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Session 1: Word List

mass

n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

synonym: abundance, crowd, mob

(1) a **mass** of molten rock, (2) critical **mass**

The **mass** of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

atrocious

n. brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act

synonym: evil, horror, iniquity

(1) commit **atrocious**, (2) cold-blooded **atrocious**

The **atrocious** of the war left many children orphaned.

genocide

n. the intentional killing of a large group of people, especially those of a particular ethnic group or nation

synonym: mass murder, extermination, annihilation

(1) **genocide** victims, (2) **genocide** resolution

The international community condemned the **genocide** in the country.

democracy

n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

synonym : self-government, republic, commonwealth

(1) **democracy** advocate, (2) principles of **democracy**

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

exterminate

v. to destroy completely, often referring to the eradication of pests or weeds

synonym : eradicate, eliminate, wipe out

(1) **exterminate** pests, (2) **exterminate** communism

The government **exterminated** the invasive species to protect native plants and animals.

government

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

synonym : administration, regime, state

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

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

extremist

n. a person who holds extreme political or religious views and who is willing to use violent or illegal methods to promote those views

synonym : radical, fanatic, zealot

(1) **extremist** political views, (2) radical **extremist**

The **extremist** group planned a series of violent attacks to push its agenda.

militia

n. a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs

synonym : reserves

(1) **militia** groups, (2) armed **militia**

Militia suddenly occupied the presidential palace.

holocaust

n. the systematic killing of millions of Jews and other minority groups by the Nazis during World War II, or any similar act of mass destruction

synonym : genocide, mass murder, devastation

(1) nuclear **holocaust**, (2) the **holocaust** museum

Many **holocaust** survivors still suffer from the trauma they experienced during that time.

coverage

n. the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides

synonym: reportage, scope, range

(1) full- **coverage** insurance, (2) contractual **coverage**

The scandal received widespread media **coverage**.

bury

v. to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb

synonym: entomb, sink, forget

(1) **bury** in the earth, (2) **bury** emotion

There is plenty of space to **bury** everyone.

newsworthy

adj. worthy of being reported in the news; interesting or important enough to be of public interest or noteworthy

synonym: newswaking, noteworthy, important

(1) **newsworthy** event, (2) **newsworthy** announcement

The scandal was deemed **newsworthy** by every major media outlet in the country.

amazing

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

synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

congressperson

n. a person who belongs to a congress, especially a member of the US House of Representatives; congressman (congressperson is used to avoid gender discrimination)

synonym: lawmaker, politician, representative

(1) hawkish **congressperson**, (2) former **congressperson**

The term of a **congressperson** is two years.

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.

denunciation

n. the act of publicly condemning or criticizing something or someone, often done with strong disapproval or accusation

synonym : condemnation, criticism, censure

(1) public **denunciation**, (2) fierce **denunciation**

The diplomat's **denunciation** of the terrorist attack was a strong statement of condemnation from the international community.

arrest

v. to take into custody

synonym : capture, detain, imprison

(1) **arrest** the thief, (2) **arrest** the progress

A police officer has the authority to **arrest** a criminal.

embassy

n. the diplomatic building where a country's representatives to a foreign country are based

synonym : consulate, mission, legation

(1) **embassy** staff, (2) **embassy** function

The **embassy** building was heavily guarded by security personnel.

congressional

adj. of or relating to Congress, especially to the Congress of the United States

synonym : parliamentary, senatorial, legislative

(1) **congressional** approval, (2) suspend a **congressional** meeting

There was a **congressional** probe into the scandal.

endangered

adj. at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats

synonym : at risk, threatened, vulnerable

(1) **endangered** species, (2) **endangered** ecosystem

The government has implemented policies to protect the habitat of **endangered** animals.

ape

n. a large animal with long arms, no tail, and usually a lot of body hair, including gorillas, chimpanzees, orangutans, and gibbons

synonym : monkey, primate, simian

(1) jungle **ape**, (2) play the **ape**

The scientist studied the behavior of **apes** in the wild.

gorilla

n. a large, powerful, and intelligent primate found in the forests of central Africa, with coarse black or brown fur and a distinctive face

synonym : ape, chimpanzee, orangutan

(1) **gorilla** habitat, (2) endangered **gorilla**

The **gorilla** at the zoo impressed visitors with its size and strength.

population

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

synonym : people, inhabitants, folk

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

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

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.

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.

groom

v. to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat; (noun, also "bridegroom") a man who is about to be married or has recently been married

synonym : brush, comb, neaten

(1) **groom** duties, (2) **groom** a horse

I need to **groom** my dog before his fur gets too long.

nuclear

adj. of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

synonym : atomic

(1) **nuclear** fusion, (2) use of **nuclear** power

Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of **nuclear** weapons.

catastrophe

n. a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune

synonym : disaster, calamity, cataclysm

(1) **catastrophe** risk management, (2) avoid climate **catastrophe**

The lack of funds has resulted in a **catastrophe** for our university system.

mall

n. a large, enclosed shopping center that typically contains many stores, restaurants, and other businesses

synonym : shopping center, shopping complex

(1) largest electronic **mall**, (2) **mall** crawler

Many people go to the shopping **mall** to socialize and spend time with friends.

cult *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

synonym : sect, faith, religion

(1) **cult** members, (2) **cult's** practices

The **cult** leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.

appropriate *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

synonym : fitting, suitable, proper

(1) **appropriate** behavior, (2) an **appropriate** time

It would be **appropriate** to dress nicely for the wedding.

politic *adj.* wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions

synonym : wise, tactful, expedient

(1) a **politic** decision, (2) heal the body **politic**

She was **politic** in her behavior.

