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## Session 1: Word List

### scholarship

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

*synonym* : grant, award, stipend

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

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

### studied

*adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned

*synonym* : thoughtful, deliberate, calculated

(1) **studied** analysis, (2) well- **studied** decision

His speech was carefully crafted and delivered with **studied** confidence.

### agriculture

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

*synonym* : farming, husbandry, agribusiness

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

**Agriculture** is the foundation of our economy.

### anthropology

*n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past

human species

(1) social **anthropology**, (2) **anthropology** of religion

The areas of **anthropology** and psychology are significantly related to one another.

## 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.

## alleviate

v. to make something, usually pain, distress, or problem, less severe or intense; to ease or lighten a burden

*synonym*: ease, relieve, lessen

(1) **alleviate** anxiety, (2) **alleviate** stress

Taking ibuprofen can **alleviate** the pain from a headache.

## 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.

## 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.

## ph

n. a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating

greater alkalinity

*synonym* : acidity, alkalinity, balance

(1) **pH** value of seven, (2) **ph** scale

The **ph** level of this soil is too acidic for these types of plants.

## **cab**

*n.* a taxi or other vehicle that can be hired for transportation; the compartment from which a vehicle, such as a train or truck, is driven

*synonym* : taxi, hack, cabriolet

(1) taxi **cab**, (2) yellow **cab**

I hailed a **cab** to take me to the airport.

## **refugee**

*n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

*synonym* : emigrant, evacuee, exile

(1) global **refugee** crisis, (2) the **refugee** camp

The community warmly welcomed the **refugees**.

## **famine**

*n.* a severe shortage of food, often caused by drought, war, or economic reasons

*synonym* : hunger, starvation, drought

(1) **famine** relief, (2) coal **famine**

The severe **famine** caused by the drought has left many people without food.

## **victim**

*n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

*synonym* : prey, target, sufferer

(1) **victim** support, (2) **victim** compensation

The **victim** of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

## **dispossess**

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

*synonym* : deprive, evict, seize

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

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

## displace

*v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

*synonym* : evict, exile, remove

(1) **displace** workers, (2) **displace** the explosive power

The construction of the new dam will **displace** hundreds of families living downstream.

## methodology

*n.* a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something

*synonym* : procedure, approach, process

(1) **methodology** for optimizing, (2) research **methodology**

We are developing a new **methodology** for assessing marketing measures.

## rap

*n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

*synonym* : hip-hop, emceeing, MCing

(1) **rap** music, (2) get a **rap**

The new **rap** album is getting a lot of attention.

## jail

*n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison

*synonym* : prison, slammer, penitentiary

(1) county **jail**, (2) be in **jail**

The police escorted the prisoner to the **jail**.

## assess

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

*synonym* : estimate, evaluate, consider

(1) **assess** a tax of 10 pounds, (2) **assess** the quality  
Our company needs to **assess** the business impact of climate change.

## predict

*v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

*synonym*: forecast, anticipate, foresee

(1) **predict** the future, (2) **predict** when she will arrive

It's notoriously challenging to **predict** birth rates.

## 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.

## concert

*n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers

*synonym*: gig, musical, show

(1) have a **concert** again, (2) a benefit **concert**

This artist always packs the **concert** halls.

## rainforest

*n.* a forest rich in biodiversity that is generally found in tropical settings with heavy annual rainfall

(1) **rainforest** destruction, (2) tropical **rainforest**

The destruction of the **rainforest** is a ticking time bomb for the Earth.

## pasture

*n.* an area of land used for grazing livestock

*synonym*: grazing land, meadow, lea

(1) **pasture** for sheep, (2) permanent **pasture**

The cows were grazing in the **pasture**.

## crunch

*n.* a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation

*synonym*: crushing, snapping, crisis

(1) financial **crunch**, (2) a gas **crunch**

The **crunch** of the leaves underfoot was heard as they walked through the park.

## adrenaline

*n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger

*synonym* : epinephrine

(1) **adrenaline** receptor, (2) **adrenaline** addiction

The band has released a lot of **adrenaline-pumping** rock music.

## creditor

*n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

## creditworthy

*adj.* of or relating to a person or entity that has a strong credit history and is therefore seen as likely to repay any loans or debts they may incur, typically associated with lower interest rates and more favorable loan terms

*synonym* : dependable, trustworthy

(1) **creditworthy** borrower, (2) **creditworthy** business

The bank only lends money to **creditworthy** individuals with a proven financial responsibility track record.

## generate

*v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

*synonym* : create, yield, produce

(1) **generate** more electricity, (2) **generate** \$100 a month

The economic stimulation program would **generate** a lot of new jobs.

## lumber

*n.* wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily

*synonym* : timber, wood, logs

(1) **lumber** industry, (2) rough **lumber**

The **lumber** yard had a wide selection of wood for building and construction.

## soy

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

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

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

## policy

*n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

*synonym* : strategy, plan, guideline

(1) health **policy**, (2) foreign **policy**

The company's new **policy** on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

## profound

*adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

*synonym* : deep, unsounded, far-reaching

(1) a **profound** book, (2) the **profound** depths of the sea

My mother's illness had a **profound** impact on us all.

## pretension

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

*synonym* : presumption, pretense, affectation

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

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

## planet

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

### star

*synonym*: earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**  
Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

### finite

*adj.* having a limit or restriction of size, time, etc.

*synonym*: delimited, defined, limited

(1) **finite** resources, (2) **finite** decimal

Human beings have a **finite** lifespan, so we yearn for the idea of immortality.

### innovative

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

*synonym*: creative, ingenious, inventive

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

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

### equation

*n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

(1) the **equation** of poverty with ignorance, (2) a chemical **equation**

In this class, you will learn how to solve quadratic **equations**.

### population

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

*synonym*: people, inhabitants, folk

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

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

### consumption

*n.* the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials

*synonym*: usage, uptake, utilization

(1) average fuel **consumption**, (2) the **consumption** of food



In our country, water **consumption** usually decreases during the winter.

## 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.

## 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.

## seed

*n.* a small, hard, often round, a reproductive structure that contains a plant's genetic material and is capable of growing into a new plant

*synonym*: germ, kernel, ovule

(1) a **seed** coat, (2) **seed** money

He planted the **seed** in the soil and waited for it to sprout.

## banker

*n.* a person who is in charge of or has an important job in a bank

*synonym*: dealer, broker, financier

(1) central **bankers**, (2) investment **banker**

**Bankers** are only willing to lend with good security.

## principal

*adj.* most important, main, or chief

*synonym*: main, leading, chief

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

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

## 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.

## 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**.

## peer

*n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability

*synonym*: fellow, associate, counterpart

(1) **peer** group, (2) **peer** review

Among young people, **peer** pressure can be pretty influential.

## bulletproof

*adj.* intended to resist bullet penetration

*synonym*: unassailable, impregnable

(1) **bulletproof** armor, (2) **bulletproof** vehicle

Because of the **bulletproof** vest he was wearing, the officer could escape injury.

## 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**.

## footprint

*n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

*synonym*: footmark, imprint, impression

(1) **footprints** in the snow, (2) the **footprints** of an earlier civilization

We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon **footprint**.

## lifetime

*n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;  
*synonym* : lifespan, duration

(1) **lifetime** benefits, (2) **lifetime** ban from the sport  
She had lived through two world wars in her **lifetime**.

## triple

*adj.* consisting of three items or people; three times as great  
or many

*synonym* : threefold

(1) a **triple** mirror, (2) **triple** digits  
His coach is a **triple** Olympic champion.

## mathematics

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

*synonym* : arithmetic, calculation, calculus

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

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

## productivity

*n.* the state or quality of being productive; the rate at which  
a company or individual produces goods or services,  
often measured in terms of output per unit of input, such  
as labor, capital, or time

*synonym* : efficiency, output, performance

(1) **productivity** growth, (2) improved **productivity**

She increased her **productivity** by planning out her tasks for  
the day.

## efficiency

*n.* the state or quality of doing something well with no  
waste of input such as time or money

*synonym* : effectiveness, efficacy, productivity

(1) better fuel **efficiency**, (2) an energy **efficiency**

Our company must continue to strive for greater **efficiency**.

## fundamental

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

*synonym* : basic, essential, entire

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

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

## generous

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

*synonym*: charitable, benevolent, giving

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

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

## evaluate

*v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something

*synonym*: assess, estimate, consider

(1) **evaluate** the grant proposal, (2) **evaluate** a situation

The meeting aims to **evaluate** possible choices.

## basis

*n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

*synonym*: foundation, base, ground

(1) on an equal **basis**, (2) **basis** for calculation

This evidence will form the **basis** for our discussion.

## greenhouse

*n.* a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in

*synonym*: conservatory

(1) exotic plants in a **greenhouse**, (2) emissions of **greenhouse** gases

The **greenhouse** effect is a phenomenon that happens naturally.

## perspective

*n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

*synonym*: viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle

His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

- lamb** *n.* a young sheep; the flesh of a young domestic sheep eaten as food  
(1) the meat of **lamb**, (2) sacrifice a **lamb**  
His dog is as gentle as a **lamb**.
- feeder** *n.* an animal being fattened or suitable for fattening; a device or system that supplies something to a particular recipient or process  
*synonym*: supply, provider, dispenser  
(1) **feeder** fish, (2) **feeder** artery  
Many different types of birds visited the bird **feeder**.
- operate** *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something  
*synonym*: work, use, employ  
(1) **operate** 24 hours a day, (2) manually **operate** a machine  
This machine is too difficult to **operate** for me.
- graze** *v.* to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping  
*synonym*: nibble, feed, scrape  
(1) turn cattle out to **graze**, (2) **graze** the left shoulder  
The sheep **graze** on the green grass in the meadow.
- organic** *adj.* of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals  
*synonym*: biological  
(1) **organic** soils, (2) eat **organic** food  
The kidney is an **organic** component of the body.
- toxic** *adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous  
*synonym*: poisonous, harmful, contaminated  
(1) **toxic** molecule, (2) exposure to **toxic** chemicals  
This chemical compound is a thousand-fold more **toxic**.

