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Session 1: Word List

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym : apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

context

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

synonym : background, setting, environment

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

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

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.

ironic

adj. using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect

synonym : sarcastic, wry, sardonic

(1) **ironic** result, (2) an **ironic** turn of events

It was **ironic** that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.

experiment

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

synonym : experimentation, investigation

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

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

embedded

adj. fixed firmly into the surface of something

synonym : ingrained, implanted, inserted

(1) **embedded** systems, (2) LED- **embedded** glass

The **embedded** chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.

slum

n. a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect

synonym : shantytown, slumdwelling, ghetto

(1) **slum** area, (2) **slum** dwellers

The government needs to invest more in affordable housing options to reduce the number of people living in **slums**.

barely

adv. just enough; hardly; with great difficulty or effort

synonym : scarcely, hardly, only just

(1) **barely** noticeable, (2) **barely** finished

I **barely** made it to the meeting on time, rushing from another appointment across town.

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.

browse

v. to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants

synonym : look around, look through, scan

(1) **browse** a website, (2) **browse** through the text

We **browsed** in a souvenir shop.

process

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

synonym : procedure, method, system

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

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

thorough

adj. done completely; significantly careful and accurate

synonym : complete, comprehensive, meticulous

(1) **thorough** investigation, (2) provide **thorough** analysis

A **thorough** brushing helps to keep your mouth fresh.

assemble

v. to collect in one place as a single group

synonym : gather, congregate, collect

(1) **assemble** your colleagues, (2) **assemble** a jigsaw puzzle

The president began to **assemble** an army.

photograph

n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

synonym : photo, picture, snapshot

(1) **photograph** album, (2) **photograph** memories

I found an old **photograph** of my grandparents from their wedding day.

bumble

v. to move or act clumsily or awkwardly; to speak or behave in an inept or confused manner

synonym: stumble, fumble, blunder

(1) **bumble** his way into a high-paying job, (2) **bumble** through his speeches

She tends to **bumble** through her work, making careless errors along the way.

download

v. to transfer data or files from the Internet or computer network to a user's computer or device; (noun) the process of transferring data or information from a remote or central computer to a local computer or device

synonym: load, save, transfer

(1) **download** files from the Internet, (2) **download** the assignment from the website

I need to **download** the latest update for my computer's operating system.

conclude

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

synonym: complete, finish, decide

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

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

irrespective

adv. without taking something into account; regardless of

synonym: heedless, inattentive, regardless

(1) **irrespective** of age, (2) **irrespective** of his will

Our company hires **irrespective** of national origin.

ambitious

adj. having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth

synonym: enterprising, challenging, earnest

(1) achieve **ambitious** goals, (2) with an **ambitious** eye

Their company has been in business for a short time but has **ambitious** goals.

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.

accent

n. a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance

synonym: articulation, inflection, pronunciation

(1) a foreign **accent**, (2) put the **accent** on comfort

She has a thick southern **accent**.

text-to-speech

adj. relating to a computer or software system that converts written text into a spoken audio output

synonym: speech-enabled, read aloud, vocalized

(1) **text-to-speech** software, (2) **text-to-speech** conversion

The **text-to-speech** feature on my phone helps me multitask while on the go.

interface

n. (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things

synonym: junction, surface, UI

(1) **interface** between gas and liquid, (2) the user **interface**

Detergent weakens the surface tension at the **interface** of two liquids.

gibberish

n. unintelligible or nonsensical language or speech; meaningless or difficult to comprehend talk or writing

synonym: nonsense, babble, drivel

(1) **gibberish** language, (2) meaningless **gibberish**
He spoke in **gibberish**, and no one could understand what he was trying to say.

journal

n. a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession

synonym: periodical, diary, bulletin

(1) scientific **journal**, (2) **journal** articles

The physician is reading the **journals** related to medicine

remarkable

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

synonym: outstanding, exceptional, extraordinary

(1) **remarkable** achievement, (2) the **remarkable** breadth of knowledge

The election was a **remarkable** success for the Whigs.

neutral

adj. not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.

synonym: impartial, uninvolved, halfhearted

(1) permanently **neutral** country, (2) **neutral** colors

A legislative speaker should always be **neutral**.

synthesizer

n. an electronic musical instrument that generates audio signals and is used to create a wide range of sounds, from imitations of traditional instruments to entirely new sounds

synonym: sampler, sequencer, module

(1) **synthesizer** bass, (2) music **synthesizer**

The electronic **synthesizer** created a range of unique sounds for the music.

Arthurian

adj. relating to king Arthur and the tales and legends associated with him

(1) the **Arthurian** cycle, (2) **Arthurian** romances

The **Arthurian** legends of King Arthur and the knights of the Round Table are popular literary motifs.

replace

v. to take the place of something

synonym: substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone
Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

definitely

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

synonym: absolutely, certainly, indeed

(1) **definitely** become a problem, (2) say **definitely**
The paper is **definitely** worth reading thoroughly.

navigate

v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

synonym: guide, helm, voyage

(1) **navigate** the Pacific, (2) **navigate** through a document
Our knowledge helps **navigate** our clients successfully.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

synonym: reference, allude, cite

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

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

hop

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

synonym: jump, bounce, skip

(1) **hop** on one foot, (2) **hop** from one place to another
The rabbit **hopped** over the fence.

rural

adj. of or relating to the countryside

synonym: agrarian, country, rustic

(1) **rural** accents, (2) people in **rural** areas
Many **rural** areas are still impoverished.

fairly

adv. to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner

synonym:

moderately, reasonably, pretty

(1) **fairly** accurate, (2) have a **fairly** clear view

He deals **fairly** with his employees.

arithmetic

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

synonym : computation, calculation, math

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

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

boring

adj. lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull

synonym : dull, tedious, monotonous

(1) **boring** work, (2) **boring** day

The lecture was so **boring** that many people fell asleep.

pave

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

synonym : surface, coat, cover

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

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

multiply

v. to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity

synonym : boost, amplify, reproduce

(1) **multiply** 5 and 6, (2) **multiply** about hundredfold

Multiply a number by itself twice.

tremendous

adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

synonym : enormous, giant, immense

(1) **tremendous** amount, (2) **tremendous** popularity
We had a **tremendous** time yesterday.

