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Session 1: Word List

autism

n. a developmental disorder characterized by difficulties in social interaction, verbal and nonverbal communication

(1) high-functioning **autism**, (2) **autism** spectrum disorder

There is no cure for **autism**, but early intervention and therapy can improve outcomes for individuals with the condition.

continuum

n. a series of similar items in which no part or portion is distinct or distinguishable from adjacent parts

synonym: continuation, continuity

(1) a space-time **continuum**, (2) the **continuum** of events

Our life is a **continuum** of experience in which events pass from the future through the present to the past.

severe

adj. extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous

synonym: harsh, relentless, powerful

(1) **severe** heat, (2) a **severe** case of pneumonia

The senator received **severe** criticism from his opponent.

remains

n. the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal

synonym : leftovers, debris, relic

(1) **remains** of a building, (2) human **remains**

The **remains** of the ancient civilization can still be seen in the city's ruins.

nonverbal

adj. not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language

synonym : silent, mute, unspoken

(1) **nonverbal** communication, (2) **nonverbal** signal

Many communication skills rely on **nonverbal** cues such as body language and facial expressions.

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

synonym : luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance

The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

engineer

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

synonym : architect, creator, builder

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

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

genetics

n. the branch of biology that studies genes, genetic variation, and heredity in organisms

(1) the science of **genetics**, (2) **genetics** discrimination

He is a specialist in the **genetics** of aging.

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.

nerd

n. a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.

synonym : geek, techie, wonk

(1) a computer **nerd**, (2) **nerd** neck

He was, by nature, a cyber **nerd**.

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.

diagnose

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

synonym : identify, analyze, interpret

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

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

spectrum

n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

synonym : range, scale, spread

(1) a broad **spectrum** of opinion, (2) infrared **spectrum**

This device displayed the speech **spectrum** spectrographically.

invention

n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

synonym : creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

verbal

adj. expressed in spoken rather than written words

synonym : speaking, lingual, oral

(1) **verbal** communication, (2) **verbal** abuse

The candidate must have excellent **verbal** skills.

attend

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

synonym: go, be present, accompany

(1) **attend** a meeting, (2) **attend** service

We must **attend** to this matter.

norm

n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

synonym: criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

brain

n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

synonym: intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage

X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

ignore

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

synonym: neglect, disregard, shun

(1) **ignore** her advice, (2) **ignore** a ban

Since independence, the area has been completely **ignored**.

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.

abstract

adj. based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence

synonym: conceptual, theoretical, ideational

(1) an **abstract** noun, (2) **abstract** science

The invention of the camera triggered the development of **abstract** painting.

hands-on

adj. actively involved, practical; having hands involved in the doing or making of something

synonym: practical, involved, hands-in

(1) **hands-on** activity, (2) take a **hands-on** approach

The **hands-on** workshop allowed attendees to work with tools and materials, developing their skills in a hands-on environment.

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.

excel

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

synonym: outdo, shine, surpass

(1) **excel** in description, (2) **excel** at communication

The company **excels** in customer service.

cattle

n. cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals

synonym: cows, herd, oxen

(1) **cattle** barn, (2) **cattle** hide

The **cattle** are on the grassland and grazing.

balk

v. to hesitate or stop abruptly before completing an action, often due to fear, uncertainty, or opposition; to refuse to comply with or agree to something

synonym: hesitate, recoil, shy away

(1) **balk** at extra work, (2) **balk** in fear

After her first attempt to bake a cake failed, she didn't **balk** at

trying again.

veterinary

adj. related to or involved in the practice of caring for animals, particularly in a medical or health-related context

synonym : animal, zoological

(1) **veterinary** services, (2) **veterinary** medicine

The **veterinary** clinic specializes in treating exotic animals.

facility

n. a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry

synonym : building, structure, installation

(1) a cell phone with an internet **facility**, (2) **facility** design

This company has an entire recycling **facility**, including major reprocessing plants.

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.

contrast

v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences

synonym : differ, vary, counterpoint

(1) **contrast** with a decade ago, (2) **contrast** two things

It's intriguing to compare and **contrast** the two authors.

chute

n. a steep, narrow slide or passage, often used for moving objects or people quickly and safely from a higher to a lower level; a channel or pathway that guides the flow of material, usually in a controlled manner

synonym : slide, ramp

(1) garbage **chute**, (2) escape **chute**

The laundry **chute** in the apartment building allows residents

to drop their dirty clothes into the laundry room easily.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym : insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme

The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

fence

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

synonym : barrier, wall, hedge

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

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

shadow

n. a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner

synonym : shade, silhouette, outline

(1) **shadow** cast, (2) **shadow** puppetry

The tree cast a **shadow** over the picnic area, providing relief from the sun.

hose

n. a flexible tube or pipe used to convey fluids, typically water or air; to spray someone or something with water or another liquid in a forceful manner

synonym : tube, pipe, conduit

(1) garden **hose**, (2) **hose** bumper

The firefighter grabbed the **hose** and aimed it at the burning building to extinguish the fire.

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.

duplicate

v. to make or be an exact copy of something; to reproduce something

synonym: copy, replicate, reproduce

(1) **duplicate** my efforts, (2) **duplicate** his action
I need to **duplicate** this document before I send it.

geek

n. a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed

synonym: nerd, dork, enthusiast

(1) airplane **geek**, (2) **geek** enthusiast
He was a computer **geek** and spent all his free time coding.

drawing

n. the act of making a picture with a pencil, pen, or other instruments on paper, cardboard, or other material

synonym: sketch, depiction, illustration

(1) technical **drawing**, (2) **drawing** for design
She is talented at **drawing** and has won several awards for her artwork.

temple

n. a place of worship, especially one that is associated with a particular religion or faith; the flat area on either side of the forehead

synonym: shrine, mosque, synagogue

(1) **temple** complex, (2) a tour guide at the **temple**
He visited the **temple** to pray and make offerings to the gods.

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.

shock

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

synonym: amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**

He got an electric **shock** at work.

church

n. a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination

synonym: chapel, cathedral, synagogue

(1) **church** bell, (2) small **church**

The **church** on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.

steeple

n. a tall, often pointed structure, typically found on top of a church or other building and often serves as a landmark

synonym: spire, tower, belfry

(1) lower case **steeple**, (2) **steeple** silhouette

The church's **steeple** reached high into the sky, making it a prominent landmark in the town.

generalize

v. to make something, such as a theory, idea, etc., more widespread or widely applicable based on what is true in some cases

synonym: conclude, derive, extrapolate

(1) **generalize** Kepler's first law, (2) **generalize** sophisticatedly

It's dangerous to **generalize** about people.

generic

adj. not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product

synonym: common, ordinary, typical

(1) a **generic** product, (2) **generic** version

The **generic** aspirin brand was just as effective as the name brand but much cheaper.

specific

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

synonym : particular, definite, distinct

(1) **specific** instructions, (2) industry- **specific** regulations

The scientist conducted a study that provided **specific** details about the species' behavior.

flash

n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness

synonym : sparkle, gleam, glimmer

(1) a **flash** of lightning, (2) brilliant **flash**

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

bunch

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

synonym : group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls

One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym : fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

childhood

n. the state or time of being a child

synonym : youth, infancy, adolescence

(1) since **childhood**, (2) **childhood** development

He had fond memories of his **childhood** spent playing in the park with his friends.

fort

n. a military structure designed to be defended from attack

synonym : stronghold, bastion, fortress

(1) an isolated **fort**, (2) **fort** gate

The stone **fort** was built to protect the city from invading forces.

thunderstorm

n. a storm with lightning and thunder, typically with heavy rain and strong gusts of wind

synonym: tempest, lightning storm, deluge

(1) severe **thunderstorms**, (2) **thunderstorm** advisory

The forecast called for a chance of **thunderstorms** in the afternoon.

visual

adj. relating to seeing or sight

synonym: optical, graphical, visible

(1) **visual** navigation, (2) field of **visual** arts

The building makes a remarkable **visual** impact.

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.

asset

n. something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property

synonym: aid, resource, equity

(1) frozen **assets**, (2) liquid **assets** of the company

A sense of humor is an invaluable **asset** in this job.

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.

improvisation

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

synonym: spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

slaughter

n. the killing of a large number of animals or people brutally and indiscriminately; a violent and bloody event that results in the death of many individuals

synonym : thrashing, massacre, carnage

(1) **slaughter** of animals, (2) senseless **slaughter**

The **slaughter** of endangered animals must be stopped.

slide

v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

synonym : glide, drift, drop

(1) **slide** a card across the table, (2) **slide** a glance

If necessary, you can **slide** the front seats forward.

equip

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

synonym : prepare, furnish, provide

(1) **equip** an army, (2) **equip** our children with some special skills

The construction company **equipped** the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

virtual

adj. being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

synonym : practical

(1) a **virtual** image, (2) trading of **virtual** currencies

She is the **virtual** president of the company.

aerial

n. a type of acrobatics or gymnastics performed while suspended from hanging fabric or rings; a pass or shot in sports (particularly in soccer or volleyball) that is made while the player is in the air

synonym : antenna, skywire, transmitter

(1) **aerial** antenna, (2) **aerial** photography

The **aerial** view from the airplane showed the beautiful landscape below.

recreation

n. the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place

synonym : amusement, entertainment, refreshment

(1) outdoor **recreation**, (2) **recreation** of the homeland
Basketball is their usual **recreation** after school.

silicon

n. a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

(1) **silicon** wafer, (2) crystalline **silicon**

Silicon is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.

valley

n. a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

synonym : canyon, gorge, dale

(1) **valley** bottom, (2) basin-shaped **valley**

The **valley** had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

belong

v. to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

synonym : fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group
All the books in this section **belong** to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

livestock

n. farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens

synonym : cattle, oxen, herd

(1) **livestock** agriculture, (2) **livestock** industry
Livestock feed is made from fodder crops.

merchandise

n. goods or products that are available for sale, especially those that are part of a company's stock or inventory; anything that is marketed or sold to customers as a commodity or product

synonym : product, commodity, stock

(1) **merchandise** display, (2) online **merchandise**

The store sells various **merchandise**, including clothes, electronics, and home goods.

grade

n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

synonym : score, rate, degree

(1) boys in the twelfth **grade**, (2) students at all **grade** levels

Departments may set requirements for a higher **grade** point average.