## chemical

*adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;

*synonym* : chemic, synthetic

(1) toxic **chemicals**, (2) a **chemical** compound

The firm has grown into a large **chemical** manufacturing.

## conventional

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

*synonym* : ancestral, customary, established

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

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

## instance

*n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something

*synonym* : example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**

These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

## minefield

*n.* an area or situation that contains a hidden danger or risk, particularly a literal minefield of explosives or a figurative minefield of potential problems or missteps

*synonym* : hazard, danger, obstacle course

(1) enter a political **minefield**, (2) navigate the **minefield**

The corporate restructuring process was a **minefield** with many obstacles that needed to be navigated.

## terribly

*adv.* very badly; to a great extent or very much

*synonym* : awfully, abominably, badly

(1) suffer **terribly**, (2) I am **terribly** sorry

His arm was swollen and **terribly** red.

## competitive

*adj.* involving competition or competitiveness

*synonym* : aggressive, ambitious, militant

(1) a **competitive** price, (2) **competitive** position

The mobile application industry is a **competitive** one.

## collusion

*n.* secret or illegal cooperation or conspiracy, especially for a deceitful or fraudulent purpose

*synonym* :

conspiracy, plot, complicity

(1) political **collusion**, (2) criminal **collusion**

The investigation found evidence of **collusion** between the two companies to manipulate the market.

## strategy

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

*synonym*: approach, procedure, scenario

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

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

## identify

*v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

*synonym*: determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

## glob

*n.* a small, round mass or lump; a drop or blob of liquid or viscous substance

*synonym*: ball, lump, sphere

(1) **glob** of paint, (2) **glob** of honey

She squeezed a **glob** of toothpaste onto her toothbrush.

## biodiversity

*n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment

(1) **biodiversity** conservation, (2) loss of **biodiversity**

The country was instrumental in promoting the **biodiversity** treaty.

## ecosystem

*n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

(1) marine **ecosystem**, (2) change the **ecosystem**

Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the **ecosystem**.

## function

- n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

*synonym*: purpose, mapping, job

- (1) **function** properly, (2) immune **function**

The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's **function**.

## point-of-view

- n.* a particular way of thinking or seeing a situation; an individual's perspective or standpoint about a topic or issue, commonly used in literature and storytelling to refer to the perspective from which a story is told

*synonym*: perspective, viewpoint, stance

- (1) **point-of-view** perspective, (2) artist's **point-of-view**

The novel's shifting **point-of-view** allows readers to understand each character's motivations.

## hell

- n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

*synonym*: inferno, agony, misery

- (1) run like **hell**, (2) **hell** broke loose

The battlefield became **hell** on earth.

## preserve

- v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

*synonym*: conserve, care for, maintain

- (1) **preserve** my strength, (2) **preserve** a country's heritage

They worked hard to **preserve** the nature of their native lands.

## threat

- n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict



harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

*synonym* : menace, danger, hazard

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

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

## 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.

## pose

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

*synonym* : present, put, position

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

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

## deforestation

*n.* the act of cutting down or burning trees in a large area

*synonym* : clear-cutting, desertification

(1) **deforestation** of the tropics, (2) the lowest **deforestation** rate

Large-scale **deforestation** also has a significant impact on marine ecosystems in the area.

## soil

*n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow

*synonym* : earth, ground, mud

(1) **soils** retentive of moisture, (2) parched **soil**

**Soil** moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.

## pesticide

*n.* a substance used for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest

*synonym*: insecticide, herbicide, fungicide

(1) **pesticide** application, (2) **pesticide** residue

The farmer sprayed **pesticide** on his crops to protect them from insects.

## overfish

*v.* to deplete fish populations beyond sustainable levels through excessive or unregulated fishing practices, leading to environmental and economic consequences

*synonym*: deplete, exhaust, drain

(1) **overfish** the coral reefs, (2) **overfish** certain areas

Scientists warn that many species could face extinction if we continue to **overfish** our oceans.

## priority

*n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first

*synonym*: importance, precedence, primacy

(1) **priority** call, (2) **priority** seating for elderly

Her **priority** is to be a mother.

## daunting

*adj.* looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something

*synonym*: intimidating, stunning, disheartening

(1) face the **daunting** reality, (2) seem like a **daunting** task

My homework was **daunting** and complex, but it was also intriguing.

## significance

*n.* the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy

*synonym*: importance, value, worth

(1) **significance** level, (2) mystical **significance**

The **significance** of his discovery cannot be overstated.

## automatically

*adv.* without needing a direct human control

*synonym*: mechanically, unconsciously, spontaneously

(1) record driving **automatically**, (2) **automatically** adjusted

Our subscription plan is **automatically** renewed.

### side-by-side

*adj.* describing two or more things that are positioned next to each other, in close proximity, and typically in a parallel manner; (adverb) next to each other, with one thing positioned close to the other

*synonym* : adjacent, parallel, adjoining

(1) **side-by-side** comparison, (2) working **side-by-side**

The **side-by-side** comparison of the two products revealed significant differences in quality and features.

### analyze

*v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

*synonym* : explore, examine, investigate

(1) **analyze** a chemical compound, (2) **analyze** your real motives

The teacher attempted to **analyze** the root cause of our mistake.

### slightly

*adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little

*synonym* : barely, narrowly, scarcely

(1) increase **slightly**, (2) **slightly** alkaline soils

He moved his body **slightly** to the left.

### 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?

### 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.

## aft

*adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle

(1) **aft** cabin, (2) **aft** view

The **aft** section of the ship suffered significant damage after the collision with the reef.

## 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.

## achieve

*v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

*synonym*: accomplish, attain, reach

(1) **achieve** success, (2) **achieve** milestones

I will work hard to **achieve** my goals and realize my dreams.

## accelerate

*v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly

*synonym*: speed up, quicken, rev

(1) **accelerate** a chemical reaction, (2) **accelerate** the car

The government tried to **accelerate** the commercialization of this development.

## 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.

## 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.

## industrious

*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

*synonym* : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

## roundtable

*adj.* characterized by equal participation or discussion among all parties involved; characterized by collaboration and teamwork rather than hierarchy or authority; (noun) a discussion or meeting format in which participants gather around a table that is usually circular

*synonym* : collaborative, consultative, cooperative

(1) business **roundtable**, (2) **roundtable** conference

The **roundtable** discussion provided valuable insights and perspectives from all participants.

## chain

*n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

*synonym* : series, string, link

(1) **chain** reaction, (2) supply **chain**

The **chain** on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

## retailer

*n.* a person or business that sells goods to the public, typically in small quantities

*synonym* : seller, vendor, merchant

(1) **retailer** strategy, (2) **retailer** competition

The consumer-electronics **retailer** offered a discount for customers who paid in cash.

## brand

*n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification

mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

*synonym*: trademark, label, symbol

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

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

## discuss

*v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

*synonym*: talk about, converse, debate

(1) **discuss** options, (2) **discuss** solutions

We need to **discuss** the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

## royal

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

*synonym*: imperial, noble, aristocratic

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

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

## benchmark

*n.* a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance

*synonym*: standard, measure, gauge

(1) industry **benchmark**, (2) performance **benchmark**

The teacher used a **benchmark** to measure the progress of her students.

## salmon

*n.* a type of fish that is commonly found in the North Atlantic and North Pacific oceans

*synonym*: fish, trout, salmonid

(1) **salmon** fishery, (2) **salmon** migration

Grilled **salmon** is a popular dish at summer barbecues.

## aquaculture

*n.* the cultivation of aquatic organisms such as fish, seaweed, and shellfish for human consumption, as well

as for environmental conservation and research purposes

*synonym* : fish farming, mariculture, hydroponics

(1) **aquaculture** industry, (2) sustainable **aquaculture**

Fish farming is a form of **aquaculture** that has recently gained popularity.

## entity

*n.* something that exists independently and has its own identity

*synonym* : body, object, existent

(1) legal **entity**, (2) government **entity**

A company is a distinct legal **entity**.

## eventually

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

*synonym* : finally, someday, ultimately

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

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

## sue

*v.* to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress

*synonym* : accuse, plead, file

(1) **sue** a company for damages, (2) **sue** my boss for harassment

He planned to **sue** the organization for negligence.

## 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.

## verify

v. to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct

*synonym*: affirm, ascertain, confirm

(1) **verify** a document, (2) **verify** identity

We always **verify** all critical information independently.

## vet

n. (also a veterinarian) a person who has a medical degree trained to examine and take care of the health of animals; (verb) to carefully examine, investigate, or evaluate someone or something, often for the purpose of determining suitability or eligibility

*synonym*: veterinarian, inspector, examiner

(1) **vet** clinic, (2) **vet** check-up

We had to take our dog to the **vet** because she was not feeling well.

## certify

v. to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true

*synonym*: accredit, approve, authorize

(1) **certify** product quality, (2) **certify** the authenticity of the painting

As a witness, I can **certify** his innocence.

## reputation

n. the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors

*synonym*: fame, standing, esteem

(1) **reputation** risk, (2) cloud his **reputation**

She has a good **reputation** for being one of the best chefs in the city.

## avail

v. to help or benefit; to use or take advantage of

*synonym*: help, benefit, serve

(1) **avail** you little, (2) **avail** ourselves of this opportunity

Their financing options are reasonable and easy to **avail**.



