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Session 1: Word List

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

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

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

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

synonym: significance, primacy, matter

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

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

shelter

n. a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger

synonym: refuge, hideout, lair

(1) rainproof **shelter**, (2) anti-air raid **shelter**

They need food and **shelter**.

apparently

adv. based on what you have heard or read

synonym: evidently, obviously, supposedly

(1) **apparently** simple, (2) **apparently** unrelated
The police **apparently** believed this explanation was plausible.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd
She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

eager

adj. showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something

synonym: keen, enthusiastic, ardent

(1) **eager** anticipation, (2) with **eager** eyes

The children were **eager** to start the treasure hunt.

thereafter

adv. after that; subsequently

synonym: subsequently, afterward, henceforth

(1) not long **thereafter**, (2) for several weeks **thereafter**

He was promoted to manager, and **thereafter**, he began to make changes in the company.

paraphrase

v. to restate or reword a passage in one's own words, often to clarify or simplify the original meaning

synonym: rephrase, reword, reinterpret

(1) **paraphrase** a poem into prose, (2) **paraphrase** the meaning

He **paraphrased** the article in his own words to avoid being accused of plagiarism.

frustrate

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

synonym: hinder, thwart, dishearten

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

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

schemes to the players.

confuse

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

synonym: confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality
Her remarks **confused** the debate.

assignment

n. a duty or task given to someone, usually as part of their job or studies

synonym: task, duty, designation

(1) finish the **assignment**, (2) **assignment** of interest
My **assignment** was overwhelming and complicated, but it was also exciting.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym: thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion
The news of her promotion **excited** her.

misunderstand

v. to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

synonym: misinterpret, misperceive, misapprehend

(1) **misunderstand** each other, (2) **misunderstand** entirely about her

You should not **misunderstand** the meaning of freedom.

overwhelm

v. to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

synonym: conquer, crush, dominate

(1) he was **overwhelmed** with gratitude, (2) **overwhelm** opponents by numbers

Too much variety may **overwhelm** and confuse viewers.

negative

adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

synonym: minus, adverse, pessimistic

(1) have a **negative** effect, (2) a **negative** number
The movie has received almost universally **negative** criticism.

emotion

n. a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
synonym: feeling, sentiment, passion

(1) control my **emotion**, (2) afraid to show **emotion**
Some **emotions** are common across cultures and backgrounds.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
synonym: person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom
As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

frequent

adj. happening constantly
synonym: periodic, recurring, routine

(1) **frequent** absence, (2) **frequent** use
His heartaches are less **frequent** now.

suffer

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

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades
The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

disease

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

(1) **disease** prevention, (2) **disease** control
The doctor diagnosed him with a rare **disease** that had no known cure.

relate

v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

synonym : connect, link, associate

(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message

He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

wrought

adj. made or fashioned carefully or decoratively; (of materials) beaten out or shaped by hammering

synonym : made, produced, created

(1) well- **wrought** steel, (2) tragedy **wrought** by hurricane

He won an award for his photographs of the ruins **wrought** by the war.

devastation

n. the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale

synonym : destruction, ruin, havoc

(1) financial **devastation**, (2) **devastation** to life

The economic recession caused **devastation** in the housing market, with many people losing their homes.

hopeless

adj. having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success

synonym : despairing, helpless, futile

(1) **hopeless** situation, (2) **hopeless** at everything

After months of job searching, he felt **hopeless** and unsure of his future.

develop

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

synonym : evolve, progress, advance

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

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

predictable

adj. capable of being known, seen or declared in advance

synonym: foreseeable, expectable, likely

(1) **predictable** pattern, (2) in a **predictable** manner

The economy becomes more volatile and less **predictable**.

guilty

adj. feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal

synonym: culpable, blameworthy, at fault

(1) feel a bit **guilty**, (2) **guilty** verdict

After much contemplation, the suspect decided to plead **guilty** to the theft charge.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym: comparative, proximate, congeneric

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

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

wealth

n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

synonym: affluence, assets, fortunate

(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

sham

n. something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not

synonym: bogus, counterfeit, fraudulent

(1) a **sham** battle, (2) turn out to be all **sham**

The data he prepared was completely **sham**.

naturally

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

synonym: by nature, inherently, intrinsically

(1) **naturally** arising, (2) **naturally** regenerated forest
He was **naturally** gifted.

distance

n. the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance

synonym : space, gap, span

(1) driving **distance**, (2) social **distance**

The marathon runner covered a long **distance** in a short amount of time.

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.

argue

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

synonym : debate, dispute, quarrel

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

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

relieve

v. to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe

synonym : alleviate, ease, assuage

(1) **relieve** his thirst, (2) **relieve** stress

The medicine **relieved** his headache, and he felt much better.

genuine

adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed

synonym: actual, honest, unpretending

(1) a **genuine** article, (2) show **genuine** regret

Is this painting **genuine** or forged?

excitement

n. a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness

synonym: thrill, exhilaration, incitement

(1) the **excitement** in the business world, (2) aesthetic

excitement

The **excitement** of the upcoming concert was palpable among the crowd.

generosity

n. the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely

synonym: goodness, hospitality, unselfishness

(1) act of **generosity**, (2) boundless **generosity**

He is remembered for his **generosity** and civilization.

transaction

n. an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something

synonym: trade, dealing, commerce

(1) card with no foreign **transaction** fees, (2) **transaction** balance

Electronic **transactions** remain incomplete due to system errors.

necessarily

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

synonym: inevitable, certainly, automatically

(1) not **necessarily** a problem, (2) **necessarily** true

This accident was something that happened **necessarily**.

bother

v. to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something

synonym: annoy, pester, irritate

(1) **bother** the neighbors, (2) **bother** with details

Please don't **bother** me while I'm trying to concentrate.

disembodied

adj. without a physical body; not having a material form

synonym: bodiless, insubstantial, ghostly

(1) a **disembodied** spirit, (2) **disembodied** feeling

The ghost's **disembodied** voice whispered in the darkness.

commodity

n. a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold

synonym: merchandise, goods, entity

(1) **commodity** tax, (2) international **commodity**

The government announced a policy to control the rise in **commodity** prices.

scary

adj. causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating

synonym: terrifying, frightening, alarming

(1) **scary** dream, (2) **scary** story

The horror movie was so **scary** that I couldn't watch it alone.

exchange

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

synonym: trade, swap, interchange

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

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

desire

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

synonym: ambition, appetite, greed

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

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

meaningful

adj. having meaning, function, or purpose; serious, significant, or worthwhile

synonym: significant, consequential, essential

(1) a **meaningful** outcome, (2) make the accord **meaningful**

She cast a **meaningful** glance at me.

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
synonym: transition, change, modification

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

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

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.

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.

shorthand

n. a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something

synonym: stenography, speedwriting, tachygraphy

(1) learn **shorthand**, (2) write in **shorthand**

The secretary's **shorthand** was so good that she could type up meeting minutes within minutes.

pioneering

adj. involving new ideas or methods; being the first of their kind; leading the way in a particular field

synonym: innovative, groundbreaking, trailblazing

(1) **pioneering** research, (2) **pioneering** spirit

The **pioneering** scientist developed a breakthrough technology that revolutionized the industry.

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.

finance

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

synonym : banking, investment, fund

(1) **finance** act, (2) manage my **finances**

Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in **finance**.

tailor

n. a person who makes, alters, or repairs clothing professionally, typically working in a tailor shop or boutique; (verb) to customize, modify, or adapt something to suit a particular purpose, need, or individual

synonym : seamster, designer, dressmaker

(1) **tailor-made** suit, (2) **tailor** your needs

I need to find a skilled **tailor** to alter my wedding dress.

doll

n. a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive

synonym : puppet, dolly, toy

(1) plastic **doll**, (2) rag **doll**

The antique **doll** was worth thousands of dollars.

microcredit

n. small loans, typically less than \$50,000, given to individuals or groups, particularly those who lack access to traditional banking services, to start or expand small businesses or other income-generating activities

synonym : microfinance, microloan, small loan

(1) **microcredit** lender, (2) **microcredit** program

The government has established a **microcredit** scheme to

stimulate entrepreneurship and create job opportunities.

