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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### infamous

*adj.* having a reputation for being very bad or wicked

*synonym*: notorious, disreputable, scandalous

(1) an **infamous** crime, (2) acquire an **infamous** reputation

The **infamous** criminal was finally brought to justice.

### economy

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

*synonym*: finance, trade, business

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

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

### meltdown

*n.* a severe overheating of the core of a nuclear reactor resulting in the core melting and radiation escaping; a situation in which something fails or weakens suddenly or dramatically

*synonym*: collapse, disaster, failure

(1) **meltdown** disaster, (2) economic **meltdown**

The nuclear **meltdown** in the country was a disaster with far-reaching consequences.

## penny

*n.* a small denomination of currency or coin, typically the smallest unit of a currency system; in the US, a coin worth one cent

*synonym* : cent, coin, copper

(1) **penny** stock, (2) save a **penny**

I found a lucky **penny** on the ground while walking to work this morning.

## reserve

*v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

*synonym* : keep, hold, preserve

(1) **reserve** the right, (2) **reserve** a concert ticket

You can easily **reserve** seats over the telephone.

## volcano

*n.* a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.

*synonym* : mount, peak, crater

(1) **volcano** alert level, (2) active **volcano**

The island was formed by a **volcano** millions of years ago.

## interrupt

*v.* to say or do something that causes someone to stop in their speech or action

*synonym* : disturb, hinder, break in

(1) **interrupt** a call, (2) abruptly **interrupt**

Her sleep was **interrupted** by recurring pain.

## president

*n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

*synonym* : leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

## pronounce

*v.* to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way

*synonym* :

articulate, enunciate, voice

(1) **pronounce** a judgment, (2) **pronounce** a name

She struggled to **pronounce** the word in a foreign language.

## firm

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

*synonym* : stable, secure, steadfast

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

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

## collapse

*v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart

*synonym* : tumble, spill, bankruptcy

(1) the stock market **collapsed**, (2) ready to **collapse**

The roof finally **collapsed** after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.

## 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.

## corporate

*adj.* of or relating to a large company

*synonym* : business, commercial, organizational

(1) **corporate** right, (2) **corporate** environment

The **corporate** office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

## sector

*n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

*synonym* :

division, department, branch

(1) industrial **sector**, (2) private **sector**

The technology **sector** is constantly evolving and innovating.

## suffice

v. to be enough or sufficient; to meet the needs or requirements of something or someone; to satisfy or fulfill a purpose

*synonym*: satisfy, meet, be enough

(1) **suffice** to live, (2) **suffice** as evidence

Would one cup of flour **suffice** for this recipe?

## 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.

## testosterone

n. a male hormone that is responsible for the development of male secondary sex characteristics

(1) **testosterone** enhancer, (2) a synthetic derivative of **testosterone**

Training with sufficient intensity increases blood **testosterone** levels.

## blame

v. to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

*synonym*: condemn, rebuke, find fault with

(1) **blame** circumstances for the failure, (2) **blame** the lack of knowledge

We **blamed** our impeded progress on lack of money.

## crisis

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

*synonym*: concern, problem, emergency

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

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

## helm

*n.* the wheel or other mechanism used to steer a ship or boat; the person in control or command of a ship or boat  
*synonym*: steering, control, direction

(1) **helm** of a ship, (2) steer the **helm**

The ship's captain took the **helm** and charted a course through the stormy waters.

## diversity

*n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

*synonym*: variety, multiplicity, variousness

(1) the **diversity** policy of the university, (2) lingual **diversity**

He was impressed by the range and **diversity** of the collection.

## disastrous

*adj.* extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful

*synonym*: catastrophic, destructive, fatal

(1) have **disastrous** consequences, (2) absolutely **disastrous** effect

The emission of hazardous substances has **disastrous** effects on the ecology of a region.

## 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.

## fed-up

*adj.* feeling exhausted, annoyed, or discontented as a result of prolonged exposure to something unpleasant or frustrating

*synonym*: annoyed, frustrated, disgruntled

(1) **fed-up** employee, (2) **fed-up** expression

The **fed-up** spectators began to leave the stadium after the home team's fourth consecutive loss.

## stomach

*n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach

*synonym*: belly, abdomen, gut

(1) upset **stomach**, (2) **stomach** virus

I have a **stomach** ache after overeating junk food.

## sustainable

*adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time

*synonym*: continuable, enduring, tolerable

(1) **sustainable** alternative fuel, (2) principles of **sustainable** development

The government should do more to support environmentally **sustainable** agriculture.

## incorporate

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

*synonym*: contain, integrate, amalgamate

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

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

## feminine

*adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women

*synonym*: womanly, womanlike, femalelike

(1) add a **feminine** touch, (2) the sacred **feminine**

The dress mixes sophisticated lines with an appealing floral design for a classically **feminine** style.

## 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**.

## eyebrow

*n.* the hair arc over each eye in humans

*synonym*: brow, supercilium

(1) raise her **eyebrows**, (2) **eyebrow** cosmetics

She raised an inquiring **eyebrow** towards me.

## typical

*adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

*synonym*: characteristic, usual, distinctive

(1) **typical** leader, (2) fairly **typical** symptoms

This artwork is **typical** of her work.

## closet

*n.* a small room or cabinet with a door used for storing things, especially clothes

*synonym*: cabinet, cupboard, locker

(1) **closet** full of suits, (2) walk-in **closets**

He brushed the suit before hanging it back into the **closet**.

## principle

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

*synonym*: rule, creed, code

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

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

## 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.

## vision

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

*synonym* : sight, image, concept

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

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

## equity

*n.* the value of the shares issued by a company

*synonym* : fairness

(1) private **equity** firm, (2) **equity** capital market

That company is cautious when it comes to **equity** investment.