## buyer

*n.* a person or organization that purchases or acquires goods, property, or services from a seller or vendor

*synonym* : purchaser, shopper, customer

(1) potential **buyer**, (2) house **buyer**

The online marketplace connects **buyers** with sellers all over the world.

## supple

*adj.* flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas

*synonym* : flexible, pliable, bendable

(1) **supple** muscles, (2) **supple** leather

The ballerina's **supple** movements left the audience mesmerized.

## twist

*v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape

*synonym* : wrench, turn, twirl

(1) **twist** around to the left, (2) **twist** a wet towel

He **twisted** pieces of rope out of straw.

## concerned

*adj.* feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention

*synonym* : worried, caring, involved

(1) persons **concerned**, (2) **concerned** citizen

I am **concerned** about the safety of the children playing in the park.

## palm

*n.* the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves

*synonym* : hand, fist

(1) the **palm** side of the forearm, (2) coconut **palm** trees

This high-performance camera is compact enough to fit in the **palm** of your hand.

## degrade

*v.* to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no

value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others

*synonym* : demean, disgrace, impair

(1) **degrade** his public image, (2) **degrade** environmental quality

You should not **degrade** yourself by allowing them to use you.

## undertaking

*n.* a task, business, assignment, or project, especially one that is essential or challenging

*synonym* : task, effort, enterprise

(1) great **undertaking**, (2) public welfare **undertaking**

Project planning for software development is never an easy **undertaking**.

## third-party

*n.* a person or organization that is not directly involved in a particular situation or transaction but has some interest in or influence over it; a neutral or impartial mediator who can help resolve disputes or differences between two parties

*synonym* : outsider, mediator, referee

(1) **third-party** liability, (2) **third-party** endorsement

We hired a **third-party** firm to audit our financial records independently.

## credible

*adj.* capable of being trusted or believed

*synonym* : reasonable, believable, plausible

(1) **credible** source, (2) a **credible** story

They didn't have any **credible** evidence of his innocence.

## certificate

*n.* an official document stating that the information contained within is true

*synonym* : diploma, credential, certification

(1) official score **certificate**, (2) a birth **certificate**

He received a **certificate** in computer programming from the local college.

## decision

*n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

*synonym*: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

## insignificant

*adj.* of little importance, influence, or power

*synonym*: unimportant, trivial, irrelevant

(1) **insignificant** amount, (2) an **insignificant** mistake

He made me feel small and **insignificant**.

## mar

*v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something

*synonym*: damage, deface, disfigure

(1) **mar** a proper relationship, (2) **mar** the reputation

The scratches on the car **marred** its otherwise perfect appearance.

## pledge

*v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something

*synonym*: promise, assure, guarantee

(1) **pledge** my fidelity, (2) **pledge** military assistance

At this ceremony, We will **pledge** allegiance to the country's flag.

## pet

*n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

(1) a **pet** bird, (2) a teacher's **pet**

I have a parrot as a **pet**.

## improve

*v.* to make or become better

*synonym*: enhance, ameliorate, enrich

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

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

## plantation

*n.* a large farm or estate, typically in a tropical or subtropical country, used for growing cash crops

*synonym*: estate, farm, manor

(1) a rubber **plantation**, (2) **plantation** house

The former **plantation** owner struggled to adjust to life without the enslaved people that once worked for him.

## crop

*n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

*synonym*: output, produce, product

(1) **crop** field, (2) **crop** herbicide

Sow early for an early **crop**.

## genome

*n.* the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things

(1) sequencing of the human **genome**, (2) **genome** analyses

The human **genome** contains approximately three billion chemical base pairs.

## sequence

*n.* a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order

*synonym*: arrangement, succession, series

(1) the **sequence** of the seasons, (2) the DNA **sequence**

We do move forward with those tasks in **sequence** next week.

## cocoa

*n.* a powder made from roasted cacao beans used to flavor sweets and drinks; the dried and fermented seeds from which the powder is made

(1) **cocoa** powder, (2) **cocoa** butter

The culinary class learned how to make homemade **cocoa** mix from scratch.

## domain

*n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise

*synonym*: territory, realm, sphere

(1) **domain** of use, (2) a dependent **domain**

The company's **domain** in the market was expanding to new territories.

## 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.

## trait

*n.* a particular feature of your nature

*synonym*: attribute, feature, quality

(1) chemical **trait**, (2) personality **traits**

Multiple genes may influence behavioral **traits** concurrently.

## drought

*n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation

*synonym*: dryness, aridity, water shortage

(1) periods of **drought**, (2) **drought** conditions

The region has been experiencing a severe **drought**, leading to water shortages and crop failures.

## tolerance

*n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant

*synonym*: acceptance, patience, forbearance

(1) religious **tolerance**, (2) **tolerance** for risk

The school's diversity program aimed to promote **tolerance** and understanding among the students.

## complain

*v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

*synonym*: gripe, claim, denounce

(1) **complain** about a job, (2) call and **complain** frequently

Our users are often **complaining** about the slow application.

- odd** *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two  
*synonym* : strange, bizarre, abnormal  
(1) in an **odd** way, (2) **odd** behavior  
His grandfather was an **odd** man.
- divide** *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups  
*synonym* : separate, disconnect, split  
(1) **divide** the cake into two pieces, (2) **divide** money equally  
Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?
- decent** *adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense  
*synonym* : respectable, honorable, good  
(1) yearn for the **decent** living, (2) a **decent** education  
He earned a **decent** salary at his job.
- externality** *n.* a cost or benefit that affects a third party who did not choose to incur that cost or benefit  
*synonym* : impact, consequence, effect  
(1) **externality** costs, (2) network **externality**  
The negative **externality** of pollution affects not just the polluter but also people living in the surrounding area.
- 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.
- subsidy** *n.* money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen  
*synonym* : allowance, grant, sponsorship  
(1) inefficient fossil fuel **subsidy**, (2) a **subsidy** for research  
The government provided a considerable **subsidy** to the company.

## contract

*n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

*synonym*: agreement, deal, arrangement

(1) employment **contract**, (2) **contract** law

The company signed a **contract** with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

## turkey

*n.* (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans

(1) swell like a **turkey**, (2) **turkey** breast meat

They prepared a stuffed **turkey** for Thanksgiving.

## carbon

*n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

(1) **carbon** dioxide, (2) **carbon** emission

Trees absorb **carbon** dioxide and give off oxygen.

## offset

*v.* to compensate for or counterbalance one influence against an opposing influence

*synonym*: balance, cancel out, countervail

(1) **offset** deposits and withdrawals, (2) **offset** a loss

Strong growth in core business **offsets** losses in other business segments.

## shipment

*n.* a quantity of goods or cargo that is sent or transported from one place to another, especially by land, sea, or air; the act or process of sending or dispatching goods

*synonym*: delivery, consignment, cargo

(1) international **shipment**, (2) delayed **shipment**

Tracking the package **shipment** was made easy with the provided tracking number.

## associate

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

*synonym* : tie in, link, consociate

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

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

## bundle

*n.* a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things

*synonym* : package, parcel, bale

(1) **bundle** of papers, (2) travel **bundle**

I tied up the **bundle** of newspapers and took them to the recycling center.

## voluntary

*adj.* done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced

*synonym* : self-willed, spontaneous, discretionary

(1) **voluntary** action, (2) **voluntary** participation

The program is **voluntary**, so participants can choose whether or not to take part.

## 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.

## regulation

*n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule

*synonym* : constraint, restriction, rule

(1) a company **regulation**, (2) **regulation** by the government

The **regulation** approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.



**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?

**curve**

*n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape

*synonym*: bend, arc, turn

(1) learning **curve**, (2) yield **curve**

The **curve** in the road was so sharp that I had to slow down to navigate it safely.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|----------------------------------|----|---|
| 1. pr____ve a country's heritage | v. | to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed  |
| 2. a teacher's p_t               | n. | an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly   |
| 3. religious to____ce            | n. | the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant   |
| 4. ch__n reaction                | n. | a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle  |
| 5. re____on of inclusion         | n. | the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another   |
| 6. industry be____rk             | n. | a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance   |
| 7. co____e a large of alcohol    | v. | to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount   |
| 8. ge____te \$100 a month        | v. | to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction   |
| 9. de____e his public image      | v. | to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others |

ANSWERS: 1. preserve, 2. pet, 3. tolerance, 4. chain, 5. relation, 6. benchmark, 7. consume, 8. generate, 9. degrade

10. a per\_\_\_\_\_ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
11. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
12. op\_\_\_\_\_e 24 hours a day *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
13. pr\_\_\_\_\_ve my strength *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
14. a de\_\_\_\_t education *adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense
15. suffer te\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* very badly; to a great extent or very much
16. stylistically inn\_\_\_\_\_ve works *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
17. 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
18. mat\_\_\_\_\_cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
19. environmental th\_\_\_\_t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

ANSWERS: 10. perspective, 11. eventually, 12. operate, 13. preserve, 14. decent, 15. terribly, 16. innovative, 17. decide, 18. mathematics, 19. threat

20. a gas cr\_\_\_h *n.* a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation
21. a rubber pla\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a large farm or estate, typically in a tropical or subtropical country, used for growing cash crops
22. a company reg\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
23. an\_\_\_\_\_e a chemical compound *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
24. re\_\_\_\_\_er strategy *n.* a person or business that sells goods to the public, typically in small quantities
25. business rou\_\_\_\_\_le *adj.* characterized by equal participation or discussion among all parties involved; characterized by collaboration and teamwork rather than hierarchy or authority; (noun) a discussion or meeting format in which participants gather around a table that is usually circular
26. dis\_\_\_\_\_ss an entire township *v.* to deprive someone of the possession or use of something, often property or land
27. s\_y allergy *n.* a legume plant that is widely cultivated for its edible bean, which has many uses, such as for oil, food, and animal feed
28. loss of bio\_\_\_\_\_ity *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment

