym : electric cell, array, batch

(1) a dry **battery**, (2) **battery** charging

The engine did not start because the **battery** was flat.

breakthrough

n. a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem

synonym : advance, progress, innovation

(1) **breakthrough** in the negotiations, (2) **breakthrough** discovery

A technique called deep learning has led to **breakthroughs** in AI.

brand

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

synonym : trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car

There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

state-of-the-art

adj. characterized by the use of the latest and most advanced technology or methods; cutting-edge

synonym : advanced, cutting-edge, innovative

(1) **state-of-the-art** technology, (2) **state-of-the-art** software

The hospital has **state-of-the-art** equipment and facilities to ensure the best healthcare for its patients.

cobble

n. a rounded, irregularly shaped stone used for paving streets or for building walls; (verb) to make or repair something in a rough and hurried way

synonym : pebble, boulder, stone

(1) **cobble** driveway, (2) **cobble** up a policy accord

The town is known for its historic **cobble** streets, which were laid by hand in the 19th century.

stitch

n. one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn

(1) a **stitch** in a garment, (2) pattern **stitch**

The wound was so deep that it needed a surgical procedure and **stitches**.

vision

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

synonym: sight, image, concept

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

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

Newtonian

adj. relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation

synonym: classical, physics, mechanics

(1) **Newtonian** physics, (2) **Newtonian** mechanics

The motion of planets can be described using **Newtonian** mechanics.

statue

n. a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way

synonym: sculpture, figurine, monument

(1) a beautiful **statue**, (2) the ancient Egyptian **statues**

The **statue** of the famous hero stood proudly in the town square.

gravity

n. the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

synonym: heaviness, attraction, weight

(1) the attraction of **gravity**, (2) preserve my **gravity**

The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of **gravity**.

tavern

n. a public place where alcoholic drinks are served
synonym : bar, pub, saloon

(1) drink in a **tavern**, (2) traditional **taverns**

The **tavern** keeper was a friendly man who always had a good joke.

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.

unpredictable

adj. not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain

synonym : uncertain, variable, random

(1) dangerously **unpredictable** person, (2) **unpredictable** outcome

The weather in this region is often **unpredictable**, with sudden rainstorms and strong winds.

collision

n. an instance of two or more objects or entities crashing into each other, usually resulting in damage, impact, or conflict

synonym : crash, impact, smash

(1) **collision** detection, (2) come into **collision** with my friend

The **collision** of tectonic plates can result in new mountain ranges, such as the Himalayas or the Alps.

notoriously

adv. in a way that is well-known or widely recognized, often for something negative or scandalous; with a reputation for being infamous or notorious

synonym : infamously, scandalously

(1) behave **notoriously**, (2) **notoriously** elusive

The city is **notoriously** difficult to navigate without a map.

unreliable

adj. not able to be trusted or depended on
synonym : inconsistent, erratic, undependable

(1) prove **unreliable**, (2) **unreliable** source of information
By incorrect assumption, statistics can be notoriously **unreliable**.

bunch

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

synonym : group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls
One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

lab

n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

synonym : workshop, laboratory, research chamber

(1) **lab** instrument, (2) medical **lab**

The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's **lab**.

videotape

n. a type of magnetic tape used for recording and storing video images and sound; a recording made on such tape

synonym : videocassette, tape, recording

(1) **videotape** evidence, (2) rewind **videotape**

We watched a **videotape** of our family vacation from years ago.

microscope

n. an instrument used to see objects or substances that are too small to be seen with the naked eye

synonym : lens, magnifier, eyepiece

(1) **microscope** slide, (2) electron **microscope**

I used an optical **microscope** to observe the small organisms in the water sample.

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**.

water-cooler

n. a shared location in an office or workplace where people gather to take a break, socialize, and chat informally
(1) **water-cooler** conversation, (2) **water-cooler** gossip
The **water-cooler** in the breakroom is a popular spot for employees to chat and catch up.

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.

classic

adj. judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
synonym: definitive, traditional, typical
(1) a **classic** experiment, (2) Chinese **classic** literature
He displayed the **classic** symptoms of depression.

pore

n. a tiny hole in the skin of people or other animals that sweat can pass through; (verb) to read carefully or study attentively
synonym: stoma, foramen
(1) woody **pore** fungi, (2) **pore** over reference books
I was sweating at every **pore**.

tissue

n. an ensemble of similar cells of the animal or plant that together carry out a specific function
synonym: structure, texture, anatomy
(1) a facial **tissue**, (2) loss of muscle **tissue**
The researcher separated the nervous **tissue** for microscopic examinations.

- tap**
- v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
- synonym* : knock, exploit, use
- (1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger
To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.
- confer**
- v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
- synonym* : consult, meet, discuss
- (1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor
The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.
- discovery**
- n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
- synonym* : finding, uncovering, detection
- (1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century
Her research team made an important **discovery**.
- liquid**
- n. a substance, such as water or oil that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas
- synonym* : fluid
- (1) colorless **liquid**, (2) hazardous **liquid**
The sponge takes up the **liquid** well.
- jostle**
- v. to push, elbow, or bump against someone or something in a forceful or crowded way; to compete with or struggle against another person or group for space, resources, or attention
- synonym* : push, bump, elbow
- (1) **jostle** for position, (2) **jostle** my elbow
I had to **jostle** through the crowded concert to get to the front of the stage.

bounce

v. to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back

synonym: bound, leap, spring

(1) **bounce** across the floor, (2) **bounce** back from failure

They will **bounce** between various emotional states.

condense

v. to reduce the volume or size of something, often by removing water or other liquid; to make something shorter, more concise, or more concentrated

synonym: compress, compact, shorten

(1) **condense** the text, (2) **condense** water vapor

I need to **condense** all of my notes into a manageable summary for my presentation.

frame

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

synonym: body, skeleton, scaffolding

(1) a picture **frame**, (2) the **frame** of the policy

The detective looked for fingerprints on the window **frame**.

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.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym: abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

incubate

v. to keep warm and protected, especially to hatch eggs; to develop and nurture

synonym: hatch, breed, gestate

(1) **incubate** terrorism in developing countries, (2) **incubate** an idea

The scientists decided to **incubate** the eggs for further study.

hunch

v. to lean forward or arch one's back in a way that suggests a feeling of suspicion or uncertainty; to have a feeling or presentiment that something is true or likely to happen, without evidence or explicit proof

synonym: crouch, guess, speculate

(1) **hunch** against the rain, (2) **hunch** up the shoulders
I **hunch** over my computer all day, and my back aches after a while.

instinct

n. an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

synonym: intuition, aptitude, feeling

(1) **instinct** for self-preservation, (2) aggressive **instinct**
When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial **instinct** was to flee.

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.

clarity

n. the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity

synonym: clearness, translucence, brightness

(1) lack of **clarity**, (2) sake of **clarity**

The publisher will proofread most of this manuscript for **clarity**.

linger

v. to stay in a place or exist longer than expected

synonym: dawdle, tarry, loiter

(1) **linger** in the mind, (2) **linger** over your work
She **lingered** for a moment before leaving the room.

lingering

adj. continuing for a long time; persistent; remaining in a place or situation for longer than is usual or necessary; unwilling to leave

synonym : prolonged, persistent, enduring

(1) **lingering** illness, (2) **lingering** doubts

The **lingering** smell of smoke clung to his clothes even after he left the campfire.

autobiography

n. a written account of someone's own life, written by that person

synonym : bio, life story, biography

(1) **autobiography** of his early life, (2) fictionalized **autobiography**

She wrote an **autobiography** detailing her journey from poverty to success.

algorithm

n. a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

synonym : logic, method, rule

(1) the RSA **algorithm**, (2) **algorithm** for image processing

We can evaluate the performance of an **algorithm** in terms of computation time.

scholar

n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

synonym : professor, pupil, learner

(1) **scholar** in international politics, (2) noted **scholar**

You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a **scholar**.

copious

adj. abundant in quantity or number; plentiful; yielding or containing a large amount or volume

synonym : abundant, plentiful, ample

(1) **copious** rainfall, (2) **copious** amounts of data

The author had **copious** notes used as references for the research paper.

allege

v. to claim or assert that something is true without providing proof or evidence

synonym: claim, assert, state

(1) **allege** abuse, (2) **allege** wrongdoing

The prosecution **alleged** that the defendant was guilty of the crime.

fade

v. to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness

synonym: languish, wither

(1) **fade** away almost completely, (2) **fade** in importance

My memory will **fade**, but my heart will live on.

mechanism

n. a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction

synonym: means, method, system

(1) the **mechanism** for DNA replication, (2) defense **mechanism**

He discovered unique **mechanisms** for photochemical reactions.

property

n. a thing or things that belong to someone

synonym: belongings, possessions, equity

(1) a man of **property**, (2) chemical **property**

He stood to inherit a million-dollar **property**.

barricade

n. a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack

synonym: barrier, obstacle, blockade

(1) **barricade** fencing, (2) police **barricade**

The protestors built a **barricade** to prevent police from entering the area.