## talented

*adj.* having a natural ability or aptitude for something;  
showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area

*synonym* : gifted, able, skilled

(1) a very **talented** actor, (2) **talented** athlete

She is a **talented** musician, able to play several instruments.

## 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.

## absolutely

*adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

*synonym* : completely, utterly, definitely

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

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

## 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.

## awareness

*n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important

*synonym* :



understanding, cognition, knowledge

(1) **awareness** of my ignorance, (2) raise public **awareness**  
There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental **awareness**.

## complicated

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

*synonym*: complex, convoluted, intricate

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

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

## subprime

*adj.* of or relating to financial loans, particularly mortgages, which are made to individuals with poor credit histories or limited income, often associated with higher interest rates and a greater risk of default

(1) **subprime** lending, (2) **subprime** market

The **subprime** mortgage crisis of 2008 led to a global economic downturn.

## 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.

## opposition

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

*synonym*: resistance, hostility, antagonism

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

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

## reckless

*adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions

*synonym* : impetuous, irresponsible, thoughtless

(1) **reckless** driving, (2) in a **reckless** manner

**Reckless** youth makes rueful age.

## straight

*adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

*synonym* : linear, honest, consecutive

(1) a **straight** line, (2) **straight** for two months

He was sick for five **straight** days.

## downside

*n.* the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure

*synonym* : drawback, negative, disadvantage

(1) major **downside**, (2) **downside** of globalization

The **downside** of the new policy was that it would be more expensive for customers.

## upside

*n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something

*synonym* : advantage, benefit, top

(1) have no **upside**, (2) market **upside**

Many people see the **upside** of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.

## utter

*adj.* complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice

*synonym* : absolute, complete, total

(1) **utter** nonsense, (2) **utter** a big sigh

The **utter** chaos of the concert crowd made it seem like a wild animal was in the room.

## excel

*v.* to be extremely good at or proficient in doing something

*synonym* : outdo, shine, surpass

(1) **excel** in description, (2) **excel** at communication  
The company **excels** in customer service.

## emotional

*adj.* relating to people's feelings

*synonym*: affecting, impactful, impressive

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

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

## diligence

*n.* careful and persistent effort or work; conscientiousness in performing one's duties or responsibilities

*synonym*: assiduity, industry, perseverance

(1) **diligence** in work, (2) **diligence** in time management

The doctor's **diligence** in monitoring patients' progress contributed to their speedy recovery.

## spreadsheet

*n.* a computer program that is used for displaying and dealing with numbers by arranging them in rows and columns

(1) a **spreadsheet** program, (2) plug numbers into a **spreadsheet**

I accidentally deleted all the contents of the **spreadsheet**.

## 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**.

## definition

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

*synonym*: description, connotation, meaning

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

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

## quarter

*n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

*synonym*: fourth, one-fourth

(1) a **quarter** mile, (2) end of the first **quarter**

The unemployment rate in the first **quarter** was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

## environment

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

*synonym*: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

## 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.

## trend

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

*synonym*: direction, movement, tendency

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

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

## decision-maker

*n.* a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization

(1) policy **decision-maker**, (2) act as a **decision-maker**

A wealth of information does not always have a positive impact on **decision-makers**.

## herd

*n.* a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock

*synonym*: flock, brood, horde

(1) **herd** of cattle, (2) the common **herd**

He was riding **herd** on the sheep during the day.

## heading

*n.* a title, caption, or heading that introduces or summarizes the content of a written or printed document; the direction or course in which something is moving or heading

*synonym*: title, caption, label

(1) chapter **heading**, (2) **heading** font

She carefully reviewed the **heading** of each section before diving into the research paper.

## government

*n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state

*synonym*: administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

## 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.

## incredible

*adj.* unbelievable; enormous

*synonym*: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

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

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

## urge

*v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

*synonym*: push for, advise, (noun) impulse

(1) **urge** a total ban, (2) a sexual **urge**

The lobbyist **urged** Congress not to approve the measure.

## rebuild

*v.* to build again or anew

*synonym*: reconstruct, renovate, restore

(1) **rebuild** a company, (2) **rebuild** communities

They are planning to **rebuild** the house after the fire.

## insanity

*n.* the state of being seriously mentally ill; madness  
*synonym*: madness, psychosis, lunacy

(1) sheer **insanity**, (2) alcoholic **insanity**

His behavior became increasingly erratic, leading many to believe he was experiencing a bout of **insanity**.

## hop

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

*synonym*: jump, bounce, skip

(1) **hop** on one foot, (2) **hop** from one place to another

The rabbit **hopped** over the fence.

## outcome

*n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

*synonym*: result, consequence, effect

(1) improved student **outcomes**, (2) a desirable **outcome**

They awaited news of the **outcome** of the election.

## insane

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

*synonym*: crazy, mad, foolish

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

Her excessive demands drove me **insane**.

## entirely

*adv.* completely

*synonym*: completely, fully, totally

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

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

## revolutionary

*adj.* relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change

*synonym*: radical, innovative, groundbreaking

(1) **revolutionary** change, (2) enforce **revolutionary** justice

The **revolutionary** leader inspired others to join the fight for

freedom and democracy.

## consume

*v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

*synonym*: absorb, ingest, use up

(1) **consume** a large of alcohol, (2) **consume** electricity

A smaller car will **consume** less fuel.