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.

emphasize

v. to give or show particular importance to something

synonym : highlight, accentuate, stress

(1) **emphasize** her words, (2) **emphasize** a direct relationship

Use italics or capitals to **emphasize** a word in a piece of writing.

scan

v. to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

synonym : look over, scrutinize, browse

(1) **scan** the face of the man, (2) **scan** a document into PDF

She stood on the podium and **scanned** an audience.

gigantic

adj. extremely large

synonym : huge, enormous, immense

(1) **gigantic** proportions, (2) **gigantic** monsters

He was so hungry from the long journey that he had a **gigantic** appetite.

trunk

n. the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
synonym: body, chest, torso

(1) the **trunk** of the tree, (2) the **trunk** of the body

Destructive fungi thrive in moist environments, such as those seen in wounds on the **trunk**.

cortex

n. the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain

(1) **cortex** cells, (2) visual **cortex** neuron

The cerebral **cortex** consists of six layers.

tensor

n. (of anatomy) a muscle that causes a part of the body to become tense or tight, thereby exerting a pulling or stretching force; (of physics) a mathematical object or vector that describes the direction and intensity of a physical force or quantity in a multi-dimensional space

synonym: tendon, sinew, muscle

(1) **tensor** fasciae latae, (2) **tensor** calculus

The **tensor** muscle helps in controlling the movement of the vocal cords.

primary

adj. first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle

synonym: chief, main, fundamental

(1) **primary** school, (2) **primary** education

The **primary** cause of the accident was due to the icy road conditions.

specialize

v. to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business

synonym: narrow down, particularize

(1) **specialize** in child care, (2) **specialize** in market

research

The restaurant has chefs who **specialize** in beef.

algebra

n. a type of mathematics in which signs and letters represent numbers

synonym : calculus

(1) **algebra** calculation, (2) strong in **algebra**

His classmates were laboring with advanced **algebra**.

geometry

n. the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces

(1) Euclidean **geometry**, (2) spherical **geometry**

The mathematician pioneered fractal **geometry**.

skip

v. to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

synonym : bounce, spring, neglect

(1) **skip** across the country, (2) **skip** breakfast

We **skipped** the topic because it was too complicated.

pray

v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request

synonym : implore, supplicate, entreat

(1) **pray** devoutly, (2) **pray** for rain

She closed her eyes and **prayed** for strength to overcome difficult times.

mantis

n. a type of predatory insect known for its distinctive front legs that are bent in a way that resembles a praying posture

synonym : insect, predator, bug

(1) **mantis** predator, (2) narrow-winged **mantis**

The praying **mantis** was an exciting subject for the biology class.

scotch

- v.* to put an end to or stop something from happening or continuing; to prevent, hinder or restrain something or someone from doing or achieving something; (noun, Scotch) things or people from Scotland, which is a country located in the United Kingdom

synonym: halt, stop, block

- (1) **scotch** any further debate, (2) **scotch** the deal

I need to **scotch** these rumors before they spread any further.

tap

- v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

synonym: knock, exploit, use

- (1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger

To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.

background

- n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

synonym: ground, experience, backdrop

- (1) a **background** color, (2) a criminal **background**

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's **background**.

folding

- adj.* capable of being folded or bent; having one or more sections that can be folded or collapsed for easier storage or transportation

synonym: foldable, collapsible, bendable

- (1) **folding** knife, (2) **folding** table

The **folding** chairs were easy to set up and take down for the event.

realistic

- adj.* having or showing a sensible and practical idea that is possible to achieve

synonym: practical, pragmatic, down-to-earth

- (1) a **realistic** goal, (2) a **realistic** goal

That story was so **realistic**, and it was scary.

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**.

dyslexia

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

synonym: reading disability, word blindness, dysgraphia

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

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

sensory

adj. of or relating to the physical senses

synonym: receptive, sensuous, neural

(1) a **sensory** organ, (2) a child with **sensory** issues

Sharks have highly developed **sensory** systems and are extremely sensitive creatures.

gadget

n. a small tool or device that is useful for a particular job

synonym: appliance, gimmick, device

(1) a handy **gadget**, (2) time-saving **gadget**

I found the kitchen **gadget** that will serve as a bottle opener in the store.

beforehand

adv. ahead of time; in advance

synonym: in advance, preceding, earlier

(1) take a seat **beforehand**, (2) three months **beforehand**

She packed her sunscreen **beforehand** to remember it on

the beach trip.

chin

n. the lowermost part of a person's face, below the mouth and above the neck

synonym: jaw, mandible, mentum

(1) a jutting **chin**, (2) **chin** rest

He scraped his **chin** when he fell off his bike.

bother

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

synonym: annoy, pester, irritate

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

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

fluorescent

adj. emitting or reflecting vibrant and vivid light, especially under ultraviolet light; describing a type of lamp or bulb that produces such light

synonym: luminescent, phosphorescent, radiant

(1) **fluorescent** bulb, (2) **fluorescent** material

The office installed new **fluorescent** lighting to save energy.

sensitivity

n. the ability to perceive or respond to subtle differences or changes; the ability to understand and respond to the needs and feelings of others

synonym: alertness, attentiveness, sympathy

(1) **sensitivity** analysis, (2) become full of **sensitivity**

The instrument has a high **sensitivity** to temperature changes.

variable

adj. likely to change or vary often; (noun) a symbol, like x or y, that is used in mathematical or logical expressions to represent a value that may be changed

synonym: erratic, inconsistent, irregular

(1) a **variable** species, (2) a dependent **variable**

Rainfall in the tropics is highly **variable**.

insight

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

synonym: wisdom, discernment, understanding

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

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

hydrant

n. a pipe with a valve and spout, usually located on streets and used for drawing water, especially for firefighting purposes

synonym: fireplug, tap, spigot

(1) **hydrant** valve, (2) fire **hydrant**

The residents reported a leaky **hydrant** in their community, prompting the city to dispatch a maintenance crew

foe

n. an enemy or opponent; someone or something that is opposed to or in conflict with another

synonym: enemy, adversary, opponent

(1) a political **foe**, (2) bitter **foe**

The superhero's arch- **foe** was an evil mastermind who always got away.

mate

n. a person's partner in marriage or romantic relationship; an animal's sexual partner; a peer or friend; (of the game of chess) checkmate, which is the winning condition of the game

synonym: companion, partner, spouse

(1) smoking **mate**, (2) dog-loving **mate**

I need to find a **mate** for my female guinea pig so she doesn't get lonely.

abuse

n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner

synonym: misuse, misconduct, vilification

(1) the problem of drug **abuse**, (2) victim of sexual **abuse**

Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for **abuse** of authority.

rider

n. a clause, amendment, or stipulation added to a legal document or bill; a person who rides on or operates a vehicle or animal; a person who travels a specified distance on horseback to deliver a message

synonym: passenger, commuter, traveler

(1) a motorcycle **rider**, (2) **rider** to a bill

The horse **rider** won first place in the equestrian competition.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym: completely, utterly, definitely

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

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

veterinarian

n. (formal for a vet) a medical professional who specializes in the care and treatment of animals, especially those that are domesticated or kept as pets

synonym: vet, animal doctor, pet doctor

(1) **veterinarian** clinic, (2) experienced **veterinarian**

I took my pet to the **veterinarian** for a routine check-up.

troubleshoot

v. to identify and solve problems or difficulties, particularly in mechanical or technical systems or situations

synonym: diagnose, fix, repair

(1) **troubleshoot** network issues, (2) **troubleshoot** software problems

I need to **troubleshoot** why my computer keeps freezing.

categorize

v. to put people or things into groups according to their features, types, etc.

synonym: classify, pigeonhole, sort

(1) **categorize** the image, (2) **categorize** the cause of failure

The biologist **categorized** the viruses into four groups.

difficulty

n. a condition or state that causes problems

synonym: hardship, complication, problem

(1) the degree of **difficulty**, (2) **difficulty** in breathing
He has **difficulty** exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.

flier *n.* (also "flyer") a person who travels by air or an airplane passenger; a leaflet or pamphlet designed to be handed out or posted to provide information or advertise something

synonym: aeronaut, pamphlet, handbill

(1) seasoned **flier**, (2) promotional **flier**

As a frequent **flier**, I accumulate a lot of miles that I use for vacation trips.

observation *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone

synonym: watching, notice, reflection

(1) class **observation** day, (2) **observation** instrument

In the hospital, she will remain under constant **observation**.

fatal *adj.* causing or resulting in death; lethal

synonym: deadly, lethal, mortal

(1) **fatal** accident, (2) make a **fatal** mistake

The car crash was **fatal**, and the driver died on impact.

wreck *n.* a ship that has sunk or has been destroyed; a vehicle that has been badly damaged in an accident

synonym: collapse, destruction, devastation

(1) the house was a **wreck**, (2) a worthless **wreck**

The divers accidentally discovered a **wreck** on the ocean floor.

steer *v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone

synonym: guide, direct, control

(1) **steer** a steady course, (2) **steer** a conversation

The captain told him to **steer** the ship north.

purity

n. the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature

synonym : sinlessness, innocence, cleanliness

(1) the degree of **purity**, (2) high **purity**

Higher **purity** requires additional equipment and energy.

pilot

n. a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water

synonym : aviator, flyer, chief

(1) a test **pilot**, (2) **pilot** production

The **pilot** exercised great care in landing.

puzzle

n. a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand

synonym : plight, maze, (verb) perplex

(1) crossword **puzzle**, (2) mathematical **puzzle**

This jigsaw **puzzle** is challenging because there are no pictures.

cowboy

n. a man, typically one on horseback, who herds and tends cattle, especially in the western US; a person who behaves roughly or recklessly, typically a man; a skilled ranch worker who is adept at many tasks, especially those involving horses and cattle

synonym : cowpuncher, rancher, wrangler

(1) **cowboy** rodeo, (2) **cowboy** boots

The **cowboy** hat she wore added to her rugged and tough look.

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.

geeky

adj. characterized by an intense interest or expertise in a particular subject or hobby, sometimes to the detriment of social skills or other interests

synonym : nerdy, dorky

(1) **geeky** gadgets, (2) **geeky** interests

He had a **geeky** sense of humor and loved to make puns.

goofy

adj. silly or foolish

synonym : silly, crazy, dopey

(1) wore a **goofy** hat, (2) with a **goofy** expression

He made a **goofy** face as he recalled this morning's events.

optical

adj. of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light

synonym : visual, ocular

(1) new **optical** glasses, (2) **optical** fiber

The **optical** illusion made it appear like the building was floating in midair.

illusion

n. a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation

synonym : delusion, fallacy, magic trick

(1) optical **illusion**, (2) the **illusion** of being in the forest

He could no longer tell the difference between **illusion** and reality.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym : specialized, technical

(1) **technological** advancement, (2) **technological** policy

Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

cognitive

adj. of or relating to mental processes of understanding
synonym : perceivable, mind, mental

(1) improve **cognitive** function, (2) research on **cognitive** psychology

His **cognitive** faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.

circuit

n. (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area

synonym : route, course, rotation

(1) **circuit** breaker, (2) federal **circuit** courts

An intelligent battery has a voltage monitoring **circuit**.

trade-off

n. a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise

synonym : compromise, balance, exchange

(1) **trade-off** problem, (2) environmental **trade-off**

There was a **trade-off** between speed and accuracy in the task.

miller

n. a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill

synonym : grinder, pulverizer, crusher

(1) **miller** flour, (2) water **miller**

The **miller's** work was a vital component of the local economy, providing flour to the bakeries and farmers in the area.

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.