secretive

adj. characterized by a tendency to keep secrets or withhold information; inclined to conceal one's thoughts, actions, or intentions

synonym: landestine, tightlipped, reticent

(1) **secretive** nature, (2) **secretive** behavior

The **secretive** group held their meetings in a hidden underground location.

patent

n. a legal document that grants an inventor exclusive rights to their invention for a certain period of time; the invention or process for which a patent has been granted

synonym: copyright, trademark, license

(1) **patent** application, (2) **patent** law

The company has filed for a **patent** to protect its new invention.

incentivize

v. to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward

synonym: encourage, motivate

(1) **incentivize** carpooling, (2) **incentivize** the right behavior

Governments **incentivize** their citizens to buy eco-friendly products through subsidies.

premise

n. a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn

synonym: assumption, postulate, supposition

(1) the major **premise**, (2) make a **premise**

The book's **premise** is that the main character must save the world from an impending disaster.

capture

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

synonym: catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts

I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

tale

n. a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

synonym: canard, fiction, fable

(1) a fairy **tale**, (2) **tale** of horror

Ghosts in folk **tales** are almost always malicious.

unlikely

adj. not probable or likely to happen

synonym : doubtful, questionable, far-fetched

(1) **unlikely** event, (2) it is **unlikely** that he would win the game

The passage of the bill is **unlikely**.

launch

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

synonym : start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

laurel

n. an evergreen shrub or tree with dark green leaves that is often used symbolically to represent victory, honor, or accomplishment

synonym : wreath, crown, garland

(1) **laurel** wreath, (2) noble **laurel**

The athlete wore a **laurel** wreath to symbolize victory in the competition.

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.

physics

n. the science of matter and energy and their interactions

(1) nuclear **physics**, (2) laws of **physics**

He studied the **physics** of radiation.

associate

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

synonym : tie in, link, consociate

(1) **associate** alcohol with gambling, (2) **associate** with people widely

The majority of consumers **associate** this brand with quality.

satellite

n. an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.

synonym : orbiter, asteroid, moon

(1) a GPS **satellite**, (2) a meteorological **satellite**

Launching an artificial **satellite** contributed to the technological development of our country.

orbit

n. the path of an object around a celestial body, especially a planet, star, or moon, under the influence of gravity; (of medicine) the bony cavity in the skull that houses the eyeball and its associated structures, like muscles, nerves, and blood vessels

synonym : path, course, trajectory

(1) the **orbit** of the moon, (2) a planetary **orbit**

The rocket engine is used to put the satellite into **orbit**.

planet

n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

synonym : earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**

Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

nerd

n. a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.

synonym : geek, techie, wonk

(1) a computer **nerd**, (2) **nerd** neck

He was, by nature, a cyber **nerd**.

heaven

n. (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty

synonym : paradise, nirvana, utopia

(1) ascend to **heaven**, (2) **heaven** on earth

He felt like **heaven** when he tasted the delicious chocolate cake.

geek

n. a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed

synonym : nerd, dork, enthusiast

(1) airplane **geek**, (2) **geek** enthusiast

He was a computer **geek** and spent all his free time coding.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym : unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

cafeteria

n. a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.

synonym : canteen, mess hall, restaurant

(1) **cafeteria** lunch, (2) office **cafeteria**

The university's **cafeteria** was busy with students and staff grabbing a quick lunch.

informal

adj. relaxed, casual, or unofficial in style or manner; not ceremonious or strict in adherence to rules or conventions; suitable for ordinary or everyday occasions

synonym : casual, relaxed, unofficial

(1) **informal** setting, (2) **informal** attire

The company's casual and **informal** work environment encourages creativity and collaboration.

human-made

adj. created or produced by humans; artificial

synonym : artificial, unnatural, manufactured

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

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

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.

broadcast

v. to send out a program or some information on radio or television

synonym : air, announce, advertise

(1) **broadcast** a concert, (2) **broadcast** a radio ad

Most of the programs are **broadcast** in this area.

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.

tune

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

synonym : melody, harmony, (verb) adjust

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

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

reception

n. the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people

synonym : welcome, greeting, party

(1) a cold **reception**, (2) **reception** desk

The wedding **reception** was held in the grand ballroom of the hotel.

antenna

n. an electrical device that sends or receives radio or television signals; (biology) one of one or more pairs of appendages used for sensing in insects

synonym: feeler, receiver

(1) **antenna** of insect, (2) extend the TV **antenna**

He had a special **antenna** for public relations

amplify

v. to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness

synonym: intensify, boost, argument

(1) **amplify** a signal, (2) **amplify** the effect

You might need to **amplify** this point.

hack

v. to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks

synonym: cut, chop, crack

(1) **hack** through the jungle, (2) **hack** into the program

This blog offers a variety of tips for **hacking** everyday life.

hoax

n. a deliberately fabricated deception, often intended to trick or mislead people into believing something that is not true; a practical joke or prank

synonym: deception, fraud, trick

(1) suspect a **hoax**, (2) **hoax** email

The newspaper article was revealed to be a **hoax**.

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.

clunky

adj. heavy, awkward, and old-fashioned; not graceful and clumsy in style, form, or movement

synonym: clumsy, bulky, burdensome

(1) **clunky** phrasing, (2) **clunky** robot

Refined character portrayal makes up for **clunky** gameplay.

analog

adj. relating to or using signals or information represented by a continuous physical quantity such as spatial position, voltage, etc.

(1) an **analog** watch, (2) digitization of **analog** sounds

Mercury thermometers are a type of **analog** sensor.

bleep

n. a short, high-pitched electronic sound or beep, typically used to censor or replace offensive or inappropriate language in broadcasts or recordings; a sound made to attract attention or indicate a notification

synonym: beep, signal, tone

(1) **bleep** sound, (2) **bleep** censor

The **bleep** on the radar indicated an incoming aircraft.

writ

n. a written legal order or command

synonym: legal document, order, legal process

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

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

frequency

n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

synonym: recurrence, repetition, regularity

(1) **frequency** band, (2) high **frequency**

The oscillator hunts for the correct **frequency**.

variation

n. the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said

synonym: fluctuation, change, variance

(1) **variation** of temperature, (2) gene **variation**

There is a lot of **variation** in the colors of flowers in the garden.

calculate

v. to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

synonym: compute, figure, estimate

(1) **calculate** the distance, (2) **calculate** his credit score

He couldn't **calculate** the actual value of the artwork.

mathematics

n. the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

synonym: arithmetic, calculation, calculus

(1) a good grounding in **mathematics**, (2) **mathematics** competition

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

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.

slope

n. a surface with one end or side that is higher than the other

synonym: gradient, pitch, slant

(1) an abrupt **slope**, (2) slide down a **slope** on a ski

The hut stands on the **slope** of a mountain.

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.

permission

n. consent or authorization given by someone in authority or by the owner of something, allowing someone to do something or allowing something to occur

synonym : approval, consent, authorization

(1) grant **permission**, (2) **permission** for permanent residence

I asked my boss for **permission** to leave early for a doctor's appointment.

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**.

trajectory

n. the curved path followed by an object moving through space

synonym : course, curve, orbit

(1) career **trajectory**, (2) a **trajectory** missile

The company has shown an excellent growth **trajectory** over the years.

inspire

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

synonym : boost, encourage, enlighten

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

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

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.

locate

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

synonym : discover, find, place

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

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

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.

submarine

n. a type of underwater vehicle or vessel that can operate beneath the surface of the water; (adjective) beneath the surface of the sea

synonym : sub, underwater vessel, sea-craft

(1) a **submarine** volcano, (2) **submarine** cable

The military **submarine** disappeared without a trace.

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.

pacific

adj. peaceful in character or intent; tending to lessen or avoid conflict; calm or soothing in manner or tone; (noun, as "Pacific") the largest and deepest of Earth's oceanic divisions

synonym : calm, peaceful, tranquil

(1) **pacific-natured** disposition, (2) the **Pacific** Ocean

They adopted a **pacific** approach to resolving their differences, emphasizing dialogue and understanding.

platform

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of

software is executed

synonym : stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise
The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

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.

guarantee

v. to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met

synonym : assure, promise, warrant

(1) **guarantee** a high quality, (2) **guarantee** women equality
We cannot **guarantee** enough raw material sources.

bet

v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

synonym : stake, wager, gamble

(1) **bet** on a race, (2) **bet** my future
I **bet** that you know it.

marvelous

adj. causing wonder or astonishment; excellent

synonym : wonderful, amazing, superb

(1) **marvelous** performance, (2) **marvelous** power
The view from the top of the mountain was **marvelous**.

unplanned

adj. not planned or intended; not having been prearranged or organized

synonym : spontaneous, impromptu, unforeseen

(1) an **unplanned** economy, (2) **unplanned** visit
The **unplanned** power outage caused much inconvenience.

emergent

adj. starting to exist or view, or to become known

synonym: coming, appearing, developing

(1) **emergent** repair of an aorta, (2) an **emergent** republic
Extensive areas of **emergent** plants are usually called marsh.