## conscious

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

*synonym*: aware, cognizant, deliberate

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

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

## courageous

*adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

*synonym*: brave, valiant, fearless

(1) make a **courageous** decision, (2) **courageous** rescue attempt

He was a **courageous** soldier who had served his country with honor.

## independence

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

*synonym*: freedom, liberty, autonomy

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

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

## march

*v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

*synonym*: parade

(1) **march** against the war, (2) **march** east

The troops **marched** shoulder-to-shoulder.

## agenda

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

*synonym*: program, schedule, list

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

The **agenda** for the meeting includes discussions on the budget and new project proposals.

## movement

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

*synonym* : motion, progression, action

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

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

## elect

*v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

*synonym* : select, choose, prefer

(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death

Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.

## breast

*n.* either of the two round soft parts of a woman's chest which secrete milk after childbirth

*synonym* : bosom, chest, bust

(1) **breast** cancer, (2) the mountain's **breast**

He grilled the **breast** meat of a chicken.

## cancer

*n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

*synonym* : tumor, carcinoma, malignancy

(1) **cancer** diagnosis, (2) **cancer** research

Breast **cancer** is the most common type of cancer in women.

## survivor

*n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died

*synonym* : subsister

(1) ovarian cancer **survivor**, (2) a single **survivor**

The shipwreck **survivor** was rescued after floating in the



ocean for three days.

## session

*n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity

*synonym*: conference, gathering

(1) the morning **session**, (2) the court **session**  
Parliament is now in **session**.

## contender

*n.* the contestant you hope to defeat

*synonym*: rival, competitor, challenger

(1) championship **contender**, (2) presidential **contender**  
We were looking at a severe **contender** indeed.

## allude

*v.* to suggest or make reference to something indirectly

*synonym*: imply, indicate, hint

(1) **allude** to his low origin, (2) **allude** to the planning  
He **alluded** to the problem but did not mention it directly.

## crappy

*adj.* of poor quality; not satisfactory

*synonym*: poor, unsatisfactory, inferior

(1) **crappy** service, (2) **crappy** Spanish  
The food at the restaurant was **crappy** and overpriced.

## breastfeeding

*n.* the act of feeding a baby with milk produced by the mother's breasts

*synonym*: nursing, lactation, suckling

(1) **breastfeeding** mother, (2) **breastfeeding** support  
Getting the hang of **breastfeeding** at first can be challenging, but with patience and practice, it gets easier.

## nation

*n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

*synonym*: country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

## incredibly

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

*synonym*: enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

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

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

## influence

*n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

*synonym*: power, leverage, effect

(1) **influence** a child's future, (2) **influence** the daily life

The former emperor had a particular **influence** even after he abdicated.

## spite

*n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty

*synonym*: malice, ill will, vindictiveness

(1) bear **spite** against him, (2) die in **spite** of intensive care

He did it out of **spite**, to annoy me.

## denial

*n.* a statement that something is not true or does not exist

*synonym*: refusal, rejection, veto

(1) state of **denial**, (2) an absolute **denial**

She gave us a categorical **denial** of the scandal.

## 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.

## conclude

v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

*synonym*: complete, finish, decide

(1) **conclude** a meeting, (2) **conclude** that he is healthy

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

## differ

v. to be not like someone or something in some way

*synonym*: vary, diverge, disagree

(1) **differ** from the majority, (2) **differ** according to species

The two products **differed** in their quality and price.

## sustain

v. to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid

*synonym*: maintain, nurture, support

(1) **sustain** a good relationship with him, (2) **sustain** a wellness lifestyle

She struggled to **sustain** the children's reading habits.

## embrace

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

*synonym*: grasp, hold tightly, accept

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

The woods **embrace** the house.

## aim

v. to try or plan to get or achieve something

*synonym*: aspire, direct, target

(1) **aim** at a specific target, (2) **aim** to be a nurse

We **aim** for an overseas expansion.

## tyranny

n. a form of government in which a single ruler has absolute power, often exercised cruelly and oppressively; the arbitrary or oppressive exercise of power or control over others

*synonym*: despotism, oppression, dictatorship

(1) brutal **tyranny**, (2) **tyranny** of the majority

The country was ruled by a **tyranny** that oppressed its

citizens.

## balance

*n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

*synonym*: equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

(1) the **balance** of power, (2) asset on the company's **balance** sheet

Try to keep a **balance** between work and off.

## philanthropy

*n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money

*synonym*: altruism, benevolence, generosity

(1) **philanthropy** organization, (2) private **philanthropy**

Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on **philanthropy**.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. em\_\_\_\_e an opportunity  
*v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
2. na\_\_\_n-state  
*n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
3. financial cr\_\_\_\_s  
*n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
4. co\_\_\_\_e electricity  
*v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
5. fairly ty\_\_\_\_l symptoms  
*adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
6. in a re\_\_\_\_ss manner  
*adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
7. have no up\_\_\_\_e  
*n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
8. ind\_\_\_\_al freedom  
*n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
9. go in\_\_\_\_e with pleasure  
*adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
10. pr\_\_\_\_ce a name  
*v.* to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way
11. save a pe\_\_y  
*n.* a small denomination of currency or coin, typically the smallest unit of a currency system; in the US, a coin worth one cent

ANSWERS: 1. embrace, 2. nation, 3. crisis, 4. consume, 5. typical, 6. reckless, 7. upside, 8. individual, 9. insane, 10. pronounce, 11. penny