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.

forth

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

synonym: forward, onwards, ahead

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

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

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.

educational

adj. relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction

synonym: instructional, informative, enlightening

(1) **educational** system, (2) elevate **educational** standards

The museum offers a variety of **educational** programs for children and adults.

objective

n. a goal, aim, or purpose that is intended or sought after; a goal that is based on facts, evidence, or unbiased reasoning rather than personal opinions, feelings, or beliefs; (adjective) of or relating something that is based on facts and not influenced by personal feelings or biases

synonym: goal, purpose, aim

(1) **objective** assessment, (2) financial **objective**

The study's main **objective** is to identify risk factors for heart disease.

handle

v. to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
synonym: control, manage, deal with

(1) **handle** a precious object, (2) **handled** the incident

We all should learn how to **handle** stress.

pound

n. the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

(1) three-fourths of a **pound**, (2) thousands of **pounds**

The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred **pounds**.

biotechnology

n. the application of technological processes and methods to biological systems to develop new products or techniques, such as genetically modified organisms or biopharmaceuticals

synonym: genetic engineering, bioengineering, genetic modification

(1) **biotechnology** research, (2) modern **biotechnology**

Advancements in **biotechnology** have revolutionized medicine and agriculture.

march

v. to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

synonym: parade

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

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

literally

adv. in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively

synonym: actually, truly, verily

(1) translate **literally**, (2) bite his tongue **literally**

He **literally** jumped out of his chair when he heard the news.

improper

adj. not following established conventions or norms for appropriate behavior, manners, or conduct;

inappropriate or unsuitable for a particular situation or context

synonym : inappropriate, unsuitable, incorrect

(1) **improper** behavior, (2) **improper** road use

The patient suffered complications due to **improper** dosage of medication

replicate

v. to make an exact copy of something; to repeat a process or experiment to confirm the results

synonym : duplicate, imitate, reproduce

(1) **replicate** the cell, (2) **replicate** data

The experiment was **replicated** several times to ensure accuracy.

molecule

n. a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds

synonym : particle, element, atom

(1) small **molecules**, (2) **molecule** behavior

The shape of the DNA **molecule** is a double helix.

genetic

adj. of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes

synonym : hereditary, genetical, inborn

(1) have **genetic** testing, (2) a **genetic** disorder

Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the **genetic** code.

disease

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

synonym : illness, ailment, affliction

(1) **disease** prevention, (2) **disease** control

The doctor diagnosed him with a rare **disease** that had no known cure.

referee

n. a person who controls the game in some sports by making players follow the rules

synonym : judge, arbiter, umpire

(1) a fair **referee**, (2) assistant **referee**

The **referee** blew his whistle.

edit

v. to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it

synonym : revise, modify, adjust

(1) **edit** a history book, (2) **edit** a video

I need to **edit** this document before submitting it to my boss.

neuron

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

synonym : nerve cell

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

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

expression

n. the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood

synonym : statement, utterance, remark

(1) artistic **expression**, (2) **expression** of interest

His facial **expression** showed a mix of surprise and confusion.

impossibility

n. the state or condition of being impossible; something that is not possible or cannot be done

synonym : impracticality, infeasibility, impossibleness

(1) **impossibility** theorem, (2) **impossibility** of performance

According to the laws of physics, an event happening before its cause is a logical **impossibility**.

circumstance

n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

synonym : condition, context, environment

(1) **circumstance** of birth, (2) **circumstance** of injury
She explained the **circumstances** surrounding the accident.

accountant

n. a person whose job is to keep financial records and accounts for a person or organization

synonym: bookkeeper, financial analyst, auditor

(1) audit by **accountant**, (2) **accountant** report

The associate **accountant** carefully reviewed the company's financial records.

admire

v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

synonym: esteem, respect, marvel

(1) **admire** the subtlety of the distinctions, (2) **admire** kids with attitude

We all **admire** him because he is a nobleman.

fantastic

adj. extremely good; excellent

synonym: incredible, unbelievable, marvelous

(1) a **fantastic** dress, (2) absolutely **fantastic** event

The new amusement park ride was **fantastic**, with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.

posh

adj. elegant, fashionable, or luxurious, often to an excessive or ostentatious degree; associated with the upper classes or a high level of social status

synonym: elegant, fancy, luxurious

(1) **posh** district, (2) **posh** restaurant

The CEO's office was decorated in a **posh** and elegant style.

approximately

adv. close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time

synonym: about, around, roughly

(1) **approximately** 3 feet long, (2) **approximately** same

This trail takes **approximately** 2.5 hours.

fine-tune

v. to make tiny changes or improvements to make it work as well as possible

synonym: adjust, calibrate, refine

(1) **fine-tune** financial systems, (2) **fine-tune** the engine

The government should not try to **fine-tune** the economy excessively based on a short-term prediction.

exchange

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

synonym: trade, swap, interchange

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

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

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.

claim

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

synonym: assert, declare, maintain

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

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

enthusiastically

adv. in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval

synonym: fervently, eagerly, passionately

(1) **enthusiastically** applauded, (2) discuss

enthusiastically

The study participants **enthusiastically** participated in the

discussion, showing genuine interest.

quest

n. a long or challenging search for something

synonym: exploration, inquisition, pursuit

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

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

Wikipedia

n. an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics

synonym: online encyclopedia, webpedia

(1) **Wikipedia** entry, (2) **Wikipedia** article

Not all teachers accept citing **Wikipedia** as a valid source for academic papers.

recall

v. to remember something

synonym: remember, retrieve, recollect

(1) **recall** the incident, (2) **recall** his name

She vividly **recalls** getting laid off several years ago.

suspect

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

synonym: assume, distrust, surmise

(1) **suspect** a plot, (2) **suspect** that he is sick

The cops **suspected** him of being the killer.