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.

soy

n. a legume plant that is widely cultivated for its edible bean, which has many uses, such as for oil, food, and animal feed

(1) **soy** allergy, (2) **soy** milk

Many people use **soy** sauce for sushi, stir-fries, and marinades.

Session 2: Spelling

1. a criminal bac_____nd
n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
2. the ch_____c economic situation
adj. without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing
3. career tra_____ry
n. the curved path followed by an object moving through space
4. a planetary or__t
n. the path of an object around a celestial body, especially a planet, star, or moon, under the influence of gravity; (of medicine) the bony cavity in the skull that houses the eyeball and its associated structures, like muscles, nerves, and blood vessels
5. a st___e of the putter
n. a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
6. artist's si_____re
n. a person's name, often handwritten, written in a distinctive way as a form of identification or authorization; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is a hallmark or identifying mark of something or someone

ANSWERS: 1. background, 2. chaotic, 3. trajectory, 4. orbit, 5. stroke, 6. signature

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8. extend the TV an____a *n.* an electrical device that sends or receives radio or television signals; (biology) one of one or more pairs of appendages used for sensing in insects
9. co____s amounts of data *adj.* abundant in quantity or number; plentiful; yielding or containing a large amount or volume
10. co__l island *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
11. a friendly con____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
12. in____al organs *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
13. an____a of insect *n.* an electrical device that sends or receives radio or television signals; (biology) one of one or more pairs of appendages used for sensing in insects
14. the in____al economy *adj.* of or relating to the inside of something
15. pr____le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
16. inc____ze carpooling *v.* to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward
17. inc____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous

ANSWERS: 7. numb, 8. antenna, 9. copious, 10. coral, 11. conversation, 12. internal, 13. antenna, 14. internal, 15. principle, 16. incentivize, 17. incredible

18. tracking de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
19. ca_____te the distance *v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics
20. he was en_____ly to blame *adv.* completely
21. a film f_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
22. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
23. lack of cl_____y *n.* the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity
24. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
25. jo___e my elbow *v.* to push, elbow, or bump against someone or something in a forceful or crowded way; to compete with or struggle against another person or group for space, resources, or attention
26. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
27. eq__p our children with some special skills *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

ANSWERS: 18. device, 19. calculate, 20. entirely, 21. fan, 22. innovation, 23. clarity, 24. environment, 25. jostle, 26. colleague, 27. equip

28. dangerously unp_____ble person *adj.* not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain
29. labor pop_____on *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
30. mi__c numerous instruments *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
31. t_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
32. in_____te an idea *v.* to keep warm and protected, especially to hatch eggs; to develop and nurture
33. engine cooling f_n *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
34. it is un_____ly that he would win the game *adj.* not probable or likely to happen
35. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
36. pr_____re death *adj.* occurring or done too early; happening before the appropriate time; born before the end of a full-term pregnancy
37. us_____s in the kitchen *adj.* not serving any useful purpose; having no practical result
38. have a eu___a moment *n.* exclamation of triumph on discovering something; realization or sudden insight

ANSWERS: 28. unpredictable, 29. population, 30. mimic, 31. tap, 32. incubate, 33. fan, 34. unlikely, 35. creative, 36. premature, 37. useless, 38. eureka

39. 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
40. pa____t application *n.* a legal document that grants an inventor exclusive rights to their invention for a certain period of time; the invention or process for which a patent has been granted
41. f__e away almost completely *v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
42. sta_____art software *adj.* characterized by the use of the latest and most advanced technology or methods; cutting-edge
43. behave not_____ly *adv.* in a way that is well-known or widely recognized, often for something negative or scandalous; with a reputation for being infamous or notorious
44. evolutionary bi____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
45. achieve the hi____ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
46. give the al__m *n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger
47. injury in a car ac_____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

ANSWERS: 39. missile, 40. patent, 41. fade, 42. state-of-the-art, 43. notoriously, 44. biology, 45. historic, 46. alarm, 47. accident

48. co____se the text *v.* to reduce the volume or size of something, often by removing water or other liquid; to make something shorter, more concise, or more concentrated
49. make a pr____e *n.* a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn
50. st__r a steady course *v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone
51. f_r forest *n.* a type of tall evergreen tree that is native to the northern hemisphere, with needle-like leaves and cones that stand upright on the branches
52. excite the ne____ns *n.* a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body
53. live an ab____nt life *adj.* present in great quantity
54. the major pr____e *n.* a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn
55. de____s their spirits *v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
56. co____al relationship *adj.* relating to marriage or the relationship between spouses; pertaining to the married state or married life
57. a bu__h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

ANSWERS: 48. condense, 49. premise, 50. steer, 51. fir, 52. neuron, 53. abundant, 54. premise, 55. depress, 56. conjugal, 57. bunch

58. bre_____ugh discovery *n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem
59. crack of d__n *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
60. high-flown rh_____ic *n.* speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form
61. financial a_d *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
62. ma__e coating *adj.* having a surface without a shine, luster; non-glossy
63. electronic de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
64. a cr_____l issue for women *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
65. ap_____d physics *adj.* of or relating to a subject of study, especially a science, that is used in a practical way
66. academic voc_____ry *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
67. con_____ion of the system *n.* the arrangement or pattern of something or a group of related things
68. cl___y robot *adj.* heavy, awkward, and old-fashioned; not graceful and clumsy in style, form, or movement

ANSWERS: 58. breakthrough, 59. dawn, 60. rhetoric, 61. aid, 62. matte, 63. device, 64. crucial, 65. applied, 66. vocabulary, 67. configuration, 68. clunky

69. co___e up a policy accord *n.* a rounded, irregularly shaped stone used for paving streets or for building walls; (verb) to make or repair something in a rough and hurried way
70. mi_____ve popcorn *n.* a form of electromagnetic radiation with wavelengths ranging from about one millimeter to one meter and frequencies between 300 MHz (0.3 GHz) and 300 GHz; an electric oven that cooks food by exposing it to high-frequency electromagnetic radiation, which causes the food molecules to vibrate and heat up quickly
71. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
72. ch__e with the music *v.* to make a ringing sound, usually by striking an object like a bell or wind chime; to harmonize or agree with something else; (noun) a set of musical bells or metal tubes that produce a musical sound when struck or played
73. a good grounding in mat_____cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
74. airplane g__k *n.* a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed
75. an an___g watch *adj.* relating to or using signals or information represented by a continuous physical quantity such as spatial position, voltage, etc.

ANSWERS: 69. cobble, 70. microwave, 71. folk, 72. chime, 73. mathematics, 74. geek, 75. analog

76. make ast_____ng gains *adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
77. 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
78. li____r in the mind *v.* to stay in a place or exist longer than expected
79. 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
80. nonmetallic el_____ts *n.* a fundamental or essential part of something
81. us_____s information *adj.* not serving any useful purpose; having no practical result
82. ca_____ia lunch *n.* a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.
83. bl__k in astonishment *v.* to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way
84. chemical pr_____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
85. photo with a ma__e finish *adj.* having a surface without a shine, luster; non-glossy

ANSWERS: 76. astonishing, 77. develop, 78. linger, 79. frustrate, 80. element, 81. useless, 82. cafeteria, 83. blink, 84. property, 85. matte

86. in_____ct for self-preservation *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
87. hazardous li_____d *n.* a substance, such as water or oil that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas
88. loss of muscle ti_____e *n.* an ensemble of similar cells of the animal or plant that together carry out a specific function
89. ep_____ny about life *n.* a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus
90. electron mic_____pe *n.* an instrument used to see objects or substances that are too small to be seen with the naked eye
91. eq__p an army *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
92. pr_____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
93. voc_____ry list *n.* the words used by a language, group, or individual; the knowledge and understanding of words and their meanings that a person possesses
94. help ta___e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation

ANSWERS: 86. instinct, 87. liquid, 88. tissue, 89. epiphany, 90. microscope, 91. equip, 92. principle, 93. vocabulary, 94. tackle

95. br_____st a radio ad *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television
96. get ins_____on from nature *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
97. cl___y phrasing *adj.* heavy, awkward, and old-fashioned; not graceful and clumsy in style, form, or movement
98. an em_____nt republic *adj.* starting to exist or view, or to become known
99. em_____nt repair of an aorta *adj.* starting to exist or view, or to become known
100. syn_____ze movements *v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
101. aggressive in_____ct *n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true
102. ascend to he___n *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
103. am_____y a signal *v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness
104. diluted al_____l *n.* a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.