Alzheimer

n. a neurodegenerative disease that causes memory loss, cognitive decline, and behavioral issues; is the most common cause of dementia in older adults

synonym : dementia, memory loss, cognitive decline

(1) **Alzheimer's** brain, (2) **Alzheimer's** risk factors

My grandmother has **Alzheimer's** disease requires special care and attention from her caregivers.

patient

n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

synonym : client, recipient, subject

(1) **patient** in the hospital, (2) **patient** with weight loss

The doctor carefully examined the **patient's** medical history.

frontal

adj. relating to the front; situated at or directed towards the front; frontal can also refer to a meteorological term for a weather system that is moving from west to east

synonym : anterior, fore, forward

(1) **frontal** assault, (2) **frontal** attack

He suffered a severe **frontal** collision in the car accident.

temporal

adj. of or relating to time as opposed to eternity

synonym : transient, fleeting, temporary

(1) a **temporal** restriction, (2) **temporal** history

The **temporal** nature of the universe is a subject of much debate among scientists.

lobe

n. a rounded projection or division, especially of the brain, lung, or liver

synonym : part, section, division

(1) **lobe** of the liver, (2) frontal **lobe**

The lungs are divided into five **lobes**.

dementia

n. a severe decline in cognitive function, especially memory, as a result of disease or injury

synonym : cognitive decline, memory loss, Alzheimer's disease
(1) **dementia** patients, (2) probably have **dementia**
The study found that regular exercise can help to prevent the onset of **dementia** in older age.

artwork

n. the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.

synonym : painting, picture, graphics

(1) ancient **artwork**, (2) **artwork** conservation

Videos documenting the process of creating this pencil **artwork** have been popular worldwide.

install

v. to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position

synonym : establish, inaugurate, lodge

(1) **install** a door, (2) **install** a chairperson

The new president was **installed** immediately after the national election.

physics

n. the science of matter and energy and their interactions

(1) nuclear **physics**, (2) laws of **physics**

He studied the **physics** of radiation.

eddy

n. a circular current of water or air that flows in the opposite direction to the main current, causing a small whirlpool; a current of opinion, activity, or trend that goes against the main current

synonym : whirlpool, vortex, swirl

(1) **eddy** of water, (2) **eddy** of leaves

Unfortunately, the swirling **eddy** in the river made it difficult to swim.

statistics

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

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

turbulence

n. a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often accompanied by violent or disruptive activity or behavior, such as air turbulence during a flight

synonym: choppiness, tumult, agitation

(1) financial **turbulence**, (2) emotional **turbulence**

The ride on the rollercoaster was full of dips and turns, creating a feeling of **turbulence**.

tungsten

n. a hard, dense metallic element with the symbol W (from its German name, Wolfram) and atomic number 74, which has high melting and boiling points, often used in electrical wiring, light bulb filaments, and other high-stress applications

synonym: W, Wolfram

(1) **tungsten** carbide, (2) **tungsten** filament

Tungsten electrodes are used in welding applications due to their high melting point and conductivity

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.

draft

n. a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form

synonym: blueprint, outline, rough drawing

(1) a working **draft**, (2) write the first **draft**

During debates in the legislature, the **draft** of the law caused a lot of controversies.

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.

sew

v. to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle

synonym : stitch, darn, tailor

(1) **sew** with thread, (2) **sew** a button

My mother taught me how to **sew**.

intern

v. to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

synonym : apprentice, trainee, student

(1) **intern** civilians, (2) medical **intern**

The navy **interned** ships of defeated nations.

assignment

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

synonym : task, duty, designation

(1) finish the **assignment**, (2) **assignment** of interest

My **assignment** was overwhelming and complicated, but it was also exciting.

fixate

v. to focus one's attention or become overly obsessed with someone or something; to become mentally obsessed or preoccupied with a particular idea, thought, or image

synonym : obsess, fix, concentrate

(1) **fixate** on a problem, (2) **fixate** on a picture

She tends to **fixate** on small details, often losing sight of the bigger picture.

distance

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

emotional distance

synonym : space, gap, span

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

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

motivate

v. to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort

synonym : boost, encourage, inspire

(1) **motivate** the students, (2) all ability to **motivate**

The ability to **motivate** people is a priceless asset.

graphic

adj. relating to visual art or involving the use of diagrams or illustrations; very clear and powerful

synonym : illustrative, picturesque, visual

(1) **graphic** design, (2) a **graphic** description of an accident

The **graphic** novel was a masterpiece with stunning illustrations that brought the story to life.

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.

industrial

adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry

synonym : manufacturing, mechanical

(1) beginning of the **industrial** revolution, (2) **industrial** alcohol

Industrial design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.

software

n. a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular

computational jobs

synonym : program, system, operating system

(1) **software** architect, (2) copyrighted **software**

The company specializes in both hardware and **software**.

journalist

n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

synonym : reporter, newsperson, press

(1) a China-based **journalist**, (2) **journalist** on a magazine

Foreign TV crews and **journalists** can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

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.

mentor

n. a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school

synonym : adviser, coach, tutor

(1) **mentor** for life, (2) fashion **mentor**

As a **mentor**, he helped me realize my career.

accredit

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

synonym : authorize, endorse, validate

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

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

degree

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

synonym : level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

biology

n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

(1) evolutionary **biology**, (2) cell and molecular **biology**

In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in **biology** class.

chemistry

n. the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions

(1) professor of **chemistry**, (2) the **chemistry** of soil

He is familiar with **chemistry** and biology.

observe

v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

synonym : watch, monitor, scrutinize

(1) **observe** a tradition, (2) **observe** wildlife

It is important to **observe** safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

communal

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

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

retire

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

synonym: relinquish, step down, withdraw

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

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

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.

spark

v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

synonym: start, inspire, provoke

(1) **spark** his interest, (2) **spark** a chain reaction

The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate **sparked** turmoil in the stock market.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym: critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life

Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

hire

v. to give somebody a job

synonym: employ, engage, lease

(1) **hire** a guide, (2) **hire** a car by the hour

We should always be prepared to **hire** talented recruits.

quote

v. to repeat or reproduce the words or statement of someone else, often acknowledging the source; to give an estimated cost or price for goods or services

synonym: cite, reference, mention

(1) **quote** a source, (2) **quote** a price

In his speech, he **quoted** a famous philosopher to emphasize

his point.

magic

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

synonym: fascination, illusion, wizardry

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

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

eradicate

v. to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad

synonym: destroy, eliminate, exterminate

(1) **eradicate** the deficit, (2) **eradicate** racial discrimination

We are trying to **eradicate** this disease from the world.

socialism

n. a political and economic theory or system that advocates for the collective ownership and control of the means of production and distribution of goods, aiming for a more equitable and just society; a system that aims to reduce economic inequalities and prioritize the welfare of the community as a whole

synonym: communism, collectivism, equality

(1) non-Marxist **socialism**, (2) the rise of **socialism**

The professor held a seminar on the principles of democratic **socialism** and its impact on modern European countries.

cave

n. a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground

synonym: cavern, grotto, burrow

(1) domiciliary **caves**, (2) the mouth of the **cave**

Bats reside in sheltered **caves**.

spear

n. a weapon with a long shaft and a sharp metal point used for battle, hunting, and fishing in the past

synonym: javelin, pike, lance

(1) hunting **spear**, (2) sharp-pointed **spear**

Ancient people made **spears** with wood entirely.

- rid** v. to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
synonym : do away with, free, clear
(1) get **rid** of the rats, (2) **rid** the body of waste products
We must **rid** ourselves of pollution.
- crisis** n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
synonym : concern, problem, emergency
(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management
The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
- 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.
- inappropriate** *adj.* not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person
synonym : improper, unsuitable, unacceptable
(1) **inappropriate** behavior, (2) **inappropriate** language
It was highly **inappropriate** to make jokes during a serious business meeting.
- interaction** n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
synonym : dealings, exchange, relations
(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,
(2) **interaction** among human beings
The **interaction** of the two groups is good for brainstorming.
- rocket** n. a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
synonym : projectile, missile

(1) **rocket** attack against the enemy, (2) **rocket** fuel
The **rocket** launch platform is visible from this hill.

electronics

n. the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems

synonym: technology, gadgets, circuitry

(1) **electronics** industry, (2) **electronics** store

The company specializes in manufacturing and selling cutting-edge **electronics**.

lab

n. a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

synonym: workshop, laboratory, research chamber

(1) **lab** instrument, (2) medical **lab**

The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's **lab**.

glue

n. a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials

synonym: adhesive, paste, gum

(1) **glue** stick, (2) epoxy **glue**

The carpenter applied **glue** to the cabinet joints before nailing them together.

rub

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

synonym: scrub, massage, stroke

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

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

membrane

n. a soft, thin layer that forms animal or vegetable tissue

synonym: tissue layer

(1) cell **membranes**, (2) nuclear **membrane**

Loud noises might harm the fragile ear **membrane**.

loyal

adj. giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;

synonym : dedicated, devoted, faithful

(1) a **loyal** friend, (2) become a **loyal** customer

Enemy armies are **loyal** to their monarch.

burning

adj. intense or scorching heat

synonym : scorching, blazing, smoldering

(1) **burning** desire, (2) **burning** passion

The fire spread rapidly, engulfing everything in its path in a **burning** inferno.

passionate

adj. showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief

synonym : ardent, fervent, intense

(1) **passionate** speech, (2) **passionate** kiss

Their **passionate** argument lasted for hours, neither willing to back down.

awful

adj. causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

synonym : terrible, appalling, horrible

(1) an **awful** error, (2) do **awful** damage

I regretted making an **awful** mistake in my final exam.

outcome

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

synonym : result, consequence, effect

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

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

poke

v. to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger

synonym : prod, jab, push

(1) **poke** around the desk, (2) **poke** a fire

They **poked** fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.

prod

v. to poke or jab with a pointed object, often to urge or encourage movement or action; to provoke or stimulate someone to take action or respond in a particular way

synonym : poke, jab, nudge

(1) **prod** him into action, (2) **prod** him with a stick

She used a stick to **prod** the fire and make it burn brighter.

satisfaction

n. a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something

synonym : delight, pleasure, content

(1) a sense of **satisfaction**, (2) customer **satisfaction**

The mediated settlement brought **satisfaction** to both sides.

astonished

adj. extremely surprised and upset

synonym : amazed, dumbfounded, flabbergasted

(1) **astonished** at the success, (2) cast **astonished** eyes

She was **astonished** by the news and could hardly believe it.

server

n. a computer program or a device from which other computers get information; a person who serves food in a restaurant

synonym : computer, waiter, waitperson

(1) a mail **server**, (2) work as a **server** in a restaurant

After the airing of the TV commercial, many people accessed the website, and the **server** went down.

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym : thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym : farthestmost, outermost, fierce

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

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

flood

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

synonym : deluge, downpour, overflow

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

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

upset

adj. causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

synonym : disturbed, bothered, resentful

(1) get **upset**, (2) have an **upset** stomach

He was awfully **upset** by the news.

destroy

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

synonym : demolish, ruin, obliterate

(1) **destroy** the ecosystem, (2) **destroyed** evidence

The building was **destroyed** in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

absolute

adj. perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible

synonym : complete, infrangible, indisputable

(1) **absolute** loyalty, (2) an **absolute** must

Gandhi had an **absolute** zeal for nonviolence.

delight

n. a feeling of great pleasure or happiness

synonym : pleasure, joy, satisfaction

(1) a tremor of **delight**, (2) with **delight**

The **delight** on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.