ANSWERS: 20. crunch, 21. plantation, 22. regulation, 23. analyze, 24. retailer, 25. roundtable, 26. dispossess, 27. soy, 28. biodiversity

29. ind\_\_\_\_\_al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
30. fa\_\_\_e relief *n.* a severe shortage of food, often caused by drought, war, or economic reasons
31. as\_\_\_\_\_te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
32. s\_\_d money *n.* a small, hard, often round, a reproductive structure that contains a plant's genetic material and is capable of growing into a new plant
33. tr\_\_\_e digits *adj.* consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many
34. of\_\_\_t a loss *v.* to compensate for or counterbalance one influence against an opposing influence
35. central ba\_\_\_\_rs *n.* a person who is in charge of or has an important job in a bank
36. financial cr\_\_\_\_h *n.* a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation
37. av\_\_l ourselves of this opportunity *v.* to help or benefit; to use or take advantage of
38. the se\_\_\_\_\_ce of the seasons *n.* a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
39. principles of sus\_\_\_\_\_le development *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time

ANSWERS: 29. individual, 30. famine, 31. associate, 32. seed, 33. triple, 34. offset, 35. banker, 36. crunch, 37. avail, 38. sequence, 39. sustainable

40. the meat of l\_\_b *n.* a young sheep; the flesh of a young domestic sheep eaten as food
41. ext\_\_\_\_\_ty costs *n.* a cost or benefit that affects a third party who did not choose to incur that cost or benefit
42. do\_\_\_n of use *n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
43. fu\_\_\_\_\_on properly *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
44. criminal co\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* secret or illegal cooperation or conspiracy, especially for a deceitful or fraudulent purpose
45. v\_t clinic *n.* (also a veterinarian) a person who has a medical degree trained to examine and take care of the health of animals; (verb) to carefully examine, investigate, or evaluate someone or something, often for the purpose of determining suitability or eligibility
46. de\_\_\_e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 40. lamb, 41. externality, 42. domain, 43. function, 44. collusion, 45. vet, 46. decide

47. 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
48. tw\_\_t a wet towel *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
49. reg\_\_\_\_\_on by the government *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
50. li\_\_\_\_\_me ban from the sport *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
51. investment ba\_\_\_r *n.* a person who is in charge of or has an important job in a bank
52. a ch\_\_\_\_\_al compound *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
53. st\_\_\_\_\_d analysis *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
54. v\_t check-up *n.* (also a veterinarian) a person who has a medical degree trained to examine and take care of the health of animals; (verb) to carefully examine, investigate, or evaluate someone or something, often for the purpose of determining suitability or eligibility
55. su\_\_\_e leather *adj.* flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas
56. as\_\_\_s a tax of 10 pounds *v.* to judge or decide the nature or quality of someone or something

ANSWERS: 47. lever, 48. twist, 49. regulation, 50. lifetime, 51. banker, 52. chemical, 53. studied, 54. vet, 55. supple, 56. assess

57. aut\_\_\_\_\_lly adjusted *adv.* without needing a direct human control
58. s\_e a company for damages *v.* to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress
59. 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
60. the per\_\_\_\_\_ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
61. delayed sh\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a quantity of goods or cargo that is sent or transported from one place to another, especially by land, sea, or air; the act or process of sending or dispatching goods
62. better fuel eff\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money
63. in an o\_d way *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
64. co\_\_\_\_\_ty tax *n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
65. military st\_\_\_\_\_gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
66. pr\_\_\_\_\_al responsible *adj.* most important, main, or chief

ANSWERS: 57. automatically, 58. sue, 59. develop, 60. perspective, 61. shipment, 62. efficiency, 63. odd, 64. commodity, 65. strategy, 66. principal



67. a con\_\_\_\_\_nal style *adj.* based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.
68. vo\_\_\_\_\_ry participation *adj.* done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced
69. a\_t view *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
70. gov\_\_\_\_\_nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
71. pe\_\_\_\_\_de residue *n.* a substance used for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest
72. performance be\_\_\_\_\_rk *n.* a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance
73. pr\_\_\_\_\_le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
74. yearn for the de\_\_\_\_t living *adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense
75. tropical rai\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a forest rich in biodiversity that is generally found in tropical settings with heavy annual rainfall
76. pro\_\_\_\_\_ity growth *n.* the state or quality of being productive; the rate at which a company or individual produces goods or services, often measured in terms of output per unit of input, such as labor, capital, or time
77. rep\_\_\_\_\_on risk *n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors

ANSWERS: 67. conventional, 68. voluntary, 69. aft, 70. government, 71. pesticide, 72. benchmark, 73. probable, 74. decent, 75. rainforest, 76. productivity, 77. reputation

78. to\_\_\_\_\_ce for risk *n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant
79. sa\_\_\_\_n fishery *n.* a type of fish that is commonly found in the North Atlantic and North Pacific oceans
80. rough lu\_\_\_\_r *n.* wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily
81. labor pop\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
82. get a r\_p *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
83. ev\_\_\_\_\_te the grant proposal *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
84. id\_\_\_\_\_fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
85. c\_\_p herbicide *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food
86. ge\_\_\_\_e analyses *n.* the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things
87. ant\_\_\_\_\_ogy of religion *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species

ANSWERS: 78. tolerance, 79. salmon, 80. lumber, 81. population, 82. rap, 83. evaluate, 84. identify, 85. crop, 86. genome, 87. anthropology

88. fe\_\_\_r artery *n.* an animal being fattened or suitable for fattening; a device or system that supplies something to a particular recipient or process
89. eat or\_\_\_\_\_c food *adj.* of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals
90. adr\_\_\_\_\_ne addiction *n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger
91. pr\_\_\_\_\_le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
92. the DNA se\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order
93. intensive agr\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
94. for in\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
95. gr\_\_e the left shoulder *v.* to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping
96. the eq\_\_\_\_\_on of poverty with ignorance *n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

ANSWERS: 88. feeder, 89. organic, 90. adrenaline, 91. probable, 92. sequence, 93. agriculture, 94. instance, 95. graze, 96. equation

97. di\_\_\_e the cake into two pieces      *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
98. di\_\_\_e money equally      *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
99. cr\_\_\_\_\_le source      *adj.* capable of being trusted or believed
100. exotic plants in a gre\_\_\_\_\_se      *n.* a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in
101. thi\_\_\_\_\_ty endorsement      *n.* a person or organization that is not directly involved in a particular situation or transaction but has some interest in or influence over it; a neutral or impartial mediator who can help resolve disputes or differences between two parties
102. save the pl\_\_\_t      *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
103. fi\_\_\_e decimal      *adj.* having a limit or restriction of size, time, etc.
104. 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
105. p\_\_r review      *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
106. permanent pa\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* an area of land used for grazing livestock

ANSWERS: 97. divide, 98. divide, 99. credible, 100. greenhouse, 101. third-party, 102. planet, 103. finite, 104. movement, 105. peer, 106. pasture

107. a sch\_\_\_\_\_ip association      *n.* a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements
108. travel bu\_\_\_e      *n.* a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things
109. great und\_\_\_\_\_ng      *n.* a task, business, assignment, or project, especially one that is essential or challenging
110. organic agr\_\_\_\_\_re      *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
111. a good grounding in mat\_\_\_\_\_cs      *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
112. sustainable aqu\_\_\_\_\_re      *n.* the cultivation of aquatic organisms such as fish, seaweed, and shellfish for human consumption, as well as for environmental conservation and research purposes
113. fo\_\_\_\_\_nts in the snow      *n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
114. p\_\_e a significant threat to my company      *v.* to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed
115. health po\_\_\_y      *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 107. scholarship, 108. bundle, 109. undertaking, 110. agriculture, 111. mathematics, 112. aquaculture, 113. footprint, 114. pose, 115. policy

116. a dependent do\_\_\_\_n *n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise
117. cre\_\_\_\_thy borrower *adj.* of or relating to a person or entity that has a strong credit history and is therefore seen as likely to repay any loans or debts they may incur, typically associated with lower interest rates and more favorable loan terms
118. toxic ch\_\_\_\_als *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
119. fun\_\_\_\_al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
120. a\_t cabin *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
121. economic th\_\_\_\_t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
122. ce\_\_\_\_y product quality *v.* to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true
123. a cr\_\_\_\_le story *adj.* capable of being trusted or believed
124. major paradigm sh\_\_\_\_t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
125. a ro\_\_l palace *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

ANSWERS: 116. domain, 117. creditworthy, 118. chemical, 119. fundamental, 120. aft, 121. threat, 122. certify, 123. credible, 124. shift, 125. royal

126. ca\_\_\_n dioxide *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
127. change the ec\_\_\_\_\_em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
128. 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
129. employment co\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
130. chaotic env\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
131. supply ch\_\_n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
132. enter a political mi\_\_\_\_\_ld *n.* an area or situation that contains a hidden danger or risk, particularly a literal minefield of explosives or a figurative minefield of potential problems or missteps
133. social ant\_\_\_\_\_ogy *n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species

ANSWERS: 126. carbon, 127. ecosystem, 128. launch, 129. contract, 130. environment, 131. chain, 132. minefield, 133. anthropology