12. a synthetic derivative of  
tes\_\_\_\_\_one
13. make a cou\_\_\_\_\_us decision
14. tes\_\_\_\_\_one enhancer
15. major do\_\_\_\_\_de
16. championship co\_\_\_\_\_er
17. dispel do\_\_ts
18. fe\_\_\_p expression
19. a\_m at a specific target
20. ca\_\_\_r research
21. the def\_\_\_\_\_on of a word
22. em\_\_\_\_\_al distress
- n.* a male hormone that is responsible for the development of male secondary sex characteristics
- adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
- n.* a male hormone that is responsible for the development of male secondary sex characteristics
- n.* the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure
- n.* the contestant you hope to defeat
- n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
- adj.* feeling exhausted, annoyed, or discontented as a result of prolonged exposure to something unpleasant or frustrating
- v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
- n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
- n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
- adj.* relating to people's feelings

ANSWERS: 12. testosterone, 13. courageous, 14. testosterone, 15. downside, 16. contender, 17. doubt, 18. fed-up, 19. aim, 20. cancer, 21. definition, 22. emotional

23. alcoholic in\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the state of being seriously mentally ill; madness
24. f\_\_m grip *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
25. economic me\_\_\_\_wn *n.* a severe overheating of the core of a nuclear reactor resulting in the core melting and radiation escaping; a situation in which something fails or weakens suddenly or dramatically
26. pr\_\_\_\_\_nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
27. chaotic env\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
28. co\_\_\_\_\_ed criminal *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
29. bl\_\_e the lack of knowledge *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
30. he\_\_\_\_g font *n.* a title, caption, or heading that introduces or summarizes the content of a written or printed document; the direction or course in which something is moving or heading

ANSWERS: 23. insanity, 24. firm, 25. meltdown, 26. president, 27. environment, 28. convinced, 29. blame, 30. heading

31. at inc\_\_\_\_\_le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
32. private phi\_\_\_\_\_opy *n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
33. die in sp\_\_e of intensive care *n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty
34. st\_\_\_\_\_h virus *n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach
35. active vo\_\_\_\_\_o *n.* a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.
36. an in\_\_\_\_\_us crime *adj.* having a reputation for being very bad or wicked
37. plug numbers into a spr\_\_\_\_\_et *n.* a computer program that is used for displaying and dealing with numbers by arranging them in rows and columns
38. su\_\_\_\_\_me lending *adj.* of or relating to financial loans, particularly mortgages, which are made to individuals with poor credit histories or limited income, often associated with higher interest rates and a greater risk of default
39. a real estate in\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns

ANSWERS: 31. incredible, 32. philanthropy, 33. spite, 34. stomach, 35. volcano, 36. infamous, 37. spreadsheet, 38. subprime, 39. investor



40. cl\_\_\_t full of suits *n.* a small room or cabinet with a door used for storing things, especially clothes
41. bl\_\_\_e circumstances for the failure *v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad
42. industrial se\_\_\_r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
43. the sacred fe\_\_\_\_\_ne *adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women
44. bre\_\_\_\_\_ing support *n.* the act of feeding a baby with milk produced by the mother's breasts
45. steer the h\_\_\_m *n.* the wheel or other mechanism used to steer a ship or boat; the person in control or command of a ship or boat
46. an international tr\_\_\_d *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
47. ty\_\_\_\_\_y of the majority *n.* a form of government in which a single ruler has absolute power, often exercised cruelly and oppressively; the arbitrary or oppressive exercise of power or control over others
48. inc\_\_\_\_\_ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
49. mo\_\_\_\_\_nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 40. closet, 41. blame, 42. sector, 43. feminine, 44. breastfeeding, 45. helm, 46. trend, 47. tyranny, 48. incredibly, 49. movement

50. in\_\_\_t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
51. cr\_\_\_s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
52. the stock market co\_\_\_\_sed *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
53. ec\_\_\_\_y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
54. upset st\_\_\_\_h *n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach
55. ovarian cancer su\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
56. 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
57. su\_\_\_\_e to live *v.* to be enough or sufficient; to meet the needs or requirements of something or someone; to satisfy or fulfill a purpose
58. su\_\_\_\_me market *adj.* of or relating to financial loans, particularly mortgages, which are made to individuals with poor credit histories or limited income, often associated with higher interest rates and a greater risk of default

ANSWERS: 50. invest, 51. crisis, 52. collapse, 53. economy, 54. stomach, 55. survivor, 56. structure, 57. suffice, 58. subprime

59. enforce rev\_\_\_\_\_ary justice      *adj.* relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change
60. a st\_\_\_\_\_ht line      *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
61. su\_\_\_\_\_n a wellness lifestyle      *v.* to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid
62. keep fo\_\_\_\_\_st in mind      *adj.* most important, leading, or prominent
63. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly against      *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
64. brutal ty\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.* a form of government in which a single ruler has absolute power, often exercised cruelly and oppressively; the arbitrary or oppressive exercise of power or control over others
65. pe\_\_y stock      *n.* a small denomination of currency or coin, typically the smallest unit of a currency system; in the US, a coin worth one cent
66. re\_\_\_\_\_e a concert ticket      *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
67. rev\_\_\_\_\_ary change      *adj.* relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change
68. meet with opp\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
69. acquire an in\_\_\_\_\_us reputation      *adj.* having a reputation for being very bad or wicked

ANSWERS: 59. revolutionary, 60. straight, 61. sustain, 62. foremost, 63. absolutely, 64. tyranny, 65. penny, 66. reserve, 67. revolutionary, 68. opposition, 69. infamous

