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Session 1: Word List

diagnose

v. to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis

synonym : identify, analyze, interpret

(1) **diagnose** the problem, (2) **diagnose** with CT scans

This device is used to **diagnose** brain cancer and other tumors.

dyslexia

n. a neurological condition that affects a person's ability to read, write, and spell, often despite normal or above-average intelligence, effective teaching, and adequate motivation, which is characterized by difficulty in the phonological coding of written words, poor phonological awareness, and poor reading fluency and decoding skills

synonym : reading disability, word blindness, dysgraphia

(1) student with **dyslexia**, (2) diagnosis of **dyslexia**

Educators need to understand how **dyslexia** affects students' reading abilities.

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.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym : unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

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

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

amazing

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

synonym : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

jewelry

n. decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches

synonym : accessories, ornaments, adornments

(1) **jewelry** designer, (2) precious **jewelry**

I received a beautiful piece of **jewelry** from my partner for our anniversary.

fairy

n. a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers

synonym : sprite, pixie, elf

(1) **fairy** tale, (2) a water **fairy**

The mischievous **fairy** flew gracefully through the forest, spreading magic wherever she went.

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.

retire

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

synonym : relinquish, step down, withdraw

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

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

ruin

v. to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,

synonym : bankrupt, demolish, destroy

(1) **ruin** the plan, (2) **ruin** the reputation

He knocked over the red wine and **ruined** the tablecloth.

inconvenient

adj. causing trouble or difficulty; not convenient or suitable

synonym : troublesome, difficult, awkward

(1) face an **inconvenient** truth, (2) **inconvenient** for shopping

It was **inconvenient** for her to go out of her way to pick up the package.

gore

v. to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound

synonym : pierce, stab, puncture

(1) **gore** him with a weapon, (2) **gore** scene

The hunter **gored** the deer with an arrow.

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.

improve

v. to make or become better

synonym : enhance, ameliorate, enrich

(1) **improve** a process, (2) **improve** the test score

We want to **improve** ties between our two countries.

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true
synonym: chance, prospect, likelihood

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

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

intact

adj. undamaged and complete

synonym: flawless, unchanged, entire

(1) **intact** brain, (2) **intact** forestland

Despite the scandals, his reputation remained **intact**.

locally

adv. in or to a specific or limited area or region; focused or restricted to a particular locality or community

synonym: topically, nearby, regionally

(1) buy **locally**, (2) support **locally**

The restaurant sources its ingredients **locally**, ensuring freshness and supporting local farmers.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym: farthestmost, outermost, fierce

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

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

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.

bamboo

n. a fast-growing plant that has long, hollow stems and is widely used as a building material, food source, and decorative element, especially in Asian cultures

synonym: cane, reed, stem

(1) **bamboo** crafts, (2) **bamboo** flooring

The stalks of **bamboo** can grow up to a foot per day in

optimal conditions.

blackboard

n. a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk

synonym : chalkboard, slate

(1) chalk on a **blackboard**, (2) electronic **blackboard**

The teacher asked me to rub out the **blackboard**.

holistic

adj. relating to or dealing with the whole of something rather than just its parts

synonym : comprehensive, all-encompassing, total

(1) **holistic** education, (2) develop a **holistic** vision

The **holistic** approach to healthcare considers the person's physical, mental, and emotional well-being.

graduate

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

synonym : alumna, alum, grad

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

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

chant

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

synonym : hymn, mantra, (verb) recite

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

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

insane

adj. extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill

synonym : crazy, mad, foolish

(1) go **insane** with pleasure, (2) an **insane** scheme

Her excessive demands drove me **insane**.

asylum

n. protection granted to someone who has left their home country as a political refugee

synonym : refuge, shelter, haven

(1) grant **asylum**, (2) **asylum** law

The refugees sought **asylum** in the neighboring country.

gentle

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

synonym : mild, delicate, soft

(1) in a **gentle** voice, (2) **gentle** downward slope

Her **gentle** manner relaxed everyone there.

breeze

n. a gentle wind that is not very strong or forceful, typically cool and refreshing

synonym : wind, gust, puff

(1) a **breeze** from an open window, (2) fresh ocean **breeze**

The summer **breeze** was refreshing after the hot day.

passee

adj. no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date

synonym : outdated, old-fashioned, antique

(1) **passee** entertainment, (2) **passee** trend

Bell-bottom jeans, once considered **passee** fashion, have made a surprising comeback in recent years.

deploy

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

synonym : set up, expand, launch

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

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

bubble

n. a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses

synonym : blob, balloon, mania

(1) **bubble** in the champagne glass, (2) economic **bubble**

Many people worry that the current real estate market is a **bubble** that could burst soon.

cotton

n. a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing

(1) **cotton** cloth, (2) culture of **cotton**

The price of raw **cotton** continued to rise.

rub

v. to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure

synonym: scrub, massage, stroke

(1) **rub** shoulders, (2) **rub** a glass window

She **rubbed** the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.

painless

adj. causing little or no physical discomfort; not causing pain or discomfort

synonym: pain-free, effortless, easy

(1) **painless** childbirth, (2) **painless** procedure

Thanks to the new dental anesthesia technique, filling is now **painless**.

climate

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

synonym: atmosphere, weather, environment

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

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

grandchild

n. a child of someone's son or daughter

synonym: offspring, descendant, progeny

(1) **grandchild-grandparent** relationship, (2) **grandchild** development

The grandparents take care of their **grandchild** while the parents are at work.

indestructible

adj. impossible to destroy or damage beyond repair

synonym: unbreakable, sturdy, durable

(1) **indestructible** warrior, (2) **indestructible** object

The vault was advertised as **indestructible** but was eventually broken into.

graffiti

n. writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place

synonym: street art, tagging, vandalism

(1) **graffiti** art, (2) **graffiti** tag

The city spent a lot of money cleaning up the **graffiti** on the buildings downtown.

sand

n. finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action

synonym: grit, dust, powder

(1) **sand** dunes, (2) **sand** castle

The **sand** on the beach was warm and golden.

wax

n. a substance that is solid at room temperature but becomes softer and more pliable when heated, often used in the production of candles, polishes, and cosmetics; (verb) to become large

(1) **wax** finish, (2) **wax** and wane

He sealed the letter with a **wax** seal.

grid

n. a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

synonym: gridiron, battery grid, power system

(1) a **grid** design, (2) a wire **grid**

Grid pattern roads often appear in urban areas.

alternative

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

synonym: choice, option

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

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

solar

adj. of, from, or relating to the sun

(1) the **solar** system, (2) a **solar** eclipse

Solar panels have greatly improved not only in performance but also in durability.

vortex

n. a mass of whirling air, water, dust, or smoke, especially a whirlpool or whirlwind

synonym: whirlpool, whirlwind, maelstrom

(1) **vortex** formation, (2) blow in a **vortex**

The **vortex** of the tornado was massive and destructive.

meter

n. a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse

synonym: gauge, indicator, rhythm

(1) a gas **meter**, (2) poetic **meter**

The **meter** on the wall showed that the room was three meters long.

turbine

n. a machine that rotates to generate power from fluids such as water or gas

synonym: engine, generator, power plant

(1) **turbine** energy, (2) **turbine** aerofoil

The wind **turbines** were spinning rapidly, generating clean energy for the nearby town.

watt

n. a standard unit for measuring electrical power

(1) 30- **watt** light bulb, (2) **watt** per square meter

Several hectares of land are needed to generate more than 1-mega **watt** solar power.

electrify

v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

synonym: wire, amaze, astonish

(1) **electrify** the audience, (2) **electrify** a manufacturing

process

The product developed through years of research continues to **electrify** the market.

nowhere

adv. not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere

(1) **nowhere** else to go, (2) come out of **nowhere**
I've been thinking all day and getting **nowhere**.

flush

v. to become red on your face, especially because you are embarrassed, angry, or hot; to rinse, clean, or empty something, especially a toilet, by causing large quantities of water to flow

synonym: redden, burn, suffuse

(1) the blood **flush** into my face, (2) **flush** the toilet

The girl **flushed** when a young man whistled as she walked by.