Session 2: Spelling

1. cat_____ze the image *v.* to put people or things into groups according to their features, types, etc.
2. a jutting c__n *n.* the lowermost part of a person's face, below the mouth and above the neck
3. spe_____ze in child care *v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
4. te___r fasciae latae *n.* (of anatomy) a muscle that causes a part of the body to become tense or tight, thereby exerting a pulling or stretching force; (of physics) a mathematical object or vector that describes the direction and intensity of a physical force or quantity in a multi-dimensional space
5. co___y boots *n.* a man, typically one on horseback, who herds and tends cattle, especially in the western US; a person who behaves roughly or recklessly, typically a man; a skilled ranch worker who is adept at many tasks, especially those involving horses and cattle
6. trading of vi_____l currencies *adj.* being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact
7. frontal l__e *n.* a rounded projection or division, especially of the brain, lung, or liver
8. cr___s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

ANSWERS: 1. categorize, 2. chin, 3. specialize, 4. tensor, 5. cowboy, 6. virtual, 7. lobe, 8. crisis

9. garden h__e *n.* a flexible tube or pipe used to convey fluids, typically water or air; to spray someone or something with water or another liquid in a forceful manner
10. e__y of leaves *n.* a circular current of water or air that flows in the opposite direction to the main current, causing a small whirlpool; a current of opinion, activity, or trend that goes against the main current
11. a bu__h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
12. crystalline si____n *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
13. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
14. tec_____cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
15. ind_____al alcohol *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
16. qu__e a price *v.* to repeat or reproduce the words or statement of someone else, often acknowledging the source; to give an estimated cost or price for goods or services

ANSWERS: 9. hose, 10. eddy, 11. bunch, 12. silicon, 13. background, 14. technological, 15. industrial, 16. quote

17. eq__p an army *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
18. the science of ge____cs *n.* the branch of biology that studies genes, genetic variation, and heredity in organisms
19. get up__t *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
20. make a fa__l mistake *adj.* causing or resulting in death; lethal
21. a worthless wr__k *n.* a ship that has sunk or has been destroyed; a vehicle that has been badly damaged in an accident
22. ca___e hide *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
23. improved student ou____es *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
24. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
25. ch_____od development *n.* the state or time of being a child
26. in_____l a chairperson *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
27. ancient ar_____k *n.* the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.

ANSWERS: 17. equip, 18. genetics, 19. upset, 20. fatal, 21. wreck, 22. cattle, 23. outcome, 24. statistics, 25. childhood, 26. install, 27. artwork

28. vet_____ry medicine *adj.* related to or involved in the practice of caring for animals, particularly in a medical or health-related context
29. experienced vet_____ian *n.* (formal for a vet) a medical professional who specializes in the care and treatment of animals, especially those that are domesticated or kept as pets
30. promotional fl__r *n.* (also "flyer") a person who travels by air or an airplane passenger; a leaflet or pamphlet designed to be handed out or posted to provide information or advertise something
31. environmental tr_____ff *n.* a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise
32. l_b instrument *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
33. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
34. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
35. ex__l at communication *v.* to be extremely good at or proficient in doing something
36. have an up__t stomach *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
37. in___n civilians *v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

ANSWERS: 28. veterinary, 29. veterinarian, 30. flier, 31. trade-off, 32. lab, 33. slide, 34. brain, 35. excel, 36. upset, 37. intern

38. a w__t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
39. gi____ic monsters *adj.* extremely large
40. st____e silhouette *n.* a tall, often pointed structure, typically found on top of a church or other building and often serves as a landmark
41. 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
42. ro__t attack against the enemy *n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very first by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
43. ar____k conservation *n.* the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.
44. b__k at extra work *v.* to hesitate or stop abruptly before completing an action, often due to fear, uncertainty, or opposition; to refuse to comply with or agree to something
45. financial tur_____ce *n.* a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often accompanied by violent or disruptive activity or behavior, such as air turbulence during a flight
46. Al_____er's risk factors *n.* a neurodegenerative disease that causes memory loss, cognitive decline, and behavioral issues; is the most common cause of dementia in older adults

ANSWERS: 38. writ, 39. gigantic, 40. steeple, 41. movement, 42. rocket, 43. artwork, 44. balk, 45. turbulence, 46. Alzheimer

47. vi___l navigation *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
48. fr_____l assault *adj.* relating to the front; situated at or directed towards the front; frontal can also refer to a meteorological term for a weather system that is moving from west to east
49. va___y bottom *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
50. te___e complex *n.* a place of worship, especially one that is associated with a particular religion or faith; the flat area on either side of the forehead
51. t_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
52. the house was a wr__k *n.* a ship that has sunk or has been destroyed; a vehicle that has been badly damaged in an accident
53. on a qu__t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something
54. es_____al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
55. vet_____ian clinic *n.* (formal for a vet) a medical professional who specializes in the care and treatment of animals, especially those that are domesticated or kept as pets
56. du_____te his action *v.* to make or be an exact copy of something; to reproduce something

ANSWERS: 47. visual, 48. frontal, 49. valley, 50. temple, 51. tap, 52. wreck, 53. quest, 54. essential, 55. veterinarian, 56. duplicate

57. hunting sp__r *n.* a weapon with a long shaft and a sharp metal point used for battle, hunting, and fishing in the past
58. well-st____d decision *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
59. de____yed evidence *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
60. share my in____ts *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like
61. smoking m__e *n.* a person's partner in marriage or romantic relationship; an animal's sexual partner; a peer or friend; (of the game of chess) checkmate, which is the winning condition of the game
62. r_b a glass window *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
63. ro__t fuel *n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
64. field of vi___l arts *adj.* relating to seeing or sight
65. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
66. get r_d of the rats *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

ANSWERS: 57. spear, 58. studied, 59. destroy, 60. insight, 61. mate, 62. rub, 63. rocket, 64. visual, 65. crazy, 66. rid

67. a tremor of de_____t *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
68. cultural n____m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
69. the problem of drug ab____e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
70. ex____e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
71. since ch____od *n.* the state or time of being a child
72. high pu____y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
73. r_d the body of waste products *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
74. victim of sexual ab____e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
75. s__p across the country *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do
76. nuclear ph____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
77. a te____al restriction *adj.* of or relating to time as opposed to eternity
78. sh____w puppetry *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner

ANSWERS: 67. delight, 68. norm, 69. abuse, 70. excite, 71. childhood, 72. purity, 73. rid, 74. abuse, 75. skip, 76. physics, 77. temporal, 78. shadow

79. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
80. online mer_____se *n.* goods or products that are available for sale, especially those that are part of a company's stock or inventory; anything that is marketed or sold to customers as a commodity or product
81. ass_____nt of interest *n.* a duty or task given to someone, usually as part of their job or studies
82. pas_____te kiss *adj.* showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
83. mathematical pu___e *n.* a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand
84. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
85. fo_____g knife *adj.* capable of being folded or bent; having one or more sections that can be folded or collapsed for easier storage or transportation
86. the co_____um of events *n.* a series of similar items in which no part or portion is distinct or distinguishable from adjacent parts
87. ele_____cs industry *n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems

ANSWERS: 79. interaction, 80. merchandise, 81. assignment, 82. passionate, 83. puzzle, 84. industrious, 85. folding, 86. continuum, 87. electronics

88. all ability to mo____te *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
89. garbage ch__e *n.* a steep, narrow slide or passage, often used for moving objects or people quickly and safely from a higher to a lower level; a channel or pathway that guides the flow of material, usually in a controlled manner
90. strong in al____a *n.* a type of mathematics in which signs and letters represent numbers
91. co____st with a decade ago *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
92. tu____en carbide *n.* a hard, dense metallic element with the symbol W (from its German name, Wolfram) and atomic number 74, which has high melting and boiling points, often used in electrical wiring, light bulb filaments, and other high-stress applications
93. no____al signal *adj.* not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language
94. cast ast____ed eyes *adj.* extremely surprised and upset
95. a broad sp____um of opinion *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
96. ha____ed the incident *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

ANSWERS: 88. motivate, 89. chute, 90. algebra, 91. contrast, 92. tungsten, 93. nonverbal, 94. astonished, 95. spectrum, 96. handle

97. non-Marxist so_____sm *n.* a political and economic theory or system that advocates for the collective ownership and control of the means of production and distribution of goods, aiming for a more equitable and just society; a system that aims to reduce economic inequalities and prioritize the welfare of the community as a whole
98. tr_____ff problem *n.* a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise
99. student with dy_____ia *n.* a neurological condition that affects a person's ability to read, write, and spell, often despite normal or above-average intelligence, effective teaching, and adequate motivation, which is characterized by difficulty in the phonological coding of written words, poor phonological awareness, and poor reading fluency and decoding skills
100. a se___e case of pneumonia *adj.* extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous
101. vet_____ry services *adj.* related to or involved in the practice of caring for animals, particularly in a medical or health-related context
102. pi__t production *n.* a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water
103. gr_____c design *adj.* relating to visual art or involving the use of diagrams or illustrations; very clear and powerful

ANSWERS: 97. socialism, 98. trade-off, 99. dyslexia, 100. severe, 101. veterinary, 102. pilot, 103. graphic

104. escape ch__e *n.* a steep, narrow slide or passage, often used for moving objects or people quickly and safely from a higher to a lower level; a channel or pathway that guides the flow of material, usually in a controlled manner
105. si_____n wafer *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers
106. ex__l in description *v.* to be extremely good at or proficient in doing something
107. medical in___n *v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria
108. ge_____c version *adj.* not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product
109. 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
110. take a ha_____on approach *adj.* actively involved, practical; having hands involved in the doing or making of something
111. supply ch__n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

ANSWERS: 104. chute, 105. silicon, 106. excel, 107. intern, 108. generic, 109. literally, 110. hands-on, 111. chain

112. p__d him into action *v.* to poke or jab with a pointed object, often to urge or encourage movement or action; to provoke or stimulate someone to take action or respond in a particular way
113. ge__y gadgets *adj.* characterized by an intense interest or expertise in a particular subject or hobby, sometimes to the detriment of social skills or other interests
114. personality tr__ts *n.* a particular feature of your nature
115. a gr____c description of an accident *adj.* relating to visual art or involving the use of diagrams or illustrations; very clear and powerful
116. p__e around the desk *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
117. s_w a button *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
118. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
119. 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
120. an aw__l error *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

ANSWERS: 112. prod, 113. geeky, 114. trait, 115. graphic, 116. poke, 117. sew, 118. statistics, 119. policy, 120. awful

121. at___d a meeting *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
122. with a go___y expression *adj.* silly or foolish
123. a ma___c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
124. a fl___d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
125. frozen as___ts *n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
126. a cr___y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
127. liquid as___ts of the company *n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
128. ex___e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
129. bitter f_e *n.* an enemy or opponent; someone or something that is opposed to or in conflict with another
130. basin-shaped va___y *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
131. li_____ck agriculture *n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens
132. ab_____ct science *adj.* based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence

ANSWERS: 121. attend, 122. goofy, 123. magic, 124. flood, 125. asset, 126. crazy, 127. asset, 128. excite, 129. foe, 130. valley, 131. livestock, 132. abstract