70. phi\_\_\_\_\_opy organization *n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
71. su\_\_\_\_\_n a good relationship with him *v.* to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid
72. ex\_\_l in description *v.* to be extremely good at or proficient in doing something
73. re\_\_\_\_\_e the right *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
74. the tr\_\_d away from television *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
75. co\_\_\_\_\_te right *adj.* of or relating to a large company
76. lingual di\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
77. the ba\_\_\_\_\_e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
78. ready to co\_\_\_\_\_se *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
79. bre\_\_\_\_\_ing mother *n.* the act of feeding a baby with milk produced by the mother's breasts
80. gov\_\_\_\_\_nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
81. ma\_\_h against the war *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

ANSWERS: 70. philanthropy, 71. sustain, 72. excel, 73. reserve, 74. trend, 75. corporate, 76. diversity, 77. balance, 78. collapse, 79. breastfeeding, 80. government, 81. march

82. co\_\_\_\_\_us of having succeeded *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
83. abruptly in\_\_\_\_\_pt *v.* to say or do something that causes someone to stop in their speech or action
84. fe\_\_\_p employee *adj.* feeling exhausted, annoyed, or discontented as a result of prolonged exposure to something unpleasant or frustrating
85. improved student ou\_\_\_\_\_es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
86. di\_\_\_\_\_ce in time management *n.* careful and persistent effort or work; conscientiousness in performing one's duties or responsibilities
87. h\_\_\_m of a ship *n.* the wheel or other mechanism used to steer a ship or boat; the person in control or command of a ship or boat
88. en\_\_\_\_\_ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely
89. an in\_\_\_e scheme *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
90. sus\_\_\_\_\_le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
91. inc\_\_\_\_\_le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
92. ut\_\_\_r nonsense *adj.* complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice

ANSWERS: 82. conscious, 83. interrupt, 84. fed-up, 85. outcome, 86. diligence, 87. helm, 88. entirely, 89. insane, 90. sustainable, 91. incredible, 92. utter

93. cou\_\_\_\_\_us rescue attempt *adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching
94. 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
95. pr\_\_\_\_\_le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
96. el\_\_t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
97. principles of sus\_\_\_\_\_le development *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
98. a prodigious vi\_\_\_n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
99. inc\_\_\_\_\_te technology into daily life *v.* to include something as a part of a larger entity
100. ex\_\_l at communication *v.* to be extremely good at or proficient in doing something
101. re\_\_\_\_\_ss driving *adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions
102. co\_\_\_\_\_de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
103. el\_\_t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
104. private eq\_\_\_y firm *n.* the value of the shares issued by a company

ANSWERS: 93. courageous, 94. decide, 95. principle, 96. elect, 97. sustainable, 98. vision, 99. incorporate, 100. excel, 101. reckless, 102. conclude, 103. elect, 104. equity

105. the mountain's br\_\_\_t                    *n.* either of the two round soft parts of a woman's chest which secrete milk after childbirth
106. add a fe\_\_\_\_\_ne touch            *adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women
107. walk-in cl\_\_\_ts                        *n.* a small room or cabinet with a door used for storing things, especially clothes
108. env\_\_\_\_\_nt affairs                *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
109. do\_\_\_\_\_de of globalization        *n.* the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure
110. raise her ey\_\_\_\_\_ws                *n.* the hair arc over each eye in humans
111. 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
112. 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
113. di\_\_\_\_\_ce in work                 *n.* careful and persistent effort or work; conscientiousness in performing one's duties or responsibilities

ANSWERS: 105. breast, 106. feminine, 107. closet, 108. environment, 109. downside, 110. eyebrow, 111. finance, 112. finance, 113. diligence

114. opp\_\_\_\_\_on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
115. di\_\_\_r from the majority *v.* to be not like someone or something in some way
116. an absolute de\_\_\_l *n.* a statement that something is not true or does not exist
117. re\_\_\_\_\_d communities *v.* to build again or anew
118. ty\_\_\_\_\_l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
119. in\_\_\_\_\_ce the daily life *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
120. ca\_\_\_r diagnosis *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
121. chapter he\_\_\_\_\_g *n.* a title, caption, or heading that introduces or summarizes the content of a written or printed document; the direction or course in which something is moving or heading
122. make a pr\_\_\_t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
123. ta\_\_\_\_\_ed athlete *adj.* having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area
124. inc\_\_\_\_\_te the current trends *v.* to include something as a part of a larger entity

ANSWERS: 114. opposition, 115. differ, 116. denial, 117. rebuild, 118. typical, 119. influence, 120. cancer, 121. heading, 122. profit, 123. talented, 124. incorporate



125. co\_\_\_\_de that he is healthy      *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
126. a qu\_\_\_\_r mile      *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
127. ec\_\_\_\_y of scale      *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
128. a circular mo\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
129. financial ind\_\_\_\_nce      *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
130. act as a dec\_\_\_\_ker      *n.* a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization
131. end of the first qu\_\_\_\_r      *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
132. market up\_\_\_\_e      *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
133. h\_\_d of cattle      *n.* a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
134. em\_\_\_\_al health      *adj.* relating to people's feelings

ANSWERS: 125. conclude, 126. quarter, 127. economy, 128. movement, 129. independence, 130. decision-maker, 131. quarter, 132. upside, 133. herd, 134. emotional

135. absolutely dis\_\_\_\_\_us effect      *adj.* extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful
136. fo\_\_\_\_\_st expert      *adj.* most important, leading, or prominent
137. a precise def\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
138. a very ta\_\_\_\_\_ed actor      *adj.* having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area
139. a\_m to be a nurse      *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
140. ma\_\_h east      *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
141. private se\_\_\_\_r      *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
142. pr\_\_\_\_\_le of treatment      *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
143. in\_\_\_\_\_ce a child's future      *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
144. state of de\_\_\_\_l      *n.* a statement that something is not true or does not exist
145. aw\_\_\_\_\_ss of my ignorance      *n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
146. gross pr\_\_\_\_t      *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