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**.

compost

n. a mixture of organic matter, such as food scraps, yard waste, and manure, that is allowed to decompose and is used as fertilizer for plants and garden soil

synonym: fertilizer, humus, manure

(1) organic **compost**, (2) **compost** pile

You can add coffee grounds and crushed eggshells to your **compost** to improve the pH balance.

toilet

n. a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture

synonym: bathroom, lavatory, washroom

(1) **toilet** paper, (2) **toilet** seat

She walked to the **toilet** to freshen up before the meeting.

principal

adj. most important, main, or chief

synonym : main, leading, chief

(1) **principal** actor, (2) **principal** responsible

The **principal** reason for the company's success is its innovative products.

canvas

n. the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on

(1) blank **canvas**, (2) oil on **canvas**

Life is a vast **canvas**; you should put as much paint on it as possible.

skylight

n. a window or opening in a roof or ceiling that allows natural light to enter a room or space from above

synonym : roof window, light well

(1) **skylight** window, (2) dome **skylight**

The **skylight** in the room added natural light and a beautiful view of the stars at night.

replace

v. to take the place of something

synonym : substitute, supersede, displace

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

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

recyclability

n. the degree to which a material or product can be reused or repurposed after it has served its original function, without requiring significant modifications or environmental harm

synonym : reusability, sustainability, renewability

(1) **recyclability** rate, (2) low **recyclability** problem

The **recyclability** of electronic devices is a significant challenge due to the complexity of their components.

drag

v. to pull or haul with force

synonym :

haul, pull, draw

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

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

giant

adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

synonym : big, gigantic, huge

(1) **giant** trees, (2) **giant** tech company

The **giant** jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

whiteboard

n. a smooth, hard writing surface, typically white, that can be written on with dry-erase markers and easily erased

(1) **whiteboard** marker, (2) **whiteboard** animation

Let's brainstorm ideas on the **whiteboard** for the new project.

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.

shield

n. a protective covering or structure, especially in the past, that soldiers held in front of their bodies to protect themselves

synonym : guard, protection, safeguard

(1) a heat **shield**, (2) a **shield** for protecting against a bullet

Lead is an effective **shield** against X-rays, gamma rays, and other harmful radiation.

acre

n. a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)

(1) half- **acre** parcel, (2) an **acre** of forest

The farm covers over 200 **acres** of land.

- roll** v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
synonym : spin, swirl, wheel
(1) **roll** a ball, (2) **roll** down his cheeks
He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.
- craze** n. an enthusiasm for a particular activity, object, or idea that appears suddenly and achieves widespread but short-lived popularity; a fad
synonym : mania, fad, agitation
(1) **craze** for speculation, (2) fitness **craze**
We experienced a **craze** for electric vehicles as interest in green tech grew.
- industrious** *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
synonym : diligent, hardworking, assiduous
(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student
He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.
- hop** v. to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
synonym : jump, bounce, skip
(1) **hop** on one foot, (2) **hop** from one place to another
The rabbit **hopped** over the fence.
- communal** *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
synonym : collaborative, combined, collective
(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds
Communal elections were held in several European countries.

petrochemical

n. a chemical compound derived from petroleum or natural gas, used as a raw material in the manufacture of plastics, synthetic fibers, and other products

synonym : oil-based, chemical-based, refinery product

(1) **petrochemical** complex, (2) **petrochemical** plant

The town's economy relies heavily on the **petrochemical** industry.

pave

v. to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

synonym : surface, coat, cover

(1) **pave** a new path, (2) **pave** a smoother road

They **paved** the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.

volcanic

adj. relating to or produced by or consisting of volcano

(1) effects of **volcanic** eruptions, (2) increase in **volcanic** activity

This study indicates **volcanic** activity affects global warming.

gravel

n. small stones and pebbles, often mixed with sand, used for road surfaces, concrete, landscaping, or as a decorative material

synonym : pebbles, stones, rocks

(1) **gravel** road, (2) **gravel** pit

We spread **gravel** over the driveway to prevent cars from getting stuck in the mud.

flood

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

synonym : deluge, downpour, overflow

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

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

buffalo

n. a large wild ox with shaggy hair found in Asia and North America

synonym : bison, ox, beefalo

(1) **buffalo** horn, (2) **buffalo** steak

The **buffalo** roam freely in the plains of North America.

fence

n. a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property

synonym : barrier, wall, hedge

(1) **fence** post, (2) a brushwood **fence**

She planted a hedge to serve as a natural **fence** around her garden.

kindergarten

n. a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six

synonym : preschool, nursery school, daycare

(1) **kindergarten** class, (2) **kindergarten** teacher

The **kindergarten** students were having a good time playing with toys.

tapioca

n. a starchy substance derived from the cassava plant, typically used in cooking and baking as a thickening agent or as the base for puddings or desserts

synonym : cassava, manioc

(1) **tapioca** balls, (2) **tapioca** pearls

I love the texture and taste of **tapioca** pudding.

slice

n. a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting

synonym : piece, portion, slit

(1) a **slice** of the company's revenue, (2) **slice** a tomato thin

The children complained because one **slice** of cake was slightly larger than the other.

thinly

adv. in a thin manner; used to describe something being spread out thinly or thinly layered

synonym : sparsely, thinly spread, lightly

(1) **thinly** coated, (2) **thinly** populated
She **thinly** sliced the cucumbers for the salad.

delicious

adj. exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell
synonym : appetizing, mouthwatering, delectable

(1) **delicious** breeze, (2) variety of **delicious** foods
We could grill the meat in a **delicious** way.

chip

n. a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat
synonym : flake, fragment, chunk

(1) a **chip** of wood, (2) I don't care a **chip**
We can use this campaign as a bargaining **chip** in the negotiations.

landscape

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

(1) a peaceful **landscape**, (2) **landscape** painting
Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political **landscape** in Europe.

cow

n. a domesticated mammal with characteristic features such as a hump, large udders, and curved horns that is raised for its milk or meat
synonym : bovine, cattle, kine

(1) **cow** herd, (2) dairy **cow**
The farmer milked the **cows** every morning before breakfast.

mow

v. to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops
synonym : cut, trim, clip

(1) **mow** the field, (2) **mow** a yard
My father likes to **mow** the lawn early on Saturday mornings.

organic

adj. of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals

synonym : biological

(1) **organic** soils, (2) eat **organic** food

The kidney is an **organic** component of the body.

harvest

n. yields of plants in a single growing season; the period of the year when gathering occurs on a farm

synonym : crop, reaping, yield

(1) a scanty **harvest**, (2) reap a **harvest**

During **harvest**, farmers are incredibly busy.

cycle

n. an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle

synonym : revolution, rotation, bike

(1) the **cycle** of the seasons, (2) go to the workplace by **cycle**

The food chain causes a material **cycle**.