133. infrared sp_____um *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
134. the tr__k of the body *n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
135. r_b shoulders *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
136. imp_____ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
137. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
138. common in_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
139. small ch___h *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
140. ca___e barn *n.* cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
141. e__y of water *n.* a circular current of water or air that flows in the opposite direction to the main current, causing a small whirlpool; a current of opinion, activity, or trend that goes against the main current
142. ch___h bell *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
143. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

ANSWERS: 133. spectrum, 134. trunk, 135. rub, 136. improvisation, 137. extreme, 138. invention, 139. church, 140. cattle, 141. eddy, 142. church, 143. absolutely

144. a tour guide at the te___e *n.* a place of worship, especially one that is associated with a particular religion or faith; the flat area on either side of the forehead
145. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
146. fo_____g table *adj.* capable of being folded or bent; having one or more sections that can be folded or collapsed for easier storage or transportation
147. ge_____cs discrimination *n.* the branch of biology that studies genes, genetic variation, and heredity in organisms
148. class obs_____on day *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
149. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
150. the per_____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
151. pr_____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
152. h__e a guide *v.* to give somebody a job
153. tro_____oot network issues *v.* to identify and solve problems or difficulties, particularly in mechanical or technical systems or situations
154. new op_____l glasses *adj.* of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light

ANSWERS: 144. temple, 145. imaginary, 146. folding, 147. genetics, 148. observation, 149. imaginary, 150. perspective, 151. probable, 152. hire, 153. troubleshoot, 154. optical

155. fi___e on a problem *v.* to focus one's attention or become overly obsessed with someone or something; to become mentally obsessed or preoccupied with a particular idea, thought, or image
156. a test pi__t *n.* a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water
157. nuclear me____ne *n.* a soft, thin layer that forms animal or vegetable tissue
158. an ab____te must *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
159. gi____ic proportions *adj.* extremely large
160. spherical ge____ry *n.* the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces
161. ae___l photography *n.* a type of acrobatics or gymnastics performed while suspended from hanging fabric or rings; a pass or shot in sports (particularly in soccer or volleyball) that is made while the player is in the air
162. cell me____nes *n.* a soft, thin layer that forms animal or vegetable tissue
163. s__p breakfast *v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

ANSWERS: 155. fixate, 156. pilot, 157. membrane, 158. absolute, 159. gigantic, 160. geometry, 161. aerial, 162. membrane, 163. skip

164. evolutionary bi____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
165. s__n a document into PDF *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
166. bo____r with details *v.* to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
167. c__n rest *n.* the lowermost part of a person's face, below the mouth and above the neck
168. fa____ty design *n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
169. pa____t in the hospital *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
170. ob____e a tradition *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
171. spe____ze in market research *v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
172. write the first dr__t *n.* a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form
173. fa__l accident *adj.* causing or resulting in death; lethal

ANSWERS: 164. biology, 165. scan, 166. bother, 167. chin, 168. facility, 169. patient, 170. observe, 171. specialize, 172. draft, 173. fatal

174. ve___l abuse *adj.* expressed in spoken rather than written words
175. dr_____g for design *n.* the act of making a picture with a pencil, pen, or other instruments on paper, cardboard, or other material
176. 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
177. n__d neck *n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
178. f__t gate *n.* a military structure designed to be defended from attack
179. financial cr____s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
180. dif_____ty in breathing *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
181. Euclidean ge_____ry *n.* the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces
182. ast_____ed at the success *adj.* extremely surprised and upset
183. a profound in_____t *n.* the ability to gain an accurate and deep understanding of people or situations; an accurate and deep understanding of what something is like

ANSWERS: 174. verbal, 175. drawing, 176. movement, 177. nerd, 178. fort, 179. crisis, 180. difficulty, 181. geometry, 182. astonished, 183. insight

191. fe__e post *n.* a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property
192. persons co_____ed *adj.* feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention
193. mo_____te the students *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
194. the il_____on of being in the forest *n.* a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation
195. tec_____cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
196. dog-loving m__e *n.* a person's partner in marriage or romantic relationship; an animal's sexual partner; a peer or friend; (of the game of chess) checkmate, which is the winning condition of the game
197. a se_____y organ *adj.* of or relating to the physical senses
198. seasoned fl__r *n.* (also "flyer") a person who travels by air or an airplane passenger; a leaflet or pamphlet designed to be handed out or posted to provide information or advertise something
199. industry-sp_____ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
200. em_____ze a direct relationship *v.* to give or show particular importance to something

ANSWERS: 191. fence, 192. concerned, 193. motivate, 194. illusion, 195. technological, 196. mate, 197. sensory, 198. flier, 199. specific, 200. emphasize

208. pas_____te speech *adj.* showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
209. brilliant fl__h *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
210. be___g to a group *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
211. ob_____e wildlife *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
212. time-saving ga___t *n.* a small tool or device that is useful for a particular job
213. jou_____st on a magazine *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
214. ha___e a precious object *v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
215. op_____l fiber *adj.* of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light
216. the tr__k of the tree *n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow

ANSWERS: 208. passionate, 209. flash, 210. belong, 211. observe, 212. gadget, 213. journalist, 214. handle, 215. optical, 216. trunk

217. outdoor rec_____on *n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place
218. a lo__l friend *adj.* giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;
219. professor of ch_____ry *n.* the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions
220. a ge_____c product *adj.* not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product
221. bu_____g desire *adj.* intense or scorching heat
222. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
223. improve co_____ve function *adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding
224. 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
225. sc___h the deal *v.* to put an end to or stop something from happening or continuing; to prevent, hinder or restrain something or someone from doing or achieving something; (noun, Scotch) things or people from Scotland, which is a country located in the United Kingdom

ANSWERS: 217. recreation, 218. loyal, 219. chemistry, 220. generic, 221. burning, 222. communal, 223. cognitive, 224. photograph, 225. scotch

226. cell and molecular bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
227. ae___l antenna *n.* a type of acrobatics or gymnastics performed while suspended from hanging fabric or rings; a pass or shot in sports (particularly in soccer or volleyball) that is made while the player is in the air
228. 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
229. a working dr___t *n.* a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form
230. tro_____oot software problems *v.* to identify and solve problems or difficulties, particularly in mechanical or technical systems or situations
231. g___e stick *n.* a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials
232. er_____te the deficit *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
233. ha_____on activity *adj.* actively involved, practical; having hands involved in the doing or making of something
234. finish the ass_____nt *n.* a duty or task given to someone, usually as part of their job or studies

ANSWERS: 226. biology, 227. aerial, 228. stud, 229. draft, 230. troubleshoot, 231. glue, 232. eradicate, 233. hands-on, 234. assignment

235. airplane g__k *n.* a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed
236. no_____al communication *adj.* not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language
237. a handy ga___t *n.* a small tool or device that is useful for a particular job
238. p__d him with a stick *v.* to poke or jab with a pointed object, often to urge or encourage movement or action; to provoke or stimulate someone to take action or respond in a particular way
239. b__k in fear *v.* to hesitate or stop abruptly before completing an action, often due to fear, uncertainty, or opposition; to refuse to comply with or agree to something
240. emotional tur_____ce *n.* a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often accompanied by violent or disruptive activity or behavior, such as air turbulence during a flight
241. a vi_____l image *adj.* being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact
242. a space-time co_____um *n.* a series of similar items in which no part or portion is distinct or distinguishable from adjacent parts
243. hy_____t valve *n.* a pipe with a valve and spout, usually located on streets and used for drawing water, especially for firefighting purposes

ANSWERS: 235. geek, 236. nonverbal, 237. gadget, 238. prod, 239. balk, 240. turbulence, 241. virtual, 242. continuum, 243. hydrant

244. de____y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
245. au____m spectrum disorder *n.* a developmental disorder characterized by difficulties in social interaction, verbal and nonverbal communication
246. chemical tr__t *n.* a particular feature of your nature
247. a sense of sat_____ion *n.* a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something
248. tre_____us popularity *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
249. a mail se____r *n.* a computer program or a device from which other computers get information; a person who serves food in a restaurant
250. pr____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
251. li_____ck industry *n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens
252. fr____l attack *adj.* relating to the front; situated at or directed towards the front; frontal can also refer to a meteorological term for a weather system that is moving from west to east
253. fl__d advisory *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

ANSWERS: 244. destroy, 245. autism, 246. trait, 247. satisfaction, 248. tremendous, 249. server, 250. probable, 251. livestock, 252. frontal, 253. flood

254. sharp-pointed sp__r *n.* a weapon with a long shaft and a sharp metal point used for battle, hunting, and fishing in the past
255. a child with se____y issues *adj.* of or relating to the physical senses
256. domiciliary c__es *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
257. a bu__h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
258. ware a go__y hat *adj.* silly or foolish
259. a China-based jou____st *n.* a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media
260. visual co___x neuron *n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain
261. gen____ze sophisticatedly *v.* to make something, such as a theory, idea, etc., more widespread or widely applicable based on what is true in some cases
262. water mi___r *n.* a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill
263. ri__r to a bill *n.* a clause, amendment, or stipulation added to a legal document or bill; a person who rides on or operates a vehicle or animal; a person who travels a specified distance on horseback to deliver a message

ANSWERS: 254. spear, 255. sensory, 256. cave, 257. bunch, 258. goofy, 259. journalist, 260. cortex, 261. generalize, 262. miller, 263. rider

264. severe thu_____orms *n.* a storm with lightning and thunder, typically with heavy rain and strong gusts of wind
265. a re_____ic goal *adj.* having or showing a sensible and practical idea that is possible to achieve
266. work as a se____r in a restaurant *n.* a computer program or a device from which other computers get information; a person who serves food in a restaurant
267. the degree of pu____y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
268. h__e bumper *n.* a flexible tube or pipe used to convey fluids, typically water or air; to spray someone or something with water or another liquid in a forceful manner
269. di_____se with CT scans *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
270. a civil en_____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
271. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
272. ac_____it a course *v.* to give official recognition or approval to an individual, organization, or educational institution; to attribute something to a particular source or cause

ANSWERS: 264. thunderstorm, 265. realistic, 266. server, 267. purity, 268. hose, 269. diagnose, 270. engineer, 271. absolutely, 272. accredit

273. a dependent va_____le *adj.* likely to change or vary often; (noun) a symbol, like x or y, that is used in mathematical or logical expressions to represent a value that may be changed
274. the degree of dif_____ty *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
275. 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
276. pr_____y education *adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
277. ig____e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
278. bachelor's de____e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
279. medical l_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
280. sp__k a chain reaction *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
281. at____d service *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
282. es_____al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental

ANSWERS: 273. variable, 274. difficulty, 275. granny, 276. primary, 277. ignore, 278. degree, 279. lab, 280. spark, 281. attend, 282. essential