ANSWERS: 95. broadcast, 96. inspiration, 97. clunky, 98. emergent, 99. emergent, 100. synchronize, 101. instinct, 102. heaven, 103. amplify, 104. alcohol

105. inv_____te the matter *v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
106. human in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
107. g__k enthusiast *n.* a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed
108. 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
109. co_____t car *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract
110. f__k art *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
111. co____r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
112. hu__h up the shoulders *v.* to lean forward or arch one's back in a way that suggests a feeling of suspicion or uncertainty; to have a feeling or presentiment that something is true or likely to happen, without evidence or explicit proof
113. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation

ANSWERS: 105. investigate, 106. intellect, 107. geek, 108. missile, 109. concept, 110. folk, 111. confer, 112. hunch, 113. innovation

114. cause an ac____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
115. an un_____ed economy *adj.* not planned or intended; not having been prearranged or organized
116. 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
117. hu__h against the rain *v.* to lean forward or arch one's back in a way that suggests a feeling of suspicion or uncertainty; to have a feeling or presentiment that something is true or likely to happen, without evidence or explicit proof
118. use of inn_____ve technology *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
119. de_____s crop prices *v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
120. al__t system *v.* to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action
121. in_____te terrorism in developing countries *v.* to keep warm and protected, especially to hatch eggs; to develop and nurture
122. he_____ht adjustment *n.* a bright forward-facing light on a vehicle, typically used at night to illuminate the road ahead
123. barrier r__f *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

ANSWERS: 114. accident, 115. unplanned, 116. specialty, 117. hunch, 118. innovative, 119. depress, 120. alert, 121. incubate, 122. headlight, 123. reef

124. the qu__t for truth *n.* a long or challenging search for something
125. ch____c theory *adj.* without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing
126. syn_____ze our watches *v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
127. f__e in importance *v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
128. 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
129. pop_____on change *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
130. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
131. nu_____r fusion *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
132. rewind vi_____pe *n.* a type of magnetic tape used for recording and storing video images and sound; a recording made on such tape
133. ill_____ing light *adj.* making something clear or easy to understand; providing light
134. marketing ex_____se *n.* specialized knowledge or skills in a particular field or subject; expert proficiency or knowledge

ANSWERS: 124. quest, 125. chaotic, 126. synchronize, 127. fade, 128. decide, 129. population, 130. discovery, 131. nuclear, 132. videotape, 133. illuminating, 134. expertise

135. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
136. a su_____ne volcano *n.* a type of underwater vehicle or vessel that can operate beneath the surface of the water; (adjective) beneath the surface of the sea
137. ma_____us power *adj.* causing wonder or astonishment; excellent
138. bre_____ugh in the negotiations *n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem
139. the me_____sm for DNA replication *n.* a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction
140. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
141. se_____ve nature *adj.* characterized by a tendency to keep secrets or withhold information; inclined to conceal one's thoughts, actions, or intentions
142. glass wind ch__e *v.* to make a ringing sound, usually by striking an object like a bell or wind chime; to harmonize or agree with something else; (noun) a set of musical bells or metal tubes that produce a musical sound when struck or played

ANSWERS: 135. locate, 136. submarine, 137. marvelous, 138. breakthrough, 139. mechanism, 140. platform, 141. secretive, 142. chime

143. a cl____c experiment *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
144. in____t daughter *n.* a baby or very young child
145. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
146. historical co____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
147. ha__e the price *v.* to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size
148. pr_____re birth *adj.* occurring or done too early; happening before the appropriate time; born before the end of a full-term pregnancy
149. s_y milk *n.* a legume plant that is widely cultivated for its edible bean, which has many uses, such as for oil, food, and animal feed
150. mat_____cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
151. ma_____us performance *adj.* causing wonder or astonishment; excellent
152. t_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

ANSWERS: 143. classic, 144. infant, 145. conversation, 146. context, 147. halve, 148. premature, 149. soy, 150. mathematics, 151. marvelous, 152. tap

153. a GPS sa_____te *n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
154. the RSA al_____hm *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
155. en_____ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely
156. d__k falls *n.* the period of the day just before nightfall when the light begins to fade; the darker part of twilight
157. source of ins_____on *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
158. woody p__e fungi *n.* a tiny hole in the skin of people or other animals that sweat can pass through; (verb) to read carefully or study attentively
159. create a br__d logo *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
160. stop drinking al_____l *n.* a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.
161. alcoholic be_____ges *n.* a drink of any type

ANSWERS: 153. satellite, 154. algorithm, 155. entirely, 156. dusk, 157. inspiration, 158. pore, 159. brand, 160. alcohol, 161. beverage

162. cell and molecular bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
163. 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
164. a tra_____ry missile *n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
165. a facial ti_____e *n.* an ensemble of similar cells of the animal or plant that together carry out a specific function
166. barren of cr_____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
167. pr_____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
168. as_____e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
169. st____r a conversation *v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone
170. he_____ht switch *n.* a bright forward-facing light on a vehicle, typically used at night to illuminate the road ahead
171. the fr____e of the policy *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

ANSWERS: 162. biology, 163. frustrate, 164. trajectory, 165. tissue, 166. creative, 167. probable, 168. assume, 169. steer, 170. headlight, 171. frame

172. pr____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
173. al__t consumers to the dangers *v.* to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action
174. visual me____or *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
175. aut_____le insurance *n.* a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods
176. bo___e across the floor *v.* to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back
177. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
178. 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
179. a prodigious vi___n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
180. Ne_____an physics *adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
181. unp_____ble outcome *adj.* not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain
182. br_____st a concert *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television
183. an ab____nt supply of water *adj.* present in great quantity

ANSWERS: 172. probable, 173. alert, 174. metaphor, 175. automobile, 176. bounce, 177. obvious, 178. mass, 179. vision, 180. Newtonian, 181. unpredictable, 182. broadcast, 183. abundant

184. classic arc_____ure *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
185. ne___n cell body *n.* a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body
186. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
187. as_____te alcohol with gambling *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
188. the or__t of the moon *n.* the path of an object around a celestial body, especially a planet, star, or moon, under the influence of gravity; (of medicine) the bony cavity in the skull that houses the eyeball and its associated structures, like muscles, nerves, and blood vessels
189. al___e wrongdoing *v.* to claim or assert that something is true without providing proof or evidence
190. mi__c a human voice *v.* to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
191. mi_____ve radiation *n.* a form of electromagnetic radiation with wavelengths ranging from about one millimeter to one meter and frequencies between 300 MHz (0.3 GHz) and 300 GHz; an electric oven that cooks food by exposing it to high-frequency electromagnetic radiation, which causes the food molecules to vibrate and heat up quickly

ANSWERS: 184. architecture, 185. neuron, 186. argue, 187. associate, 188. orbit, 189. allege, 190. mimic, 191. microwave

192. bl__p sound *n.* a short, high-pitched electronic sound or beep, typically used to censor or replace offensive or inappropriate language in broadcasts or recordings; a sound made to attract attention or indicate a notification
193. a con_____nal style *adj.* based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.
194. t__e of horror *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
195. as_____te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
196. su_____ne cable *n.* a type of underwater vehicle or vessel that can operate beneath the surface of the water; (adjective) beneath the surface of the sea
197. p__e over reference books *n.* a tiny hole in the skin of people or other animals that sweat can pass through; (verb) to read carefully or study attentively
198. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
199. his undying f__e *n.* the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on
200. wet-b__b thermometer *n.* a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball

ANSWERS: 192. bleep, 193. conventional, 194. tale, 195. associate, 196. submarine, 197. pore, 198. environment, 199. fame, 200. bulb

201. memory st_____nt *n.* a substance or drug that increases or heightens physiological or nervous system activity typically used to improve alertness, attention, or concentration
202. the attraction of gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
203. al____e abuse *v.* to claim or assert that something is true without providing proof or evidence
204. ad_____e the technology *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
205. in____t food *n.* a baby or very young child
206. sp__e cost *adj.* additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone
207. ne_____al care *adj.* relating to the first few weeks after birth; pertaining to newborn infants
208. gene va_____on *n.* the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said
209. false cl__m *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
210. preserve my gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

ANSWERS: 201. stimulant, 202. gravity, 203. allege, 204. advance, 205. infant, 206. spare, 207. neonatal, 208. variation, 209. claim, 210. gravity

211. engine con_____ion *n.* the arrangement or pattern of something or a group of related things
212. the ancient Egyptian st___es *n.* a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way
213. ap____d research *adj.* of or relating to a subject of study, especially a science, that is used in a practical way
214. ar__e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
215. sta_____art technology *adj.* characterized by the use of the latest and most advanced technology or methods; cutting-edge
216. the worst hum_____de disaster *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
217. li_____ng illness *adj.* continuing for a long time; persistent; remaining in a place or situation for longer than is usual or necessary; unwilling to leave
218. a dry ba_____y *n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them
219. nuclear ph_____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
220. pl___t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

ANSWERS: 211. configuration, 212. statue, 213. applied, 214. argue, 215. state-of-the-art, 216. human-made, 217. lingering, 218. battery, 219. physics, 220. planet

221. the wan light of d__n *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
222. die su____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
223. gu____ee a high quality *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
224. lo___e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
225. brilliant fl__h *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
226. ast____ng achievement *adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
227. mic____pe slide *n.* an instrument used to see objects or substances that are too small to be seen with the naked eye
228. co___r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
229. ind____ize service *v.* to organize the production of something into an industry
230. defense me____sm *n.* a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction
231. leap into f__e *n.* the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on

ANSWERS: 221. dawn, 222. suddenly, 223. guarantee, 224. locate, 225. flash, 226. astonishing, 227. microscope, 228. confer, 229. industrialize, 230. mechanism, 231. fame