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**.

sawdust

n. fine particles or small chips of wood that are produced when the wood is sawed or cut, often used as a material for various purposes such as mulch, fuel, or animal bedding

synonym : wood shavings, particles, fragments

(1) **sawdust** on the floor, (2) mountain of **sawdust**

The woodworker used a saw to create **sawdust** while making the chair.

pioneer

n. inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something

synonym: frontiersperson, innovator, trailblazer

(1) act as a **pioneer**, (2) early **pioneers**

John Whitney was a computer animation **pioneer**.

microcosm

n. a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale

synonym: miniature, tiny world, little universe

(1) soil **microcosm**, (2) environmental **microcosm**

The small town felt like a **microcosm** of the larger society.

globalization

n. the process by which economies, societies, and cultures around the world become increasingly integrated and interconnected through the rapid exchange of goods, services, ideas, and people across international borders

synonym: worldwide integration

(1) the rapid pace of **globalization**, (2) **globalization** trend

The spread of popular culture worldwide is an example of cultural **globalization**.

arithmetic

n. the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division

synonym: computation, calculation, math

(1) decimal **arithmetic**, (2) mental **arithmetic**

The abacus is an ancient counting device that was used for **arithmetic** calculations.

ancient

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

synonym: archaic, age-old, obsolete

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

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

mud

n. a soft, wet, sticky earth or clay

synonym : muck, sludge, ooze

(1) **mud** wall, (2) **mud** volcano

The **mud** of the swamp made it difficult to walk through the field.

wrestling

n. a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground

synonym : grappling, fighting, brawling

(1) **wrestling** match, (2) arm **wrestling**

He had always been interested in sumo **wrestling** and decided to try it.

moth

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

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

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

convinced

adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

synonym : confident, positive, indoctrinated

(1) **convinced** of the idea, (2) **convinced** criminal

The public is **convinced** that the prime minister has committed fraud.

outrageous

adj. highly unusual, unconventional, or shocking; going beyond the bounds of what is considered acceptable or proper

synonym : unconscionable, shocking, scandalous

(1) **outrageous** prices, (2) **outrageous** claim

Her **outrageous** behavior at the party caused quite a stir among the guests.

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.

commitment

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

synonym : burden, obligation, promise

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

commitments

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

scholarship

n. a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements

synonym : grant, award, stipend

(1) a **scholarship** association, (2) college **scholarship**

She received a full **scholarship** to study abroad.

diverse

adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

synonym : manifold, various, myriad

(1) **diverse** backgrounds, (2) a person of **diverse** talents

New York is a city with a **diverse** ethnic population.

volunteer

n. a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do

synonym : unpaid worker, draftee, enlistee

(1) seek **volunteers**, (2) my **volunteer** work

The teachers make full use of **volunteer** assistance.

agriculture

n. the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock

synonym : farming, husbandry, agribusiness

(1) organic **agriculture**, (2) intensive **agriculture**

Agriculture is the foundation of our economy.

committed

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

synonym : devoted, faithful, attached

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

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

generation

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

synonym : cohort, age group, era

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

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

rename

v. to give a new name to something; to change the name of something

synonym : rebrand, rechristen, re-label

(1) **rename** the street, (2) **rename** in plain English

The new owners **renamed** the restaurant to give it a fresh start.

thrive

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

synonym : bloom, flourish, prosper

(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure

Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

coconut

n. the large, hard-shelled seed of a tropical palm, which has a fibrous husk surrounding a single-seeded nut

(1) **coconut** milk, (2) **coconut** oil

He cracked open a **coconut** to drink the milk.

dense

adj. containing a large number of people or something with little space between them

synonym : heavy, thick, idiotic

(1) nutrient- **dense** foods, (2) **dense** forests

The entire mountain is covered in **dense** rainforest.

teak

n. a type of tropical hardwood tree native to Southeast Asia, known for its durability, water resistance, and natural oils; the wood from this tree, often used in construction, furniture, boat building, and other applications

synonym: timber, lumber, hardwood

(1) **teak** wood, (2) **teak** plantation

The **teak** furniture brings a touch of elegance to the outdoor patio.

architect

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

synonym: creator, designer, planner

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

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

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.

administer

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

synonym: allocate, distribute, dispense

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

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

complexity

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory

The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

squash

v. to forcefully crush or flatten something; to suppress, stifle, or defeat an idea or opposition forcefully

synonym: smash, crush, compress

(1) **squash** a package, (2) **squash** a rebellion

I like to **squash** my grapes when making homemade wine.

rethink

v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

synonym: reexplore, review, reconsider

(1) **rethink** a marketing plan, (2) **rethink** the role of the manager

We have to **rethink** our company's product lineup for further growth.

helix

n. a three-dimensional spiral shape or structure, particularly like that of a spring or a DNA molecule

synonym: coil, spiral, twist

(1) **helix** structure, (2) alpha **helix**

The DNA molecule is shaped like a double **helix**.

administrator

n. a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises

synonym: manager, executive, supervisor

(1) school **administrator**, (2) network **administrator**

The university's **administrator** announced new policies regarding campus safety.

ream

n. a unit of measurement for the quantity of paper, usually equal to 500 sheets; a large quantity of something

synonym: batch, heap, ton

(1) **ream** weight, (2) **ream** of ideas

I need to buy a **ream** of printer paper for the office.

engineer

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

synonym : architect, creator, builder

(1) a civil **engineer**, (2) **engineer** shortage

The **engineer** will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

carpenter

n. a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects

synonym : woodworker, artisan

(1) a short **carpenter** nail, (2) an apprentice **carpenter**

Carpenter bees are boring holes into the wall.

measured

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

synonym : calculated, deliberate, thought-out

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

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

ruling

n. a decision, judgment, or decree made by a judge, court, or other authority; a set of guiding principles or regulations that dictate behavior or procedures; (adjective) dominant or authoritative in a particular situation

synonym : judgment, decision, verdict

(1) legal **ruling**, (2) supreme court **ruling**

The judge's **ruling** was in favor of the defendant.

technique

n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

synonym : approach, procedure, strategy

(1) a **technique** in martial arts, (2) the **technique** applied to construction

Jockey's superior **technique** brought him victory.

chaos

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

synonym : disorder, turmoil, confusion

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

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

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.

metal

n. a solid material that is typically hard, shiny, malleable, fusible, and ductile, with good electrical and thermal conductivity, and often used as a structural material, a conductor of heat or electricity, or for decorative purposes

synonym: alloy, metalloid

(1) **metal** fabrication, (2) precious **metal**

The construction worker used a **metal** saw to cut through the stubborn sheet metal.

scaffold

n. a temporary platform or structure used to support workers and materials during construction or maintenance work

synonym: platform, staging, framework

(1) **scaffold** construction, (2) go to the **scaffold**

The construction workers set up the **scaffold** to reach the top of the building.

cathedral

n. the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area

synonym: church, basilica, temple

(1) **cathedral** school, (2) **cathedral** choir

The **cathedral's** stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.

foundation

n. the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization

that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes

synonym : base, support, groundwork

(1) **foundation** course, (2) weak **foundation**

The **foundation** of the building was cracked and needed to be repaired.

fin

n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

synonym : flipper, appendage, stabilizer

(1) back **fin**, (2) a **fin** of a plane

The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

doable

adj. possible to do; capable of existing, taking place, or proving true

synonym : realizable, accomplishable, achievable

(1) make a **doable** plan, (2) **doable** in daily life

This project is **doable** despite the tight schedule.

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**.

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.