283. fire hy____t *n.* a pipe with a valve and spout, usually located on streets and used for drawing water, especially for firefighting purposes
284. a desirable ou____e *n.* the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
285. te____al history *adj.* of or relating to time as opposed to eternity
286. 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
287. g__k enthusiast *n.* a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed
288. 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
289. high-functioning au____m *n.* a developmental disorder characterized by difficulties in social interaction, verbal and nonverbal communication
290. sc____h any further debate *v.* to put an end to or stop something from happening or continuing; to prevent, hinder or restrain something or someone from doing or achieving something; (noun, Scotch) things or people from Scotland, which is a country located in the United Kingdom

ANSWERS: 283. hydrant, 284. outcome, 285. temporal, 286. policy, 287. geek, 288. develop, 289. autism, 290. scotch

291. so_____re architect *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
292. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
293. re___e after four terms *v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
294. sen_____ty analysis *n.* the ability to perceive or respond to subtle differences or changes; the ability to understand and respond to the needs and feelings of others
295. in_____l a door *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
296. di_____se the problem *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
297. laws of ph_____s *n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions
298. 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
299. federal ci_____t courts *n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area

ANSWERS: 291. software, 292. perspective, 293. retire, 294. sensitivity, 295. install, 296. diagnose, 297. physics, 298. photograph, 299. circuit

300. mi___r flour *n.* a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill
301. three months bef_____nd *adv.* ahead of time; in advance
302. me___r for life *n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school
303. st__r a steady course *v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone
304. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
305. de_____ia patients *n.* a severe decline in cognitive function, especially memory, as a result of disease or injury
306. the int_____on between man and his environment *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
307. ig___e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
308. s_w with thread *v.* to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle
309. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
310. mer_____se display *n.* goods or products that are available for sale, especially those that are part of a company's stock or inventory; anything that is marketed or sold to customers as a commodity or product

ANSWERS: 300. miller, 301. beforehand, 302. mentor, 303. steer, 304. magic, 305. dementia, 306. interaction, 307. ignore, 308. sew, 309. communal, 310. merchandise

311. al____a calculation *n.* a type of mathematics in which signs and letters represent numbers
312. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
313. sp____ic instructions *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
314. mat_____cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
315. students at all gr__e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
316. basic br__n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
317. br_____nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
318. social di____ce *n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
319. ina_____ate language *adj.* not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person
320. obs_____on instrument *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
321. ab____te loyalty *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
322. eq__p our children with some special skills *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

ANSWERS: 311. algebra, 312. industrious, 313. specific, 314. mathematics, 315. grade, 316. brain, 317. brilliant, 318. distance, 319. inappropriate, 320. observation, 321. absolute, 322. equip

323. probably have de_____ia *n.* a severe decline in cognitive function, especially memory, as a result of disease or injury
324. co___y rodeo *n.* a man, typically one on horseback, who herds and tends cattle, especially in the western US; a person who behaves roughly or recklessly, typically a man; a skilled ranch worker who is adept at many tasks, especially those involving horses and cattle
325. be___g to different species *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
326. jazz imp_____ion *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
327. em_____ze her words *v.* to give or show particular importance to something
328. beginning of the ind_____al revolution *adj.* of or relating to or resulting from industry
329. thu_____orm advisory *n.* a storm with lightning and thunder, typically with heavy rain and strong gusts of wind
330. st__r a conversation *v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone
331. ina_____ate behavior *adj.* not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person

ANSWERS: 323. dementia, 324. cowboy, 325. belong, 326. improvisation, 327. emphasize, 328. industrial, 329. thunderstorm, 330. steer, 331. inappropriate

332. se___e heat *adj.* extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous
333. narrow-winged ma___s *n.* a type of predatory insect known for its distinctive front legs that are bent in a way that resembles a praying posture
334. an isolated f__t *n.* a military structure designed to be defended from attack
335. copyrighted so_____re *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
336. ele_____cs store *n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems
337. a cell phone with an internet fa_____ty *n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
338. s__n the face of the man *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
339. an ab_____ct noun *adj.* based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
340. sp__k his interest *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
341. cat_____ze the cause of failure *v.* to put people or things into groups according to their features, types, etc.

ANSWERS: 332. severe, 333. mantis, 334. fort, 335. software, 336. electronics, 337. facility, 338. scan, 339. abstract, 340. spark, 341. categorize

342. ch__n reaction *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
343. sh__k-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
344. l__e of the liver *n.* a rounded projection or division, especially of the brain, lung, or liver
345. co____st two things *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
346. sh___w cast *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
347. ge__y interests *adj.* characterized by an intense interest or expertise in a particular subject or hobby, sometimes to the detriment of social skills or other interests
348. a political f_e *n.* an enemy or opponent; someone or something that is opposed to or in conflict with another
349. the mouth of the c__e *n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
350. t_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

ANSWERS: 342. chain, 343. shock, 344. lobe, 345. contrast, 346. shadow, 347. geeky, 348. foe, 349. cave, 350. tap

351. fi___e on a picture *v.* to focus one's attention or become overly obsessed with someone or something; to become mentally obsessed or preoccupied with a particular idea, thought, or image
352. p__e a fire *v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
353. ex_____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
354. human re_____s *n.* the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal
355. a good grounding in mat_____cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
356. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
357. co___x cells *n.* the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain
358. co_____ed citizen *adj.* feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention
359. bu_____g passion *adj.* intense or scorching heat
360. the ch_____ry of soil *n.* the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions
361. flu_____nt material *adj.* emitting or reflecting vibrant and vivid light, especially under ultraviolet light; describing a type of lamp or bulb that produces such light

ANSWERS: 351. fixate, 352. poke, 353. extreme, 354. remains, 355. mathematics, 356. norm, 357. cortex, 358. concerned, 359. burning, 360. chemistry, 361. fluorescent

362. st____d analysis *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
363. re___e voluntarily *v.* to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
364. senseless sl_____er *n.* the killing of a large number of animals or people brutally and indiscriminately; a violent and bloody event that results in the death of many individuals
365. technical dr_____g *n.* the act of making a picture with a pencil, pen, or other instruments on paper, cardboard, or other material
366. take a seat bef_____nd *adv.* ahead of time; in advance
367. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
368. ac_____it certification organizations *v.* to give official recognition or approval to an individual, organization, or educational institution; to attribute something to a particular source or cause
369. du_____te my efforts *v.* to make or be an exact copy of something; to reproduce something
370. do aw__l damage *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
371. tu_____en filament *n.* a hard, dense metallic element with the symbol W (from its German name, Wolfram) and atomic number 74, which has high melting and boiling points, often used in electrical wiring, light bulb filaments, and other high-stress applications

ANSWERS: 362. studied, 363. retire, 364. slaughter, 365. drawing, 366. beforehand, 367. slide, 368. accredit, 369. duplicate, 370. awful, 371. tungsten

372. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
373. a criminal bac_____nd *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
374. bo___r the neighbors *v.* to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
375. death from sh__k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
376. lower case st_____e *n.* a tall, often pointed structure, typically found on top of a church or other building and often serves as a landmark
377. epoxy g__e *n.* a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials
378. boys in the twelfth gr__e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
379. research on co_____ve psychology *adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding
380. the qu__t for truth *n.* a long or challenging search for something

ANSWERS: 372. degree, 373. background, 374. bother, 375. shock, 376. steeple, 377. glue, 378. grade, 379. cognitive, 380. quest

381. issue a w__t *n.* a written legal order or command
382. rec_____on of the homeland *n.* the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place
383. re_____s of a building *n.* the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal
384. pa_____t with weight loss *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
385. a va_____le species *adj.* likely to change or vary often; (noun) a symbol, like x or y, that is used in mathematical or logical expressions to represent a value that may be changed
386. br_____nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
387. pr_____y school *adj.* first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle
388. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing

ANSWERS: 381. writ, 382. recreation, 383. remains, 384. patient, 385. variable, 386. brilliant, 387. primary, 388. invention

389. er_____te racial discrimination *v.* to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
390. qu__e a source *v.* to repeat or reproduce the words or statement of someone else, often acknowledging the source; to give an estimated cost or price for goods or services
391. ve___l communication *adj.* expressed in spoken rather than written words
392. sl_____er of animals *n.* the killing of a large number of animals or people brutally and indiscriminately; a violent and bloody event that results in the death of many individuals
393. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
394. te___r calculus *n.* (of anatomy) a muscle that causes a part of the body to become tense or tight, thereby exerting a pulling or stretching force; (of physics) a mathematical object or vector that describes the direction and intensity of a physical force or quantity in a multi-dimensional space
395. ma___s predator *n.* a type of predatory insect known for its distinctive front legs that are bent in a way that resembles a praying posture
396. driving di_____ce *n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance

ANSWERS: 389. eradicate, 390. quote, 391. verbal, 392. slaughter, 393. engineer, 394. tensor, 395. mantis, 396. distance

397. Al_____er's brain *n.* a neurodegenerative disease that causes memory loss, cognitive decline, and behavioral issues; is the most common cause of dementia in older adults
398. a fl__h of lightning *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
399. ci_____t breaker *n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
400. the rise of so_____sm *n.* a political and economic theory or system that advocates for the collective ownership and control of the means of production and distribution of goods, aiming for a more equitable and just society; a system that aims to reduce economic inequalities and prioritize the welfare of the community as a whole
401. h__e a car by the hour *v.* to give somebody a job
402. become a lo__l customer *adj.* giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;
403. p__y for rain *v.* to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
404. with de_____t *n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
405. customer sat_____ion *n.* a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something

ANSWERS: 397. Alzheimer, 398. flash, 399. circuit, 400. socialism, 401. hire, 402. loyal, 403. pray, 404. delight, 405. satisfaction

406. a computer n__d

n. a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.