ANSWERS: 135. disastrous, 136. foremost, 137. definition, 138. talented, 139. aim, 140. march, 141. sector, 142. principle, 143. influence, 144. denial, 145. awareness, 146. profit

147. 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
148. co\_\_\_\_\_us effort     *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
149. st\_\_\_\_\_ht for two months     *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
150. al\_\_\_\_e to the planning     *v.* to suggest or make reference to something indirectly
151. ey\_\_\_\_\_w cosmetics     *n.* the hair arc over each eye in humans
152. su\_\_\_\_\_e as evidence     *v.* to be enough or sufficient; to meet the needs or requirements of something or someone; to satisfy or fulfill a purpose
153. bear sp\_\_e against him     *n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty
154. h\_p from one place to another     *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
155. asset on the company's ba\_\_\_\_\_e sheet     *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
156. ind\_\_\_\_\_nce ceremony     *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
157. have dis\_\_\_\_\_us consequences     *adj.* extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful

ANSWERS: 147. overwhelm, 148. conscious, 149. straight, 150. allude, 151. eyebrow, 152. suffice, 153. spite, 154. hop, 155. balance, 156. independence, 157. disastrous

158. a single su\_\_\_\_or  
*n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
159. get inc\_\_\_\_\_ly insecure  
*adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
160. the morning se\_\_\_\_\_n  
*n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
161. ut\_\_r a big sigh  
*adj.* complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice
162. de\_\_\_e a question  
*v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
163. cr\_\_\_y service  
*adj.* of poor quality; not satisfactory
164. pr\_\_\_\_\_ce a judgment  
*v.* to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way
165. raise public aw\_\_\_\_\_ss  
*n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
166. a warm em\_\_\_\_\_e  
*v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
167. vo\_\_\_\_\_o alert level  
*n.* a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.

ANSWERS: 158. survivor, 159. incredibly, 160. session, 161. utter, 162. decide, 163. crappy, 164. pronounce, 165. awareness, 166. embrace, 167. volcano

168. vice-pr\_\_\_\_\_nt for finance      *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
169. me\_\_\_\_\_wn disaster      *n.* a severe overheating of the core of a nuclear reactor resulting in the core melting and radiation escaping; a situation in which something fails or weakens suddenly or dramatically
170. cr\_\_\_\_y Spanish      *adj.* of poor quality; not satisfactory
171. co\_\_\_\_\_e a large of alcohol      *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
172. in\_\_\_\_t capital      *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
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 sexual u\_\_e      *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
175. eq\_\_\_\_y capital market      *n.* the value of the shares issued by a company
176. ag\_\_\_\_a setting      *n.* a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
177. a com\_\_\_\_\_ed process      *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

ANSWERS: 168. president, 169. meltdown, 170. crappy, 171. consume, 172. invest, 173. doubt, 174. urge, 175. equity, 176. agenda, 177. complicated

178. sheer in\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the state of being seriously mentally ill; madness
179. di\_\_\_\_r according to species *v.* to be not like someone or something in some way
180. policy dec\_\_\_\_\_ker *n.* a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization
181. gov\_\_\_\_\_nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
182. re\_\_\_\_\_d a company *v.* to build again or anew
183. an op\_\_\_\_\_ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
184. co\_\_\_\_\_ed of the idea *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
185. the di\_\_\_\_\_ty policy of the university *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
186. a desirable ou\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
187. co\_\_\_\_\_te environment *adj.* of or relating to a large company
188. ambitious ag\_\_\_\_a *n.* a list or outline of things to be done, discussed, or considered
189. 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

ANSWERS: 178. insanity, 179. differ, 180. decision-maker, 181. government, 182. rebuild, 183. opportune, 184. convinced, 185. diversity, 186. outcome, 187. corporate, 188. agenda, 189. structure

190. he was en\_\_\_\_\_ly to blame *adv.* completely
191. 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
192. a spr\_\_\_\_\_et program *n.* a computer program that is used for displaying and dealing with numbers by arranging them in rows and columns
193. in\_\_\_\_\_pt a call *v.* to say or do something that causes someone to stop in their speech or action
194. a private ind\_\_\_\_\_al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
195. the court se\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
196. op\_\_\_\_\_ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
197. in\_\_\_\_\_or lawsuit *n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
198. telescopic vi\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
199. become increasingly com\_\_\_\_\_ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
200. br\_\_\_\_t cancer *n.* either of the two round soft parts of a woman's chest which secrete milk after childbirth

ANSWERS: 190. entirely, 191. overwhelm, 192. spreadsheet, 193. interrupt, 194. individual, 195. session, 196. opportune, 197. investor, 198. vision, 199. complicated, 200. breast

201. presidential co\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* the contestant you hope to defeat
202. the common h\_\_d *n.* a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
203. u\_\_e a total ban *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
204. accounting f\_\_m *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
205. h\_p on one foot *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
206. a seafaring na\_\_\_n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
207. al\_\_\_e to his low origin *v.* to suggest or make reference to something indirectly
208. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

ANSWERS: 201. contender, 202. herd, 203. urge, 204. firm, 205. hop, 206. nation, 207. allude, 208. absolutely



## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. That company is cautious when it comes to \_\_\_\_\_ investment.  
*n.* the value of the shares issued by a company
2. 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
3. There is nothing more valuable than \_\_\_\_\_ and freedom.  
*n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
4. The government should do more to support environmentally \_\_\_\_\_ agriculture.  
*adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
5. The nuclear \_\_\_\_\_ in the country was a disaster with far-reaching consequences.  
*n.* a severe overheating of the core of a nuclear reactor resulting in the core melting and radiation escaping; a situation in which something fails or weakens suddenly or dramatically
6. Many people see the \_\_\_\_\_ of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.  
*n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
7. Later, his claim was found to be \_\_\_\_\_ false.  
*adv.* completely