Session 2: Spelling

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|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. re___e voluntarily | <i>v.</i> to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age |
| 2. midst of ch__s | <i>n.</i> a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control |
| 3. in a ge___e voice | <i>adj.</i> having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild |
| 4. pre-Christian an____t | <i>adj.</i> relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old |
| 5. m__h larva | <i>n.</i> an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light |
| 6. nutrient-de__e foods | <i>adj.</i> containing a large number of people or something with little space between them |
| 7. the cy__e of the seasons | <i>n.</i> an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle |
| 8. me____ed analysis | <i>adj.</i> done with careful consideration or calculated precision; controlled or regulated in manner or speech; deliberate and thoughtful |
| 9. m_w a yard | <i>v.</i> to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops |

ANSWERS: 1. retire, 2. chaos, 3. gentle, 4. ancient, 5. moth, 6. dense, 7. cycle, 8. measured, 9. mow

10. a good grounding in mat_____cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
11. sc_____ld construction *n.* a temporary platform or structure used to support workers and materials during construction or maintenance work
12. t__k wood *n.* a type of tropical hardwood tree native to Southeast Asia, known for its durability, water resistance, and natural oils; the wood from this tree, often used in construction, furniture, boat building, and other applications
13. ba___o flooring *n.* a fast-growing plant that has long, hollow stems and is widely used as a building material, food source, and decorative element, especially in Asian cultures
14. a sh___d for protecting against a bullet *n.* a protective covering or structure, especially in the past, that soldiers held in front of their bodies to protect themselves
15. r__l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
16. th___y populated *adv.* in a thin manner; used to describe something being spread out thinly or thinly layered
17. cr__e for speculation *n.* an enthusiasm for a particular activity, object, or idea that appears suddenly and achieves widespread but short-lived popularity; a fad

ANSWERS: 10. mathematics, 11. scaffold, 12. teak, 13. bamboo, 14. shield, 15. roll, 16. thinly, 17. craze

18. a civil en_____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
19. a te_____ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
20. pa__e trend *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
21. my vo_____er work *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
22. a com_____nt to an alliance *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
23. come out of no_____e *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
24. adm_____er justice *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
25. labor pop_____on *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
26. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
27. glo_____ion trend *n.* the process by which economies, societies, and cultures around the world become increasingly integrated and interconnected through the rapid exchange of goods, services, ideas, and people across international borders
28. s__d castle *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action

ANSWERS: 18. engineer, 19. technique, 20. passe, 21. volunteer, 22. commitment, 23. nowhere, 24. administer, 25. population, 26. communal, 27. globalization, 28. sand

29. support lo____y *adv.* in or to a specific or limited area or region; focused or restricted to a particular locality or community
30. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
31. a sch_____ip association *n.* a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements
32. r_b shoulders *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
33. w_x and wane *n.* a substance that is solid at room temperature but becomes softer and more pliable when heated, often used in the production of candles, polishes, and cosmetics; (verb) to become large
34. go to the workplace by cy__e *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
35. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
36. weak fou_____on *n.* the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes
37. gr_____ti art *n.* writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place

ANSWERS: 29. locally, 30. eventually, 31. scholarship, 32. rub, 33. wax, 34. cycle, 35. norm, 36. foundation, 37. graffiti

38. sq___h a package *v.* to forcefully crush or flatten something; to suppress, stifle, or defeat an idea or opposition forcefully
39. pet_____cal plant *n.* a chemical compound derived from petroleum or natural gas, used as a raw material in the manufacture of plastics, synthetic fibers, and other products
40. gr___l road *n.* small stones and pebbles, often mixed with sand, used for road surfaces, concrete, landscaping, or as a decorative material
41. mountain of sa_____t *n.* fine particles or small chips of wood that are produced when the wood is sawed or cut, often used as a material for various purposes such as mulch, fuel, or animal bedding
42. act as a pi_____r *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
43. me___l fabrication *n.* a solid material that is typically hard, shiny, malleable, fusible, and ductile, with good electrical and thermal conductivity, and often used as a structural material, a conductor of heat or electricity, or for decorative purposes
44. to___t paper *n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
45. environmental mi_____sm *n.* a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale

ANSWERS: 38. squash, 39. petrochemical, 40. gravel, 41. sawdust, 42. pioneer, 43. metal, 44. toilet, 45. microcosm

46. an alt_____ve plan *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
47. h_p on one foot *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
48. I don't care a c__p *n.* a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat
49. re___e in plain English *v.* to give a new name to something; to change the name of something
50. ta_____a balls *n.* a starchy substance derived from the cassava plant, typically used in cooking and baking as a thickening agent or as the base for puddings or desserts
51. a scanty ha_____t *n.* yields of plants in a single growing season; the period of the year when gathering occurs on a farm
52. bu___e in the champagne glass *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
53. fl__h the toilet *v.* to become red on your face, especially because you are embarrassed, angry, or hot; to rinse, clean, or empty something, especially a toilet, by causing large quantities of water to flow
54. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 46. alternative, 47. hop, 48. chip, 49. rename, 50. tapioca, 51. harvest, 52. bubble, 53. flush, 54. decide

55. ind_____ble warrior *adj.* impossible to destroy or damage beyond repair
56. no_____e else to go *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
57. sk_____ht window *n.* a window or opening in a roof or ceiling that allows natural light to enter a room or space from above
58. 30-w__t light bulb *n.* a standard unit for measuring electrical power
59. an apprentice ca_____er *n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
60. me_____ed tone of voice *adj.* done with careful consideration or calculated precision; controlled or regulated in manner or speech; deliberate and thoughtful
61. face an inc_____ent truth *adj.* causing trouble or difficulty; not convenient or suitable
62. d__g a chair over *v.* to pull or haul with force
63. increase in vo_____ic activity *adj.* relating to or produced by or consisting of volcano
64. aut_____le insurance *n.* a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods
65. a brushwood fe__e *n.* a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property
66. inc_____ent for shopping *adj.* causing trouble or difficulty; not convenient or suitable

ANSWERS: 55. indestructible, 56. nowhere, 57. skylight, 58. watt, 59. carpenter, 60. measured, 61. inconvenient, 62. drag, 63. volcanic, 64. automobile, 65. fence, 66. inconvenient

67. co_____t oil *n.* the large, hard-shelled seed of a tropical palm, which has a fibrous husk surrounding a single-seeded nut
68. arm wr_____ng *n.* a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground
69. network adm_____tor *n.* a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises
70. fou_____on course *n.* the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes
71. de___y troops for battle *v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
72. th___y coated *adv.* in a thin manner; used to describe something being spread out thinly or thinly layered
73. a heat sh___d *n.* a protective covering or structure, especially in the past, that soldiers held in front of their bodies to protect themselves
74. ca_____al school *n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area

ANSWERS: 67. coconut, 68. wrestling, 69. administrator, 70. foundation, 71. deploy, 72. thinly, 73. shield, 74. cathedral

75. im_____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
76. ind_____ble object *adj.* impossible to destroy or damage beyond repair
77. gi__t trees *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
78. make a do___e plan *adj.* possible to do; capable of existing, taking place, or proving true
79. re_____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
80. kin_____ten teacher *n.* a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six
81. a f_n of a plane *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
82. do___e in daily life *adj.* possible to do; capable of existing, taking place, or proving true
83. reap a ha_____t *n.* yields of plants in a single growing season; the period of the year when gathering occurs on a farm
84. precious je_____y *n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches
85. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
86. ch__t in the chapel *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation

ANSWERS: 75. improve, 76. indestructible, 77. giant, 78. doable, 79. replace, 80. kindergarten, 81. fin, 82. doable, 83. harvest, 84. jewelry, 85. eventually, 86. chant

87. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
88. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
89. r__n the reputation *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
90. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
91. an in___e scheme *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
92. co_____ed criminal *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
93. r__l down his cheeks *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
94. chalk on a bla_____rd *n.* a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk
95. a person of di_____e talents *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
96. a sl__e of the company's revenue *n.* a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting
97. gr_____te degree program *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

ANSWERS: 87. electrify, 88. amazing, 89. ruin, 90. extreme, 91. insane, 92. convinced, 93. roll, 94. blackboard, 95. diverse, 96. slice, 97. graduate

98. culture of co___n *n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing
99. there is no other alt____ve *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
100. ch__t melodies *n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
101. in___t forestland *adj.* undamaged and complete
102. di_____se with CT scans *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
103. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
104. pa__e entertainment *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
105. r__n the plan *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
106. re_____k a marketing plan *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
107. dome sk_____ht *n.* a window or opening in a roof or ceiling that allows natural light to enter a room or space from above
108. d__g a team down *v.* to pull or haul with force

ANSWERS: 98. cotton, 99. alternative, 100. chant, 101. intact, 102. diagnose, 103. industrious, 104. passe, 105. ruin, 106. rethink, 107. skylight, 108. drag

109. ge___e downward slope *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
110. strong and co_____ed sales staff *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
111. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
112. w_x finish *n.* a substance that is solid at room temperature but becomes softer and more pliable when heated, often used in the production of candles, polishes, and cosmetics; (verb) to become large
113. a peaceful la_____pe *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
114. gr_____ti tag *n.* writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place
115. out_____us claim *adj.* highly unusual, unconventional, or shocking; going beyond the bounds of what is considered acceptable or proper
116. fa__y tale *n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers
117. college sch_____ip *n.* a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements

ANSWERS: 109. gentle, 110. committed, 111. communal, 112. wax, 113. landscape, 114. graffiti, 115. outrageous, 116. fairy, 117. scholarship

118. go to the sc_____ld *n.* a temporary platform or structure used to support workers and materials during construction or maintenance work
119. wr_____ng match *n.* a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground
120. re_____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
121. a c__p of wood *n.* a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat
122. a w__t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
123. r__m of ideas *n.* a unit of measurement for the quantity of paper, usually equal to 500 sheets; a large quantity of something
124. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
125. half-a__e parcel *n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)
126. student with dy_____ia *n.* a neurological condition that affects a person's ability to read, write, and spell, often despite normal or above-average intelligence, effective teaching, and adequate motivation, which is characterized by difficulty in the phonological coding of written words, poor phonological awareness, and poor reading fluency and decoding skills

ANSWERS: 118. scaffold, 119. wrestling, 120. replace, 121. chip, 122. writ, 123. ream, 124. norm, 125. acre, 126. dyslexia

127. re____k the role of the manager *v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
128. meet his com_____nts *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
129. la_____pe painting *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
130. w__t per square meter *n.* a standard unit for measuring electrical power
131. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
132. c_w herd *n.* a domesticated mammal with characteristic features such as a hump, large udders, and curved horns that is raised for its milk or meat
133. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
134. organic agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
135. ch__s theory *n.* a state of complete confusion or disorder, often characterized by a lack of predictability or control
136. je_____y designer *n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches

ANSWERS: 127. rethink, 128. commitment, 129. landscape, 130. watt, 131. environment, 132. cow, 133. complexity, 134. agriculture, 135. chaos, 136. jewelry

137. fl__d advisory *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
138. m_d wall *n.* a soft, wet, sticky earth or clay
139. the so__r system *adj.* of, from, or relating to the sun
140. co_____ed of the idea *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
141. t__e of horror *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
142. fresh ocean br___e *n.* a gentle wind that is not very strong or forceful, typically cool and refreshing
143. legal ru___g *n.* a decision, judgment, or decree made by a judge, court, or other authority; a set of guiding principles or regulations that dictate behavior or procedures; (adjective) dominant or authoritative in a particular situation
144. r_b a glass window *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
145. the blood fl__h into my face *v.* to become red on your face, especially because you are embarrassed, angry, or hot; to rinse, clean, or empty something, especially a toilet, by causing large quantities of water to flow
146. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

ANSWERS: 137. flood, 138. mud, 139. solar, 140. convinced, 141. tale, 142. breeze, 143. ruling, 144. rub, 145. flush, 146. involve

147. co_____t milk *n.* the large, hard-shelled seed of a tropical palm, which has a fibrous husk surrounding a single-seeded nut
148. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
149. economic bu_____e *n.* a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
150. ar_____ct of the peace accord *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
151. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
152. s__d dunes *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
153. sq_____h a rebellion *v.* to forcefully crush or flatten something; to suppress, stifle, or defeat an idea or opposition forcefully
154. organic co_____t *n.* a mixture of organic matter, such as food scraps, yard waste, and manure, that is allowed to decompose and is used as fertilizer for plants and garden soil

ANSWERS: 147. coconut, 148. involve, 149. bubble, 150. architect, 151. amazing, 152. sand, 153. squash, 154. compost

155. an a__e of forest *n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)
156. effects of vo____ic eruptions *adj.* relating to or produced by or consisting of volcano
157. r__m weight *n.* a unit of measurement for the quantity of paper, usually equal to 500 sheets; a large quantity of something
158. effects of cl____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
159. a so__r eclipse *adj.* of, from, or relating to the sun
160. adm____er the funds *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
161. early pi____rs *n.* inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something
162. in__t brain *adj.* undamaged and complete
163. gra____ld development *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
164. whi____rd marker *n.* a smooth, hard writing surface, typically white, that can be written on with dry-erase markers and easily erased
165. ho____ic education *adj.* relating to or dealing with the whole of something rather than just its parts
166. env____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
167. a br__e from an open window *n.* a gentle wind that is not very strong or forceful, typically cool and refreshing

ANSWERS: 155. acre, 156. volcanic, 157. ream, 158. climate, 159. solar, 160. administer, 161. pioneer, 162. intact, 163. grandchild, 164. whiteboard, 165. holistic, 166. environment, 167. breeze

168. co___n cloth *n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing
169. an____t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
170. th___e on pressure *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
171. the gen_____on of electricity *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
172. th___e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
173. low rec_____ity problem *n.* the degree to which a material or product can be reused or repurposed after it has served its original function, without requiring significant modifications or environmental harm
174. precious me__l *n.* a solid material that is typically hard, shiny, malleable, fusible, and ductile, with good electrical and thermal conductivity, and often used as a structural material, a conductor of heat or electricity, or for decorative purposes
175. gr___l pit *n.* small stones and pebbles, often mixed with sand, used for road surfaces, concrete, landscaping, or as a decorative material
176. bu_____o steak *n.* a large wild ox with shaggy hair found in Asia and North America

ANSWERS: 168. cotton, 169. ancient, 170. thrive, 171. generation, 172. thrive, 173. recyclability, 174. metal, 175. gravel, 176. buffalo

177. p__e a smoother road *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
178. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
179. pre-mo___n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
180. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
181. re___e the street *v.* to give a new name to something; to change the name of something
182. a fl__d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
183. pr_____al actor *adj.* most important, main, or chief
184. gi__t tech company *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
185. m__h attracted to the light *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
186. landscape ar_____ct *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
187. g__e him with a weapon *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound
188. to___t seat *n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture

ANSWERS: 177. pave, 178. incredible, 179. modern, 180. possibility, 181. rename, 182. flood, 183. principal, 184. giant, 185. moth, 186. architect, 187. gore, 188. toilet