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

synonym : work, use, employ

(1) **operate** 24 hours a day, (2) manually **operate** a machine

This machine is too difficult to **operate** for me.

massive *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym : enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

humanity

n. all people living on the earth; the quality or state of being human rather than an animal, a machine, etc.

synonym: humankind, society, human race

(1) **humanity** at large, (2) mass of **humanity**

They donated large sums of money for the development of **humanity**.

forth

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

synonym: forward, onwards, ahead

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

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

relief

n. a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced

synonym: remedy, consolation, alleviation

(1) tax **relief**, (2) sigh of **relief**

He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian **relief** fund.

nowhere

adv. not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere

(1) **nowhere** else to go, (2) come out of **nowhere**

I've been thinking all day and getting **nowhere**.

constituency

n. a group of people who live in a particular geographic area and are represented politically by an elected official; a body of customers or clients who regularly use a particular service or product

synonym: voters, electorate

(1) **constituency** needs, (2) local **constituency**

The politician met with his **constituency** to hear their concerns and ideas.

destine

v. to determine or set the course of something in advance, often in a way that seems predetermined or inevitable; to specify or choose someone or something for a

particular fate or outcome

synonym : ordain, doom, predestine

(1) **destine** us to meet again, (2) be **destined** to become a great artist

Some people believe that we are all **destined** for greatness.

permanent

adj. lasting for a long time without essential change

synonym : lasting, ceaseless, endless

(1) literature of **permanent** value, (2) **permanent** life insurance

She is searching for a **permanent** residence.

comprise

v. to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something

synonym : consist of, include, be composed of

(1) **comprise** a large percentage, (2) **comprise** the recent past

The team **comprises** players from different countries.

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.

chapter

n. a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled

synonym : section, phase, episode

(1) an introductory **chapter**, (2) **chapter** of a political party

The final **chapter** provides a summary of the discussion.

apartheid

n. a system of racial segregation and discrimination that was enforced in South Africa from 1948 to 1994; any

similar system of discrimination or segregation based on race, ethnicity, or other factors

synonym : segregation, discrimination, oppression

(1) **apartheid** system, (2) **apartheid** policies

The South African government enforced **apartheid** laws that segregated people based on race.

devote

v. to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose

synonym : commit, dedicate, apply

(1) **devote** all of my energies, (2) **devote** my own life

He **devoted** himself to studying the history of ancient civilizations.

evangelical

adj. relating to or advocating a form of Protestant Christianity that emphasizes personal conversion and faith over religious rituals and central authority within the church

synonym : proselytizing, evangelistic, missionary

(1) **evangelical** mission, (2) **evangelical** Christian group

The **evangelical** pastor delivered a powerful sermon to his congregation.

Jewish

adj. of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

synonym : Judaic

(1) **Jewish** history, (2) **Jewish** culture

My friend is a **Jewish** woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

cacophonous

adj. producing a harsh, discordant, or unpleasant mixture of sounds; characterized by a loud and jarring noise

synonym : discordant, noisy, raucous

(1) **cacophonous** noise, (2) **cacophonous** city streets

The **cacophonous** chorus of the morning market created an overwhelming yet lively ambiance.

mislead

v. to cause someone to believe something that is not true
synonym : misinform, delude, belie

(1) **mislead** him into trusting her, (2) **mislead** the enemy
Our troops pulled back to **mislead** the enemy.

diverse

adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities;
various

synonym : manifold, various, myriad

(1) **diverse** backgrounds, (2) a person of **diverse** talents
New York is a city with a **diverse** ethnic population.

regard

v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a
specified way

synonym : consider, see, reckon

(1) **regard** him as an enemy, (2) **regard** the situation as
unfortunate

Frugality and industry are still **regarded** as virtues.

congeal

v. to solidify or thicken, especially by cooling or freezing; to
become firm or solid, often referring to a liquid or
substance

synonym : solidify, coagulate, freeze

(1) **congeal** into a solid mass, (2) **congeal** liquid

The blood began to **congeal** as it dried in the wound.

impressive

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

synonym : impactful, remarkable, exceptional

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

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

heroic

adj. courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities
appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and
daring

synonym : brave, courageous, daring

(1) a **heroic** poem, (2) **heroic** explorers

The **heroic** actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.