232. ele_____cs store *n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems
233. jo___e for position *v.* to push, elbow, or bump against someone or something in a forceful or crowded way; to compete with or struggle against another person or group for space, resources, or attention
234. medical l_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
235. an abrupt sl___e *n.* a surface with one end or side that is higher than the other
236. ca_____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
237. a fl___h of lightning *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
238. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
239. li_____ng doubts *adj.* continuing for a long time; persistent; remaining in a place or situation for longer than is usual or necessary; unwilling to leave
240. digitization of an___g sounds *adj.* relating to or using signals or information represented by a continuous physical quantity such as spatial position, voltage, etc.
241. the br___d of the new car *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

ANSWERS: 232. electronics, 233. jostle, 234. lab, 235. slope, 236. capture, 237. flash, 238. colleague, 239. lingering, 240. analog, 241. brand

242. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
243. get a con_____nal loan *adj.* based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.
244. slide down a sl__e on a ski *n.* a surface with one end or side that is higher than the other
245. co_____s rainfall *adj.* abundant in quantity or number; plentiful; yielding or containing a large amount or volume
246. on a qu__t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something
247. an al__m clock *n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger
248. am_____y the effect *v.* to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness
249. inv_____te a data leak *v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
250. in_____al setting *adj.* relaxed, casual, or unofficial in style or manner; not ceremonious or strict in adherence to rules or conventions; suitable for ordinary or everyday occasions
251. colorless li___d *n.* a substance, such as water or oil that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas

ANSWERS: 242. statistics, 243. conventional, 244. slope, 245. copious, 246. quest, 247. alarm, 248. amplify, 249. investigate, 250. informal, 251. liquid

252. me____or for death *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
253. a w__t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
254. driverless aut_____le *n.* a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods
255. noble la____l *n.* an evergreen shrub or tree with dark green leaves that is often used symbolically to represent victory, honor, or accomplishment
256. wat_____ler gossip *n.* a shared location in an office or workplace where people gather to take a break, socialize, and chat informally
257. ca_____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
258. his social st_____ng *adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
259. sake of cl_____y *n.* the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity
260. grant per_____on *n.* consent or authorization given by someone in authority or by the owner of something, allowing someone to do something or allowing something to occur

ANSWERS: 252. metaphor, 253. writ, 254. automobile, 255. laurel, 256. water-cooler, 257. capture, 258. standing, 259. clarity, 260. permission

261. org_____ion chart *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
262. food and be_____ge *n.* a drink of any type
263. not_____ly elusive *adv.* in a way that is well-known or widely recognized, often for something negative or scandalous; with a reputation for being infamous or notorious
264. save the pl____t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
265. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
266. a profound in_____t *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
267. Ne_____an mechanics *adj.* relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
268. an ill_____ing answer *adj.* making something clear or easy to understand; providing light
269. t__e a piano *n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
270. telescopic vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

ANSWERS: 261. organization, 262. beverage, 263. notoriously, 264. planet, 265. involve, 266. insight, 267. Newtonian, 268. illuminating, 269. tune, 270. vision

271. in____te the quality of his life *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
272. re_____on desk *n.* the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people
273. issue a w__t *n.* a written legal order or command
274. share my in____ts *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
275. country-by-country a_d programs *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
276. fl____d music *adj.* decorated with elaborate designs or ornamentation; overly ornate or showy
277. cr_____l information *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
278. shout "eu____a!" *n.* exclamation of triumph on discovering something; realization or sudden insight
279. h__k through the jungle *v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
280. co__l ornament *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
281. vi_____pe evidence *n.* a type of magnetic tape used for recording and storing video images and sound; a recording made on such tape
282. spiritual enl_____ent *n.* education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge

ANSWERS: 271. innovate, 272. reception, 273. writ, 274. insight, 275. aid, 276. florid, 277. crucial, 278. eureka, 279. hack, 280. coral, 281. videotape, 282. enlightenment

283. su____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
284. in____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
285. ta____e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
286. a lily b__b *n.* a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball
287. fr__k and open discussion *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
288. come into co_____on with my friend *n.* an instance of two or more objects or entities crashing into each other, usually resulting in damage, impact, or conflict
289. arc_____ure design *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
290. Feast of Ep____ny *n.* a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus
291. b_t my future *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
292. learn new co_____ts *n.* an idea or principle associated with something abstract

ANSWERS: 283. suddenly, 284. inspire, 285. tackle, 286. bulb, 287. frank, 288. collision, 289. architecture, 290. epiphany, 291. bet, 292. concept

293. mo___n poetry	<i>adj.</i> of or belonging to the present time or recent times
294. n__b with cold	<i>adj.</i> unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
295. sp__e parts	<i>adj.</i> additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone
296. a st___h in a garment	<i>n.</i> one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn
297. n__m of action	<i>n.</i> something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
298. lower infant mo_____ty	<i>n.</i> the quality or state of being subject to death
299. pre-mo___n agricultural society	<i>adj.</i> of or belonging to the present time or recent times
300. aut_____phy of his early life	<i>n.</i> a written account of someone's own life, written by that person
301. cultural n__m	<i>n.</i> something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
302. h__k into the program	<i>v.</i> to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
303. unr_____le source of information	<i>adj.</i> not able to be trusted or depended on
304. prescription st_____nt	<i>n.</i> a substance or drug that increases or heightens physiological or nervous system activity typically used to improve alertness, attention, or concentration

ANSWERS: 293. modern, 294. numb, 295. spare, 296. stitch, 297. norm, 298. mortality, 299. modern, 300. autobiography, 301. norm, 302. hack, 303. unreliable, 304. stimulant

305. bo___e back from failure *v.* to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back
306. stylistically inn_____ve works *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
307. traditional ta___ns *n.* a public place where alcoholic drinks are served
308. fl___d style *adj.* decorated with elaborate designs or ornamentation; overly ornate or showy
309. the t__e of a song *n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
310. l_b instrument *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
311. a man of pr____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
312. d__k sky *n.* the period of the day just before nightfall when the light begins to fade; the darker part of twilight
313. fr_____cy band *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
314. se_____ve behavior *adj.* characterized by a tendency to keep secrets or withhold information; inclined to conceal one's thoughts, actions, or intentions
315. co___e driveway *n.* a rounded, irregularly shaped stone used for paving streets or for building walls; (verb) to make or repair something in a rough and hurried way

ANSWERS: 305. bounce, 306. innovative, 307. tavern, 308. florid, 309. tune, 310. lab, 311. property, 312. dusk, 313. frequency, 314. secretive, 315. cobble

316. a bu__h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
317. ob____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
318. enl_____ent activity *n.* education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge
319. ind_____ized textile production *v.* to organize the production of something into an industry
320. in____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
321. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
322. a cold re_____on *n.* the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people
323. an arrival pl____rm *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
324. ele_____cs industry *n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems
325. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

ANSWERS: 316. bunch, 317. obvious, 318. enlightenment, 319. industrialize, 320. involve, 321. brain, 322. reception, 323. platform, 324. electronics, 325. background

326. si_____re dish *n.* a person's name, often handwritten, written in a distinctive way as a form of identification or authorization; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is a hallmark or identifying mark of something or someone
327. gu_____ee women equality *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
328. pa_____n hobby *n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction
329. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
330. enrich my in_____ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
331. f_r branch *n.* a type of tall evergreen tree that is native to the northern hemisphere, with needle-like leaves and cones that stand upright on the branches
332. high fr_____cy *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
333. make a fr__k apology *adj.* honest and sincere; open and candid in expression
334. drink in a ta___n *n.* a public place where alcoholic drinks are served

ANSWERS: 326. signature, 327. guarantee, 328. passion, 329. assume, 330. intellect, 331. fir, 332. frequency, 333. frank, 334. tavern

335. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
336. laws of ph_____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
337. 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
338. la___h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
339. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
340. n__d neck *n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
341. gr__d bargain *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
342. el__e athlete *adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society
343. re_____ng decimals *adj.* happening or occurring again periodically or repeatedly
344. a fairy t__e *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

ANSWERS: 335. statistics, 336. physics, 337. specialty, 338. launch, 339. extraordinary, 340. nerd, 341. grand, 342. elite, 343. recurring, 344. tale

345. cl__m responsibility *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
346. 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
347. new design el____ts *n.* a fundamental or essential part of something
348. infant in____or *n.* an apparatus in which conditions are controlled for hatching eggs, growing cells, or keeping people or animals warm; a place, especially with support staff and equipment, offered at a low cost to new small businesses
349. al____hm for image processing *n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
350. 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
351. a gr__d meal *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
352. s_y allergy *n.* a legume plant that is widely cultivated for its edible bean, which has many uses, such as for oil, food, and animal feed

ANSWERS: 345. claim, 346. mass, 347. element, 348. incubator, 349. algorithm, 350. nuclear, 351. grand, 352. soy