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym : exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

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

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

foremost

adj. most important, leading, or prominent

synonym : leading, primary, first

(1) **foremost** expert, (2) keep **foremost** in mind

The **foremost** priority is the safety of the passengers.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

synonym : cooperate, combine, collaborate

(1) **interact** directly with customers, (2) **interact** with one another

He should **interact** more with his colleagues.

weird

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

synonym : bizarre, creepy, peculiar

(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**

My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

hardworking

adj. tending to work with a lot of effort and care

synonym : diligent, dedicated, conscientious

(1) **hardworking** student, (2) retire from **hardworking** life

They sought candidates with **hardworking** and good-natured.

entrepreneur

n. an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks

synonym : founder, executive

(1) a successful **entrepreneur**, (2) billionaire **entrepreneur**

Entrepreneurs willingly accept business risks to achieve

success.

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.

insight

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

synonym: wisdom, discernment, understanding

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

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

affected

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

synonym: artificial, pretentious, stilted

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

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

quitter

n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

synonym: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

interaction

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

synonym: dealings, exchange, relations

(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,

(2) **interaction** among human beings

The **interaction** of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

amorphous

adj. without a definite or clear shape or form; lacking a specific structure or organization; shapeless or formless

synonym : formless, shapeless, structureless

(1) **amorphous** amoeba, (2) **amorphous** mass

The clouded jellyfish has an **amorphous** shape, making it difficult to identify.

suppose

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

synonym : guess, assume, presume

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

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

herder

n. a person who takes care of and manages a herd of livestock, such as cows, sheep, or goats

synonym : shepherd, rancher, drover

(1) cattle **herder**, (2) seminomadic **herders**

The sheep **herder** led his flock through the hills, keeping a watchful eye on them at all times.

trajectory

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

synonym : course, curve, orbit

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

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

adjustment

n. a small change or movement made to something to improve it and achieve the desired result

synonym : alteration, adaptation, modification

(1) **adjustment** by hand, (2) a fine **adjustment**

He assumed the role of the arbitral **adjustment** of the controversy.

mosquito

n. a small flying insect whose female bites people and animals and sucks their blood, and sometimes transmits serious diseases such as malaria

synonym : insect, bug, flea

(1) **mosquito** bite, (2) **mosquito** repellent

A stagnant water area are breeding ground for **mosquitos**.

afford

v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

(1) **afford** to buy a new car, (2) **afford** a high travel cost

He cannot **afford** a holiday.

security

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

synonym: safety, protection, stock

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

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

row

n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

synonym: line, sequence, layer

(1) criminal on death **row**, (2) a **row** of cherry trees

He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front **row**.

touched

adj. affected emotionally or mentally; moved; showing a slight change or alteration

synonym: affected, moved, emotional

(1) **touched-hearted** audience, (2) emotionally **touched** by the speech

He gave a **touched** smile as he read the heartfelt message in the card from his daughter.

humble

adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

synonym: modest, unpretentious, abject

(1) a **humble** cottage, (2) **humble** opinion

The nobler, the more **humble**.

magic

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

synonym: fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**

He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

wand

n. a slender rod or stick, especially one used for magic or divination; a rod or staff carried by certain officials as a symbol of authority

synonym: rod, stick, staff

(1) magic **wand**, (2) security **wand**

The magician waved his **wand**, and a rabbit appeared from the hat.

donation

n. a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them

synonym: contribution, gift, subsidy

(1) make a **donation**, (2) political **donation**

He made a generous **donation** to the charity.

poverty

n. the condition of being extremely poor

synonym: deprivation, destitution, poorness

(1) **poverty** alleviation, (2) the cycle of **poverty**

Many studies have investigated the relationship between **poverty** and academic achievement.

capability

n. the ability, skill, or competence to do something; the potential or aptitude for a particular task or function

synonym: ability, capacity, competence

(1) **capability** assessment, (2) technological **capability**

The company's pricing strategy limits its **capability** to compete with other businesses in the market.

philosophy

n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

synonym: doctrine, attitude, creed

(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

poetry

n. poems in general as a genre of literature

synonym: ode, poesy, verse

(1) modern **poetry**, (2) book of **poetry**

Different cultures have different comfortable word rhythms, so the composition of **poetry** varies greatly.

profit

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

synonym: earnings, gain, proceeds

(1) gross **profit**, (2) make a **profit**

This business yields little **profit**.

revenue

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

synonym: earnings, payment, remuneration

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

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

impressive

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

synonym: impactful, remarkable, exceptional

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

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

introduction

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

synonym: initiation, preamble, prologue

(1) **introduction** education, (2) self- **introduction**

The **introduction** to the new class was informative and engaging.

infuse

v. to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue

synonym: instill, fill, permeate

(1) **infuse** with spirit, (2) **infuse** life with meaning

She **infused** fresh herbs into the soup for added flavor.

lever

n. a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily

synonym: lifter, crowbar, bar

(1) a gear change **lever**, (2) **lever** for reform

This initiative will be a **lever** for increasing company sales.

seamstress

n. a woman who sews, especially one who earns her living by sewing

synonym: sewer, needleworker, dressmaker

(1) **seamstress** shop, (2) skilled **seamstress**

My grandmother is a talented **seamstress** and can sew anything from curtains to dresses.

digital

adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

synonym: numerical, computerized, cyber

(1) a **digital** watch, (2) **digital** electronic signature

Sensors convert physical phenomena into **digital** signals.

entrepreneurship

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

synonym: self-employment, risk-taking

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

entrepreneurship

The government is investing in programs to support

entrepreneurship and small business development.

spam

n. unwanted email, usually of advertising material sent out in bulk

synonym : junk email

(1) receive a **spam** email, (2) anti- **spam** technology

You can remove **spam** messages with special software.

overnight

adj. lasting for or occurring during one night; occurring or changing extremely quickly or suddenly; happening or being achieved in a short amount of time

synonym : all-night, sudden, immediate

(1) **overnight** parking, (2) **overnight** success

The **overnight** package delivery arrived at my door this morning.

matte

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

synonym : dull, flat, lusterless

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

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

bet

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

synonym : stake, wager, gamble

(1) **bet** on a race, (2) **bet** my future

I **bet** that you know it.

experiment

n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

synonym : experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

launch

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

synonym : start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack
The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

facilitate

v. to make something easier or more likely to happen
synonym : aid, assist, help

(1) **facilitate** a smooth transition, (2) **facilitate** the process
The company implemented a new software system to **facilitate** employee communication and collaboration.

collective

adj. done or shared by every member of a group of people
synonym : composite, concerted, cumulative

(1) right to **collective** bargaining, (2) **collective** ownership
Product development is a **collective** effort.

numb

adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
synonym : dazed, insensitive, emotionless

(1) **numb** with cold, (2) a **numb** mind
My left arm became **numb**.

statistics

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

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**
The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

retell

v. to tell someone about something again or differently
synonym : reiterate, repeat, restate

(1) **retell** a story, (2) **retell** an old tale
He **retells** the truth to plead not guilty.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
synonym : suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark
The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

engage

v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

synonym : confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,
(2) **engage** a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.

valid

adj. having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable

synonym : proper, reasonable, useful

(1) a **valid** contract, (2) a ticket **valid** for two days

Your credit card is no longer **valid**.

dignity

n. the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station

synonym : grace, elegance, nobility

(1) respect for human **dignity**, (2) retain everyone's **dignity**

The failure destroyed his trust and personal **dignity**.

partnership

n. the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business

synonym : alliance, participation, cooperation

(1) **partnership** across the Atlantic, (2) establish a **partnership**

The military **partnership** between the two countries created tension in the international community.

relation

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

synonym : association, linkage, connection

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

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

tradition

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

synonym : custom, practice, ritual

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

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

donor

n. a person or an organization that makes a gift of money, food, supplies, etc. to a cause or fund; in medicine, a person who gives blood or tissue or an organ to be used in another person

synonym : contributor, patron, supporter

(1) a transfusion of **donor** blood, (2) an unnamed **donor**

His body rejected the liver of the **donor**.

beneficiary

n. a person who receives benefits or advantage from something, especially a financial trust or a will

synonym : recipient, heir, inheritor

(1) the **beneficiary** of a trust, (2) primary **beneficiary**

She was the sole **beneficiary** of her grandfather's estate.

promote

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

synonym : boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior

The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

optimism

n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

synonym : positiveness, sanguinity, bullishness

(1) sense of **optimism**, (2) political **optimism**

There is considerable **optimism** that the economy will recover soon.

forth

adv. forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open

synonym : forward, onwards, ahead

(1) bring **forth** a beautiful vase, (2) call **forth** demand

I pushed **forth** with my new project, even though it would take much hard work.