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.

unbelievable

adj. beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising

synonym: unimaginable, incredible, fantastical

(1) **unbelievable** beauty, (2) cause **unbelievable** damage
He drinks an **unbelievable** amount of beer.

session

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

synonym: conference, gathering

(1) the morning **session**, (2) the court **session**

Parliament is now in **session**.

vigorous

adj. characterized by energy or intensity; physically strong and healthy; robust and enthusiastic in action or thought

synonym: energetic, robust, enthusiastic

(1) **vigorous** debate, (2) **vigorous** exercise

He conducts a **vigorous** workout routine to stay in shape.

volunteer

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

synonym: unpaid worker, draftee, enlistee

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

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

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym: directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer **immediately**

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

broadband

n. a type of high-speed internet connection that provides wide bandwidth for faster data transmission; any communication technology that allows high-speed data transfer

(1) mobile **broadband**, (2) fiber-optic **broadband**

I need to upgrade my Internet plan to get faster **broadband** speeds.

instruction

n. detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something

synonym: education, direction, guidance

(1) individual **instruction**, (2) follow his **instructions**

They needed further **instruction** to perform their duties efficiently.

stud

n. a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

synonym: beam, scantling, framing

(1) horse **stud**, (2) wall **stud**

He bought a new **stud** to attach the strap to his watch.

granny

n. a grandmother; an older adult, especially one who is seen as conservative or cautious, often used as a term of affection or familiarity

synonym: older woman, grandmother, grandma

(1) **granny** leave, (2) **granny** annex

Seeing **granny's** smiling face whenever I visit her is always a treat.

beam

n. a long, sturdy piece of timber, metal, or other material used to support a structure or span a distance; a ray or stream of light emitted by a source

synonym: ray, ray of light, shaft of light

(1) **beam** of light, (2) a structural **beam** of a building

The sun's **beam** shone through the window and illuminated the room.

gingerbread

n. a type of cake or cookie that is made with ginger, molasses, and other spices and is often decorated with icing or candy; architectural details or moldings that are reminiscent of gingerbread decorations

synonym: cookie, cake, pastry

(1) **gingerbread** house, (2) **gingerbread** latte

The children had fun making **gingerbread** cookies for the holidays.

sole

adj. only one of its kind; being the only existing or available one; (noun) the undersurface of a person's foot

synonym: only, lone, solitary

(1) **sole** arbitrator, (2) the **sole** of his shoe

The **sole** purpose of this meeting is to discuss the new budget for the project.

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**.

mediator

n. a person who acts as an impartial third party to resolve a dispute or disagreement between two or more parties

synonym: conciliator, arbitrator, interceder

(1) legal **mediator**, (2) **mediator** between two sides

The **mediator's** primary task was to help the two countries resolve their differences and peacefully resolve the conflict.

communicate

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

synonym: convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,

(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

writ

n. a written legal order or command

synonym: legal document, order, legal process

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

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

blackboard

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

synonym : chalkboard, slate

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

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

translate

v. to convert or change words into another language

synonym : convert, transcribe, render

(1) **translate** a document into English, (2) **translate** the emotion to a movement

Translate the text from Italian into English.

silent

adj. without any or little sound

synonym : quiet, hushed, mute

(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent

The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.

triangle

n. a three-sided polygon with three angles; something that has three sides or parts

synonym : trilateral, delta, triad

(1) **triangle** shape, (2) love **triangle**

The Pythagorean theorem is used to calculate the length of the sides of a right **triangle**.

shiver

v. to shake or quiver with cold, fear, or excitement; to tremble or vibrate rapidly

synonym : quiver, tremble, shake

(1) **shiver** with delight, (2) **shiver** in fear

I **shiver** in the cold winter air as I wait for the train.

spine

n. the series of bones running down the center of the back that protect the spinal cord and support the body; the backbone or vertebral column

synonym : backbone, vertebra, column

(1) the **spine** of a book, (2) a cervical **spine** injury

She has a minor curved **spine** due to desk work for many years.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym : comparative, proximate, congeneric

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

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

stumble

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

synonym : bumble, struggle, misstep

(1) **stumble** financially, (2) **stumble** through life

She **stumbled** over the tree root.

structure

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

synonym : construction, architecture, establishment

(1) the **structure** of a machine, (2) **structure** and function of the brain

The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

explicit

adj. stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt

synonym : clear, unambiguous, unequivocal

(1) **explicit** content, (2) **explicit** instructions

The movie had an **explicit** sex scene that some viewers might find offensive.

intervention

n. the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so

synonym : interference, intercession, treatment

(1) **intervention** by foreign powers, (2) surgical **intervention**

This **intervention** does not require the patient's consent.

emergence

n. the process or fact of coming into existence or becoming apparent

synonym: appearance, outgrowth, rise

(1) **emergence** as a national leader, (2) re- **emergence** of rampant inflation

The **emergence** of a new virus can cause concern for public health.

react

v. to take action in response to something

synonym: respond, reply, oppose

(1) **react** at a high temperature, (2) **react** against his way of thinking

How did he **react** to your idea?

emergent

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

synonym: coming, appearing, developing

(1) **emergent** repair of an aorta, (2) an **emergent** republic

Extensive areas of **emergent** plants are usually called marsh.

phenomenon

n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

synonym: marvel, wonder, splendor

(1) natural **phenomenon**, (2) historical **phenomenon**

A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

experimental

adj. relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have

synonym: empirical, exploratory, observed

(1) **experimental** data, (2) **experimental** design

The product is still in the **experimental** stage.