353. inc_____ze the right behavior *v.* to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward
354. suspect a h__x *n.* a deliberately fabricated deception, often intended to trick or mislead people into believing something that is not true; a practical joke or prank
355. li___r over your work *v.* to stay in a place or exist longer than expected
356. basic br__n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
357. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
358. va_____on of temperature *n.* the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said
359. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
360. hum_____de climate change *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
361. 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: 353. incentivize, 354. hoax, 355. linger, 356. brain, 357. context, 358. variation, 359. inspire, 360. human-made, 361. develop

362. ad____e a cooperative relationship *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
363. pa____c-natured disposition *adj.* peaceful in character or intent; tending to lessen or avoid conflict; calm or soothing in manner or tone; (noun, as "Pacific") the largest and deepest of Earth's oceanic divisions
364. ba____y charging *n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them
365. fictionalized aut______phy *n.* a written account of someone's own life, written by that person
366. sc____r in international politics *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
367. business in____or program *n.* an apparatus in which conditions are controlled for hatching eggs, growing cells, or keeping people or animals warm; a place, especially with support staff and equipment, offered at a low cost to new small businesses
368. a meteorological sa____te *n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
369. ba____de fencing *n.* a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack
370. a beautiful st____e *n.* a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way

ANSWERS: 362. advance, 363. pacific, 364. battery, 365. autobiography, 366. scholar, 367. incubator, 368. satellite, 369. barricade, 370. statue

371. suffer st___e *n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
372. a picture fr__e *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
373. h__x email *n.* a deliberately fabricated deception, often intended to trick or mislead people into believing something that is not true; a practical joke or prank
374. ca_____te his credit score *v.* to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics
375. in_____te a new method *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
376. a computer n__d *n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
377. la___l wreath *n.* an evergreen shrub or tree with dark green leaves that is often used symbolically to represent victory, honor, or accomplishment
378. hi_____ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
379. mo_____ty due to cancer *n.* the quality or state of being subject to death

ANSWERS: 371. stroke, 372. frame, 373. hoax, 374. calculate, 375. innovate, 376. nerd, 377. laurel, 378. historic, 379. mortality

380. pattern st___h *n.* one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn
381. b_t on a race *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
382. bl__p censor *n.* a short, high-pitched electronic sound or beep, typically used to censor or replace offensive or inappropriate language in broadcasts or recordings; a sound made to attract attention or indicate a notification
383. earn el__e status *adj.* belonging to the wealthiest, most potent, best-educated, or best-trained group in a society
384. un_____ly event *adj.* not probable or likely to happen
385. bl__k his eyes *v.* to shut and open the eyes quickly; to gleam or glow in a regular or intermittent way
386. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
387. demonstrate ex_____se *n.* specialized knowledge or skills in a particular field or subject; expert proficiency or knowledge
388. ha__e the workload *v.* to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size
389. Chinese cl_____c literature *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type

ANSWERS: 380. stitch, 381. bet, 382. bleep, 383. elite, 384. unlikely, 385. blink, 386. incredible, 387. expertise, 388. halve, 389. classic

390. co_____al rights *adj.* relating to marriage or the relationship between spouses; pertaining to the married state or married life
391. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
392. agricultural org_____ion *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
393. re_____ng payments *adj.* happening or occurring again periodically or repeatedly
394. the Pa_____c Ocean *adj.* peaceful in character or intent; tending to lessen or avoid conflict; calm or soothing in manner or tone; (noun, as "Pacific") the largest and deepest of Earth's oceanic divisions
395. wat_____ler conversation *n.* a shared location in an office or workplace where people gather to take a break, socialize, and chat informally
396. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
397. he___n on earth *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
398. ne_____al jaundice *adj.* relating to the first few weeks after birth; pertaining to newborn infants

ANSWERS: 390. conjugal, 391. discovery, 392. organization, 393. recurring, 394. pacific, 395. water-cooler, 396. decide, 397. heaven, 398. neonatal

399. prove unr_____le	<i>adj.</i> not able to be trusted or depended on
400. eve_____ly become obsolete	<i>adv.</i> finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
401. pa____t law	<i>n.</i> a legal document that grants an inventor exclusive rights to their invention for a certain period of time; the invention or process for which a patent has been granted
402. co_____on detection	<i>n.</i> an instance of two or more objects or entities crashing into each other, usually resulting in damage, impact, or conflict
403. eve_____ly succeed	<i>adv.</i> finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
404. st_____ng water	<i>adj.</i> existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
405. in_____al attire	<i>adj.</i> relaxed, casual, or unofficial in style or manner; not ceremonious or strict in adherence to rules or conventions; suitable for ordinary or everyday occasions
406. co_____se water vapor	<i>v.</i> to reduce the volume or size of something, often by removing water or other liquid; to make something shorter, more concise, or more concentrated
407. noted sc_____r	<i>n.</i> professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
408. office ca_____ia	<i>n.</i> a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.

ANSWERS: 399. unreliable, 400. eventually, 401. patent, 402. collision, 403. eventually, 404. standing, 405. informal, 406. condense, 407. scholar, 408. cafeteria

409. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
410. the rh_____ic of a debate *n.* speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form
411. pa_____n drive *n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction
412. la____h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
413. police ba_____de *n.* a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack
414. un_____ed visit *adj.* not planned or intended; not having been prearranged or organized
415. per_____on for permanent residence *n.* consent or authorization given by someone in authority or by the owner of something, allowing someone to do something or allowing something to occur
416. coral r__fs *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

ANSWERS: 409. extraordinary, 410. rhetoric, 411. passion, 412. launch, 413. barricade, 414. unplanned, 415. permission, 416. reef

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
 - n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

2. Mozart was an _____ prodigy.
 - n.* a baby or very young child

3. The _____ power outage caused much inconvenience.
 - adj.* not planned or intended; not having been prearranged or organized

4. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.
 - adj.* unbelievable; enormous

5. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
 - n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

6. 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

7. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
 - v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

ANSWERS: 1. statistics, 2. infant, 3. unplanned, 4. incredible, 5. norms, 6. frustrate, 7. inspired

8. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.
adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so
9. The weather in this region is often _____ with sudden rainstorms and strong winds.
adj. not capable of being foreseen or calculated; not regular or certain
10. Extensive areas of _____ plants are usually called marsh.
adj. starting to exist or view, or to become known
11. This blog offers a variety of tips for _____ everyday life.
v. to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
12. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.
adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
13. I _____ over my computer all day, and my back aches after a while.
v. to lean forward or arch one's back in a way that suggests a feeling of suspicion or uncertainty; to have a feeling or presentiment that something is true or likely to happen, without evidence or explicit proof
14. He is very popular at school because he can _____ all the teachers' accents.
v. to imitate someone's speech, movement, or behavior, especially to make others laugh
15. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.
n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

ANSWERS: 8. historic, 9. unpredictable, 10. emergent, 11. hacking, 12. creative, 13. hunch, 14. mimic, 15. planet

16. Scientific knowledge will _____ significantly with the power of AI.
- v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
17. He felt like _____ when he tasted the delicious chocolate cake.
- n. (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
18. 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
19. The grandfather clock _____ solemnly, signaling the hour.
- v. to make a ringing sound, usually by striking an object like a bell or wind chime; to harmonize or agree with something else; (noun) a set of musical bells or metal tubes that produce a musical sound when struck or played
20. I asked my boss for _____ to leave early for a doctor's appointment.
- n. consent or authorization given by someone in authority or by the owner of something, allowing someone to do something or allowing something to occur
21. These heavy rains caused _____ floods on several islands.
- n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
22. She expressed her thought in an artful choice of _____.
- n. a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
23. The ball speed will increase when the lower body movements are perfectly _____.
- v. to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate

ANSWERS: 16. advance, 17. heaven, 18. specialty, 19. chimed, 20. permission, 21. flash, 22. metaphors, 23. synchronized

24. The _____ of tectonic plates can result in new mountain ranges, such as the Himalayas or the Alps.
- n.* an instance of two or more objects or entities crashing into each other, usually resulting in damage, impact, or conflict
25. The military _____ disappeared without a trace.
- n.* a type of underwater vehicle or vessel that can operate beneath the surface of the water; (adjective) beneath the surface of the sea
26. Launching an artificial _____ contributed to the technological development of our country.
- n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
27. The body of his car has a _____ finish.
- adj.* having a surface without a shine, luster; non-glossy
28. Her research team made an important _____.
- n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
29. The captain told him to _____ the ship north.
- v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone
30. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.
- n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

ANSWERS: 24. collision, 25. submarine, 26. satellite, 27. matte, 28. discovery, 29. steer, 30. platform

31. She is very _____ in her thoughts.

adj. based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.