blur

n. a faint or indistinct image or sound; something that is not clear or distinct; (verb) to become unclear; to lose clear vision

synonym : smudge, smear, fuzz

(1) **blur** image, (2) motion **blur**

The camera's focus was off, and the image was a **blur** of colors and shapes.

dichotomy

n. a division or contrast between two things that are or are represented as being opposed or entirely different; a sharp contrast between two opposing and mutually exclusive categories or concepts

synonym : division, duality, contrast

(1) moral **dichotomy**, (2) psychological **dichotomy**

The **dichotomy** between good and evil is common in literature and philosophy.

creative

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

synonym : imaginative, innovative, inventive

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

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

- beg** v. to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
synonym: plead, implore, entreat
(1) **beg** the question, (2) **beg** for help
She **begged** her parents to let her go to the concert.
- flourish** v. to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
synonym: boom, advance, succeed
(1) **flourish** economically, (2) **flourish** worldwide
The Ottoman Empire **flourished** for over five centuries.
- talent** n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
synonym: endowment, aptitude, capability
(1) a person of diverse **talents**, (2) raw **talent**
Numerous great professional sports **talents** have come from this city.
- productive** *adj.* resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value
synonym: efficient, fruitful, successful
(1) low **productive** capacity, (2) **productive** meeting
The new employee proved extremely **productive**, completing projects ahead of schedule.
- scratch** v. to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
synonym: claw, rub, scrape
(1) **scratch** off a name, (2) **scratch** my signature
Don't **scratch** your mosquito bites.
- surround** v. to be all around something or somebody
synonym: encircle, encompass, envelop
(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace
On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.

abundance

n. a significant amount of something; the situation in which there is too much of something

synonym: plenty, affluence, plentitude

(1) an age of **abundance**, (2) an **abundance** of examples

A healthy farm provides an **abundance** of food.

scarcity

n. the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount

synonym: lack, absence, dearth

(1) fuel **scarcity**, (2) **scarcity** of capital

Some research says that a relative decline in teacher salaries is causing labor **scarcity**.

catalyst

n. a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself

synonym: accelerator, stimulant, motivation

(1) a **catalyst** in the process of hydrolysis, (2) **catalyst** for reform

The global financial crisis acted as a **catalyst** to unite the country.

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.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

synonym: reference, allude, cite

(1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report

I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

core

n. the most essential or fundamental part of something
synonym : center, basis, heart

(1) the **core** of an apple, (2) **core** business activity

These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic **cores**.

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.

seize

v. to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

synonym : grab, grasp, capture

(1) **seize** a person's property, (2) **seize** the day

He has the superpower to **seize** a business opportunity.

connectivity

n. the state or quality of being connected or interconnected; the ability of devices, systems, or networks to communicate with and exchange information with each other

synonym : linkage, network

(1) digital **connectivity**, (2) global **connectivity**

The hotel offers high-speed internet **connectivity** for all its guests.

excuse

n. a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt

synonym : apology, justification, reason

(1) **excuse** for inaction, (2) perfect **excuse**

He quickly fabricated an **excuse** for not attending the meeting.

ongoing

adj. continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
synonym : continuous, current, proceeding

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

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

dialogue

n. a conversation in a book, play, or film
synonym : conversation, discussion, talk

(1) Platonic **dialogues**, (2) the form of a **dialogue**

He recorded the **dialogue** at the time of the incident.

encourage

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

synonym : facilitate, persuade, stimulate

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

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

combination

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

synonym : blend, hybrid, compounding

(1) genic **combinations**, (2) **combination** number

The **combination** to the safe was a secret.

incident

n. an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens

synonym : event, occurrence, accident

(1) traffic **incident**, (2) security **incident**

The **incident** at the airport caused a delay in my flight.

tune

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

synonym : melody, harmony, (verb) adjust

(1) the **tune** of a song, (2) **tune** a piano
The band played a beautiful **tune** on their instruments.

venture

n. a business project or activity that is risky or daring
synonym: enterprise, undertaking, adventure

(1) **venture** capital, (2) a joint **venture**
The **venture** into the new market was risky, but it paid off.

capitalism

n. an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
synonym: commercialism

(1) advance **capitalism**, (2) under the umbrella of **capitalism**
Capitalism also guarantees intellectual property rights and thus promotes innovation.

organization

n. a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
synonym: association, institution, community

(1) **organization** chart, (2) agricultural **organization**
She is the president of a large international **organization**.

structure

n. the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
synonym: construction, architecture, establishment

(1) the **structure** of a machine, (2) **structure** and function of the brain
The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

fundraise

v. to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms
synonym: appeal, raise, solicit

(1) **fundraise** a charity fund, (2) **fundraise** for a new shelter

The school is planning to **fundraise** to purchase new books for the library.

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym : procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

awkward

adj. making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

synonym : embarrassing, discomfiting, clumsy

(1) an **awkward** expression, (2) an **awkward** date

The **awkward** design of the interface made the operation difficult.

intention

n. something you want to do and are going to do

synonym : purpose, connotation, will

(1) **intention** behind his decision, (2) clear **intention**

Our CEO's **intentions** are always transparent and straightforward.

harness

v. to control and exploit the power of something, especially natural resources that produce energy; (noun) a set of narrow pieces of leather and metal that are used to control or hold in place a person, animal, or object

synonym : rein in, control, (noun) belt

(1) **harness** a horse to a carriage, (2) put a **harness** on my pet

People have been exploring ways to **harness** natural forces and resources since ancient times.

platform

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

synonym: stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise

The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

invest

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

synonym: fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

dynamic

adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

synonym: energetic, active, vital

(1) a **dynamic** market, (2) **dynamic** person

The sprinter has a **dynamic** way of running.

percentage

n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

synonym: rate, ratio, portion

(1) the **percentage** of the gold content, (2) a high **percentage**

What is the **percentage** of the consumption tax in the United States?

unlimited

adj. without any limits or restrictions

synonym: unrestricted, boundless, limitless

(1) **unlimited** liability, (2) **unlimited** resources

An **unlimited** data plan is a popular option for heavy internet users.

accredit

v. to give official recognition or approval to an individual, organization, or educational institution; to attribute something to a particular source or cause

synonym : authorize, endorse, validate

(1) **accredit** certification organizations, (2) **accredit** a course

The university will **accredit** the new college if it meets its standards.

unsophisticated

adj. lacking refinement, education, or worldly experience; simple or straightforward in nature or style; not complex or sophisticated

synonym : naive, simple, inexperienced

(1) **unsophisticated** taste, (2) **unsophisticated** argument

The product's **unsophisticated** design made it difficult for experienced users.

investor

n. someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns

synonym : financier, banker, stockholder

(1) **investor** lawsuit, (2) a real estate **investor**

Institutional **investors** refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.

heaven

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

synonym : paradise, nirvana, utopia

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

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

forbid

v. to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising

synonym : prohibit, ban, outlaw

(1) **forbid** smoking in public areas, (2) **forbid** the use of

chemical weapons

God **forbid** you should regret your marriage.

reward

n. a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

synonym: compensation, gratuity, bonus

(1) the **reward** for good works, (2) shopping **rewards** cards

Night fishing has a lot of **rewards**.

advance

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

synonym: progress, boost, come along

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

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

nonprofit

adj. not established for commercial profit

synonym: charitable

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

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

palpable

adj. able to be felt or touched; easily perceivable or noticeable; tangible

synonym: tangible, perceptible, noticeable

(1) **palpable** tumor, (2) **palpable** lie

The tension in the room was **palpable** as they waited for the results to come in.

vessel

n. a ship or large boat

synonym: boat, ship, craft

(1) blood **vessels**, (2) naval **vessels**

The **vessel** arrived in port the following day.

convince

v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

synonym: persuade, win over, convert

(1) **convince** her to go with us, (2) **convince** an opponent
I am considering what I should do to **convince** him.

ethics

n. a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong

synonym: morals, principles, moralities

(1) political **ethics**, (2) **ethics** of journalism

This scripture provides the code of **ethics** for the religion.

moral

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

synonym: honest, ethical, conscientious

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

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

religion

n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

synonym: faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**

Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

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.

mess

n. a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy

synonym: disarray, confusion, predicament

(1) have a whole **mess**, (2) get into a **mess**

He made a frightful **mess** in his room.