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.

doll

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

synonym : puppet, dolly, toy

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

1. s__m dwellers
n. a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect
2. have a fa___y clear view
adv. to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
3. re_____e a phone
v. to take the place of something
4. the rem_____le breadth of knowledge
adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special
5. the Ar_____an cycle
adj. relating to king Arthur and the tales and legends associated with him
6. 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
7. di_____e prevention
n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
8. b__m of light
n. a long, sturdy piece of timber, metal, or other material used to support a structure or span a distance; a ray or stream of light emitted by a source
9. electronic bla_____rd
n. a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk

ANSWERS: 1. slum, 2. fairly, 3. replace, 4. remarkable, 5. Arthurian, 6. planet, 7. disease, 8. beam, 9. blackboard

19. 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
20. tre_____us amount *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
21. re_____te the cell *v.* to make an exact copy of something; to repeat a process or experiment to confirm the results
22. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
23. the s__e of his shoe *adj.* only one of its kind; being the only existing or available one; (noun) the undersurface of a person's foot
24. gr___y leave *n.* a grandmother; an older adult, especially one who is seen as conservative or cautious, often used as a term of affection or familiarity
25. give si___t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
26. the qu__t for truth *n.* a long or challenging search for something
27. the st_____re of a machine *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
28. assistant re_____e *n.* a person who controls the game in some sports by making players follow the rules

ANSWERS: 19. achieve, 20. tremendous, 21. replicate, 22. environment, 23. sole, 24. granny, 25. silent, 26. quest, 27. structure, 28. referee

29. co____de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
30. achieve am_____us goals *adj.* having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth
31. bring fo__h a beautiful vase *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
32. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
33. re___l his name *v.* to remember something
34. di_____e control *n.* a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
35. ob_____ve assessment *n.* a goal, aim, or purpose that is intended or sought after; a goal that is based on facts, evidence, or unbiased reasoning rather than personal opinions, feelings, or beliefs; (adjective) of or relating something that is based on facts and not influenced by personal feelings or biases
36. vi_____us exercise *adj.* characterized by energy or intensity; physically strong and healthy; robust and enthusiastic in action or thought

ANSWERS: 29. conclude, 30. ambitious, 31. forth, 32. process, 33. recall, 34. disease, 35. objective, 36. vigorous

37. jo____l articles *n.* a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
38. cir_____nce of birth *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
39. h_p on one foot *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
40. 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
41. a fa_____ic dress *adj.* extremely good; excellent
42. h_p from one place to another *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
43. call fo__h demand *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
44. s__e arbitrator *adj.* only one of its kind; being the only existing or available one; (noun) the undersurface of a person's foot
45. cl__m responsibility *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

ANSWERS: 37. journal, 38. circumstance, 39. hop, 40. develop, 41. fantastic, 42. hop, 43. forth, 44. sole, 45. claim

46. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
47. have ge_____c testing *adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
48. p__h restaurant *adj.* elegant, fashionable, or luxurious, often to an excessive or ostentatious degree; associated with the upper classes or a high level of social status
49. Ar_____an romances *adj.* relating to king Arthur and the tales and legends associated with him
50. me_____or between two sides *n.* a person who acts as an impartial third party to resolve a dispute or disagreement between two or more parties
51. scientific jo_____l *n.* a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
52. ba_____y finished *adv.* just enough; hardly; with great difficulty or effort
53. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
54. re_____l the incident *v.* to remember something
55. vi_____us debate *adj.* characterized by energy or intensity; physically strong and healthy; robust and enthusiastic in action or thought
56. e__t a video *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it

ANSWERS: 46. environment, 47. genetic, 48. posh, 49. Arthurian, 50. mediator, 51. journal, 52. barely, 53. mention, 54. recall, 55. vigorous, 56. edit

57. su____t that he is sick *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
58. mental ari_____ic *n.* the branch of mathematics that deals with numbers and numerical calculations, particularly the four basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division
59. st_____re and function of the brain *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
60. sh____r with delight *v.* to shake or quiver with cold, fear, or excitement; to tremble or vibrate rapidly
61. ma__h against the war *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
62. mu_____ly 5 and 6 *v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity
63. exp_____tal data *adj.* relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have
64. p__e a new path *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
65. em_____ce as a national leader *n.* the process or fact of coming into existence or becoming apparent
66. do_____ad the assignment from the website *v.* to transfer data or files from the Internet or computer network to a user's computer or device; (noun) the process of transferring data or information from a remote or central computer to a local computer or device

ANSWERS: 57. suspect, 58. arithmetic, 59. structure, 60. shiver, 61. march, 62. multiply, 63. experimental, 64. pave, 65. emergence, 66. download

67. follow his ins_____ons *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
68. tr_____te a document into English *v.* to convert or change words into another language
69. on a qu__t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something
70. ir___c result *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
71. love tr_____le *n.* a three-sided polygon with three angles; something that has three sides or parts
72. small mo_____les *n.* a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds
73. a_t cabin *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
74. app_____ely same *adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
75. re_____te data *v.* to make an exact copy of something; to repeat a process or experiment to confirm the results
76. elevate edu_____al standards *adj.* relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction
77. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
78. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay

ANSWERS: 67. instruction, 68. translate, 69. quest, 70. ironic, 71. triangle, 72. molecule, 73. aft, 74. approximately, 75. replicate, 76. educational, 77. communicate, 78. immediately