ANSWERS: 1. equity, 2. overwhelm, 3. independence, 4. sustainable, 5. meltdown, 6. upside, 7. entirely

8. Her response revealed \_\_\_\_\_ idiocy.

*adj.* unbelievable; enormous

9. Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money

10. This artwork is \_\_\_\_\_ of her work.

*adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

11. The \_\_\_\_\_ spectators began to leave the stadium after the home team's fourth consecutive loss.

*adj.* feeling exhausted, annoyed, or discontented as a result of prolonged exposure to something unpleasant or frustrating

12. Human \_\_\_\_\_ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

*adj.* relating to people's feelings

13. The phone rang at the most \_\_\_\_\_ time.

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

14. The technology \_\_\_\_\_ is constantly evolving and innovating.

*n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

15. Parallel lines are, by \_\_\_\_\_ lines on the same plane that never cross.

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

ANSWERS: 8. incredible, 9. philanthropy, 10. typical, 11. fed-up, 12. emotional, 13. opportune, 14. sector, 15. definition,

16. She struggled to \_\_\_\_\_ the word in a foreign language.  
*v.* to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way
17. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
18. The \_\_\_\_\_ leader inspired others to join the fight for freedom and democracy.  
*adj.* relating to or characterized by a complete or dramatic change
19. 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
20. The \_\_\_\_\_ priority is the safety of the passengers.  
*adj.* most important, leading, or prominent
21. We will attempt to \_\_\_\_\_ some of your suggestions into our future strategy.  
*v.* to include something as a part of a larger entity
22. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.  
*n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
23. The company \_\_\_\_\_ in customer service.  
*v.* to be extremely good at or proficient in doing something

ANSWERS: 16. pronounce, 17. vision, 18. revolutionary, 19. decide, 20. foremost, 21. incorporate, 22. movement, 23. excels

24. The \_\_\_\_\_ office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.  
*adj.* of or relating to a large company
25. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.  
*n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
26. The shipwreck \_\_\_\_\_ was rescued after floating in the ocean for three days.  
*n.* a person who remains alive after an event in which others have died
27. Her excessive demands drove me \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
28. We \_\_\_\_\_ a cease-fire.  
*v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
29. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the new policy was that it would be more expensive for customers.  
*n.* the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure
30. The woods \_\_\_\_\_ the house.  
*v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
31. Several cities are experiencing \_\_\_\_\_ high unemployment rates.  
*adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

ANSWERS: 24. corporate, 25. economy, 26. survivor, 27. insane, 28. concluded, 29. downside, 30. embrace, 31. incredibly

32. The \_\_\_\_\_ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
- n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
33. He brushed the suit before hanging it back into the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a small room or cabinet with a door used for storing things, especially clothes
34. You can easily \_\_\_\_\_ seats over the telephone.
- v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
35. Institutional \_\_\_\_\_ refrained from buying stocks amid the booming economy.
- n.* someone who puts money or capital into something to gain financial returns
36. The ship's captain took the \_\_\_\_\_ and charted a course through the stormy waters.
- n.* the wheel or other mechanism used to steer a ship or boat; the person in control or command of a ship or boat
37. 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
38. The \_\_\_\_\_ deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.
- adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

ANSWERS: 32. opposition, 33. closet, 34. reserve, 35. investors, 36. helm, 37. invest, 38. firm

39. A wealth of information does not always have a positive impact on \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a person who makes important decisions, especially at a high level in an organization

40. The dress mixes sophisticated lines with an appealing floral design for a classically \_\_\_\_\_ style.

*adj.* relating to women; having the features or appearance often associated with women

41. The country was ruled by a \_\_\_\_\_ that oppressed its citizens.

*n.* a form of government in which a single ruler has absolute power, often exercised cruelly and oppressively; the arbitrary or oppressive exercise of power or control over others

42. The two products \_\_\_\_\_ in their quality and price.

*v.* to be not like someone or something in some way

43. The \_\_\_\_\_ chaos of the concert crowd made it seem like a wild animal was in the room.

*adj.* complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice

44. Efficiency isn't an essential \_\_\_\_\_ here; fairness is.

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

45. 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

ANSWERS: 39. decision-makers, 40. feminine, 41. tyranny, 42. differed, 43. utter, 44. principle, 45. finance

46. She gave us a categorical \_\_\_\_\_ of the scandal.

*n.* a statement that something is not true or does not exist

47. He did \_\_\_\_\_ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

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

48. This business yields little \_\_\_\_\_.

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

49. Training with sufficient intensity increases blood \_\_\_\_\_ levels.

*n.* a male hormone that is responsible for the development of male secondary sex characteristics

50. A smaller car will \_\_\_\_\_ less fuel.

*v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

51. He was riding \_\_\_\_\_ on the sheep during the day.

*n.* a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock

52. There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important

53. We \_\_\_\_\_ for an overseas expansion.

*v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something

54. 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

ANSWERS: 46. denial, 47. complicated, 48. profit, 49. testosterone, 50. consume, 51. herd, 52. awareness, 53. aim, 54. convinced