resilient

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

synonym : robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population

She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

inspire

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

synonym : boost, encourage, enlighten

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

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

grateful

adj. feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful

synonym : thankful, appreciative, indebted

(1) a **grateful** breeze, (2) put a **grateful** expression

She was **grateful** for the help he provided.

guarantee

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

synonym : assure, promise, warrant

(1) **guarantee** a high quality, (2) **guarantee** women equality

We cannot **guarantee** enough raw material sources.

moving

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

synonym : emotional, poignant, touching

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

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

shove

v. to push someone or something in a rough way

synonym : push, jab, elbow

(1) **shove** a person aside, (2) **shove** hamburger into my mouth

He forcibly **shoved** the flyer into my bag.

continually

adv. in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly
synonym: repeatedly, frequently, constantly

(1) **continually** access information, (2) **continually** changing world

Her tongue runs on **continually**.

perpetuate

v. to make something continue or prevail for a long time
synonym: eternalize, preserve, maintain

(1) **perpetuate** a myth, (2) **perpetuate** chronic pain

That work **perpetuates** his fame.

doubt

n. a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

synonym: distrust, suspect, mistrust

(1) dispel **doubts**, (2) no **doubt** about the news

Doubt is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

Session 2: Spelling

1. a ge____e article *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
2. a tra____ry missile *n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
3. write in sh____nd *n.* a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something
4. ea__r anticipation *adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
5. ex____ge rate *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
6. financial dev____on *n.* the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale
7. n__b with cold *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
8. for several weeks the____er *adv.* after that; subsequently

ANSWERS: 1. genuine, 2. trajectory, 3. shorthand, 4. eager, 5. exchange, 6. devastation, 7. numb, 8. thereafter

9. the ben_____ry of a trust *n.* a person who receives benefits or advantage from something, especially a financial trust or a will
10. keep fo_____st in mind *adj.* most important, leading, or prominent
11. b_g the question *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
12. the form of a di_____ue *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
13. en_____ge antisocial behavior *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
14. b_g for help *v.* to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something
15. su____r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
16. have a ne_____ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
17. exp_____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
18. com_____on number *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
19. en____e in environmental protection activities *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

ANSWERS: 9. beneficiary, 10. foremost, 11. beg, 12. dialogue, 13. encourage, 14. beg, 15. suffer, 16. negative, 17. experiment, 18. combination, 19. engage

20. criminal on death r_w *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
21. in_____on behind his decision *n.* something you want to do and are going to do
22. ex_____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
23. fac_____te the process *v.* to make something easier or more likely to happen
24. fr_____te other team members *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
25. to_____d-hearted audience *adj.* affected emotionally or mentally; moved; showing a slight change or alteration
26. call fo__h demand *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
27. card with no foreign tra_____on fees *n.* an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
28. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
29. re_____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
30. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 20. row, 21. intention, 22. exciting, 23. facilitate, 24. frustrate, 25. touched, 26. forth, 27. transaction, 28. statistics, 29. relative, 30. process

31. a tr_____on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
32. a ticket va__d for two days *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
33. feel a bit gu___y *adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
34. fac_____te a smooth transition *v.* to make something easier or more likely to happen
35. make the accord mea_____ul *adj.* having meaning, function, or purpose; serious, significant, or worthwhile
36. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
37. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
38. ov_____lm opponents by numbers *v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody
39. an unnamed do__r *n.* a person or an organization that makes a gift of money, food, supplies, etc. to a cause or fund; in medicine, a person who gives blood or tissue or an organ to be used in another person
40. political op_____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

ANSWERS: 31. tradition, 32. valid, 33. guilty, 34. facilitate, 35. meaningful, 36. suppose, 37. inspire, 38. overwhelm, 39. donor, 40. optimism

41. phi_____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
42. un_____ed resources *adj.* without any limits or restrictions
43. material we___h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
44. the re___d for good works *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
45. gu_____ee a high quality *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
46. turn out to be all s__m *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
47. the c__e of an apple *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
48. app_____ly simple *adv.* based on what you have heard or read
49. traffic in_____nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
50. har_____ng student *adj.* tending to work with a lot of effort and care
51. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 41. philosophy, 42. unlimited, 43. wealth, 44. reward, 45. guarantee, 46. sham, 47. core, 48. apparently, 49. incident, 50. hardworking, 51. process

52. a no_____it organization *adj.* not established for commercial profit
53. re___e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
54. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
55. the state of being we__d *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
56. skilled sea_____ss *n.* a woman who sews, especially one who earns her living by sewing
57. naval ve___ls *n.* a ship or large boat
58. anti-s__m technology *n.* unwanted email, usually of advertising material sent out in bulk
59. an arrival pl_____rm *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
60. fleshly de___e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
61. not long the _____er *adv.* after that; subsequently
62. dis_____ed feeling *adj.* without a physical body; not having a material form
63. clear in_____on *n.* something you want to do and are going to do

ANSWERS: 52. nonprofit, 53. relate, 54. creative, 55. weird, 56. seamstress, 57. vessel, 58. spam, 59. platform, 60. desire, 61. thereafter, 62. disembodied, 63. intention

64. ar__e passionately *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
65. pio_____ng spirit *adj.* involving new ideas or methods; being the first of their kind; leading the way in a particular field
66. high imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
67. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
68. boundless gen_____ty *n.* the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely
69. ent_____hip culture *n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one
70. tragedy wr_____t by hurricane *adj.* made or fashioned carefully or decoratively; (of materials) beaten out or shaped by hammering
71. dev_____on to life *n.* the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale
72. pa_____le lie *adj.* able to be felt or touched; easily perceivable or noticeable; tangible
73. put a gr_____ul expression *adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
74. af___d to buy a new car *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
75. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

ANSWERS: 64. argue, 65. pioneering, 66. importance, 67. amazing, 68. generosity, 69. entrepreneurship, 70. wrought, 71. devastation, 72. palpable, 73. grateful, 74. afford, 75. psychology

76. uns_____ted argument *adj.* lacking refinement, education, or worldly experience; simple or straightforward in nature or style; not complex or sophisticated
77. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
78. mo____n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
79. sc__y dream *adj.* causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating
80. ov_____ht parking *adj.* lasting for or occurring during one night; occurring or changing extremely quickly or suddenly; happening or being achieved in a short amount of time
81. ma__e coating *adj.* having a surface without a shine, luster; non-glossy
82. co_____ed criminal *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
83. sh__e a person aside *v.* to push someone or something in a rough way
84. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
85. po_____y alleviation *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
86. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something

ANSWERS: 76. unsophisticated, 77. individual, 78. modern, 79. scary, 80. overnight, 81. matte, 82. convinced, 83. shove, 84. platform, 85. poverty, 86. participate

87. a remote re____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
88. di____e control *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
89. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
90. in____ct directly with customers *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
91. control my em____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
92. show ge____e regret *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
93. re____e stress *v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe
94. rainproof sh____r *n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
95. unsatisfied de____e *n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
96. pr____e a better relationship *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
97. national se____ty *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation

ANSWERS: 87. relative, 88. disease, 89. psychology, 90. interact, 91. emotion, 92. genuine, 93. relieve, 94. shelter, 95. desire, 96. promote, 97. security

98. ho____ss situation *adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success
99. fl____sh economically *v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
100. learn sh_____nd *n.* a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something
101. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
102. sea_____ss shop *n.* a woman who sews, especially one who earns her living by sewing
103. respect for human di_____y *n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
104. the cycle of po_____y *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
105. a mea_____ul outcome *adj.* having meaning, function, or purpose; serious, significant, or worthwhile
106. advance cap_____sm *n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
107. tra_____on balance *n.* an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
108. ad_____e the technology *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

ANSWERS: 98. hopeless, 99. flourish, 100. shorthand, 101. opportune, 102. seamstress, 103. dignity, 104. poverty, 105. meaningful, 106. capitalism, 107. transaction, 108. advance

109. c__e business activity *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
110. mo__l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
111. app____ly unrelated *adv.* based on what you have heard or read
112. mo____g ceremony *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
113. sense of op____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
114. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
115. fuel sc____ty *n.* the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
116. a ca____st in the process of hydrolysis *n.* a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself
117. bring fo__h a beautiful vase *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open

ANSWERS: 109. core, 110. moral, 111. apparently, 112. moving, 113. optimism, 114. introduction, 115. scarcity, 116. catalyst, 117. forth