79. pr____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
80. LED-em____ed glass *adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
81. put the ac____t on comfort *n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance
82. artistic exp____on *n.* the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood
83. tr____te the emotion to a movement *v.* to convert or change words into another language
84. em____ed systems *adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something
85. fi____ne financial systems *v.* to make tiny changes or improvements to make it work as well as possible
86. mobile br____nd *n.* a type of high-speed internet connection that provides wide bandwidth for faster data transmission; any communication technology that allows high-speed data transfer

ANSWERS: 79. process, 80. embedded, 81. accent, 82. expression, 83. translate, 84. embedded, 85. fine-tune, 86. broadband

87. a_t view *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
88. in_____ce between gas and liquid *n.* (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things
89. issue a w__t *n.* a written legal order or command
90. th_____gh investigation *adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate
91. imp_____ity of performance *n.* the state or condition of being impossible; something that is not possible or cannot be done
92. natural phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
93. na_____te the Pacific *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
94. 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
95. a fair re_____e *n.* a person who controls the game in some sports by making players follow the rules
96. exp_____tal design *adj.* relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have

ANSWERS: 87. aft, 88. interface, 89. writ, 90. thorough, 91. impossibility, 92. phenomenon, 93. navigate, 94. discuss, 95. referee, 96. experimental

97. im_____er behavior *adj.* not following established conventions or norms for appropriate behavior, manners, or conduct; inappropriate or unsuitable for a particular situation or context
98. exp_____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
99. the sp__e of a book *n.* the series of bones running down the center of the back that protect the spinal cord and support the body; the backbone or vertebral column
100. ba___y noticeable *adv.* just enough; hardly; with great difficulty or effort
101. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
102. ha___ed the incident *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
103. ex_____ge rate *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
104. financial ob_____ve *n.* a goal, aim, or purpose that is intended or sought after; a goal that is based on facts, evidence, or unbiased reasoning rather than personal opinions, feelings, or beliefs; (adjective) of or relating something that is based on facts and not influenced by personal feelings or biases

ANSWERS: 97. improper, 98. experiment, 99. spine, 100. barely, 101. context, 102. handle, 103. exchange, 104. objective

105. an em____nt republic *adj.* starting to exist or view, or to become known
106. three-fourths of a po__d *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
107. thousands of po__ds *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
108. ac____e milestones *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
109. unb____ble beauty *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
110. edu____al system *adj.* relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction
111. br___e a website *v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
112. bo___g work *adj.* lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull
113. tex____ech conversion *adj.* relating to a computer or software system that converts written text into a spoken audio output
114. translate li____ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively

ANSWERS: 105. emergent, 106. pound, 107. pound, 108. achieve, 109. unbelievable, 110. educational, 111. browse, 112. boring, 113. text-to-speech, 114. literally

115. pho_____ph memories *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
116. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
117. a w__t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
118. gr____y annex *n.* a grandmother; an older adult, especially one who is seen as conservative or cautious, often used as a term of affection or familiarity
119. re__t at a high temperature *v.* to take action in response to something
120. permanently ne_____l country *adj.* not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.
121. mo_____le behavior *n.* a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds
122. p__r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
123. cause unb_____ble damage *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
124. ad___e the subtlety of the distinctions *v.* to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
125. irr_____ive of his will *adv.* without taking something into account; regardless of

ANSWERS: 115. photograph, 116. communicate, 117. writ, 118. granny, 119. react, 120. neutral, 121. molecule, 122. peer, 123. unbelievable, 124. admire, 125. irrespective

126. sh___r in fear *v.* to shake or quiver with cold, fear, or excitement; to tremble or vibrate rapidly
127. ex____ge a few friendly words *v.* to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded
128. modern bio_____ogy *n.* the application of technological processes and methods to biological systems to develop new products or techniques, such as genetically modified organisms or biopharmaceuticals
129. st____e financially *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
130. bite his tongue li_____ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
131. meaningless gi_____sh *n.* unintelligible or nonsensical language or speech; meaningless or difficult to comprehend talk or writing
132. p__h district *adj.* elegant, fashionable, or luxurious, often to an excessive or ostentatious degree; associated with the upper classes or a high level of social status
133. ex____it instructions *adj.* stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt

ANSWERS: 126. shiver, 127. exchange, 128. biotechnology, 129. stumble, 130. literally, 131. gibberish, 132. posh, 133. explicit

134. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
135. audit by acc____nt *n.* a person whose job is to keep financial records and accounts for a person or organization
136. a cervical sp__e injury *n.* the series of bones running down the center of the back that protect the spinal cord and support the body; the backbone or vertebral column
137. su____t a plot *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
138. my vo____er work *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
139. tex____ech software *adj.* relating to a computer or software system that converts written text into a spoken audio output
140. 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
141. im____er road use *adj.* not following established conventions or norms for appropriate behavior, manners, or conduct; inappropriate or unsuitable for a particular situation or context
142. st____e through life *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
143. em____nt repair of an aorta *adj.* starting to exist or view, or to become known

ANSWERS: 134. obvious, 135. accountant, 136. spine, 137. suspect, 138. volunteer, 139. text-to-speech, 140. planet, 141. improper, 142. stumble, 143. emergent

144. the morning se_____n *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
145. p__r review *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
146. ent_____lly applauded *adv.* in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval
147. as_____le a jigsaw puzzle *v.* to collect in one place as a single group
148. horse s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
149. app_____ely 3 feet long *adv.* close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time
150. do_____ad files from the Internet *v.* to transfer data or files from the Internet or computer network to a user's computer or device; (noun) the process of transferring data or information from a remote or central computer to a local computer or device
151. plastic d__l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive

ANSWERS: 144. session, 145. peer, 146. enthusiastically, 147. assemble, 148. stud, 149. approximately, 150. download, 151. doll