55. 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

56. The lobbyist \_\_\_\_\_ Congress not to approve the measure.

*v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

57. He was a \_\_\_\_\_ soldier who had served his country with honor.

*adj.* able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

58. The troops \_\_\_\_\_ shoulder-to-shoulder.

*v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

59. She raised an inquiring \_\_\_\_\_ towards me.

*n.* the hair arc over each eye in humans

60. Breast \_\_\_\_\_ is the most common type of cancer in women.

*n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

61. The roof finally \_\_\_\_\_ after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.

*v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart

62. He grilled the \_\_\_\_\_ meat of a chicken.

*n.* either of the two round soft parts of a woman's chest which secrete milk after childbirth

ANSWERS: 55. individual, 56. urged, 57. courageous, 58. marched, 59. eyebrow, 60. cancer, 61. collapsed, 62. breast



63. The rabbit \_\_\_\_\_ over the fence.

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

64. Would one cup of flour \_\_\_\_\_ for this recipe?

- v.* to be enough or sufficient; to meet the needs or requirements of something or someone; to satisfy or fulfill a purpose

65. He did it out of \_\_\_\_\_ to annoy me.

- n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty

66. They awaited news of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the election.

- n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

67. The doctor's \_\_\_\_\_ in monitoring patients' progress contributed to their speedy recovery.

- n.* careful and persistent effort or work; conscientiousness in performing one's duties or responsibilities

68. The former emperor had a particular \_\_\_\_\_ even after he abdicated.

- n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

69. The \_\_\_\_\_ for the meeting includes discussions on the budget and new project proposals.

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

70. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's \_\_\_\_\_.

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

ANSWERS: 63. hopped, 64. suffice, 65. spite, 66. outcome, 67. diligence, 68. influence, 69. agenda, 70. environment

71. I am \_\_\_\_\_ opposed to his idea because of morality.

*adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

72. The oil price continued their downward \_\_\_\_\_.

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

73. He was impressed by the range and \_\_\_\_\_ of the collection.

*n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

74. \_\_\_\_\_ is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

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

75. We \_\_\_\_\_ our impeded progress on lack of money.

*v.* to think or say that someone or something did something wrong or is responsible for something bad

76. Try to keep a \_\_\_\_\_ between work and off.

*n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

77. \_\_\_\_\_ youth makes rueful age.

*adj.* marked by a lack of care about danger and the likely results of your actions

78. She struggled to \_\_\_\_\_ the children's reading habits.

*v.* to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid

ANSWERS: 71. absolutely, 72. trend, 73. diversity, 74. Doubt, 75. blamed, 76. balance, 77. Reckless, 78. sustain

79. He was sick for five \_\_\_\_\_ days.

*adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

80. Getting the hang of \_\_\_\_\_ at first can be challenging, but with patience and practice, it gets easier.

*n.* the act of feeding a baby with milk produced by the mother's breasts

81. We were looking at a severe \_\_\_\_\_ indeed.

*n.* the contestant you hope to defeat

82. The \_\_\_\_\_ criminal was finally brought to justice.

*adj.* having a reputation for being very bad or wicked

83. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

*n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

84. The food at the restaurant was \_\_\_\_\_ and overpriced.

*adj.* of poor quality; not satisfactory

85. Her sleep was \_\_\_\_\_ by recurring pain.

*v.* to say or do something that causes someone to stop in their speech or action

86. I have a \_\_\_\_\_ ache after overeating junk food.

*n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach

87. I accidentally deleted all the contents of the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a computer program that is used for displaying and dealing with numbers by arranging them in rows and columns

ANSWERS: 79. straight, 80. breastfeeding, 81. contender, 82. infamous, 83. nation, 84. crappy, 85. interrupted, 86. stomach, 87. spreadsheet

88. The \_\_\_\_\_ mortgage crisis of 2008 led to a global economic downturn.

*adj.* of or relating to financial loans, particularly mortgages, which are made to individuals with poor credit histories or limited income, often associated with higher interest rates and a greater risk of default

89. The island was formed by a \_\_\_\_\_ millions of years ago.

*n.* a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.

90. She carefully reviewed the \_\_\_\_\_ of each section before diving into the research paper.

*n.* a title, caption, or heading that introduces or summarizes the content of a written or printed document; the direction or course in which something is moving or heading

91. He became \_\_\_\_\_ that he was being followed.

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

92. She is a \_\_\_\_\_ musician, able to play several instruments.

*adj.* having a natural ability or aptitude for something; showing exceptional skill or ability in a particular area

93. He \_\_\_\_\_ to the problem but did not mention it directly.

*v.* to suggest or make reference to something indirectly

94. The emission of hazardous substances has \_\_\_\_\_ effects on the ecology of a region.

*adj.* extremely bad, harmful, or unsuccessful

ANSWERS: 88. subprime, 89. volcano, 90. heading, 91. conscious, 92. talented, 93. alluded, 94. disastrous

95. His behavior became increasingly erratic, leading many to believe he was experiencing a bout of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the state of being seriously mentally ill; madness
96. The federal \_\_\_\_\_ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
97. I found a lucky \_\_\_\_\_ on the ground while walking to work this morning.
- n.* a small denomination of currency or coin, typically the smallest unit of a currency system; in the US, a coin worth one cent
98. Every five years, the provincial governors are \_\_\_\_\_.
- v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
99. The Chinese word for \_\_\_\_\_ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
- n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
100. They are planning to \_\_\_\_\_ the house after the fire.
- v.* to build again or anew
101. The unemployment rate in the first \_\_\_\_\_ was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.
- n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
102. Parliament is now in \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity

ANSWERS: 95. insanity, 96. government, 97. penny, 98. elected, 99. crisis, 100. rebuild, 101. quarter, 102. session

103. 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

104. The club \_\_\_\_\_ does not have absolute power.

- n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

ANSWERS: 103. structure, 104. president