118. tax re____e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
119. mic_____it lender *n.* small loans, typically less than \$50,000, given to individuals or groups, particularly those who lack access to traditional banking services, to start or expand small businesses or other income-generating activities
120. plastic d__l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
121. di____l electronic signature *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
122. the st_____re of a machine *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
123. a r_w of cherry trees *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
124. mo_____to repellent *n.* a small flying insect whose female bites people and animals and sucks their blood, and sometimes transmits serious diseases such as malaria
125. di____e prevention *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems

ANSWERS: 118. revenue, 119. microcredit, 120. doll, 121. digital, 122. structure, 123. row, 124. mosquito, 125. disease

126. cap_____ty assessment *n.* the ability, skill, or competence to do something; the potential or aptitude for a particular task or function
127. primary ben_____ry *n.* a person who receives benefits or advantage from something, especially a financial trust or a will
128. in_____ct with one another *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
129. sc__y story *adj.* causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating
130. mo____g experience *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
131. ascend to he____n *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
132. 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
133. a profound in_____t *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
134. b__r image *n.* a faint or indistinct image or sound; something that is not clear or distinct; (verb) to become unclear; to lose clear vision
135. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 126. capability, 127. beneficiary, 128. interact, 129. scary, 130. moving, 131. heaven, 132. decide, 133. insight, 134. blur, 135. opportune

136. a joint ve____e *n.* a business project or activity that is risky or daring
137. re____e his thirst *v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe
138. uns_____ted taste *adj.* lacking refinement, education, or worldly experience; simple or straightforward in nature or style; not complex or sophisticated
139. in a ge___e voice *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
140. manage my fi_____es *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
141. sc_____ty of capital *n.* the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount
142. a va__d contract *adj.* having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable
143. annual re____e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
144. a ne____ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
145. b_t on a race *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

ANSWERS: 136. venture, 137. relieve, 138. unsophisticated, 139. gentle, 140. finance, 141. scarcity, 142. valid, 143. revenue, 144. negative, 145. bet

146. global con_____ity *n.* the state or quality of being connected or interconnected; the ability of devices, systems, or networks to communicate with and exchange information with each other
147. ex___e for inaction *n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt
148. ca_____st for reform *n.* a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself
149. pro_____ve meeting *adj.* resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value
150. am_____us amoeba *adj.* without a definite or clear shape or form; lacking a specific structure or organization; shapeless or formless
151. rag d__l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
152. majority of his we___h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
153. security w__d *n.* a slender rod or stick, especially one used for magic or divination; a rod or staff carried by certain officials as a symbol of authority

ANSWERS: 146. connectivity, 147. excuse, 148. catalyst, 149. productive, 150. amorphous, 151. doll, 152. wealth, 153. wand

154. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
155. sc_____h my signature *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
156. photo with a ma__e finish *adj.* having a surface without a shine, luster; non-glossy
157. dispel do__ts *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
158. col_____ve ownership *adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people
159. raw ta____t *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
160. a di_____l watch *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
161. a gr_____ul breeze *adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
162. have a whole m__s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
163. book of po____y *n.* poems in general as a genre of literature
164. mo__l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

ANSWERS: 154. relation, 155. scratch, 156. matte, 157. doubt, 158. collective, 159. talent, 160. digital, 161. grateful, 162. mess, 163. poetry, 164. moral

165. get into a m__s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
166. pr____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
167. hu___e opinion *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
168. a stone wall su____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
169. pr____e bad behavior *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
170. par____se the meaning *v.* to restate or reword a passage in one's own words, often to clarify or simplify the original meaning
171. blood ve___ls *n.* a ship or large boat
172. security in____nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
173. no do__t about the news *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
174. a high per____ge *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
175. pre____le pattern *adj.* capable of being known, seen or declared in advance
176. fi____e act *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

ANSWERS: 165. mess, 166. probable, 167. humble, 168. surround, 169. promote, 170. paraphrase, 171. vessel, 172. incident, 173. doubt, 174. percentage, 175. predictable, 176. finance

177. ac____it a course *v.* to give official recognition or approval to an individual, organization, or educational institution; to attribute something to a particular source or cause
178. fl____sh worldwide *v.* to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
179. re____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
180. se__e the day *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
181. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
182. afraid to show em____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
183. org______ion chart *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
184. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
185. in____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
186. embody ent_____hip *n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one

ANSWERS: 177. accredit, 178. flourish, 179. relation, 180. seize, 181. shift, 182. emotion, 183. organization, 184. decide, 185. involve, 186. entrepreneurship

187. se_____ty analyst *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
188. re_____nt population *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
189. modern po____y *n.* poems in general as a genre of literature
190. co_____ce an opponent *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
191. na_____ly arising *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
192. co_____ty tax *n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
193. no_____it agency *adj.* not established for commercial profit
194. b_t my future *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
195. magic w__d *n.* a slender rod or stick, especially one used for magic or divination; a rod or staff carried by certain officials as a symbol of authority
196. establish a par_____ip *n.* the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business

ANSWERS: 187. security, 188. resilient, 189. poetry, 190. convince, 191. naturally, 192. commodity, 193. nonprofit, 194. bet, 195. wand, 196. partnership

197. adj_____nt by hand *n.* a small change or movement made to something to improve it and achieve the desired result
198. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
199. the t__e of a song *n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
200. series of exp_____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
201. ve_____e capital *n.* a business project or activity that is risky or daring
202. not nec_____ly a problem *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
203. par_____ip across the Atlantic *n.* the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business
204. in____t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
205. mis_____and each other *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
206. an age of ab_____ce *n.* a significant amount of something; the situation in which there is too much of something
207. shopping re____ds cards *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
208. right to col_____ve bargaining *adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people

ANSWERS: 197. adjustment, 198. amazing, 199. tune, 200. experiment, 201. venture, 202. necessarily, 203. partnership, 204. invest, 205. misunderstand, 206. abundance, 207. reward, 208. collective

209. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
210. fu_____se for a new shelter *v.* to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms
211. t__e a piano *n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
212. under the umbrella of cap_____sm *n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
213. a person of diverse ta___ts *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
214. imp_____ve performances *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
215. with ea__r eyes *adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
216. pre-mo___n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
217. seminomadic he___rs *n.* a person who takes care of and manages a herd of livestock, such as cows, sheep, or goats
218. se__e a person's property *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

ANSWERS: 209. participate, 210. fundraise, 211. tune, 212. capitalism, 213. talent, 214. impressive, 215. eager, 216. modern, 217. herder, 218. seize

219. mic_____it program *n.* small loans, typically less than \$50,000, given to individuals or groups, particularly those who lack access to traditional banking services, to start or expand small businesses or other income-generating activities
220. per_____te chronic pain *v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time
221. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
222. co_____ed of the idea *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
223. la___h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
224. the int_____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
225. ass_____nt of interest *n.* a duty or task given to someone, usually as part of their job or studies
226. ac_____it certification organizations *v.* to give official recognition or approval to an individual, organization, or educational institution; to attribute something to a particular source or cause

ANSWERS: 219. microcredit, 220. perpetuate, 221. relate, 222. convinced, 223. launch, 224. interaction, 225. assignment, 226. accredit

227. bo___r the neighbors *v.* to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
228. af_____ed way of walking *adj.* influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
229. par_____se a poem into prose *v.* to restate or reword a passage in one's own words, often to clarify or simplify the original meaning
230. ov_____ht success *adj.* lasting for or occurring during one night; occurring or changing extremely quickly or suddenly; happening or being achieved in a short amount of time
231. low pro_____ve capacity *adj.* resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value
232. en_____ge a sense of affinity *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
233. me_____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
234. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
235. the exc_____nt in the business world *n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness

ANSWERS: 227. bother, 228. affected, 229. paraphrase, 230. overnight, 231. productive, 232. encourage, 233. mention, 234. magic, 235. excitement

236. political et___s *n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong
237. he was ov_____lmed with gratitude *v.* to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody
238. fu_____se a charity fund *v.* to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms
239. career tra_____ry *n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space
240. retain everyone's di_____y *n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
241. still on_____g *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
242. ho_____ss at everything *adj.* having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success
243. political do_____on *n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them
244. un_____ed liability *adj.* without any limits or restrictions
245. in____t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
246. a transfusion of do__r blood *n.* a person or an organization that makes a gift of money, food, supplies, etc. to a cause or fund; in medicine, a person who gives blood or tissue or an organ to be used in another person