189. im_____e a process *v.* to make or become better
190. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
191. develop a ho_____ic vision *adj.* relating to or dealing with the whole of something rather than just its parts
192. poetic me__r *n.* a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse
193. go in___e with pleasure *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
194. mental ari_____ic *n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division
195. t__k plantation *n.* a type of tropical hardwood tree native to Southeast Asia, known for its durability, water resistance, and natural oils; the wood from this tree, often used in construction, furniture, boat building, and other applications
196. pr_____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
197. sl__e a tomato thin *n.* a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting
198. m_d volcano *n.* a soft, wet, sticky earth or clay

ANSWERS: 189. improve, 190. possibility, 191. holistic, 192. meter, 193. insane, 194. arithmetic, 195. teak, 196. probable, 197. slice, 198. mud

199. buy lo____y *adv.* in or to a specific or limited area or region; focused or restricted to a particular locality or community
200. variety of de_____us foods *adj.* exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell
201. a fairy t__e *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
202. de__e forests *adj.* containing a large number of people or something with little space between them
203. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
204. pa_____ss childbirth *adj.* causing little or no physical discomfort; not causing pain or discomfort
205. alpha he__x *n.* a three-dimensional spiral shape or structure, particularly like that of a spring or a DNA molecule
206. pop_____on change *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
207. dairy c_w *n.* a domesticated mammal with characteristic features such as a hump, large udders, and curved horns that is raised for its milk or meat
208. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
209. mo___n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
210. g__e scene *v.* to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound

ANSWERS: 199. locally, 200. delicious, 201. tale, 202. dense, 203. complexity, 204. painless, 205. helix, 206. population, 207. cow, 208. climate, 209. modern, 210. gore

211. m_w the field *v.* to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops
212. tu____e aerofoil *n.* a machine that rotates to generate power from fluids such as water or gas
213. school adm_____tor *n.* a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises
214. pa____ss procedure *adj.* causing little or no physical discomfort; not causing pain or discomfort
215. ta____a pearls *n.* a starchy substance derived from the cassava plant, typically used in cooking and baking as a thickening agent or as the base for puddings or desserts
216. vo___x formation *n.* a mass of whirling air, water, dust, or smoke, especially a whirlpool or whirlwind
217. the te_____ue applied to construction *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
218. a wire g__d *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
219. bu____o horn *n.* a large wild ox with shaggy hair found in Asia and North America

ANSWERS: 211. mow, 212. turbine, 213. administrator, 214. painless, 215. tapioca, 216. vortex, 217. technique, 218. grid, 219. buffalo

220. diagnosis of dy____ia
- n.* a neurological condition that affects a person's ability to read, write, and spell, often despite normal or above-average intelligence, effective teaching, and adequate motivation, which is characterized by difficulty in the phonological coding of written words, poor phonological awareness, and poor reading fluency and decoding skills
221. pet_____cal complex
- n.* a chemical compound derived from petroleum or natural gas, used as a raw material in the manufacture of plastics, synthetic fibers, and other products
222. el_____fy the audience
- v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
223. a short ca_____er nail
- n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
224. eat or_____c food
- adj.* of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals
225. blank ca____s
- n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
226. ca_____al choir
- n.* the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area
227. de___y safety measures
- v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way

ANSWERS: 220. dyslexia, 221. petrochemical, 222. electrify, 223. carpenter, 224. organic, 225. canvas, 226. cathedral, 227. deploy

228. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
229. gen_____on gap *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
230. rec_____ity rate *n.* the degree to which a material or product can be reused or repurposed after it has served its original function, without requiring significant modifications or environmental harm
231. pr_____al responsible *adj.* most important, main, or chief
232. ba___o crafts *n.* a fast-growing plant that has long, hollow stems and is widely used as a building material, food source, and decorative element, especially in Asian cultures
233. issue a w__t *n.* a written legal order or command
234. honor gr_____te *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
235. a water fa__y *n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers
236. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
237. supreme court ru___g *n.* a decision, judgment, or decree made by a judge, court, or other authority; a set of guiding principles or regulations that dictate behavior or procedures; (adjective) dominant or authoritative in a particular situation

ANSWERS: 228. industrious, 229. generation, 230. recyclability, 231. principal, 232. bamboo, 233. writ, 234. graduate, 235. fairy, 236. engineer, 237. ruling

238. di____e backgrounds *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
239. h_p from one place to another *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
240. in a co_____ed relationship *adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
241. a gas me__r *n.* a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse
242. a g__d design *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
243. kin_____ten class *n.* a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six
244. pr_____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
245. mat_____cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
246. seek vo_____ers *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
247. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 238. diverse, 239. hop, 240. committed, 241. meter, 242. grid, 243. kindergarten, 244. probable, 245. mathematics, 246. volunteer, 247. decide

248. the rapid pace of glo_____ion *n.* the process by which economies, societies, and cultures around the world become increasingly integrated and interconnected through the rapid exchange of goods, services, ideas, and people across international borders
249. he__x structure *n.* a three-dimensional spiral shape or structure, particularly like that of a spring or a DNA molecule
250. out_____us prices *adj.* highly unusual, unconventional, or shocking; going beyond the bounds of what is considered acceptable or proper
251. co_____t pile *n.* a mixture of organic matter, such as food scraps, yard waste, and manure, that is allowed to decompose and is used as fertilizer for plants and garden soil
252. intensive agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
253. decimal ari_____ic *n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division
254. sa_____t on the floor *n.* fine particles or small chips of wood that are produced when the wood is sawed or cut, often used as a material for various purposes such as mulch, fuel, or animal bedding
255. whi_____rd animation *n.* a smooth, hard writing surface, typically white, that can be written on with dry-erase markers and easily erased

ANSWERS: 248. globalization, 249. helix, 250. outrageous, 251. compost, 252. agriculture, 253. arithmetic, 254. sawdust, 255. whiteboard

256. back f_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
257. soil mi_____sm *n.* a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale
258. fitness cr__e *n.* an enthusiasm for a particular activity, object, or idea that appears suddenly and achieves widespread but short-lived popularity; a fad
259. oil on ca___s *n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
260. de_____us breeze *adj.* exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell
261. blow in a vo___x *n.* a mass of whirling air, water, dust, or smoke, especially a whirlpool or whirlwind
262. grant as___m *n.* protection granted to someone who has left their home country as a political refugee
263. p__e a new path *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
264. as___m law *n.* protection granted to someone who has left their home country as a political refugee
265. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous

ANSWERS: 256. fin, 257. microcosm, 258. craze, 259. canvas, 260. delicious, 261. vortex, 262. asylum, 263. pave, 264. asylum, 265. incredible

266. electronic bla_____rd *n.* a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk
267. gra_____ld-grandparent relationship *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
268. fe__e post *n.* a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property
269. tu_____e energy *n.* a machine that rotates to generate power from fluids such as water or gas
270. or_____c soils *adj.* of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals
271. re___e after four terms *v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
272. ex_____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
273. driverless aut_____le *n.* a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods
274. di_____se the problem *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis

ANSWERS: 266. blackboard, 267. grandchild, 268. fence, 269. turbine, 270. organic, 271. retire, 272. extreme, 273. automobile, 274. diagnose

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I need to buy a _____ of printer paper for the office.
n. a unit of measurement for the quantity of paper, usually equal to 500 sheets; a large quantity of something

2. Her _____ behavior at the party caused quite a stir among the guests.
adj. highly unusual, unconventional, or shocking; going beyond the bounds of what is considered acceptable or proper

3. He has a flair for _____.
n. the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

4. Let's brainstorm ideas on the _____ for the new project.
n. a smooth, hard writing surface, typically white, that can be written on with dry-erase markers and easily erased