407. 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

ANSWERS: 406. nerd, 407. granny

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.
n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
2. Enemy armies are _____ to their monarch.
adj. giving or remaining firm and constant support to a person, institution, product, etc.;
3. After her first attempt to bake a cake failed, she didn't _____ at trying again.
v. to hesitate or stop abruptly before completing an action, often due to fear, uncertainty, or opposition; to refuse to comply with or agree to something
4. The laundry _____ in the apartment building allows residents to drop their dirty clothes into the laundry room easily.
n. a steep, narrow slide or passage, often used for moving objects or people quickly and safely from a higher to a lower level; a channel or pathway that guides the flow of material, usually in a controlled manner
5. The rain and thunder are _____ today.
adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry
6. His _____ faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.
adj. of or relating to mental processes of understanding
7. The _____ view from the airplane showed the beautiful landscape below.
n. a type of acrobatics or gymnastics performed while suspended from hanging fabric or rings; a pass or shot in sports (particularly in soccer or volleyball) that is made while the player is in the air

ANSWERS: 1. outcome, 2. loyal, 3. balk, 4. chute, 5. crazy, 6. cognitive, 7. aerial

8. He scraped his _____ when he fell off his bike.
n. the lowermost part of a person's face, below the mouth and above the neck
9. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.
adj. very great in amount or degree
10. Higher _____ requires additional equipment and energy.
n. the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
11. An intelligent battery has a voltage monitoring _____.
n. (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
12. The _____ launch platform is visible from this hill.
n. a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
13. The university will _____ the new college if it meets its standards.
v. to give official recognition or approval to an individual, organization, or educational institution; to attribute something to a particular source or cause
14. This jigsaw _____ is challenging because there are no pictures.
n. a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand
15. The superhero's arch-____ was an evil mastermind who always got away.
n. an enemy or opponent; someone or something that is opposed to or in conflict with another

ANSWERS: 8. chin, 9. extreme, 10. purity, 11. circuit, 12. rocket, 13. accredit, 14. puzzle, 15. foe

16. The _____ cause of the accident was due to the icy road conditions.

adj. first or highest in rank, order, or importance; most fundamental or essential; pertaining to the initial or introductory stage of something, such as a school year or election cycle

17. 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

18. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.

adj. indispensable; fundamental

19. The building was _____ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.

v. to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely

20. My mother taught me how to _____.

v. to join, fasten, or repair two pieces of something by putting the thread through them with a needle

21. _____ design has become more focused on human nature aspect than ever before.

adj. of or relating to or resulting from industry

22. In his speech, he _____ a famous philosopher to emphasize his point.

v. to repeat or reproduce the words or statement of someone else, often acknowledging the source; to give an estimated cost or price for goods or services

23. The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate _____ turmoil in the stock market.

v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

ANSWERS: 16. primary, 17. literally, 18. essential, 19. destroyed, 20. sew, 21. Industrial, 22. quoted, 23. sparked

24. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
- n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
25. I regretted making an _____ mistake in my final exam.
- adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
26. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
27. Bats reside in sheltered _____.
- n.* a large hole in the side of a hill, cliff, mountain, or under the ground
28. This device is used to _____ brain cancer and other tumors.
- v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
29. The church's _____ reached high into the sky, making it a prominent landmark in the town.
- n.* a tall, often pointed structure, typically found on top of a church or other building and often serves as a landmark
30. She tends to _____ on small details, often losing sight of the bigger picture.
- v.* to focus one's attention or become overly obsessed with someone or something; to become mentally obsessed or preoccupied with a particular idea, thought, or image

ANSWERS: 24. crisis, 25. awful, 26. statistics, 27. caves, 28. diagnose, 29. steeple, 30. fixate

31. I need to _____ this document before I send it.
- v.* to make or be an exact copy of something; to reproduce something
32. They _____ fun at each other's jokes, laughing and teasing.
- v.* to push or prod with a sharp object or the finger
33. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's _____.
- n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
34. Necessity is the mother of _____.
- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
35. The mathematician pioneered fractal _____.
- n.* the area of pure mathematics that deals with the points, lines, curves, and surfaces
36. Multiple genes may influence behavioral _____ concurrently.
- n.* a particular feature of your nature
37. We must _____ ourselves of pollution.
- v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
38. He visited the _____ to pray and make offerings to the gods.
- n.* a place of worship, especially one that is associated with a particular religion or faith; the flat area on either side of the forehead
39. All the books in this section _____ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.
- v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place

ANSWERS: 31. duplicate, 32. poked, 33. lab, 34. invention, 35. geometry, 36. traits, 37. rid, 38. temple, 39. belong

40. Loud noises might harm the fragile ear _____.
- n.* a soft, thin layer that forms animal or vegetable tissue
41. _____ feed is made from fodder crops.
- n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens
42. He has _____ exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.
- n.* a condition or state that causes problems
43. The invention of the camera triggered the development of _____ painting.
- adj.* based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
44. After the airing of the TV commercial, many people accessed the website, and the _____ went down.
- n.* a computer program or a device from which other computers get information; a person who serves food in a restaurant
45. Since independence, the area has been completely _____.
- v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
46. The marathon runner covered a long _____ in a short amount of time.
- n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
47. The praying _____ was an exciting subject for the biology class.
- n.* a type of predatory insect known for its distinctive front legs that are bent in a way that resembles a praying posture

ANSWERS: 40. membrane, 41. Livestock, 42. difficulty, 43. abstract, 44. server, 45. ignored, 46. distance, 47. mantis

48. 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
49. The _____ workshop allowed attendees to work with tools and materials, developing their skills in a hands-on environment.
- adj.* actively involved, practical; having hands involved in the doing or making of something
50. The new president was _____ immediately after the national election.
- v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
51. Use italics or capitals to _____ a word in a piece of writing.
- v.* to give or show particular importance to something
52. Destructive fungi thrive in moist environments, such as those seen in wounds on the _____.
- n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
53. The _____ nature of the universe is a subject of much debate among scientists.
- adj.* of or relating to time as opposed to eternity
54. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.
- n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
55. 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

ANSWERS: 48. granny's, 49. hands-on, 50. installed, 51. emphasize, 52. trunk, 53. temporal, 54. engineer, 55. stud

56. The tree cast a _____ over the picnic area, providing relief from the sun.
- n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
57. _____ electrodes are used in welding applications due to their high melting point and conductivity
- n.* a hard, dense metallic element with the symbol W (from its German name, Wolfram) and atomic number 74, which has high melting and boiling points, often used in electrical wiring, light bulb filaments, and other high-stress applications
58. She used a stick to _____ the fire and make it burn brighter.
- v.* to poke or jab with a pointed object, often to urge or encourage movement or action; to provoke or stimulate someone to take action or respond in a particular way
59. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.
- n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
60. He made a _____ face as he recalled this morning's events.
- adj.* silly or foolish
61. We should always be prepared to _____ talented recruits.
- v.* to give somebody a job
62. We all should learn how to _____ stress.
- v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

ANSWERS: 56. shadow, 57. Tungsten, 58. prod, 59. interaction, 60. goofy, 61. hire, 62. handle

63. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.
n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
64. He was, by nature, a cyber _____.
n. a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
65. The building makes a remarkable _____ impact.
adj. relating to seeing or sight
66. The _____ exercised great care in landing.
n. a person who flies an aircraft, especially as a job; a person qualified to guide ships through a difficult area of water
67. The news of her promotion _____ her.
v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
68. The ability to _____ people is a priceless asset.
v. to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
69. The horse _____ won first place in the equestrian competition.
n. a clause, amendment, or stipulation added to a legal document or bill; a person who rides on or operates a vehicle or animal; a person who travels a specified distance on horseback to deliver a message
70. There was a _____ between speed and accuracy in the task.
n. a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise

ANSWERS: 63. perspective, 64. nerd, 65. visual, 66. pilot, 67. excited, 68. motivate, 69. rider, 70. trade-off

71. He suffered a severe _____ collision in the car accident.

adj. relating to the front; situated at or directed towards the front; frontal can also refer to a meteorological term for a weather system that is moving from west to east

72. The _____ work was a vital component of the local economy, providing flour to the bakeries and farmers in the area.

n. a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill

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

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

74. The company specializes in manufacturing and selling cutting-edge _____.

n. the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems

75. He had fond memories of his _____ spent playing in the park with his friends.

n. the state or time of being a child

76. Videos documenting the process of creating this pencil _____ have been popular worldwide.

n. the pieces of art, such as pictures and photographs used in books, magazines, etc.

77. I am _____ about the safety of the children playing in the park.

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

ANSWERS: 71. frontal, 72. miller's, 73. insights, 74. electronics, 75. childhood, 76. artwork, 77. concerned

78. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.

v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

79. The _____ chairs were easy to set up and take down for the event.

adj. capable of being folded or bent; having one or more sections that can be folded or collapsed for easier storage or transportation

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

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

81. He created a beautiful piece of music using only _____.

n. the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

82. This company has an entire recycling _____ including major reprocessing plants.

n. a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry

83. The _____ of the ancient civilization can still be seen in the city's ruins.

n. the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal

84. There is no cure for _____ but early intervention and therapy can improve outcomes for individuals with the condition.

n. a developmental disorder characterized by difficulties in social interaction, verbal and nonverbal communication

85. The fire spread rapidly, engulfing everything in its path in a _____ inferno.

adj. intense or scorching heat

ANSWERS: 78. slide, 79. folding, 80. assignment, 81. improvisation, 82. facility, 83. remains, 84. autism, 85. burning

86. Their _____ argument lasted for hours, neither willing to back down.
adj. showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
87. He could no longer tell the difference between _____ and reality.
n. a false idea or belief, especially about somebody or about a situation
88. He got an electric _____ at work.
n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
89. In the hospital, she will remain under constant _____.
n. the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
90. After working for the company for 30 years, she decided to _____ from her job.
v. to withdraw from one's position or occupation, especially because of age
91. The mediated settlement brought _____ to both sides.
n. a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something
92. The office installed new _____ lighting to save energy.
adj. emitting or reflecting vibrant and vivid light, especially under ultraviolet light; describing a type of lamp or bulb that produces such light
93. She packed her sunscreen _____ to remember it on the beach trip.
adv. ahead of time; in advance
94. His speech was carefully crafted and delivered with _____ confidence.
adj. deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned

ANSWERS: 86. passionate, 87. illusion, 88. shock, 89. observation, 90. retire, 91. satisfaction, 92. fluorescent, 93. beforehand, 94. studied

95. 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
96. These heavy rains caused _____ floods on several islands.
- n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
97. Gandhi had an _____ zeal for nonviolence.
- adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
98. The store sells various _____ including clothes, electronics, and home goods.
- n.* goods or products that are available for sale, especially those that are part of a company's stock or inventory; anything that is marketed or sold to customers as a commodity or product
99. 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
100. His classmates were laboring with advanced _____.
- n.* a type of mathematics in which signs and letters represent numbers
101. This device displayed the speech _____ spectrographically.
- n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

ANSWERS: 95. develop, 96. flash, 97. absolute, 98. merchandise, 99. policy, 100. algebra, 101. spectrum

102. The navy _____ ships of defeated nations.

- v.* to put someone in prison, especially for political or military reasons; (noun) a student or trainee who works, sometimes for free, to get work experience or to fulfill qualification criteria

103. Ancient people made _____ with wood entirely.

- n.* a weapon with a long shaft and a sharp metal point used for battle, hunting, and fishing in the past

104. The construction company _____ the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

- v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

105. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in _____ class.

- n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things

106. As a _____ he helped me realize my career.

- n.* a person who helps and advises a younger or less experienced person over time, usually at work or school

107. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

108. She was _____ by the news and could hardly believe it.

- adj.* extremely surprised and upset

109. The company specializes in both hardware and _____.

- n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs

ANSWERS: 102. interned, 103. spears, 104. equipped, 105. biology, 106. mentor, 107. Communal, 108. astonished, 109. software

110. My grandmother has _____ disease requires special care and attention from her caregivers.

n. a neurodegenerative disease that causes memory loss, cognitive decline, and behavioral issues; is the most common cause of dementia in older adults

111. Rainfall in the tropics is highly _____.

adj. likely to change or vary often; (noun) a symbol, like x or y, that is used in mathematical or logical expressions to represent a value that may be changed

112. He is a specialist in the _____ of aging.

n. the branch of biology that studies genes, genetic variation, and heredity in organisms

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

n. a written legal order or command

114. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.

n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

115. To expand the company, we must _____ new human resources.

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

116. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

117. _____ is the second most abundant element on earth after oxygen.

n. a chemical element with the symbol Si that is a hard, brittle crystalline solid with a blue-grey metallic luster and used for the transistors and integrated circuit chips in computers

ANSWERS: 110. Alzheimer's, 111. variable, 112. genetics, 113. writ, 114. norms, 115. tap, 116. absolutely, 117. Silicon

118. The _____ hat she wore added to her rugged and tough look.

- n.* a man, typically one on horseback, who herds and tends cattle, especially in the western US; a person who behaves roughly or recklessly, typically a man; a skilled ranch worker who is adept at many tasks, especially those involving horses and cattle

119. Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for _____ of authority.