ANSWERS: 236. ethics, 237. overwhelm, 238. fundraise, 239. trajectory, 240. dignity, 241. ongoing, 242. hopeless, 243. donation, 244. unlimited, 245. invest, 246. donor

247. a hu___e cottage *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
248. le__r for reform *n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
249. a dis_____ed spirit *adj.* without a physical body; not having a material form
250. in a pre_____le manner *adj.* capable of being known, seen or declared in advance
251. con_____ly changing world *adv.* in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly
252. bo___r with details *v.* to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
253. barren of cr_____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
254. a real estate in_____or *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
255. genic com_____ons *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
256. ex___e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
257. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
258. aesthetic exc_____nt *n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness

ANSWERS: 247. humble, 248. lever, 249. disembodied, 250. predictable, 251. continually, 252. bother, 253. creative, 254. investor, 255. combination, 256. excite, 257. religion, 258. excitement

259. Platonic di_____ues *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
260. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
261. su_____e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
262. moral di_____my *n.* a division or contrast between two things that are or are represented as being opposed or entirely different; a sharp contrast between two opposing and mutually exclusive categories or concepts
263. an aw_____d expression *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
264. sc_____h off a name *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
265. st_____re and function of the brain *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
266. ex_____ge a few friendly words *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

ANSWERS: 259. dialogue, 260. introduction, 261. suppose, 262. dichotomy, 263. awkward, 264. scratch, 265. structure, 266. exchange

267. gu___y verdict *adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
268. western phi_____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
269. in___e life with meaning *v.* to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
270. a s__m battle *n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
271. fr_____nt use *adj.* happening constantly
272. perfect ex___e *n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt
273. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
274. pa_____le tumor *adj.* able to be felt or touched; easily perceivable or noticeable; tangible
275. la___h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

ANSWERS: 267. guilty, 268. philosophy, 269. infuse, 270. sham, 271. frequent, 272. excuse, 273. develop, 274. palpable, 275. launch

276. an ab_____ce of examples *n.* a significant amount of something; the situation in which there is too much of something
277. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
278. driving di_____ce *n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
279. make a pr___t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
280. a we__d dress *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
281. well-wr_____t steel *adj.* made or fashioned carefully or decoratively; (of materials) beaten out or shaped by hammering
282. ar__e a case *v.* to express differing opinions or points of view, often in a heated or contentious manner; to present a case or reasoning to persuade or convince others
283. agricultural org_____ion *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
284. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 276. abundance, 277. magic, 278. distance, 279. profit, 280. weird, 281. wrought, 282. argue, 283. organization, 284. develop

285. put a ha_____s on my pet *v.* to control and exploit the power of something, especially natural resources that produce energy; (noun) a set of narrow pieces of leather and metal that are used to control or hold in place a person, animal, or object
286. re_____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
287. per_____te a myth *v.* to make something continue or prevail for a long time
288. fr_____te the advancement *v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something
289. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
290. emotionally to_____d by the speech *adj.* affected emotionally or mentally; moved; showing a slight change or alteration
291. pr_____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
292. technological cap_____ty *n.* the ability, skill, or competence to do something; the potential or aptitude for a particular task or function
293. re____l an old tale *v.* to tell someone about something again or differently
294. act of gen_____ty *n.* the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely

ANSWERS: 285. harness, 286. religion, 287. perpetuate, 288. frustrate, 289. communal, 290. touched, 291. probable, 292. capability, 293. retell, 294. generosity

295. fo___d the use of chemical weapons
v. to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising
296. et___s of journalism
n. a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong
297. ha____s a horse to a carriage
v. to control and exploit the power of something, especially natural resources that produce energy; (noun) a set of narrow pieces of leather and metal that are used to control or hold in place a person, animal, or object
298. anti-air raid sh____r
n. a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
299. fo___d smoking in public areas
v. to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising
300. social di____ce
n. the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
301. a dy____c market
adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

ANSWERS: 295. forbid, 296. ethics, 297. harness, 298. shelter, 299. forbid, 300. distance, 301. dynamic

302. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
303. ge___e downward slope *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
304. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
305. mo_____to bite *n.* a small flying insect whose female bites people and animals and sucks their blood, and sometimes transmits serious diseases such as malaria
306. ta___r-made suit *n.* a person who makes, alters, or repairs clothing professionally, typically working in a tailor shop or boutique; (verb) to customize, modify, or adapt something to suit a particular purpose, need, or individual
307. ex_____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
308. the af_____ed part *adj.* influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
309. su___r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
310. a successful ent_____eur *n.* an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
311. make a do_____on *n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them

ANSWERS: 302. involve, 303. gentle, 304. individual, 305. mosquito, 306. tailor, 307. exciting, 308. affected, 309. suffer, 310. entrepreneur, 311. donation

312. fo____st expert *adj.* most important, leading, or prominent
313. international co_____ty *n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
314. an imp_____ve array of facts *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
315. am_____us mass *adj.* without a definite or clear shape or form; lacking a specific structure or organization; shapeless or formless
316. en___e a new employee *v.* to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
317. he___n on earth *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
318. co_____e the listener *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
319. sh___e hamburger into my mouth *v.* to push someone or something in a rough way
320. serial qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
321. dy_____c person *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

ANSWERS: 312. foremost, 313. commodity, 314. impressive, 315. amorphous, 316. engage, 317. heaven, 318. confuse, 319. shove, 320. quitter, 321. dynamic

322. mis_____and entirely about her *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
323. in___e with spirit *v.* to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
324. a gear change le__r *n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
325. a man of imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
326. finish the ass_____nt *n.* a duty or task given to someone, usually as part of their job or studies
327. a n__b mind *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
328. receive a s__m email *n.* unwanted email, usually of advertising material sent out in bulk
329. gross pr___t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
330. an aw_____d date *adj.* making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty
331. ad_____e a cooperative relationship *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
332. su_____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
333. gu_____ee women equality *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met

ANSWERS: 322. misunderstand, 323. infuse, 324. lever, 325. importance, 326. assignment, 327. numb, 328. spam, 329. profit, 330. awkward, 331. advance, 332. surround, 333. guarantee

334. nec_____ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
335. con_____ly access information *adv.* in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly
336. motion b__r *n.* a faint or indistinct image or sound; something that is not clear or distinct; (verb) to become unclear; to lose clear vision
337. a hard and re_____nt steel *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
338. re___l a story *v.* to tell someone about something again or differently
339. psychological di_____my *n.* a division or contrast between two things that are or are represented as being opposed or entirely different; a sharp contrast between two opposing and mutually exclusive categories or concepts
340. billionaire ent_____eur *n.* an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
341. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
342. retire from har_____ng life *adj.* tending to work with a lot of effort and care
343. na_____ly regenerated forest *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
344. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

ANSWERS: 334. necessarily, 335. continually, 336. blur, 337. resilient, 338. retell, 339. dichotomy, 340. entrepreneur, 341. excite, 342. hardworking, 343. naturally, 344. interaction

345. co_____ce her to go with us *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
346. against tr_____on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
347. share my in_____ts *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
348. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
349. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
350. digital con_____ity *n.* the state or quality of being connected or interconnected; the ability of devices, systems, or networks to communicate with and exchange information with each other
351. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
352. a fine adj_____nt *n.* a small change or movement made to something to improve it and achieve the desired result
353. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
354. in_____or lawsuit *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns

ANSWERS: 345. convince, 346. tradition, 347. insight, 348. statistics, 349. mention, 350. connectivity, 351. communal, 352. adjustment, 353. shift, 354. investor

355. pio_____ng research *adj.* involving new ideas or methods; being the first of their kind; leading the way in a particular field
356. ta____r your needs *n.* a person who makes, alters, or repairs clothing professionally, typically working in a tailor shop or boutique; (verb) to customize, modify, or adapt something to suit a particular purpose, need, or individual
357. co_____e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
358. easy qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
359. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
360. the per_____ge of the gold content *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
361. fr_____nt absence *adj.* happening constantly
362. af____d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
363. on_____g support *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
364. cattle he____r *n.* a person who takes care of and manages a herd of livestock, such as cows, sheep, or goats

ANSWERS: 355. pioneering, 356. tailor, 357. confuse, 358. quitter, 359. inspire, 360. percentage, 361. frequent, 362. afford, 363. ongoing, 364. herder