134. periods of dr\_\_\_\_t *n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
135. the cycle of po\_\_\_\_y *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
136. vo\_\_\_\_ry action *adj.* done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced
137. college sch\_\_\_\_ip *n.* a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements
138. com\_\_\_\_ve position *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
139. c\_\_p field *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food
140. 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
141. persons co\_\_\_\_ed *adj.* feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention
142. cre\_\_\_\_thy business *adj.* of or relating to a person or entity that has a strong credit history and is therefore seen as likely to repay any loans or debts they may incur, typically associated with lower interest rates and more favorable loan terms
143. create a br\_\_d logo *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

ANSWERS: 134. drought, 135. poverty, 136. voluntary, 137. scholarship, 138. competitive, 139. crop, 140. movement, 141. concerned, 142. creditworthy, 143. brand



144. ph scale *n.* a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating greater alkalinity
145. di\_\_\_\_s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
146. lu\_\_\_\_r industry *n.* wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily
147. parched s\_\_l *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
148. 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
149. bio\_\_\_\_ity conservation *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
150. the def\_\_\_\_on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
151. co\_\_\_\_ed citizen *adj.* feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention
152. di\_\_\_\_ce the explosive power *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

ANSWERS: 144. ph, 145. discuss, 146. lumber, 147. soil, 148. develop, 149. biodiversity, 150. definition, 151. concerned, 152. displace

153. de\_\_\_\_e environmental quality      *v.* to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
154. p\_\_e a challenge      *v.* to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed
155. record driving aut\_\_\_\_\_lly      *adv.* without needing a direct human control
156. develop a st\_\_\_\_\_gy      *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
157. mystical sig\_\_\_\_\_nce      *n.* the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy
158. a s\_\_d coat      *n.* a small, hard, often round, a reproductive structure that contains a plant's genetic material and is capable of growing into a new plant
159. fun\_\_\_\_\_al education      *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
160. ba\_\_s for calculation      *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
161. ca\_\_\_n emission      *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
162. taxi c\_b      *n.* a taxi or other vehicle that can be hired for transportation; the compartment from which a vehicle, such as a train or truck, is driven

ANSWERS: 153. degrade, 154. pose, 155. automatically, 156. strategy, 157. significance, 158. seed, 159. fundamental, 160. basis, 161. carbon, 162. cab

163. swell like a tu\_\_\_y *n.* (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans
164. pr\_\_\_\_\_t when she will arrive *v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
165. fe\_\_\_r fish *n.* an animal being fattened or suitable for fattening; a device or system that supplies something to a particular recipient or process
166. s\_e my boss for harassment *v.* to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress
167. seem like a da\_\_\_\_\_ng task *adj.* looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something
168. a ge\_\_\_\_\_us reward *adj.* willing to give and share something such as money, help, kindness, etc., especially more than is necessary or expected
169. cloud his rep\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
170. pro\_\_\_\_\_ve meeting *adj.* resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value

ANSWERS: 163. turkey, 164. predict, 165. feeder, 166. sue, 167. daunting, 168. generous, 169. reputation, 170. productive

171. co\_\_a butter *n.* a powder made from roasted cacao beans used to flavor sweets and drinks; the dried and fermented seeds from which the powder is made
172. bul\_\_\_\_\_of armor *adj.* intended to resist bullet penetration
173. a private ind\_\_\_\_\_al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
174. the p\_\_m side of the forearm *n.* the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves
175. pr\_\_\_\_\_ty seating for elderly *n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
176. pl\_\_\_\_t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
177. gov\_\_\_\_\_nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
178. av\_\_l you little *v.* to help or benefit; to use or take advantage of
179. legal en\_\_\_\_y *n.* something that exists independently and has its own identity
180. government en\_\_\_\_y *n.* something that exists independently and has its own identity
181. a su\_\_\_\_\_y for research *n.* money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen

ANSWERS: 171. cocoa, 172. bulletproof, 173. individual, 174. palm, 175. priority, 176. planet, 177. government, 178. avail, 179. entity, 180. entity, 181. subsidy

182. a gr\_\_\_\_ul breeze *adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
183. average fuel con\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials
184. su\_\_\_e muscles *adj.* flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas
185. pr\_\_\_\_\_ty call *n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
186. ind\_\_\_\_\_us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
187. sa\_\_\_n migration *n.* a type of fish that is commonly found in the North Atlantic and North Pacific oceans
188. international sh\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a quantity of goods or cargo that is sent or transported from one place to another, especially by land, sea, or air; the act or process of sending or dispatching goods
189. navigate the mi\_\_\_\_\_ld *n.* an area or situation that contains a hidden danger or risk, particularly a literal minefield of explosives or a figurative minefield of potential problems or missteps
190. turn cattle out to gr\_\_e *v.* to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping

ANSWERS: 182. grateful, 183. consumption, 184. supple, 185. priority, 186. industrious, 187. salmon, 188. shipment, 189. minefield, 190. graze

191. pl\_\_\_e my fidelity                      *v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
192. put a gr\_\_\_\_ul expression            *adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful
193. a pr\_\_\_\_nd book                      *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
194. exposure to to\_\_c chemicals            *adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
195. global re\_\_\_\_e crisis                      *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
196. coal fa\_\_\_e                              *n.* a severe shortage of food, often caused by drought, war, or economic reasons
197. pr\_\_\_\_al actor                          *adj.* most important, main, or chief
198. political co\_\_\_\_on                      *n.* secret or illegal cooperation or conspiracy, especially for a deceitful or fraudulent purpose
199. ov\_\_\_\_sh the coral reefs                *v.* to deplete fish populations beyond sustainable levels through excessive or unregulated fishing practices, leading to environmental and economic consequences
200. 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

ANSWERS: 191. pledge, 192. grateful, 193. profound, 194. toxic, 195. refugee, 196. famine, 197. principal, 198. collusion, 199. overfish, 200. lever

201. aqu\_\_\_\_\_re industry *n.* the cultivation of aquatic organisms such as fish, seaweed, and shellfish for human consumption, as well as for environmental conservation and research purposes
202. a birth cer\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* an official document stating that the information contained within is true
203. working sid\_\_\_\_\_ide *adj.* describing two or more things that are positioned next to each other, in close proximity, and typically in a parallel manner; (adverb) next to each other, with one thing positioned close to the other
204. m\_r the reputation *v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
205. s\_\_ls retentive of moisture *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
206. po\_\_\_\_\_y alleviation *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
207. poi\_\_\_\_\_iew perspective *n.* a particular way of thinking or seeing a situation; an individual's perspective or standpoint about a topic or issue, commonly used in literature and storytelling to refer to the perspective from which a story is told
208. di\_\_\_\_\_ce workers *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
209. sid\_\_\_\_\_ide comparison *adj.* describing two or more things that are positioned next to each other, in close proximity, and typically in a parallel manner; (adverb) next to each other, with one thing positioned close to the other

ANSWERS: 201. aquaculture, 202. certificate, 203. side-by-side, 204. mar, 205. soil, 206. poverty, 207. point-of-view, 208. displace, 209. side-by-side

210. ev\_\_\_\_\_te a situation      *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
211. di\_\_\_\_\_s solutions      *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
212. artist's poi\_\_\_\_\_iew      *n.* a particular way of thinking or seeing a situation; an individual's perspective or standpoint about a topic or issue, commonly used in literature and storytelling to refer to the perspective from which a story is told
213. bul\_\_\_\_\_of vehicle      *adj.* intended to resist bullet penetration
214. pe\_\_\_\_\_de application      *n.* a substance used for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest
215. call and co\_\_\_\_\_in frequently      *v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
216. env\_\_\_\_\_nt affairs      *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
217. pre\_\_\_\_\_on to authority      *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
218. house bu\_\_r      *n.* a person or organization that purchases or acquires goods, property, or services from a seller or vendor

ANSWERS: 210. evaluate, 211. discuss, 212. point-of-view, 213. bulletproof, 214. pesticide, 215. complain, 216. environment, 217. pretension, 218. buyer



219. emissions of gre\_\_\_\_\_se gases      *n.* a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in
220. be in j\_\_l      *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
221. sig\_\_\_\_\_nce level      *n.* the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy
222. sl\_\_\_\_\_ly alkaline soils      *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
223. a ge\_\_\_\_\_us and thoughtful person      *adj.* willing to give and share something such as money, help, kindness, etc., especially more than is necessary or expected
224. official score cer\_\_\_\_\_te      *n.* an official document stating that the information contained within is true
225. co\_\_a powder      *n.* a powder made from roasted cacao beans used to flavor sweets and drinks; the dried and fermented seeds from which the powder is made
226. the re\_\_\_\_\_e camp      *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
227. improved pro\_\_\_\_\_ity      *n.* the state or quality of being productive; the rate at which a company or individual produces goods or services, often measured in terms of output per unit of input, such as labor, capital, or time

ANSWERS: 219. greenhouse, 220. jail, 221. significance, 222. slightly, 223. generous, 224. certificate, 225. cocoa, 226. refugee, 227. productivity

228. li\_\_\_\_\_me benefits *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
229. ins\_\_\_\_\_ant amount *adj.* of little importance, influence, or power
230. met\_\_\_\_\_gy for optimizing *n.* a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
231. rai\_\_\_\_\_st destruction *n.* a forest rich in biodiversity that is generally found in tropical settings with heavy annual rainfall
232. as\_\_\_\_\_te alcohol with gambling *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
233. a p\_t bird *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
234. de\_\_\_\_\_on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
235. use of inn\_\_\_\_\_ve technology *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
236. acc\_\_\_\_\_te a chemical reaction *v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
237. r\_p music *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
238. a high per\_\_\_\_\_ge *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

ANSWERS: 228. lifetime, 229. insignificant, 230. methodology, 231. rainforest, 232. associate, 233. pet, 234. decision, 235. innovative, 236. accelerate, 237. rap, 238. percentage