32. The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of _____.

n. the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

33. " _____ he exclaimed, finally solving the problem.

n. exclamation of triumph on discovering something; realization or sudden insight

34. The rocket engine is used to put the satellite into _____.

n. the path of an object around a celestial body, especially a planet, star, or moon, under the influence of gravity; (of medicine) the bony cavity in the skull that houses the eyeball and its associated structures, like muscles, nerves, and blood vessels

35. You might need to _____ this point.

v. to enhance something, particularly sound or brightness

36. 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

37. The engine did not start because the _____ was flat.

n. a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them

38. The town is known for its historic _____ streets, which were laid by hand in the 19th century.

n. a rounded, irregularly shaped stone used for paving streets or for building walls; (verb) to make or repair something in a rough and hurried way

ANSWERS: 31. conventional, 32. gravity, 33. Eureka!", 34. orbit, 35. amplify, 36. applied, 37. battery, 38. cobble

39. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

40. The _____ of the famous hero stood proudly in the town square.

n. a sculpture of a person or animal, typically made of stone or metal, that is intended to represent the subject in a lifelike or symbolic way

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

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

42. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.

n. a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works

43. I had to _____ through the crowded concert to get to the front of the stage.

v. to push, elbow, or bump against someone or something in a forceful or crowded way; to compete with or struggle against another person or group for space, resources, or attention

44. Companies developing self-driving cars consistently _____ the emerging technologies.

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

45. The _____ industry is a major contributor to air pollution in cities.

n. a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods

46. The oscillator hunts for the correct _____.

n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

ANSWERS: 39. extraordinary, 40. statue, 41. chaotic, 42. principle, 43. jostle, 44. innovate, 45. automobile, 46. frequency

47. The _____ partially destroyed my vehicle.
n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
48. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.
v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
49. The hospital has _____ equipment and facilities to ensure the best healthcare for its patients.
adj. characterized by the use of the latest and most advanced technology or methods; cutting-edge
50. The _____ unit at the hospital specializes in caring for premature babies.
adj. relating to the first few weeks after birth; pertaining to newborn infants
51. Pakistan's _____ budget was still being reviewed.
n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
52. The publisher will proofread most of this manuscript for _____.
n. the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity
53. We gained various _____ by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.
n. the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
54. Many athletes use _____ like caffeine to boost their energy before a competition.
n. a substance or drug that increases or heightens physiological or nervous system activity typically used to improve alertness, attention, or concentration

ANSWERS: 47. accident, 48. confer, 49. state-of-the-art, 50. neonatal, 51. aid, 52. clarity, 53. insights, 54. stimulants

55. There is a lot of _____ in the colors of flowers in the garden.
n. the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said
56. The city is known for its impressive _____ and beautiful old buildings.
n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
57. The country has _____ oil and natural gas resources.
adj. present in great quantity
58. I ____ that you know it.
v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
59. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
60. He was a computer _____ and spent all his free time coding.
n. a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed
61. The passage of the bill is _____.
adj. not probable or likely to happen
62. 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

ANSWERS: 55. variation, 56. architecture, 57. abundant, 58. bet, 59. context, 60. geek, 61. unlikely, 62. innovation

63. I used an optical _____ to observe the small organisms in the water sample.
- n.* an instrument used to see objects or substances that are too small to be seen with the naked eye
64. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.
- v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
65. 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
66. There is a clear association between _____ consumption and cognitive decline.
- n.* a clear liquid that can make people drunk and is used in medicines, cleaning products, etc.
67. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
- v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
68. Good _____ is better than a good face.
- n.* the condition of being well-known and discussed by a large number of people as a result of one's accomplishments, abilities, and so on
69. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's _____.
- n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

ANSWERS: 63. microscope, 64. argue, 65. decide, 66. alcohol, 67. locate, 68. fame, 69. background

70. The majority of consumers _____ this brand with quality.
v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
71. This disease has a high _____.
n. the quality or state of being subject to death
72. The _____ smell of smoke clung to his clothes even after he left the campfire.
adj. continuing for a long time; persistent; remaining in a place or situation for longer than is usual or necessary; unwilling to leave
73. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
74. The wedding _____ was held in the grand ballroom of the hotel.
n. the act of receiving or the state of being received, especially warmly or kindly; a formal party of people
75. He was served with a _____ of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.
n. a written legal order or command
76. The motion of planets can be described using _____ mechanics.
adj. relating to Sir Isaac Newton or his laws of motion and universal gravitation
77. We cannot _____ enough raw material sources.
v. to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met

ANSWERS: 70. associate, 71. mortality, 72. lingering, 73. environment, 74. reception, 75. writ, 76. Newtonian, 77. guarantee

78. We can evaluate the performance of an _____ in terms of computation time.

n. a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

79. I made plans to spend my _____ time beneficially.

adj. additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone

80. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.

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

81. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.

n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

82. She wrote an _____ detailing her journey from poverty to success.

n. a written account of someone's own life, written by that person

83. The bridge is a _____ structure and was built to span the river.

adj. created or produced by humans; artificial

84. That adventurer traveled in _____ of buried treasure.

n. a long or challenging search for something

85. 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

ANSWERS: 78. algorithm, 79. spare, 80. modern, 81. brain, 82. autobiography, 83. human-made, 84. quest, 85. nuclear

86. A technique called deep learning has led to _____ in AI.
- n.* a sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem
87. The company has filed for a _____ to protect its new invention.
- n.* a legal document that grants an inventor exclusive rights to their invention for a certain period of time; the invention or process for which a patent has been granted
88. 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
89. The sponge takes up the _____ well.
- n.* a substance, such as water or oil that flows freely and is neither a solid nor a gas
90. The _____ on the radar indicated an incoming aircraft.
- n.* a short, high-pitched electronic sound or beep, typically used to censor or replace offensive or inappropriate language in broadcasts or recordings; a sound made to attract attention or indicate a notification
91. In just four years, the _____ has doubled.
- n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
92. He displayed the _____ symptoms of depression.
- adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
93. The company has shown an excellent growth _____ over the years.
- n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space

ANSWERS: 86. breakthroughs, 87. patent, 88. missile, 89. liquid, 90. bleep, 91. population, 92. classic, 93. trajectory

94. The newspaper article was revealed to be a _____.
n. a deliberately fabricated deception, often intended to trick or mislead people into believing something that is not true; a practical joke or prank
95. By incorrect assumption, statistics can be notoriously _____.
adj. not able to be trusted or depended on
96. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in _____ class.
n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
97. The company's cybersecurity team _____ the CEO to potential threats.
v. to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action
98. The Prime Minister stressed the need to create _____ industries.
adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
99. Our body transfers information along each _____ using an electrical impulse.
n. a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body
100. The prime minister canceled visits to other countries to resolve _____ disputes.
adj. of or relating to the inside of something
101. The eggs were placed in an artificial _____ to ensure proper hatching conditions.
n. an apparatus in which conditions are controlled for hatching eggs, growing cells, or keeping people or animals warm; a place, especially with support staff and equipment, offered at a low cost to new small businesses

ANSWERS: 94. hoax, 95. unreliable, 96. biology, 97. alerted, 98. innovative, 99. neuron, 100. internal, 101. incubator

102. Mercury thermometers are a type of _____ sensor.

adj. relating to or using signals or information represented by a continuous physical quantity such as spatial position, voltage, etc.

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

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

104. You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a _____.

n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

105. The _____ language of the poet was often difficult to understand.

adj. decorated with elaborate designs or ornamentation; overly ornate or showy

106. The company's casual and _____ work environment encourages creativity and collaboration.

adj. relaxed, casual, or unofficial in style or manner; not ceremonious or strict in adherence to rules or conventions; suitable for ordinary or everyday occasions

107. He studied the _____ of radiation.

n. the science of matter and energy and their interactions

108. My memory will _____ but my heart will live on.

v. to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness

109. The smell of fresh _____ trees filled the air at the Christmas tree farm.

n. a type of tall evergreen tree that is native to the northern hemisphere, with needle-like leaves and cones that stand upright on the branches

ANSWERS: 102. analog, 103. obvious, 104. scholar, 105. florid, 106. informal, 107. physics, 108. fade, 109. fir

110. Full involvement means _____ and prompt responses.

adj. honest and sincere; open and candid in expression

111. Governments _____ their citizens to buy eco-friendly products through subsidies.

v. to make someone want to do in a particular way by offering them a reward

112. He discovered unique _____ for photochemical reactions.

n. a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction

113. Missile assaults on the capital continued around _____.

n. the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky

114. One such rapidly growing _____ is quantum cryptography.

n. an idea or principle associated with something abstract

115. I always carry a backup _____ in case my phone runs out of battery.

n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

116. Your _____ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.

n. the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

117. The city is _____ difficult to navigate without a map.

adv. in a way that is well-known or widely recognized, often for something negative or scandalous; with a reputation for being infamous or notorious

ANSWERS: 110. frank, 111. incentivize, 112. mechanisms, 113. dawn, 114. concept, 115. device, 116. intellect, 117. notoriously

118. 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

119. The news of her sudden death was _____ to everyone who knew her.

- adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe

120. She is wearing a _____ necklace.

- n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry

121. He stood to inherit a million-dollar _____.

- n.* a thing or things that belong to someone

122. I was sweating at every _____.

- n.* a tiny hole in the skin of people or other animals that sweat can pass through;
(verb) to read carefully or study attentively