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
2. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
3. The hotel offers high-speed internet _____ for all its guests.
n. the state or quality of being connected or interconnected; the ability of devices, systems, or networks to communicate with and exchange information with each other
4. These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic _____.
n. the most essential or fundamental part of something
5. This initiative will be a _____ for increasing company sales.
n. a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
6. This graph indicates the city's tourism _____ over five years.
n. the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
7. Scientific knowledge will _____ significantly with the power of AI.
v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
8. The company implemented a new software system to _____ employee communication and collaboration.
v. to make something easier or more likely to happen

ANSWERS: 1. religion, 2. engaged, 3. connectivity, 4. cores, 5. lever, 6. revenue, 7. advance, 8. facilitate

9. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
10. His _____ speech about his struggles with addiction brought tears to the audience's eyes.
adj. causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
11. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.
adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement
12. The university will _____ the new college if it meets its standards.
v. to give official recognition or approval to an individual, organization, or educational institution; to attribute something to a particular source or cause
13. The _____ at the airport caused a delay in my flight.
n. an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
14. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?
v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
15. He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front _____.
n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
16. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 9. relations, 10. moving, 11. exciting, 12. accredit, 13. incident, 14. suppose, 15. row, 16. statistics

17. The _____ between good and evil is common in literature and philosophy.
- n.* a division or contrast between two things that are or are represented as being opposed or entirely different; a sharp contrast between two opposing and mutually exclusive categories or concepts
18. Product development is a _____ effort.
- adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people
19. The secretary's _____ was so good that she could type up meeting minutes within minutes.
- n.* a system of rapid handwriting or abbreviation that uses symbols, abbreviations, or other devices to represent words or phrases; a short and simple way of expressing or describing something
20. She was _____ for the help he provided.
- adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
21. I need to find a skilled _____ to alter my wedding dress.
- n.* a person who makes, alters, or repairs clothing professionally, typically working in a tailor shop or boutique; (verb) to customize, modify, or adapt something to suit a particular purpose, need, or individual
22. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.
- n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
23. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.
- n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
24. Some research says that a relative decline in teacher salaries is causing labor _____.
- n.* the state of being in short supply; a small and inadequate amount

ANSWERS: 17. dichotomy, 18. collective, 19. shorthand, 20. grateful, 21. tailor, 22. desire, 23. emotions, 24. scarcity

25. He should _____ more with his colleagues.
v. to communicate or react with somebody
26. I am considering what I should do to _____ him.
v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
27. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.
v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
28. The _____ into the new market was risky, but it paid off.
n. a business project or activity that is risky or daring
29. The medicine _____ his headache, and he felt much better.
v. to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe
30. Could you help me _____ some furniture?
n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
31. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
32. The _____ arrived in port the following day.
n. a ship or large boat
33. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something

ANSWERS: 25. interact, 26. convince, 27. suffers, 28. venture, 29. relieved, 30. shift, 31. individual, 32. vessel, 33. participated

34. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

35. He _____ the truth to plead not guilty.

v. to tell someone about something again or differently

36. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

37. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of _____.

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

38. My computer has been acting _____ recently.

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

39. He made a generous _____ to the charity.

n. a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them

40. He assumed the role of the arbitral _____ of the controversy.

n. a small change or movement made to something to improve it and achieve the desired result

41. The government should do more to _____ sustainable agribusiness.

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

ANSWERS: 34. opportune, 35. retells, 36. interaction, 37. importance, 38. weird, 39. donation, 40. adjustment, 41. promote

42. The economic recession caused _____ in the housing market, with many people losing their homes.
n. the act of causing great destruction or damage, often on a large scale
43. Electronic _____ remain incomplete due to system errors.
n. an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
44. The band played a beautiful _____ on their instruments.
n. a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
45. His _____ showed highly positive results.
n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
46. My grandmother is a talented _____ and can sew anything from curtains to dresses.
n. a woman who sews, especially one who earns her living by sewing
47. My left arm became _____.
adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
48. Many studies have investigated the relationship between _____ and academic achievement.
n. the condition of being extremely poor
49. She cast a _____ glance at me.
adj. having meaning, function, or purpose; serious, significant, or worthwhile

ANSWERS: 42. devastation, 43. transactions, 44. tune, 45. experiments, 46. seamstress, 47. numb, 48. poverty, 49. meaningful

50. His body rejected the liver of the _____.
- n.* a person or an organization that makes a gift of money, food, supplies, etc. to a cause or fund; in medicine, a person who gives blood or tissue or an organ to be used in another person
51. The data he prepared was completely _____.
- n.* something that is not as good or true as it seems to be and is intended to deceive people; a person who pretends to be something they are not
52. The failure destroyed his trust and personal _____.
- n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
53. The horror movie was so _____ that I couldn't watch it alone.
- adj.* causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating
54. She had a master's degree in _____.
- n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
55. I pushed _____ with my new project, even though it would take much hard work.
- adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
56. He made a frightful _____ in his room.
- n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
57. The coach explained a strategy to _____ the opponent's schemes to the players.
- v.* to hinder or prevent efforts, plans, or desires from doing, succeeding, or being fulfilled; to make someone feel upset or annoyed because they are unable to change or achieve something

ANSWERS: 50. donor, 51. sham, 52. dignity, 53. scary, 54. psychology, 55. forth, 56. mess, 57. frustrate

58. 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

59. He felt like _____ when he tasted the delicious chocolate cake.

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

60. He is remembered for his _____ and civilization.

n. the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely

61. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.

v. to be all around something or somebody

62. The sprinter has a _____ way of running.

adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

63. My sister and I frequently _____ books, as we love reading.

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

64. Please don't _____ me while I'm trying to concentrate.

v. to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something

ANSWERS: 58. convinced, 59. heaven, 60. generosity, 61. surround, 62. dynamic, 63. exchange, 64. bother

65. The organizational _____ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.
n. the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
66. The Ottoman Empire _____ for over five centuries.
v. to grow or develop vigorously or successfully
67. She was the sole _____ of her grandfather's estate.
n. a person who receives benefits or advantage from something, especially a financial trust or a will
68. That work _____ his fame.
v. to make something continue or prevail for a long time
69. It is a _____ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.
n. a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
70. Her _____ accent made it difficult to take her seriously.
adj. influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
71. The children were _____ to start the treasure hunt.
adj. showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
72. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

ANSWERS: 65. structure, 66. flourished, 67. beneficiary, 68. perpetuates, 69. tradition, 70. affected, 71. eager, 72. relate

73. This scripture provides the code of _____ for the religion.
- n.* a branch of philosophy that considers what is morally right and wrong conduct; a set of beliefs about what is morally right and wrong
74. She is the president of a large international _____.
- n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
75. _____ willingly accept business risks to achieve success.
- n.* an individual who creates or invests in one or more businesses, especially when this involves taking financial risks
76. They need food and _____.
- n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
77. She _____ fresh herbs into the soup for added flavor.
- v.* to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
78. Don't _____ your mosquito bites.
- v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
79. The news of her promotion _____ her.
- v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
80. He was promoted to manager, and _____ he began to make changes in the company.
- adv.* after that; subsequently

ANSWERS: 73. ethics, 74. organization, 75. Entrepreneurs, 76. shelter, 77. infused, 78. scratch, 79. excited, 80. thereafter,

81. Your credit card is no longer _____.

adj. having a reasonable basis in logic or fact; still legally or officially acceptable

82. Different cultures have different comfortable word rhythms, so the composition of _____ varies greatly.

n. poems in general as a genre of literature

83. He _____ the article in his own words to avoid being accused of plagiarism.

v. to restate or reword a passage in one's own words, often to clarify or simplify the original meaning

84. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

85. The doctor diagnosed him with a rare _____ that had no known cure.

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

86. The antique _____ was worth thousands of dollars.

n. a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive

87. The school is planning to _____ to purchase new books for the library.

v. to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms

ANSWERS: 81. valid, 82. poetry, 83. paraphrased, 84. introduction, 85. disease, 86. doll, 87. fundraise

88. The _____ scientist developed a breakthrough technology that revolutionized the industry.
adj. involving new ideas or methods; being the first of their kind; leading the way in a particular field
89. After much contemplation, the suspect decided to plead _____ to the theft charge.
adj. feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
90. Her remarks _____ the debate.
v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
91. Our CEO's _____ are always transparent and straightforward.
n. something you want to do and are going to do
92. Sensors convert physical phenomena into _____ signals.
adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
93. The clouded jellyfish has an _____ shape, making it difficult to identify.
adj. without a definite or clear shape or form; lacking a specific structure or organization; shapeless or formless
94. He was labeled as a _____ after he abandoned the project halfway.
n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
95. She is a _____ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.
adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

ANSWERS: 88. pioneering, 89. guilty, 90. confused, 91. intentions, 92. digital, 93. amorphous, 94. quitter, 95. resilient

96. A healthy farm provides an _____ of food.

n. a significant amount of something; the situation in which there is too much of something

97. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.