239. tu\_\_\_y breast meat *n.* (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans
240. re\_\_\_\_\_er competition *n.* a person or business that sells goods to the public, typically in small quantities
241. well-st\_\_\_\_\_d decision *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
242. foreign po\_\_\_y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
243. an\_\_\_\_\_e your real motives *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
244. potential bu\_\_r *n.* a person or organization that purchases or acquires goods, property, or services from a seller or vendor
245. personality tr\_\_ts *n.* a particular feature of your nature
246. acc\_\_\_\_\_te the car *v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
247. co\_\_\_\_\_e electricity *v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
248. def\_\_\_\_\_ion of the tropics *n.* the act of cutting down or burning trees in a large area

ANSWERS: 239. turkey, 240. retailer, 241. studied, 242. policy, 243. analyze, 244. buyer, 245. trait, 246. accelerate, 247. consume, 248. deforestation

249. low pro\_\_\_\_\_ve capacity *adj.* resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value
250. a com\_\_\_\_\_ve price *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
251. im\_\_\_\_\_e the test score *v.* to make or become better
252. have a co\_\_\_\_\_t again *n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
253. run like h\_\_\_l *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
254. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
255. ge\_\_\_\_\_te more electricity *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
256. pH value of seven *n.* a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating greater alkalinity
257. county j\_\_\_l *n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
258. s\_y milk *n.* a legume plant that is widely cultivated for its edible bean, which has many uses, such as for oil, food, and animal feed
259. immune fu\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

ANSWERS: 249. productive, 250. competitive, 251. improve, 252. concert, 253. hell, 254. eventually, 255. generate, 256. ph, 257. jail, 258. soy, 259. function

260. on an equal ba__s	<i>n.</i> the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
261. sus_____le alternative fuel	<i>adj.</i> able to continue or be continued for a long time
262. nec_____ly true	<i>adv.</i> in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
263. pr_____t the future	<i>v.</i> to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
264. co_____in about a job	<i>v.</i> to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody
265. dr_____t conditions	<i>n.</i> a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
266. ind_____us student	<i>adj.</i> hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
267. ov_____sh certain areas	<i>v.</i> to deplete fish populations beyond sustainable levels through excessive or unregulated fishing practices, leading to environmental and economic consequences
268. of____t deposits and withdrawals	<i>v.</i> to compensate for or counterbalance one influence against an opposing influence
269. baseless pre_____on	<i>n.</i> the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition

ANSWERS: 260. basis, 261. sustainable, 262. necessarily, 263. predict, 264. complain, 265. drought, 266. industrious, 267. overfish, 268. offset, 269. pretension

270. the br\_\_d of the new car *n.* a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
271. dis\_\_\_\_\_ss a person of his property *v.* to deprive someone of the possession or use of something, often property or land
272. an ins\_\_\_\_\_ant mistake *adj.* of little importance, influence, or power
273. or\_\_\_\_\_c soils *adj.* of or derived from biological substance; producing plants and animals for food and other items without the use of synthetic chemicals
274. as\_\_\_s the quality *v.* to judge or decide the nature or quality of someone or something
275. the pr\_\_\_\_\_nd depths of the sea *adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension
276. bu\_\_\_e of papers *n.* a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things
277. tw\_\_t around to the left *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
278. bankrupt cr\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
279. vi\_\_\_m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

ANSWERS: 270. brand, 271. dispossess, 272. insignificant, 273. organic, 274. assess, 275. profound, 276. bundle, 277. twist, 278. creditor, 279. victim

280. face the da_____ng reality	<i>adj.</i> looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something
281. increase sl_____ly	<i>adv.</i> in a small degree or extent; a little
282. a benefit co_____t	<i>n.</i> a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
283. public welfare und_____ng	<i>n.</i> a task, business, assignment, or project, especially one that is essential or challenging
284. pop_____on change	<i>n.</i> the total number of people in a country, region, or location
285. ve____y identity	<i>v.</i> to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct
286. get a con_____nal loan	<i>adj.</i> based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.
287. notable in_____ce	<i>n.</i> a particular example or single occurrence of something
288. international co_____ty	<i>n.</i> a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
289. prince ro__l	<i>adj.</i> relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
290. coconut p__m trees	<i>n.</i> the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves

ANSWERS: 280. daunting, 281. slightly, 282. concert, 283. undertaking, 284. population, 285. verify, 286. conventional, 287. instance, 288. commodity, 289. royal, 290. palm



291. the fo\_\_\_\_\_nts of an earlier civilization
292. ac\_\_\_\_\_e milestones
293. a precise def\_\_\_\_\_on
294. adr\_\_\_\_\_ne receptor
295. a chemical eq\_\_\_\_\_on
296. sequencing of the human ge\_\_\_\_e
297. a selfish de\_\_\_\_\_on
298. vi\_\_\_\_m compensation
- n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface
- v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
- n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
- n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger
- n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
- n.* the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things
- n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
- n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event

ANSWERS: 291. footprint, 292. achieve, 293. definition, 294. adrenaline, 295. equation, 296. genome, 297. decision, 298. victim

299. h\_\_l broke loose *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
300. marine ec\_\_\_\_\_em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
301. the per\_\_\_\_\_ge of the gold content *n.* the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
302. thi\_\_\_\_\_ty liability *n.* a person or organization that is not directly involved in a particular situation or transaction but has some interest in or influence over it; a neutral or impartial mediator who can help resolve disputes or differences between two parties
303. inefficient fossil fuel su\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen
304. co\_\_\_\_\_ct law *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
305. m\_r a proper relationship *v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
306. re\_\_\_\_\_on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

ANSWERS: 299. hell, 300. ecosystem, 301. percentage, 302. third-party, 303. subsidy, 304. contract, 305. mar, 306. relation

307. to__c molecule	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
308. the lowest def_____ion rate	<i>n.</i> the act of cutting down or burning trees in a large area
309. not nec_____ly a problem	<i>adv.</i> in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
310. ce_____y the authenticity of the painting	<i>v.</i> to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true
311. al_____te anxiety	<i>v.</i> to make something, usually pain, distress, or problem, less severe or intense; to ease or lighten a burden
312. p__r group	<i>n.</i> a person who has the same age, status, or ability
313. o_d behavior	<i>adj.</i> strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
314. research met_____gy	<i>n.</i> a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
315. a tr___e mirror	<i>adj.</i> consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many
316. learning cu__e	<i>n.</i> a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
317. ve___y a document	<i>v.</i> to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct
318. pl___e military assistance	<i>v.</i> to make a formal promise to give or do something

ANSWERS: 307. toxic, 308. deforestation, 309. necessarily, 310. certify, 311. alleviate, 312. peer, 313. odd, 314. methodology, 315. triple, 316. curve, 317. verify, 318. pledge

319. manually op\_\_\_\_\_e a machine      *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
320. rou\_\_\_\_\_le conference      *adj.* characterized by equal participation or discussion among all parties involved; characterized by collaboration and teamwork rather than hierarchy or authority; (noun) a discussion or meeting format in which participants gather around a table that is usually circular
321. g\_\_b of honey      *n.* a small, round mass or lump; a drop or blob of liquid or viscous substance
322. 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
323. chemical tr\_\_t      *n.* a particular feature of your nature
324. id\_\_\_\_\_fy handwriting      *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
325. I am te\_\_\_\_\_ly sorry      *adv.* very badly; to a great extent or very much
326. im\_\_\_\_\_e a process      *v.* to make or become better
327. ac\_\_\_\_\_e success      *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
328. sacrifice a l\_\_b      *n.* a young sheep; the flesh of a young domestic sheep eaten as food

ANSWERS: 319. operate, 320. roundtable, 321. glob, 322. launch, 323. trait, 324. identify, 325. terribly, 326. improve, 327. achieve, 328. lamb

329. g\_\_b of paint *n.* a small, round mass or lump; a drop or blob of liquid or viscous substance
330. fi\_\_\_e resources *adj.* having a limit or restriction of size, time, etc.
331. yellow c\_b *n.* a taxi or other vehicle that can be hired for transportation; the compartment from which a vehicle, such as a train or truck, is driven
332. al\_\_\_\_\_te stress *v.* to make something, usually pain, distress, or problem, less severe or intense; to ease or lighten a burden
333. the cr\_\_\_\_or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
334. network ext\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a cost or benefit that affects a third party who did not choose to incur that cost or benefit
335. the con\_\_\_\_\_on of food *n.* the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials
336. Doppler sh\_\_t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
337. pla\_\_\_\_\_on house *n.* a large farm or estate, typically in a tropical or subtropical country, used for growing cash crops
338. yield cu\_\_e *n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
339. an energy eff\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money

ANSWERS: 329. glob, 330. finite, 331. cab, 332. alleviate, 333. creditor, 334. externality, 335. consumption, 336. shift, 337. plantation, 338. curve, 339. efficiency

340. pa\_\_\_\_e for sheep

*n.* an area of land used for grazing  
livestock

ANSWERS: 340. pasture

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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
2. 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
3. She has a good \_\_\_\_\_ for being one of the best chefs in the city.  
*n.* the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
4. Could you help me \_\_\_\_\_ some furniture?  
*n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
5. His speech was carefully crafted and delivered with \_\_\_\_\_ confidence.  
*adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
6. He was forced to \_\_\_\_\_ his tenants because they couldn't pay the rent.  
*v.* to deprive someone of the possession or use of something, often property or land
7. The majority of consumers \_\_\_\_\_ this brand with quality.  
*v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
8. Taking ibuprofen can \_\_\_\_\_ the pain from a headache.  
*v.* to make something, usually pain, distress, or problem, less severe or intense; to ease or lighten a burden

ANSWERS: 1. percentage, 2. government, 3. reputation, 4. shift, 5. studied, 6. dispossess, 7. associate, 8. alleviate