123. Many people use _____ sauce for sushi, stir-fries, and marinades.

- n.* a legume plant that is widely cultivated for its edible bean, which has many uses, such as for oil, food, and animal feed

124. He had a special _____ for public relations

- n.* an electrical device that sends or receives radio or television signals; (biology) one of one or more pairs of appendages used for sensing in insects

125. The protestors built a _____ to prevent police from entering the area.

- n.* a barrier, often improvised or temporary, used to block passage or protect against danger or attack

ANSWERS: 118. involves, 119. astonishing, 120. coral, 121. property, 122. pore, 123. soy, 124. antenna, 125. barricade

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

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

127. The _____ announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.

n. a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

128. He wants to _____ ownership of the abandoned property.

v. to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

129. They will _____ between various emotional states.

v. to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back

130. The _____ of molecules in steel changes significantly with temperature.

n. the arrangement or pattern of something or a group of related things

131. I need to _____ all of my notes into a manageable summary for my presentation.

v. to reduce the volume or size of something, often by removing water or other liquid; to make something shorter, more concise, or more concentrated

132. The revitalization of technology companies is _____ to the country's growth.

adj. extremely vital or necessary

133. The detective looked for fingerprints on the window _____.

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

ANSWERS: 126. grand, 127. alarm, 128. claim, 129. bounce, 130. configuration, 131. condense, 132. crucial, 133. frame

134. We watched a _____ of our family vacation from years ago.

- n.* a type of magnetic tape used for recording and storing video images and sound; a recording made on such tape

135. The company's success can be attributed to the _____ of its employees.

- n.* specialized knowledge or skills in a particular field or subject; expert proficiency or knowledge

136. When faced with a dangerous situation, his initial _____ was to flee.

- n.* an inborn behavioral pattern that is often responsive to specific stimuli; an innate feeling that causes you to act or believe that something is true

137. The scientists decided to _____ the eggs for further study.

- v.* to keep warm and protected, especially to hatch eggs; to develop and nurture

138. He _____ in the dazzling sunlight.

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

139. I was able to _____ the moment on film.

- v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

140. Most of the programs are _____ in this area.

- v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television

141. The committee _____ several apparent inconsistencies.

- v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth

ANSWERS: 134. videotape, 135. expertise, 136. instinct, 137. incubate, 138. blinked, 139. capture, 140. broadcast, 141. investigated

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

n. a fundamental or essential part of something

143. I need to _____ the recipe to make just enough for two people.

v. to divide something into two equal parts; to reduce something by half its original amount or size

144. 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

145. 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

146. The company specializes in manufacturing and selling cutting-edge _____.

n. the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems

147. He was known for his powerful _____ and ability to persuade people with his words.

n. speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form

148. The book's _____ is that the main character must save the world from an impending disaster.

n. a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn

ANSWERS: 142. element, 143. halve, 144. inspiration, 145. mass, 146. electronics, 147. rhetoric, 148. premise

149. Some seaweed was used as _____ medicine in ancient times.

n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

150. The lecture was _____ and gave me a new perspective on the topic.

adj. making something clear or easy to understand; providing light

151. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

152. The vessel ran aground on a _____.

n. a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

153. The _____ concert was packed with fans.

adj. existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation

154. The _____ baby was small but healthy.

adj. occurring or done too early; happening before the appropriate time; born before the end of a full-term pregnancy

155. There's a new _____ of hero in the movies now.

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

156. 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

ANSWERS: 149. folk, 150. illuminating, 151. conversation, 152. reef, 153. standing, 154. premature, 155. brand, 156. colleague

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

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

158. The old, rusty tools were now _____ and had to be thrown away.

adj. not serving any useful purpose; having no practical result

159. Her _____ for cooking is evident in every dish she prepares.

n. intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction

160. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

161. The prosecution _____ that the defendant was guilty of the crime.

v. to claim or assert that something is true without providing proof or evidence

162. The hut stands on the _____ of a mountain.

n. a surface with one end or side that is higher than the other

163. The couple decided to attend _____ therapy to work on their marital issues.

adj. relating to marriage or the relationship between spouses; pertaining to the married state or married life

164. The athlete wore a _____ wreath to symbolize victory in the competition.

n. an evergreen shrub or tree with dark green leaves that is often used symbolically to represent victory, honor, or accomplishment

ANSWERS: 157. vision, 158. useless, 159. passion, 160. launch, 161. alleged, 162. slope, 163. conjugal, 164. laurel

165. A _____ back pain interfered with his concentration.

adj. happening or occurring again periodically or repeatedly

166. Who answers _____ knows little.

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

167. To expand the company, we must ____ new human resources.

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

168. The university's _____ was busy with students and staff grabbing a quick lunch.

n. a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.

169. 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

170. The _____ group held their meetings in a hidden underground location.

adj. characterized by a tendency to keep secrets or withhold information; inclined to conceal one's thoughts, actions, or intentions

171. My left arm became _____.

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

172. The _____ keeper was a friendly man who always had a good joke.

n. a public place where alcoholic drinks are served

ANSWERS: 165. recurring, 166. suddenly, 167. tap, 168. cafeteria, 169. develop, 170. secretive, 171. numb, 172. tavern

173. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

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

174. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

175. The economic recession _____ the housing market.

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

176. The band played a beautiful _____ on their instruments.

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

177. He couldn't _____ the actual value of the artwork.

v. to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

178. My car's _____ must be replaced before I drive again at night.

n. a bright forward-facing light on a vehicle, typically used at night to illuminate the road ahead

179. She _____ for a moment before leaving the room.

v. to stay in a place or exist longer than expected

180. I'm a big _____ of French food.

n. a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

ANSWERS: 173. eventually, 174. bunch, 175. depressed, 176. tune, 177. calculate, 178. headlight, 179. lingered, 180. fan

181. I heated my leftover food in the _____ oven, which tasted just as good as freshly cooked.
- n.* a form of electromagnetic radiation with wavelengths ranging from about one millimeter to one meter and frequencies between 300 MHz (0.3 GHz) and 300 GHz; an electric oven that cooks food by exposing it to high-frequency electromagnetic radiation, which causes the food molecules to vibrate and heat up quickly
182. The lawyer confirmed that the _____ on the contract was genuine.
- n.* a person's name, often handwritten, written in a distinctive way as a form of identification or authorization; a distinctive feature or characteristic that is a hallmark or identifying mark of something or someone
183. Refined character portrayal makes up for _____ gameplay.
- adj.* heavy, awkward, and old-fashioned; not graceful and clumsy in style, form, or movement
184. The nations of South East Asia will quickly _____ and catch up with the West.
- v.* to organize the production of something into an industry
185. The _____ in the breakroom is a popular spot for employees to chat and catch up.
- n.* a shared location in an office or workplace where people gather to take a break, socialize, and chat informally
186. The author had _____ notes used as references for the research paper.
- adj.* abundant in quantity or number; plentiful; yielding or containing a large amount or volume

ANSWERS: 181. microwave, 182. signature, 183. clunky, 184. industrialize, 185. water-cooler, 186. copious

187. Later, his claim was found to be _____ false.

adv. completely

188. Bring a snack or _____ to satisfy your appetite.

n. a drink of any type

189. Ghosts in folk _____ are almost always malicious.

n. a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

190. He has a flair for _____.

n. the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

191. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's ____.

n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

192. Using proper _____ is essential for writing a good essay.

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

193. They adopted a _____ approach to resolving their differences, emphasizing dialogue and understanding.

adj. peaceful in character or intent; tending to lessen or avoid conflict; calm or soothing in manner or tone; (noun, as "Pacific") the largest and deepest of Earth's oceanic divisions

194. The light _____ has burned out.

n. a rounded underground storage organ of some plants from which the plant grows; the rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball

ANSWERS: 187. entirely, 188. beverage, 189. tales, 190. mathematics, 191. lab, 192. vocabulary, 193. pacific, 194. bulb

195. He was, by nature, a cyber _____.

- n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.

196. He finally brought his _____ to perfection.

- n.* education that results in understanding and the spread of knowledge

197. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.

- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

198. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.

- v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation

199. This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat _____ cases.

- n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.

200. The researcher separated the nervous _____ for microscopic examinations.

- n.* an ensemble of similar cells of the animal or plant that together carry out a specific function

201. The view from the top of the mountain was _____.

- adj.* causing wonder or astonishment; excellent

202. The sky turned a beautiful orange hue at _____.

- n.* the period of the day just before nightfall when the light begins to fade; the darker part of twilight

ANSWERS: 195. nerd, 196. enlightenment, 197. assumes, 198. tackle, 199. stroke, 200. tissue, 201. marvelous, 202. dusk

203. She is the president of a large international _____.

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

204. She had an _____ while meditating and realized the answer to her problem.

n. a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus

205. The wound was so deep that it needed a surgical procedure and _____.

n. one of the tiny thread lines visible on a piece of fabric after it has been sewn

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

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

207. The construction company _____ the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

208. It seems _____ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.

adj. likely to happen or likely to be true

ANSWERS: 203. organization, 204. epiphany, 205. stitches, 206. elites, 207. equipped, 208. probable