152. 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
153. bo____g day *adj.* lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull
154. individual ins_____on *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
155. ad____e kids with attitude *v.* to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed
156. br____e through the text *v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
157. as_____le your colleagues *v.* to collect in one place as a single group
158. me_____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
159. provide th_____gh analysis *adj.* done completely; significantly careful and accurate
160. syn_____er bass *n.* an electronic musical instrument that generates audio signals and is used to create a wide range of sounds, from imitations of traditional instruments to entirely new sounds
161. re_____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
162. p__e a smoother road *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

ANSWERS: 152. discuss, 153. boring, 154. instruction, 155. admire, 156. browse, 157. assemble, 158. mention, 159. thorough, 160. synthesizer, 161. relative, 162. pave

163. re-em_____ce of rampant inflation *n.* the process or fact of coming into existence or becoming apparent
164. tr_____le shape *n.* a three-sided polygon with three angles; something that has three sides or parts
165. co_____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
166. def_____ly become a problem *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
167. say def_____ly *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
168. s__m area *n.* a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect
169. gi_____sh language *n.* unintelligible or nonsensical language or speech; meaningless or difficult to comprehend talk or writing
170. de____e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
171. imm_____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
172. bio_____ogy research *n.* the application of technological processes and methods to biological systems to develop new products or techniques, such as genetically modified organisms or biopharmaceuticals
173. re_____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something

ANSWERS: 163. emergence, 164. triangle, 165. conclude, 166. definitely, 167. definitely, 168. slum, 169. gibberish, 170. decide, 171. immediately, 172. biotechnology, 173. replace

174. ru__l accents *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
175. discuss ent_____lly *adv.* in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval
176. rag d__l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
177. 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
178. absolutely fa_____ic event *adj.* extremely good; excellent
179. imp_____ity theorem *n.* the state or condition of being impossible; something that is not possible or cannot be done
180. cir_____nce of injury *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
181. bu___e his way into a high-paying job *v.* to move or act clumsily or awkwardly; to speak or behave in an inept or confused manner
182. wall s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
183. a foreign ac___t *n.* a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance

ANSWERS: 174. rural, 175. enthusiastically, 176. doll, 177. decide, 178. fantastic, 179. impossibility, 180. circumstance, 181. bumble, 182. stud, 183. accent

184. the court se_____n *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
185. 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
186. Wi_____ia article *n.* an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics
187. ha___e a precious object *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
188. im_____e a process *v.* to make or become better
189. rem_____le achievement *adj.* worthy of attention because unusual or special
190. im_____e the test score *v.* to make or become better
191. series of exp_____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
192. ma__h east *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
193. a ge_____c disorder *adj.* of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
194. mu_____ly about hundredfold *v.* to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity

ANSWERS: 184. session, 185. develop, 186. Wikipedia, 187. handle, 188. improve, 189. remarkable, 190. improve, 191. experiment, 192. march, 193. genetic, 194. multiply

195. people in ru__l areas *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
196. gin_____ad latte *n.* a type of cake or cookie that is made with ginger, molasses, and other spices and is often decorated with icing or candy; architectural details or moldings that are reminiscent of gingerbread decorations
197. si__t reading *adj.* without any or little sound
198. gin_____ad house *n.* a type of cake or cookie that is made with ginger, molasses, and other spices and is often decorated with icing or candy; architectural details or moldings that are reminiscent of gingerbread decorations
199. chalk on a bla_____rd *n.* a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk
200. re__t against his way of thinking *v.* to take action in response to something
201. legal me____or *n.* a person who acts as an impartial third party to resolve a dispute or disagreement between two or more parties
202. historical phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
203. the user in_____ce *n.* (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things

ANSWERS: 195. rural, 196. gingerbread, 197. silent, 198. gingerbread, 199. blackboard, 200. react, 201. mediator, 202. phenomenon, 203. interface

204. fiber-optic br_____nd *n.* a type of high-speed internet connection that provides wide bandwidth for faster data transmission; any communication technology that allows high-speed data transfer
205. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
206. acc_____nt report *n.* a person whose job is to keep financial records and accounts for a person or organization
207. a structural b__m of a building *n.* a long, sturdy piece of timber, metal, or other material used to support a structure or span a distance; a ray or stream of light emitted by a source
208. fi_____ne the engine *v.* to make tiny changes or improvements to make it work as well as possible
209. an ir____c turn of events *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
210. music syn_____er *n.* an electronic musical instrument that generates audio signals and is used to create a wide range of sounds, from imitations of traditional instruments to entirely new sounds
211. a remote re_____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
212. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

ANSWERS: 204. broadband, 205. obvious, 206. accountant, 207. beam, 208. fine-tune, 209. ironic, 210. synthesizer, 211. relative, 212. context

213. bu___e through his speeches *v.* to move or act clumsily or awkwardly; to speak or behave in an inept or confused manner
214. Wi_____ia entry *n.* an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics
215. tre_____us popularity *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
216. e__t a history book *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
217. excite the ne___ns *n.* a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body
218. pho_____ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
219. surgical int_____ion *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
220. na_____te through a document *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
221. exp_____on of interest *n.* the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood

ANSWERS: 213. bumble, 214. Wikipedia, 215. tremendous, 216. edit, 217. neuron, 218. photograph, 219. intervention, 220. navigate, 221. expression

222. int_____ion by foreign powers

n. the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so

ANSWERS: 222. intervention

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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
2. Seeing _____ smiling face whenever I visit her is always a treat.
n. a grandmother; an older adult, especially one who is seen as conservative or cautious, often used as a term of affection or familiarity
3. The government needs to invest more in affordable housing options to reduce the number of people living in _____.
n. a heavily populated urban area characterized by poor, run-down housing and infrastructure, often associated with poverty and social neglect
4. We _____ in a souvenir shop.
v. to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
5. The _____ feature on my phone helps me multitask while on the go.
adj. relating to a computer or software system that converts written text into a spoken audio output
6. The associate _____ carefully reviewed the company's financial records.
n. a person whose job is to keep financial records and accounts for a person or organization
7. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
adj. easy to see, discover or understand