5. Bell-bottom jeans, once considered _____ fashion, have made a surprising comeback in recent years.
adj. no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date

6. John Whitney was a computer animation _____.
n. inventor; explorer; someone who is among the first to achieve something

7. The product developed through years of research continues to _____ the market.
v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something

ANSWERS: 1. ream, 2. outrageous, 3. mathematics, 4. whiteboard, 5. passe, 6. pioneer, 7. electrify

8. The _____ of the tornado was massive and destructive.
n. a mass of whirling air, water, dust, or smoke, especially a whirlpool or whirlwind
9. You can add coffee grounds and crushed eggshells to your _____ to improve the pH balance.
n. a mixture of organic matter, such as food scraps, yard waste, and manure, that is allowed to decompose and is used as fertilizer for plants and garden soil
10. Ghosts in folk _____ are almost always malicious.
n. a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
11. This project is _____ despite the tight schedule.
adj. possible to do; capable of existing, taking place, or proving true
12. Several hectares of land are needed to generate more than 1-mega_____ solar power.
n. a standard unit for measuring electrical power
13. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using _____ medicines.
n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice
14. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.
adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
15. The ____ of the swamp made it difficult to walk through the field.
n. a soft, wet, sticky earth or clay

ANSWERS: 8. vortex, 9. compost, 10. tales, 11. doable, 12. watt, 13. alternative, 14. eventually, 15. mud

16. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.

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

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

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

18. The university's _____ announced new policies regarding campus safety.

n. a person or organization responsible for managing and directing the affairs of a business, institution, government agency, or other organization; someone who administers, regulates, or supervises

19. The girl _____ when a young man whistled as she walked by.

v. to become red on your face, especially because you are embarrassed, angry, or hot; to rinse, clean, or empty something, especially a toilet, by causing large quantities of water to flow

20. The _____ on the wall showed that the room was three meters long.

n. a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse

21. She received a full _____ to study abroad.

n. a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements

22. The small town felt like a _____ of the larger society.

n. a miniature or small-scale version of something that represents the larger whole or system; a representation of society or culture on a smaller scale

ANSWERS: 16. modern, 17. graduate, 18. administrator, 19. flushed, 20. meter, 21. scholarship, 22. microcosm

23. New York is a city with a _____ ethnic population.

adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

24. The farm covers over 200 _____ of land.

n. a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)

25. The refugees sought _____ in the neighboring country.

n. protection granted to someone who has left their home country as a political refugee

26. The entire mountain is covered in _____ rainforest.

adj. containing a large number of people or something with little space between them

27. The construction workers set up the _____ to reach the top of the building.

n. a temporary platform or structure used to support workers and materials during construction or maintenance work

28. Her excessive demands drove me _____.

adj. extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill

29. She _____ sliced the cucumbers for the salad.

adv. in a thin manner; used to describe something being spread out thinly or thinly layered

30. The DNA molecule is shaped like a double _____.

n. a three-dimensional spiral shape or structure, particularly like that of a spring or a DNA molecule

ANSWERS: 23. diverse, 24. acres, 25. asylum, 26. dense, 27. scaffold, 28. insane, 29. thinly, 30. helix

31. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.
- n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
32. _____ is the foundation of our economy.
- n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
33. Lead is an effective _____ against X-rays, gamma rays, and other harmful radiation.
- n.* a protective covering or structure, especially in the past, that soldiers held in front of their bodies to protect themselves
34. The spread of popular culture worldwide is an example of cultural _____.
- n.* the process by which economies, societies, and cultures around the world become increasingly integrated and interconnected through the rapid exchange of goods, services, ideas, and people across international borders
35. The city spent a lot of money cleaning up the _____ on the buildings downtown.
- n.* writing or drawings scribbled, scratched, or sprayed illicitly on a wall or other surface in a public place
36. We could grill the meat in a _____ way.
- adj.* exceptionally pleasing to taste or smell
37. We spread _____ over the driveway to prevent cars from getting stuck in the mud.
- n.* small stones and pebbles, often mixed with sand, used for road surfaces, concrete, landscaping, or as a decorative material

ANSWERS: 31. engineer, 32. Agriculture, 33. shield, 34. globalization, 35. graffiti, 36. delicious, 37. gravel

38. I like to _____ my grapes when making homemade wine.
v. to forcefully crush or flatten something; to suppress, stifle, or defeat an idea or opposition forcefully
39. His business _____ took him to the United States.
n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
40. The public is _____ that the prime minister has committed fraud.
adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
41. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.
n. a chance that something may happen or be true
42. Many people worry that the current real estate market is a _____ that could burst soon.
n. a thin, round, and often transparent mass of gas that is surrounded by a thin layer of liquid; a state of economic or social prosperity that is unsustainable and eventually collapses
43. It was _____ for her to go out of her way to pick up the package.
adj. causing trouble or difficulty; not convenient or suitable
44. The _____ students were having a good time playing with toys.
n. a school or class for young children, usually between the ages of four and six
45. The _____ stained glass windows depicted scenes from the Bible.
n. the main Christian church of a bishop's diocese, which is often the largest and most important church in the area

ANSWERS: 38. squash, 39. commitments, 40. convinced, 41. possibility, 42. bubble, 43. inconvenient, 44. kindergarten, 45. cathedral's

46. The restaurant sources its ingredients _____ ensuring freshness and supporting local farmers.

adv. in or to a specific or limited area or region; focused or restricted to a particular locality or community

47. The judge's _____ was in favor of the defendant.

n. a decision, judgment, or decree made by a judge, court, or other authority; a set of guiding principles or regulations that dictate behavior or procedures; (adjective) dominant or authoritative in a particular situation

48. I love the texture and taste of _____ pudding.

n. a starchy substance derived from the cassava plant, typically used in cooking and baking as a thickening agent or as the base for puddings or desserts

49. 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

50. The town's economy relies heavily on the _____ industry.

n. a chemical compound derived from petroleum or natural gas, used as a raw material in the manufacture of plastics, synthetic fibers, and other products

51. The _____ approach to healthcare considers the person's physical, mental, and emotional well-being.

adj. relating to or dealing with the whole of something rather than just its parts

52. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

ANSWERS: 46. locally, 47. ruling, 48. tapioca, 49. involves, 50. petrochemical, 51. holistic, 52. Communal

53. _____ panels have greatly improved not only in performance but also in durability.

adj. of, from, or relating to the sun

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

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

55. The shark's powerful _____ allowed it to swim at high speeds.

n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

56. The hunter _____ the deer with an arrow.

v. to pierce with a sharp object, causing injury or death; (noun) coagulated blood from a wound

57. The farmer milked the _____ every morning before breakfast.

n. a domesticated mammal with characteristic features such as a hump, large udders, and curved horns that is raised for its milk or meat

58. The kidney is an _____ component of the body.

adj. of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals

59. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

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

n. a written legal order or command

ANSWERS: 53. Solar, 54. measured, 55. fins, 56. gored, 57. cows, 58. organic, 59. industrious, 60. writ

61. The _____ of electronic devices is a significant challenge due to the complexity of their components.
- n.* the degree to which a material or product can be reused or repurposed after it has served its original function, without requiring significant modifications or environmental harm
62. The building _____ tried to build the house above the tree.
- n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
63. The _____ of the building was cracked and needed to be repaired.
- n.* the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes
64. The _____ reason for the company's success is its innovative products.
- adj.* most important, main, or chief
65. The food chain causes a material _____.
- n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
66. Our company is strongly _____ to meeting customers' needs.
- adj.* willing to put in a lot of effort, time, and energy into something; firmly believing in something
67. The _____ is a serious threat to the farm's output.
- n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light