9. The government provided a considerable \_\_\_\_\_ to the company.
- n.* money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen
10. The novel's shifting \_\_\_\_\_ allows readers to understand each character's motivations.
- n.* a particular way of thinking or seeing a situation; an individual's perspective or standpoint about a topic or issue, commonly used in literature and storytelling to refer to the perspective from which a story is told
11. The \_\_\_\_\_ discussion provided valuable insights and perspectives from all participants.
- adj.* characterized by equal participation or discussion among all parties involved; characterized by collaboration and teamwork rather than hierarchy or authority; (noun) a discussion or meeting format in which participants gather around a table that is usually circular
12. This evidence will form the \_\_\_\_\_ for our discussion.
- n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
13. The investigation found evidence of \_\_\_\_\_ between the two companies to manipulate the market.
- n.* secret or illegal cooperation or conspiracy, especially for a deceitful or fraudulent purpose
14. She was struggling to make a \_\_\_\_\_ between two job offers.
- n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

ANSWERS: 9. subsidy, 10. point-of-view, 11. roundtable, 12. basis, 13. collusion, 14. decision



15. The \_\_\_\_ section of the ship suffered significant damage after the collision with the reef.

*adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle

16. The ballerina's \_\_\_\_\_ movements left the audience mesmerized.

*adj.* flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas

17. He earned a \_\_\_\_\_ salary at his job.

*adj.* satisfactory, acceptable, or good in a general sense

18. The region has been experiencing a severe \_\_\_\_\_ leading to water shortages and crop failures.

*n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation

19. She is willing to give up her position in the \_\_\_\_\_ family to marry him.

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

20. These articles cite five \_\_\_\_\_ of climate change.

*n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something

21. The mobile application industry is a \_\_\_\_\_ one.

*adj.* involving competition or competitiveness

22. The teacher used a \_\_\_\_\_ to measure the progress of her students.

*n.* a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance

ANSWERS: 15. aft, 16. supple, 17. decent, 18. drought, 19. royal, 20. instances, 21. competitive, 22. benchmark

23. The construction of the new dam will \_\_\_\_\_ hundreds of families living downstream.
- v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
24. \_\_\_\_ moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.
- n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
25. The bank only lends money to \_\_\_\_\_ individuals with a proven financial responsibility track record.
- adj.* of or relating to a person or entity that has a strong credit history and is therefore seen as likely to repay any loans or debts they may incur, typically associated with lower interest rates and more favorable loan terms
26. They didn't have any \_\_\_\_\_ evidence of his innocence.
- adj.* capable of being trusted or believed
27. This accident was something that happened \_\_\_\_\_.
- adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
28. The destruction of the \_\_\_\_\_ is a ticking time bomb for the Earth.
- n.* a forest rich in biodiversity that is generally found in tropical settings with heavy annual rainfall
29. I hailed a \_\_\_\_ to take me to the airport.
- n.* a taxi or other vehicle that can be hired for transportation; the compartment from which a vehicle, such as a train or truck, is driven
30. Many people use \_\_\_\_ sauce for sushi, stir-fries, and marinades.
- n.* a legume plant that is widely cultivated for its edible bean, which has many uses, such as for oil, food, and animal feed

ANSWERS: 23. displace, 24. Soil, 25. creditworthy, 26. credible, 27. necessarily, 28. rainforest, 29. cab, 30. soy

31. A company is a distinct legal \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* something that exists independently and has its own identity
32. The \_\_\_\_\_ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
- n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
33. The culinary class learned how to make homemade \_\_\_\_\_ mix from scratch.
- n.* a powder made from roasted cacao beans used to flavor sweets and drinks; the dried and fermented seeds from which the powder is made
34. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the leaves underfoot was heard as they walked through the park.
- n.* a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation
35. It seems \_\_\_\_\_ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.
- adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
36. Tracking the package \_\_\_\_\_ was made easy with the provided tracking number.
- n.* a quantity of goods or cargo that is sent or transported from one place to another, especially by land, sea, or air; the act or process of sending or dispatching goods
37. The \_\_\_\_\_ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.
- n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
38. He planned to \_\_\_\_\_ the organization for negligence.
- v.* to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress

ANSWERS: 31. entity, 32. threat, 33. cocoa, 34. crunch, 35. probable, 36. shipment, 37. chain, 38. sue

39. The police escorted the prisoner to the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a facility where criminals are kept to be punished for their crimes; a prison
40. The \_\_\_\_\_ yard had a wide selection of wood for building and construction.
- n.* wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily
41. The community warmly welcomed the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
42. We are developing a new \_\_\_\_\_ for assessing marketing measures.
- n.* a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
43. I tied up the \_\_\_\_\_ of newspapers and took them to the recycling center.
- n.* a group of things that are tied or wrapped together; a large amount or quantity of something; a package or parcel of things
44. The \_\_\_\_\_ effect is a phenomenon that happens naturally.
- n.* a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in
45. He moved his body \_\_\_\_\_ to the left.
- adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
46. Human beings have a \_\_\_\_\_ lifespan, so we yearn for the idea of immortality.
- adj.* having a limit or restriction of size, time, etc.

ANSWERS: 39. jail, 40. lumber, 41. refugees, 42. methodology, 43. bundle, 44. greenhouse, 45. slightly, 46. finite

47. His coach is a \_\_\_\_\_ Olympic champion.

*adj.* consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many

48. 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

49. Scientists warn that many species could face extinction if we continue to \_\_\_\_\_ our oceans.

*v.* to deplete fish populations beyond sustainable levels through excessive or unregulated fishing practices, leading to environmental and economic consequences

50. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

*v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

51. The corporation \_\_\_\_\_ dominated the entire tobacco business.

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

52. The firm has grown into a large \_\_\_\_\_ manufacturing.

*adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;

53. The company signed a \_\_\_\_\_ with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

*n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

54. In our country, water \_\_\_\_\_ usually decreases during the winter.

*n.* the amount used or eaten; the act of using up a resource such as energy, food, or materials

ANSWERS: 47. triple, 48. decide, 49. overfish, 50. discuss, 51. eventually, 52. chemical, 53. contract, 54. consumption

55. This machine is too difficult to \_\_\_\_\_ for me.

*v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something

56. The areas of \_\_\_\_\_ and psychology are significantly related to one another.

*n.* the scientific study of humanity, concerned with human behavior, human biology, cultures, societies, and linguistics in both the present and past, including past human species

57. The \_\_\_\_\_ comparison of the two products revealed significant differences in quality and features.

*adj.* describing two or more things that are positioned next to each other, in close proximity, and typically in a parallel manner; (adverb) next to each other, with one thing positioned close to the other

58. The economic stimulation program would \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of new jobs.

*v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

59. Because of the \_\_\_\_\_ vest he was wearing, the officer could escape injury.

*adj.* intended to resist bullet penetration

60. Grilled \_\_\_\_\_ is a popular dish at summer barbecues.

*n.* a type of fish that is commonly found in the North Atlantic and North Pacific oceans

61. The severe \_\_\_\_\_ caused by the drought has left many people without food.

*n.* a severe shortage of food, often caused by drought, war, or economic reasons

62. The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

ANSWERS: 55. operate, 56. anthropology, 57. side-by-side, 58. generate, 59. bulletproof, 60. salmon, 61. famine, 62. function

63. The meeting aims to \_\_\_\_\_ possible choices.  
*v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
64. You should not \_\_\_\_\_ yourself by allowing them to use you.  
*v.* to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
65. This teacher is \_\_\_\_\_ in his grading.  
*adj.* willing to give and share something such as money, help, kindness, etc., especially more than is necessary or expected
66. The former \_\_\_\_\_ owner struggled to adjust to life without the enslaved people that once worked for him.  
*n.* a large farm or estate, typically in a tropical or subtropical country, used for growing cash crops
67. He was known to be very \_\_\_\_\_ and would often work late into the night.  
*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
68. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.  
*n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
69. \_\_\_\_\_ are only willing to lend with good security.  
*n.* a person who is in charge of or has an important job in a bank
70. The online marketplace connects \_\_\_\_\_ with sellers all over the world.  
*n.* a person or organization that purchases or acquires goods, property, or services from a seller or vendor

ANSWERS: 63. evaluate, 64. degrade, 65. generous, 66. plantation, 67. industrious, 68. victim, 69. Bankers, 70. buyers



71. He received a \_\_\_\_\_ in computer programming from the local college.  
*n.* an official document stating that the information contained within is true
72. The scratches on the car \_\_\_\_\_ its otherwise perfect appearance.  
*v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
73. The farmer sprayed \_\_\_\_\_ on his crops to protect them from insects.  
*n.* a substance used for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest
74. We had to take our dog to the \_\_\_\_ because she was not feeling well.  
*n.* (also a veterinarian) a person who has a medical degree trained to examine and take care of the health of animals; (verb) to carefully examine, investigate, or evaluate someone or something, often for the purpose of determining suitability or eligibility
75. Many different types of birds visited the bird \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* an animal being fattened or suitable for fattening; a device or system that supplies something to a particular recipient or process
76. She increased her \_\_\_\_\_ by planning out her tasks for the day.  
*n.* the state or quality of being productive; the rate at which a company or individual produces goods or services, often measured in terms of output per unit of input, such as labor, capital, or time
77. We must \_\_\_\_\_ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.  
*v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 71. certificate, 72. marred, 73. pesticide, 74. vet, 75. feeder, 76. productivity, 77. develop

78. The school's diversity program aimed to promote \_\_\_\_\_ and understanding among the students.

- n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant

79. We always \_\_\_\_\_ all critical information independently.

- v.* to check that something exists or is true, or to prove that something is correct