- n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner

120. Many communication skills rely on _____ cues such as body language and facial expressions.

- adj.* not involving or using spoken or written language; communicated through body language, facial expression, or other means besides language

121. He studied the _____ of radiation.

- n.* the science of matter and energy and their interactions

122. The biologist _____ the viruses into four groups.

- v.* to put people or things into groups according to their features, types, etc.

123. She planted a hedge to serve as a natural _____ around her garden.

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

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

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

125. We _____ the topic because it was too complicated.

- v.* to move along lightly and quickly, making a step from one foot to the other with a hop or bounce; to intentionally fail to do something which would normally do

ANSWERS: 118. cowboy, 119. abuse, 120. nonverbal, 121. physics, 122. categorized, 123. fence, 124. bother, 125. skipped

126. The forecast called for a chance of _____ in the afternoon.
n. a storm with lightning and thunder, typically with heavy rain and strong gusts of wind
127. A sense of humor is an invaluable _____ in this job.
n. something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
128. I took my pet to the _____ for a routine check-up.
n. (formal for a vet) a medical professional who specializes in the care and treatment of animals, especially those that are domesticated or kept as pets
129. The _____ novel was a masterpiece with stunning illustrations that brought the story to life.
adj. relating to visual art or involving the use of diagrams or illustrations; very clear and powerful
130. It's intriguing to compare and _____ the two authors.
v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
131. These heavy rains caused flash _____ on several islands.
n. a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
132. The cerebral _____ consists of six layers.
n. the outermost layer of an organ, especially the brain
133. He was so hungry from the long journey that he had a _____ appetite.
adj. extremely large

ANSWERS: 126. thunderstorms, 127. asset, 128. veterinarian, 129. graphic, 130. contrast, 131. floods, 132. cortex, 133. gigantic

134. He has a flair for _____.

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

135. The professor held a seminar on the principles of democratic _____ and its impact on modern European countries.

- n.* a political and economic theory or system that advocates for the collective ownership and control of the means of production and distribution of goods, aiming for a more equitable and just society; a system that aims to reduce economic inequalities and prioritize the welfare of the community as a whole

136. That story was so _____ and it was scary.

- adj.* having or showing a sensible and practical idea that is possible to achieve

137. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.

- n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

138. That adventurer traveled in _____ of buried treasure.

- n.* a long or challenging search for something

139. I need to find a _____ for my female guinea pig so she doesn't get lonely.

- n.* a person's partner in marriage or romantic relationship; an animal's sexual partner; a peer or friend; (of the game of chess) checkmate, which is the winning condition of the game

140. He had a _____ sense of humor and loved to make puns.

- adj.* characterized by an intense interest or expertise in a particular subject or hobby, sometimes to the detriment of social skills or other interests

141. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.

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

ANSWERS: 134. mathematics, 135. socialism, 136. realistic, 137. bunch, 138. quest, 139. mate, 140. geeky, 141. magic

142. He was awfully _____ by the news.

adj. causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry

143. The _____ had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

n. a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

144. We must _____ to this matter.

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

145. The lungs are divided into five _____.

n. a rounded projection or division, especially of the brain, lung, or liver

146. He was a computer _____ and spent all his free time coding.

n. a person who is highly interested and knowledgeable about a particular subject or field, often to the point of being obsessed

147. Foreign TV crews and _____ can go as they please in various locations during the Olympics.

n. a person who collects and writes news stories or articles for newspapers, magazines, radio, television, or other online media

148. She is the _____ president of the company.

adj. being actually such in almost every respect; existing in essence or effect though not in actual fact

149. She stood on the podium and _____ an audience.

v. to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

ANSWERS: 142. upset, 143. valley, 144. attend, 145. lobes, 146. geek, 147. journalists, 148. virtual, 149. scanned

150. The senator received _____ criticism from his opponent.

adj. extremely serious or bad in feeling, manner, or strict and harsh; extremely strong or vigorous

151. The doctor carefully examined the _____ medical history.

n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

152. The captain told him to _____ the ship north.

v. to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone

153. During debates in the legislature, the _____ of the law caused a lot of controversies.

n. a preliminary version of something that is not yet in its final form

154. The ride on the rollercoaster was full of dips and turns, creating a feeling of _____.

n. a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty, often accompanied by violent or disruptive activity or behavior, such as air turbulence during a flight

155. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.

n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

156. The _____ on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.

n. a feeling of great pleasure or happiness

157. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.

n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

ANSWERS: 150. severe, 151. patient's, 152. steer, 153. draft, 154. turbulence, 155. brain, 156. delight, 157. grade

158. It was highly _____ to make jokes during a serious business meeting.
adj. not suitable or proper for a particular occasion, purpose, or person
159. She closed her eyes and _____ for strength to overcome difficult times.
v. to make a request or petition to a higher power, especially in the form of a respectful or humble request
160. It is important to _____ safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.
v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
161. She _____ the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.
v. to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
162. The restaurant has chefs who _____ in beef.
v. to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
163. The _____ illusion made it appear like the building was floating in midair.
adj. of or relating to or light or the ability to see; (noun) the science of light and vision, and to instruments and techniques used in the study and application of light
164. It's dangerous to _____ about people.
v. to make something, such as a theory, idea, etc., more widespread or widely applicable based on what is true in some cases
165. Sharks have highly developed _____ systems and are extremely sensitive creatures.
adj. of or relating to the physical senses

ANSWERS: 158. inappropriate, 159. prayed, 160. observe, 161. rubbed, 162. specialize, 163. optical, 164. generalize, 165. sensory

166. I need to _____ these rumors before they spread any further.

- v.* to put an end to or stop something from happening or continuing; to prevent, hinder or restrain something or someone from doing or achieving something; (noun, Scotch) things or people from Scotland, which is a country located in the United Kingdom

167. The _____ muscle helps in controlling the movement of the vocal cords.

- n.* (of anatomy) a muscle that causes a part of the body to become tense or tight, thereby exerting a pulling or stretching force; (of physics) a mathematical object or vector that describes the direction and intensity of a physical force or quantity in a multi-dimensional space

168. The divers accidentally discovered a _____ on the ocean floor.

- n.* a ship that has sunk or has been destroyed; a vehicle that has been badly damaged in an accident

169. The residents reported a leaky _____ in their community, prompting the city to dispatch a maintenance crew

- n.* a pipe with a valve and spout, usually located on streets and used for drawing water, especially for firefighting purposes

170. 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

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

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

172. The carpenter applied _____ to the cabinet joints before nailing them together.

- n.* a sticky substance used for joining things together; a bonding agent made from animal or synthetic materials

ANSWERS: 166. scotch, 167. tensor, 168. wreck, 169. hydrant, 170. movement, 171. industrious, 172. glue

173. The _____ on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.
n. a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
174. I found the kitchen _____ that will serve as a bottle opener in the store.
n. a small tool or device that is useful for a particular job
175. Educators need to understand how _____ affects students' reading abilities.
n. a neurological condition that affects a person's ability to read, write, and spell, often despite normal or above-average intelligence, effective teaching, and adequate motivation, which is characterized by difficulty in the phonological coding of written words, poor phonological awareness, and poor reading fluency and decoding skills
176. The candidate must have excellent _____ skills.
adj. expressed in spoken rather than written words
177. The _____ clinic specializes in treating exotic animals.
adj. related to or involved in the practice of caring for animals, particularly in a medical or health-related context
178. We had a _____ time yesterday.
adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
179. As a frequent _____ I accumulate a lot of miles that I use for vacation trips.
n. (also "flyer") a person who travels by air or an airplane passenger; a leaflet or pamphlet designed to be handed out or posted to provide information or advertise something
180. Basketball is their usual _____ after school.
n. the activity that renews your health and spirits by enjoyment and relaxation; the act or process of making something that existed in the past exists or seems to exist again in a different time or place

ANSWERS: 173. church, 174. gadget, 175. dyslexia, 176. verbal, 177. veterinary, 178. tremendous, 179. flier, 180. recreation

181. 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

182. The firefighter grabbed the _____ and aimed it at the burning building to extinguish the fire.

- n.* a flexible tube or pipe used to convey fluids, typically water or air; to spray someone or something with water or another liquid in a forceful manner

183. The company _____ in customer service.

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

184. Unfortunately, the swirling _____ in the river made it difficult to swim.

- n.* a circular current of water or air that flows in the opposite direction to the main current, causing a small whirlpool; a current of opinion, activity, or trend that goes against the main current

185. Our life is a _____ of experience in which events pass from the future through the present to the past.

- n.* a series of similar items in which no part or portion is distinct or distinguishable from adjacent parts

186. 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

187. The instrument has a high _____ to temperature changes.

- n.* the ability to perceive or respond to subtle differences or changes; the ability to understand and respond to the needs and feelings of others

ANSWERS: 181. photograph, 182. hose, 183. excels, 184. eddy, 185. continuum, 186. chain, 187. sensitivity

188. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.
adj. based on scientific and industrial progress
189. The _____ are on the grassland and grazing.
n. cows, bulls, and buffalos that are raised for their milk or meat as farm animals
190. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.
adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
191. It seems _____ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.
adj. likely to happen or likely to be true
192. We are trying to _____ this disease from the world.
v. to get rid of or destroy something completely, especially something bad
193. The _____ of endangered animals must be stopped.
n. the killing of a large number of animals or people brutally and indiscriminately; a violent and bloody event that results in the death of many individuals
194. Little children tend to have _____ friends.
adj. existing only in someone's mind
195. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's _____.
n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

ANSWERS: 188. Technological, 189. cattle, 190. brilliant, 191. probable, 192. eradicate, 193. slaughter, 194. imaginary, 195. background

196. The study found that regular exercise can help to prevent the onset of _____ in older age.

n. a severe decline in cognitive function, especially memory, as a result of disease or injury

197. He is familiar with _____ and biology.

n. the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions

198. The _____ aspirin brand was just as effective as the name brand but much cheaper.

adj. not specific; not linked to a particular brand or product

199. I need to _____ why my computer keeps freezing.

v. to identify and solve problems or difficulties, particularly in mechanical or technical systems or situations

200. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

201. The stone _____ was built to protect the city from invading forces.

n. a military structure designed to be defended from attack

202. She is talented at _____ and has won several awards for her artwork.

n. the act of making a picture with a pencil, pen, or other instruments on paper, cardboard, or other material

203. The scientist conducted a study that provided _____ details about the species' behavior.

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

ANSWERS: 196. dementia, 197. chemistry, 198. generic, 199. troubleshoot, 200. degree, 201. fort, 202. drawing, 203. specific

204. The car crash was _____ and the driver died on impact.

adj. causing or resulting in death; lethal

ANSWERS: 204. fatal,