ANSWERS: 1. aft, 2. granny's, 3. slums, 4. browsed, 5. text-to-speech, 6. accountant, 7. obvious

8. A rainbow is a natural _____.
- n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
9. That adventurer traveled in _____ of buried treasure.
- n.* a long or challenging search for something
10. According to the laws of physics, an event happening before its cause is a logical _____.
- n.* the state or condition of being impossible; something that is not possible or cannot be done
11. We want to _____ ties between our two countries.
- v.* to make or become better
12. The teachers make full use of _____ assistance.
- n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
13. The movie had an _____ sex scene that some viewers might find offensive.
- adj.* stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt
14. The troops _____ shoulder-to-shoulder.
- v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
15. We _____ a cease-fire.
- v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
16. The rabbit _____ over the fence.
- v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

ANSWERS: 8. phenomenon, 9. quest, 10. impossibility, 11. improve, 12. volunteer, 13. explicit, 14. marched, 15. concluded, 16. hopped

17. The politician remained _____ despite intense media scrutiny.

adj. without any or little sound

18. He drinks an _____ amount of beer.

adj. beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising

19. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.

adv. now or without delay

20. The _____ legends of King Arthur and the knights of the Round Table are popular literary motifs.

adj. relating to king Arthur and the tales and legends associated with him

21. She has a thick southern _____.

n. a distinctive way of pronouncing the words of a language that shows which area, country, or social group a person comes from; particular importance or significance

22. 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

23. Their company has been in business for a short time but has _____ goals.

adj. having a great desire to attain achievement, power, or wealth

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

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

ANSWERS: 17. silent, 18. unbelievable, 19. immediately, 20. Arthurian, 21. accent, 22. achieve, 23. ambitious, 24. forth

25. The experiment was _____ several times to ensure accuracy.
- v. to make an exact copy of something; to repeat a process or experiment to confirm the results
26. I need to _____ this document before submitting it to my boss.
- v. to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
27. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.
- v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
28. The cops _____ him of being the killer.
- v. to consider anything to be actual or probable
29. The _____ primary task was to help the two countries resolve their differences and peacefully resolve the conflict.
- n. a person who acts as an impartial third party to resolve a dispute or disagreement between two or more parties
30. Understanding protein folding is a vital step in deciphering the _____ code.
- adj. of or relating to genes (= parts of the DNA in cells) or the science of genes
31. Extensive areas of _____ plants are usually called marsh.
- adj. starting to exist or view, or to become known
32. My sister and I frequently _____ books, as we love reading.
- v. to give something and receive something else in return, often with the implication that the items being traded are of equal or comparable value; (noun) the act of giving or taking something in return for something else; a place or system where goods or services can be bought, sold, or traded

ANSWERS: 25. replicated, 26. edit, 27. communicate, 28. suspected, 29. mediator's, 30. genetic, 31. emergent, 32. exchange

33. Many _____ areas are still impoverished.

adj. of or relating to the countryside

34. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.

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

35. The shape of the DNA _____ is a double helix.

n. a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds

36. This _____ does not require the patient's consent.

n. the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so

37. We had a _____ time yesterday.

adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

38. The organizational _____ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

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

39. The government should not try to _____ the economy excessively based on a short-term prediction.

v. to make tiny changes or improvements to make it work as well as possible

40. The CEO's office was decorated in a _____ and elegant style.

adj. elegant, fashionable, or luxurious, often to an excessive or ostentatious degree; associated with the upper classes or a high level of social status

ANSWERS: 33. rural, 34. context, 35. molecule, 36. intervention, 37. tremendous, 38. structure, 39. fine-tune, 40. posh

41. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
- n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
42. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.
- v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
43. The _____ purpose of this meeting is to discuss the new budget for the project.
- adj.* only one of its kind; being the only existing or available one; (noun) the undersurface of a person's foot
44. Parliament is now in _____.
- n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
45. She tends to _____ through her work, making careless errors along the way.
- v.* to move or act clumsily or awkwardly; to speak or behave in an inept or confused manner
46. The electronic _____ created a range of unique sounds for the music.
- n.* an electronic musical instrument that generates audio signals and is used to create a wide range of sounds, from imitations of traditional instruments to entirely new sounds
47. Our knowledge helps _____ our clients successfully.
- v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

ANSWERS: 41. process, 42. mentioned, 43. sole, 44. session, 45. bumble, 46. synthesizer, 47. navigate

48. Among young people, _____ pressure can be pretty influential.

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

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

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

50. I found an old _____ of my grandparents from their wedding day.

n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

51. The election was a _____ success for the Whigs.

adj. worthy of attention because unusual or special

52. I need to _____ the latest update for my computer's operating system.

v. to transfer data or files from the Internet or computer network to a user's computer or device; (noun) the process of transferring data or information from a remote or central computer to a local computer or device

53. The study participants _____ participated in the discussion, showing genuine interest.

adv. in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval

54. I _____ in the cold winter air as I wait for the train.

v. to shake or quiver with cold, fear, or excitement; to tremble or vibrate rapidly

55. He _____ jumped out of his chair when he heard the news.

adv. in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively

ANSWERS: 48. peer, 49. claim, 50. photograph, 51. remarkable, 52. download, 53. enthusiastically, 54. shiver, 55. literally

56. 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
57. A legislative speaker should always be _____.
- adj.* not helping or assisting either side in a conflict, argument, etc.
58. He spoke in _____ and no one could understand what he was trying to say.
- n.* unintelligible or nonsensical language or speech; meaningless or difficult to comprehend talk or writing
59. The _____ of a new virus can cause concern for public health.
- n.* the process or fact of coming into existence or becoming apparent
60. I _____ made it to the meeting on time, rushing from another appointment across town.
- adv.* just enough; hardly; with great difficulty or effort
61. She explained the _____ surrounding the accident.
- n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
62. The teacher asked me to rub out the _____.
- n.* a large board made of a smooth, usually dark-colored slate attached to a wall used by teachers in schools for writing on with chalk
63. The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred _____.
- n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