80. The teacher attempted to \_\_\_\_\_ the root cause of our mistake.

- v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

81. He planted the \_\_\_\_\_ in the soil and waited for it to sprout.

- n.* a small, hard, often round, a reproductive structure that contains a plant's genetic material and is capable of growing into a new plant

82. My mother's illness had a \_\_\_\_\_ impact on us all.

- adj.* extremely great; sensed or experienced very strongly; displaying a high level of knowledge or comprehension

83. My homework was \_\_\_\_\_ and complex, but it was also intriguing.

- adj.* looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something

84. Trees absorb \_\_\_\_\_ dioxide and give off oxygen.

- n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

85. He has a flair for \_\_\_\_\_.

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

ANSWERS: 78. tolerance, 79. verify, 80. analyze, 81. seed, 82. profound, 83. daunting, 84. carbon, 85. mathematics

86. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
87. The \_\_\_\_\_ of his discovery cannot be overstated.
- n.* the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy
88. 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
89. His father's death changed his whole \_\_\_\_\_ on life.
- n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
90. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the road was so sharp that I had to slow down to navigate it safely.
- n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
91. Their financing options are reasonable and easy to \_\_\_\_\_.
- v.* to help or benefit; to use or take advantage of
92. The government should do more to support environmentally \_\_\_\_\_ agriculture.
- adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
93. 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: 86. ecosystem, 87. significance, 88. launch, 89. perspective, 90. curve, 91. avail, 92. sustainable, 93. definition,

94. The \_\_\_\_\_ reason for the company's success is its innovative products.  
*adj.* most important, main, or chief
95. Her \_\_\_\_\_ is to be a mother.  
*n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
96. Mercury is the closest \_\_\_\_\_ to the sun.  
*n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
97. Our subscription plan is \_\_\_\_\_ renewed.  
*adv.* without needing a direct human control
98. The battlefield became \_\_\_\_\_ on earth.  
*n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
99. The country was instrumental in promoting the \_\_\_\_\_ treaty.  
*n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
100. This high-performance camera is compact enough to fit in the \_\_\_\_\_ of your hand.  
*n.* the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves
101. The chemicals \_\_\_\_\_ a massive health risk.  
*v.* to present a risk, problem, or other issues that must be addressed

ANSWERS: 94. principal, 95. priority, 96. planet, 97. automatically, 98. hell, 99. biodiversity, 100. palm, 101. pose

102. I will introduce you to how to \_\_\_\_\_ the leading causes of the malfunction.  
*v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
103. Fish farming is a form of \_\_\_\_\_ that has recently gained popularity.  
*n.* the cultivation of aquatic organisms such as fish, seaweed, and shellfish for human consumption, as well as for environmental conservation and research purposes
104. In just four years, the \_\_\_\_\_ has doubled.  
*n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
105. 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
106. The band has released a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ rock music.  
*n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger
107. Strong growth in core business \_\_\_\_\_ losses in other business segments.  
*v.* to compensate for or counterbalance one influence against an opposing influence
108. She is very \_\_\_\_\_ in her thoughts.  
*adj.* based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.
109. At this ceremony, We will \_\_\_\_\_ allegiance to the country's flag.  
*v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something

ANSWERS: 102. identify, 103. aquaculture, 104. population, 105. productive, 106. adrenaline-pumping, 107. offsets, 108. conventional, 109. pledge

110. 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

111. This chemical compound is a thousand-fold more \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous

112. I am \_\_\_\_\_ about the safety of the children playing in the park.

*adj.* feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention

113. We want to \_\_\_\_\_ ties between our two countries.

*v.* to make or become better

114. His arm was swollen and \_\_\_\_\_ red.

*adv.* very badly; to a great extent or very much

115. Project planning for software development is never an easy \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a task, business, assignment, or project, especially one that is essential or challenging

116. Large-scale \_\_\_\_\_ also has a significant impact on marine ecosystems in the area.

*n.* the act of cutting down or burning trees in a large area

117. The \_\_\_ level of this soil is too acidic for these types of plants.

*n.* a measure of the acidity or alkalinity of a substance, on a scale of 0 to 14, with seven being neutral, lower values indicating greater acidity, and higher values indicating greater alkalinity

ANSWERS: 110. individual, 111. toxic, 112. concerned, 113. improve, 114. terribly, 115. undertaking, 116. deforestation, 117. ph

118. 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
119. The company's new \_\_\_\_\_ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.
- n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
120. The negative \_\_\_\_\_ of pollution affects not just the polluter but also people living in the surrounding area.
- n.* a cost or benefit that affects a third party who did not choose to incur that cost or benefit
121. She received a full \_\_\_\_\_ to study abroad.
- n.* a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements
122. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
123. 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
124. As a witness, I can \_\_\_\_\_ his innocence.
- v.* to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true

ANSWERS: 118. movement, 119. policy, 120. externality, 121. scholarship, 122. environment, 123. lever, 124. certify

125. The kidney is an \_\_\_\_\_ component of the body.

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

126. This artist always packs the \_\_\_\_\_ halls.

*n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers

127. Can you \_\_\_\_\_ 123321 by eleven?

*v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

128. \_\_\_\_\_ is the foundation of our economy.

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

129. Human behavior has \_\_\_\_\_ characteristics.

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

130. I asked the lawyer to initiate \_\_\_\_\_ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

*n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

131. The corporate restructuring process was a \_\_\_\_\_ with many obstacles that needed to be navigated.

*n.* an area or situation that contains a hidden danger or risk, particularly a literal minefield of explosives or a figurative minefield of potential problems or missteps

132. Among young people, \_\_\_\_\_ pressure can be pretty influential.

*n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability

ANSWERS: 125. organic, 126. concert, 127. divide, 128. Agriculture, 129. fundamental, 130. creditor, 131. minefield, 132. peer



133. The consumer-electronics \_\_\_\_\_ offered a discount for customers who paid in cash.

*n.* a person or business that sells goods to the public, typically in small quantities

134. She had lived through two world wars in her \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

135. The human \_\_\_\_\_ contains approximately three billion chemical base pairs.

*n.* the complete set or sequence of genes of a human, animal, plant, or other living things

136. I will work hard to \_\_\_\_\_ my goals and realize my dreams.

*v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

137. They prepared a stuffed \_\_\_\_\_ for Thanksgiving.

*n.* (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans

138. The new \_\_\_\_ album is getting a lot of attention.

*n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

139. The cows were grazing in the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* an area of land used for grazing livestock

140. His dog is as gentle as a \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a young sheep; the flesh of a young domestic sheep eaten as food

ANSWERS: 133. retailer, 134. lifetime, 135. genome, 136. achieve, 137. turkey, 138. rap, 139. pasture, 140. lamb

141. Sow early for an early \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

142. Our users are often \_\_\_\_\_ about the slow application.

*v.* to say dissatisfaction or annoyance about something or somebody

143. We choose transportation that has a smaller carbon \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a mark of a foot, shoe, or animal's foot left on a surface

144. His \_\_\_\_\_ of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

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

145. There's a new \_\_\_\_\_ of hero in the movies now.

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

146. They worked hard to \_\_\_\_\_ the nature of their native lands.

*v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

147. The \_\_\_\_\_ approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.

*n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule

148. He made me feel small and \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* of little importance, influence, or power

ANSWERS: 141. crop, 142. complaining, 143. footprint, 144. pretensions, 145. brand, 146. preserve, 147. regulation, 148. insignificant

149. Our company must continue to strive for greater \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money

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

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

151. It's notoriously challenging to \_\_\_\_\_ birth rates.

- v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

152. In this class, you will learn how to solve quadratic \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

153. We do move forward with those tasks in \_\_\_\_\_ next week.

- n.* a series of related events, actions, numbers, etc., which have a particular order

154. 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

155. I have a parrot as a \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly

156. She squeezed a \_\_\_\_\_ of toothpaste onto her toothbrush.

- n.* a small, round mass or lump; a drop or blob of liquid or viscous substance

157. Many studies have investigated the relationship between \_\_\_\_\_ and academic achievement.

- n.* the condition of being extremely poor

ANSWERS: 149. efficiency, 150. consume, 151. predict, 152. equations, 153. sequence, 154. commodity, 155. pet, 156. glob, 157. poverty

158. She was \_\_\_\_\_ for the help he provided.

*adj.* feeling or showing an appreciation of kindness; thankful

159. The Prime Minister stressed the need to create \_\_\_\_\_ industries.

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

160. 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

161. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing \_\_\_\_\_.

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

162. The company's \_\_\_\_\_ in the market was expanding to new territories.

*n.* a specific sphere of influence or control; a specific field of knowledge or expertise

163. He \_\_\_\_\_ pieces of rope out of straw.

*v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape

164. The government tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the commercialization of this development.

*v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly

165. The program is \_\_\_\_\_ so participants can choose whether or not to take part.

*adj.* done of one's own free will; without being forced or coerced

166. Our company needs to \_\_\_\_\_ the business impact of climate change.

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

ANSWERS: 158. grateful, 159. innovative, 160. relations, 161. strategy, 162. domain, 163. twisted, 164. accelerate, 165. voluntary, 166. assess

167. Multiple genes may influence behavioral \_\_\_\_\_ concurrently.

*n.* a particular feature of your nature

168. We hired a \_\_\_\_\_ firm to audit our financial records independently.

*n.* a person or organization that is not directly involved in a particular situation or transaction but has some interest in or influence over it; a neutral or impartial mediator who can help resolve disputes or differences between two parties

169. His grandfather was an \_\_\_\_ man.

*adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two

170. The sheep \_\_\_\_\_ on the green grass in the meadow.

*v.* to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping

ANSWERS: 167. traits, 168. third-party, 169. odd, 170. graze