ANSWERS: 61. recyclability, 62. architect, 63. foundation, 64. principal, 65. cycle, 66. committed, 67. moth

68. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.

adj. very great in amount or degree

69. He sealed the letter with a ____ seal.

n. a substance that is solid at room temperature but becomes softer and more pliable when heated, often used in the production of candles, polishes, and cosmetics; (verb) to become large

70. The rabbit _____ over the fence.

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

71. The abacus is an ancient counting device that was used for _____ calculations.

n. the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division

72. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

73. The children complained because one _____ of cake was slightly larger than the other.

n. a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting

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

v. to take the place of something

75. 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

ANSWERS: 68. extreme, 69. wax, 70. hopped, 71. arithmetic, 72. complexity, 73. slice, 74. replace, 75. automobile

76. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

adj. unbelievable; enormous

77. The summer _____ was refreshing after the hot day.

n. a gentle wind that is not very strong or forceful, typically cool and refreshing

78. He was exhausted and _____ into bed as soon as he got home.

v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

79. 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

80. The teacher asked me to rub out the _____.

n. a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk

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

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

82. The stalks of _____ can grow up to a foot per day in optimal conditions.

n. a fast-growing plant that has long, hollow stems and is widely used as a building material, food source, and decorative element, especially in Asian cultures

83. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

84. My father likes to ____ the lawn early on Saturday mornings.

v. to cut down and trim grass or other vegetation, usually with a machine such as a lawnmower; to cut down or harvest crops

ANSWERS: 76. incredible, 77. breeze, 78. rolled, 79. decide, 80. blackboard, 81. administer, 82. bamboo, 83. amazing, 84. mow

85. The construction worker used a _____ saw to cut through the stubborn sheet metal.
- n.* a solid material that is typically hard, shiny, malleable, fusible, and ductile, with good electrical and thermal conductivity, and often used as a structural material, a conductor of heat or electricity, or for decorative purposes
86. The soccer game crowd broke into a _____ of "Go, team, go!"
- n.* a simple melody or tune, typically one that is repeated or sung in a monotonous way; (verb) recite with musical intonation
87. The _____ roam freely in the plains of North America.
- n.* a large wild ox with shaggy hair found in Asia and North America
88. He _____ the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.
- v.* to pull or haul with force
89. The younger _____ has different values and beliefs than the older one.
- n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
90. I've been thinking all day and getting _____.
- adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
91. They have been living near water since _____ times.
- adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
92. This study indicates _____ activity affects global warming.
- adj.* relating to or produced by or consisting of volcano

ANSWERS: 85. metal, 86. chant, 87. buffalo, 88. dragged, 89. generation, 90. nowhere, 91. ancient, 92. volcanic

93. Her _____ manner relaxed everyone there.

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

94. He cracked open a _____ to drink the milk.

n. the large, hard-shelled seed of a tropical palm, which has a fibrous husk surrounding a single-seeded nut

95. We experienced a _____ for electric vehicles as interest in green tech grew.

n. an enthusiasm for a particular activity, object, or idea that appears suddenly and achieves widespread but short-lived popularity; a fad

96. We have to _____ our company's product lineup for further growth.

v. to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it

97. Jockey's superior _____ brought him victory.

n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

98. The conference room was in _____ as everyone tried to speak at once.

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

99. The woodworker used a saw to create _____ while making the chair.

n. fine particles or small chips of wood that are produced when the wood is sawed or cut, often used as a material for various purposes such as mulch, fuel, or animal bedding

100. After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to _____ from her job.

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

ANSWERS: 93. gentle, 94. coconut, 95. craze, 96. rethink, 97. technique, 98. chaos, 99. sawdust, 100. retire

101. The _____ on the beach was warm and golden.

- n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action

102. They _____ the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.

- v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

103. _____ bees are boring holes into the wall.

- n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects

104. Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political _____ in Europe.

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

105. The vault was advertised as _____ but was eventually broken into.

- adj.* impossible to destroy or damage beyond repair

106. In just four years, the _____ has doubled.

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

107. She _____ the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.

- v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure

108. Educators need to understand how _____ affects students' reading abilities.

- n.* a neurological condition that affects a person's ability to read, write, and spell, often despite normal or above-average intelligence, effective teaching, and adequate motivation, which is characterized by difficulty in the phonological coding of written words, poor phonological awareness, and poor reading fluency and decoding skills

ANSWERS: 101. sand, 102. paved, 103. Carpenter, 104. landscape, 105. indestructible, 106. population, 107. rubbed, 108. dyslexia

109. This device is used to _____ brain cancer and other tumors.

- v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis

110. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.

- v.* to make or become better

111. The mischievous _____ flew gracefully through the forest, spreading magic wherever she went.

- n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers

112. These heavy rains caused flash _____ on several islands.

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

113. She walked to the _____ to freshen up before the meeting.

- n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture

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

- adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true

115. The teachers make full use of _____ assistance.

- n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do

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

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

ANSWERS: 109. diagnose, 110. improve, 111. fairy, 112. floods, 113. toilet, 114. probable, 115. volunteer, 116. Climate

117. I received a beautiful piece of _____ from my partner for our anniversary.
- n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches
118. During _____ farmers are incredibly busy.
- n.* yields of plants in a single growing season; the period of the year when gathering occurs on a farm
119. The _____ in the room added natural light and a beautiful view of the stars at night.
- n.* a window or opening in a roof or ceiling that allows natural light to enter a room or space from above
120. Thanks to the new dental anesthesia technique, filling is now _____.
- adj.* causing little or no physical discomfort; not causing pain or discomfort
121. We can use this campaign as a bargaining _____ in the negotiations.
- n.* a small fragment of something broken off from the whole; a long and thin piece of potato fried in oil or fat
122. 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
123. Life is a vast _____ you should put as much paint on it as possible.
- n.* the heavy, closely woven fabric used for making tents, sails, etc. and by artists for painting on
124. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
- n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

ANSWERS: 117. jewelry, 118. harvest, 119. skylight, 120. painless, 121. chip, 122. environment, 123. canvas;, 124. norms

125. Without investment, a business cannot _____.
- v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
126. _____ pattern roads often appear in urban areas.
- n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
127. The _____ furniture brings a touch of elegance to the outdoor patio.
- n.* a type of tropical hardwood tree native to Southeast Asia, known for its durability, water resistance, and natural oils; the wood from this tree, often used in construction, furniture, boat building, and other applications
128. The grandparents take care of their _____ while the parents are at work.
- n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
129. Despite the scandals, his reputation remained _____.
- adj.* undamaged and complete
130. The _____ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.
- adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
131. This country _____ its weapons in the east region.
- v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
132. The new owners _____ the restaurant to give it a fresh start.
- v.* to give a new name to something; to change the name of something
133. She planted a hedge to serve as a natural _____ around her garden.
- n.* a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property

ANSWERS: 125. thrive, 126. Grid, 127. teak, 128. grandchild, 129. intact, 130. giant, 131. deployed, 132. renamed, 133. fence

134. The wind _____ were spinning rapidly, generating clean energy for the nearby town.

n. a machine that rotates to generate power from fluids such as water or gas

135. He knocked over the red wine and _____ the tablecloth.

v. to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,

136. He had always been interested in sumo _____ and decided to try it.

n. a sport in which two contestants grapple and try to throw each other to the ground

137. The price of raw _____ continued to rise.

n. a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing

ANSWERS: 134. turbines, 135. ruined, 136. wrestling, 137. cotton