ANSWERS: 56. discuss, 57. neutral, 58. gibberish, 59. emergence, 60. barely, 61. circumstances, 62. blackboard, 63. pounds

64. The _____ blew his whistle.

n. a person who controls the game in some sports by making players follow the rules

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

n. a written legal order or command

66. Not all teachers accept citing _____ as a valid source for academic papers.

n. an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics

67. The patient suffered complications due to _____ dosage of medication

adj. not following established conventions or norms for appropriate behavior, manners, or conduct; inappropriate or unsuitable for a particular situation or context

68. We all should learn how to _____ stress.

v. to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

69. She has a minor curved _____ due to desk work for many years.

n. the series of bones running down the center of the back that protect the spinal cord and support the body; the backbone or vertebral column

70. Our company hires _____ of national origin.

adv. without taking something into account; regardless of

71. How did he _____ to your idea?

v. to take action in response to something

ANSWERS: 64. referee, 65. writ, 66. Wikipedia, 67. improper, 68. handle, 69. spine, 70. irrespective, 71. react

72. The lecture was so _____ that many people fell asleep.

adj. lacking interest or excitement; tedious or dull

73. The physician is reading the _____ related to medicine

n. a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession

74. The antique _____ was worth thousands of dollars.

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

75. A _____ brushing helps to keep your mouth fresh.

adj. done completely; significantly careful and accurate

76. She _____ over the tree root.

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

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

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

78. The museum offers a variety of _____ programs for children and adults.

adj. relating to education or providing knowledge or instruction

79. The sun's _____ shone through the window and illuminated the room.

n. a long, sturdy piece of timber, metal, or other material used to support a structure or span a distance; a ray or stream of light emitted by a source

ANSWERS: 72. boring, 73. journals, 74. doll, 75. thorough, 76. stumbled, 77. arithmetic, 78. educational, 79. beam

80. This trail takes _____ 2.5 hours.

adv. close to a specific number or time but not exactly that number or time

81. _____ the text from Italian into English.

v. to convert or change words into another language

82. He deals _____ with his employees.

adv. to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner

83. The study's main _____ is to identify risk factors for heart disease.

n. a goal, aim, or purpose that is intended or sought after; a goal that is based on facts, evidence, or unbiased reasoning rather than personal opinions, feelings, or beliefs; (adjective) of or relating something that is based on facts and not influenced by personal feelings or biases

84. _____ a number by itself twice.

v. to add a number to itself a specified number of times; to increase or cause to increase very much in number or quantity

85. We all _____ him because he is a nobleman.

v. to have regard for or respect for someone's qualities or the actions they have performed

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

v. to take the place of something

87. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.

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

ANSWERS: 80. approximately, 81. Translate, 82. fairly, 83. objective, 84. Multiply, 85. admire, 86. replace, 87. planet

88. They needed further _____ to perform their duties efficiently.
n. detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
89. 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
90. He conducts a _____ workout routine to stay in shape.
adj. characterized by energy or intensity; physically strong and healthy; robust and enthusiastic in action or thought
91. The president began to _____ an army.
v. to collect in one place as a single group
92. They _____ the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.
v. to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
93. He bought a new _____ to attach the strap to his watch.
n. a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
94. 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: 88. instruction, 89. environment, 90. vigorous, 91. assemble, 92. paved, 93. stud, 94. develop

95. The doctor diagnosed him with a rare _____ that had no known cure.
n. a disorder or illness that affects the body or mind, often characterized by specific symptoms or abnormal functioning of organs or systems
96. Advancements in _____ have revolutionized medicine and agriculture.
n. the application of technological processes and methods to biological systems to develop new products or techniques, such as genetically modified organisms or biopharmaceuticals
97. Our body transfers information along each _____ using an electrical impulse.
n. a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body
98. The _____ chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.
adj. fixed firmly into the surface of something
99. The new amusement park ride was _____ with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.
adj. extremely good; excellent
100. She vividly _____ getting laid off several years ago.
v. to remember something
101. Detergent weakens the surface tension at the _____ of two liquids.
n. (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things
102. His _____ showed highly positive results.
n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

ANSWERS: 95. disease, 96. biotechnology, 97. neuron, 98. embedded, 99. fantastic, 100. recalls, 101. interface, 102. experiments

103. The paper is _____ worth reading thoroughly.

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

104. I need to upgrade my Internet plan to get faster _____ speeds.

n. a type of high-speed internet connection that provides wide bandwidth for faster data transmission; any communication technology that allows high-speed data transfer

105. His facial _____ showed a mix of surprise and confusion.

n. the act of conveying thoughts, feelings, or ideas using words, facial expressions, body language, or art; a look or gesture that conveys a particular emotion or mood

106. The product is still in the _____ stage.

adj. relating to or based on new ideas, forms, methods, etc. that have not been tried before, usually to find out what effect they have

107. It was _____ that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.

adj. using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect

108. The Pythagorean theorem is used to calculate the length of the sides of a right _____.

n. a three-sided polygon with three angles; something that has three sides or parts

109. The children had fun making _____ cookies for the holidays.

n. a type of cake or cookie that is made with ginger, molasses, and other spices and is often decorated with icing or candy; architectural details or moldings that are reminiscent of gingerbread decorations

ANSWERS: 103. definitely, 104. broadband, 105. expression, 106. experimental, 107. ironic, 108. triangle, 109. gingerbread

110. 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

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

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

ANSWERS: 110. decide, 111. relatives