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

98. This accident was something that happened _____.

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

99. The camera's focus was off, and the image was a _____ of colors and shapes.

n. a faint or indistinct image or sound; something that is not clear or distinct; (verb) to become unclear; to lose clear vision

100. God _____ you should regret your marriage.

v. to order somebody not to do something, especially officially; to keep something from happening or arising

101. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.

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

102. Night fishing has a lot of _____.

n. a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

103. He cannot _____ a holiday.

v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

ANSWERS: 96. abundance, 97. creative, 98. necessarily, 99. blur, 100. forbid, 101. moral, 102. rewards, 103. afford

104. He gave a _____ smile as he read the heartfelt message in the card from his daughter.

adj. affected emotionally or mentally; moved; showing a slight change or alteration

105. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

106. A stagnant water area are breeding ground for _____.

n. a small flying insect whose female bites people and animals and sucks their blood, and sometimes transmits serious diseases such as malaria

107. The _____ package delivery arrived at my door this morning.

adj. lasting for or occurring during one night; occurring or changing extremely quickly or suddenly; happening or being achieved in a short amount of time

108. My _____ was overwhelming and complicated, but it was also exciting.

n. a duty or task given to someone, usually as part of their job or studies

109. What is the _____ of the consumption tax in the United States?

n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

110. _____ is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

n. a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

111. You should not _____ the meaning of freedom.

v. to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

ANSWERS: 104. touched, 105. amazing, 106. mosquitos, 107. overnight, 108. assignment, 109. percentage, 110. Doubt, 111. misunderstand

112. The sheep _____ led his flock through the hills, keeping a watchful eye on them at all times.

n. a person who takes care of and manages a herd of livestock, such as cows, sheep, or goats

113. The product's _____ design made it difficult for experienced users.

adj. lacking refinement, education, or worldly experience; simple or straightforward in nature or style; not complex or sophisticated

114. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.

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

115. You can remove _____ messages with special software.

n. unwanted email, usually of advertising material sent out in bulk

116. 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

117. 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

118. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.

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

119. Our law firm also focuses on _____ activities.

adj. not established for commercial profit

ANSWERS: 112. herder, 113. unsophisticated, 114. modern, 115. spam, 116. decide, 117. involves, 118. inspired, 119. nonprofit

120. The _____ design of the interface made the operation difficult.

adj. making you feel uncomfortable or embarrassed; causing inconvenience or difficulty

121. An _____ data plan is a popular option for heavy internet users.

adj. without any limits or restrictions

122. The body of his car has a _____ finish.

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

123. I ____ that you know it.

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

124. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

125. The magician waved his _____ and a rabbit appeared from the hat.

n. a slender rod or stick, especially one used for magic or divination; a rod or staff carried by certain officials as a symbol of authority

126. The nobler, the more _____.

adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

127. The movie has received almost universally _____ criticism.

adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

128. The new employee proved extremely _____ completing projects ahead of schedule.

adj. resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value

ANSWERS: 120. awkward, 121. unlimited, 122. matte, 123. bet, 124. mentioned, 125. wand, 126. humble, 127. negative, 128. productive,

129. Ethics is a branch of _____.

n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

130. The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the _____ economic crisis.

adj. continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening

131. The couple began to _____ over which restaurant to go to for dinner.

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

132. The economy becomes more volatile and less _____.

adj. capable of being known, seen or declared in advance

133. The _____ priority is the safety of the passengers.

adj. most important, leading, or prominent

134. Her _____ manner relaxed everyone there.

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

135. After months of job searching, he felt _____ and unsure of his future.

adj. having no hope; despairing; having no chance of success

136. His heartaches are less _____ now.

adj. happening constantly

137. The marathon runner covered a long _____ in a short amount of time.

n. the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance

ANSWERS: 129. philosophy, 130. ongoing, 131. argue, 132. predictable, 133. foremost, 134. gentle, 135. hopeless, 136. frequent, 137. distance

138. The ghost's _____ voice whispered in the darkness.

adj. without a physical body; not having a material form

139. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

140. He forcibly _____ the flyer into my bag.

v. to push someone or something in a rough way

141. He quickly fabricated an _____ for not attending the meeting.

n. a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt

142. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

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

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

144. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

145. He recorded the _____ at the time of the incident.

n. a conversation in a book, play, or film

ANSWERS: 138. disembodied, 139. Communal, 140. shoved, 141. excuse, 142. finance, 143. launch, 144. process, 145. dialogue

146. The military _____ between the two countries created tension in the international community.
n. the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business
147. The tension in the room was _____ as they waited for the results to come in.
adj. able to be felt or touched; easily perceivable or noticeable; tangible
148. Is this painting _____ or forged?
adj. real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
149. They _____ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.
v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
150. He was _____ gifted.
adv. as might be expected; by natural manners
151. The company's pricing strategy limits its _____ to compete with other businesses in the market.
n. the ability, skill, or competence to do something; the potential or aptitude for a particular task or function
152. The government announced a policy to control the rise in _____ prices.
n. a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
153. Too much variety may _____ and confuse viewers.
v. to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

ANSWERS: 146. partnership, 147. palpable, 148. genuine, 149. encouraged, 150. naturally, 151. capability, 152. commodity, 153. overwhelm

154. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
- v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
155. The government is investing in programs to support _____ and small business development.
- n.* the process or skill of starting and running a business, particularly a new and innovative one
156. The _____ of the upcoming concert was palpable among the crowd.
- n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness
157. _____ also guarantees intellectual property rights and thus promotes innovation.
- n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
158. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.
- n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
159. The building's _____ system includes cameras, alarms, and security guards.
- n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
160. The company has shown an excellent growth _____ over the years.
- n.* the curved path followed by an object moving through space

ANSWERS: 154. develop, 155. entrepreneurship, 156. excitement, 157. Capitalism, 158. wealth, 159. security, 160. trajectory

161. Institutional _____ refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.

n. someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns

162. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

163. People have been exploring ways to _____ natural forces and resources since ancient times.

v. to control and exploit the power of something, especially natural resources that produce energy; (noun) a set of narrow pieces of leather and metal that are used to control or hold in place a person, animal, or object

164. She _____ her parents to let her go to the concert.

v. to ask for something urgently or earnestly; to appeal to someone to do something

165. The police _____ believed this explanation was plausible.

adv. based on what you have heard or read

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

adj. likely to happen or likely to be true

167. He won an award for his photographs of the ruins _____ by the war.

adj. made or fashioned carefully or decoratively; (of materials) beaten out or shaped by hammering

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

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

ANSWERS: 161. investors, 162. magic, 163. harness, 164. begged, 165. apparently, 166. probable, 167. wrought, 168. relatives

169. The budget reduction was an _____ feat for our nation.

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

170. The _____ to the safe was a secret.

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

171. There is considerable _____ that the economy will recover soon.

n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

172. Numerous great professional sports _____ have come from this city.

n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

173. This business yields little _____.

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

174. The government has established a _____ scheme to stimulate entrepreneurship and create job opportunities.

n. small loans, typically less than \$50,000, given to individuals or groups, particularly those who lack access to traditional banking services, to start or expand small businesses or other income-generating activities

175. He has the superpower to _____ a business opportunity.

v. to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

176. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

ANSWERS: 169. impressive, 170. combination, 171. optimism, 172. talents, 173. profit, 174. microcredit, 175. seize, 176. invest

177. We cannot _____ enough raw material sources.

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

178. The global financial crisis acted as a _____ to unite the country.

- n.* a person or thing that causes an important event to happen or changes the current situation rapidly; (chemistry) a substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction without being changed itself

179. They sought candidates with _____ and good-natured.

- adj.* tending to work with a lot of effort and care

180. We gained various _____ by analyzing the vast amount of data owned by the company.

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

181. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.

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

182. Her tongue runs on _____.

- adv.* in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly

ANSWERS: 177. guarantee, 178. catalyst, 179. hardworking, 180. insights, 181. platform, 182. continually