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.

upstander

n. a person who takes positive and proactive action against injustice or wrongdoing rather than being a bystander or remaining passive

synonym: advocate, supporter, defender

(1) brave **upstander**, (2) **upstander** behavior

Teachers can encourage their students to be **upstanders** by teaching them about empathy and the importance of standing up for others.

bystander

n. a person who witnesses an event or situation but does not actively participate or intervene

synonym: spectator, observer, witness

(1) innocent **bystander**, (2) shocked **bystander**

The **bystander** effect is a phenomenon where people are less likely to intervene in an emergency if others are present.

launch

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

synonym: start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

divest

v. to strip or rid oneself of something; to deprive or dispossess someone of a possession, title, or right

synonym: divestiture, strip, rid

(1) **divest** assets, (2) **divest** from fossil fuels

The company decided to **divest** its holdings in the fossil fuel industry.

convinced

adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

synonym: confident, positive, indoctrinated

(1) **convinced** of the idea, (2) **convinced** criminal

The public is **convinced** that the prime minister has committed fraud.

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.

kitsch

n. art, objects, or design considered to be tasteless and overly sentimental, often produced to appeal to popular or commercial taste rather than for artistic value

synonym: schlock, sentimentality

(1) **kitsch** art, (2) **kitsch** decor

The garden gnome statue is cheesy **kitsch**, but some people love that style.

apolitical

adj. not related to or involving politics or political affairs; free from political beliefs, bias, or affiliation

synonym: nonpartisan, impartial, unbiased

(1) **apolitical** stance, (2) **apolitical** organization

The nonprofit organization remains **apolitical** and does not endorse any political candidates.

dial

v. to adjust or set the controls of a machine or device by turning a controller called dial; (noun) a disc on a telephone that is rotated a fixed distance for each number called

synonym: adjust, set, turn

(1) **dial** up the volume, (2) **dial** down the tension

He **dialed** the phone number and waited for an answer.

zip

n. a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently

synonym : fastener, postcode, slide

(1) **zip** code, (2) **zip** file

She put her phone in the **zip** pocket of her backpack.

refer

v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

synonym : cite, allude, mention

(1) **refer** to a book, (2) **refer** to a map

Please **refer** to the instruction manual for further assistance.

senator

n. a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate

synonym : legislator, politician, representative

(1) junior **senator**, (2) **senator** term

The hawkish **senator** gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.

governor

n. the person who holds the highest executive office in a state or province

synonym : administrator, executive, leader

(1) **governor** general, (2) a prefectural **governor**

The state **governor** visited the affected areas and promised to aid the victims.

legislation

n. a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws

synonym :

act, regulation, decree

(1) anti-terrorist **legislation**, (2) introduce **legislation**
Similar **legislation** had already been rejected by the parliament four times.

pending

adj. awaiting a decision or resolution; yet to be resolved
synonym: waiting, undetermined, forthcoming

(1) **pending** approval, (2) patent **pending**

I had a **pending** transaction on my credit card.

transaction

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

synonym: trade, dealing, commerce

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

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

innovative

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

synonym: creative, ingenious, inventive

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

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

introduction

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

synonym: initiation, preamble, prologue

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

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

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.

congress

n. a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

synonym: legislature, parliament, assembly

(1) an international **congress**, (2) peace **congress**

Congress must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

session

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

synonym: conference, gathering

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

Parliament is now in **session**.

minus

adj. subtracting or taking away; having a value less than zero

synonym: without, lacking, negative

(1) **minus** sign, (2) **minus** temperature

The recipe calls for four cups of flour **minus** one tablespoon.

incredibly

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

synonym: enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

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

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

energize

v. to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate

synonym: invigorate, animate, electrify

(1) **energize** the body, (2) **energize** a team

The motivational speaker **energized** the crowd with their words.

extract

n. a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force

synonym: excerpt, quote, distillation

(1) a brief **extract** from the book, (2) botanical **extract**

Anesthetize the gum before **extracting** the teeth.

bush

n. a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root

synonym: copse, scrub, brushwood

(1) trees and **bushes**, (2) a **bush** of hair

I am going to trim this **bush** off.

administer

v. to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

synonym: allocate, distribute, dispense

(1) **administer** justice, (2) **administer** the funds

After the accident, three governmental bodies **administer** the company.

stretch

v. to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking

synonym: lengthen, prolong, extend

(1) **stretch** along the coast, (2) **stretch** a story

Some herds have been observed to **stretch** hundreds of kilometers.

military

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

synonym: armed, martial, warlike

(1) a **military** operation, (2) a **military** leader

The **military** academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

diplomat

n. a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

synonym: envoy, ambassador, representative

(1) allied **diplomat**, (2) expel a **diplomat**

The senior **diplomat** worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.

commitment

n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

synonym: burden, obligation, promise

(1) a **commitment** to an alliance, (2) meet his **commitments**

His business **commitments** took him to the United States.

instance

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

synonym: example, sample, illustration

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

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

criminal

n. a person who has committed a crime

synonym: offender, lawbreaker, delinquent

(1) wanted **criminal**, (2) **criminal** investigation

The police are searching for the **criminal** who stole the jewels.

expenditure

n. the act of spending money; the total amount of money spent

synonym: outlay, cost, expense

(1) energy **expenditure**, (2) **expenditure** planning

Almost \$1 billion in capital **expenditure** is still required.

doll

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

synonym: puppet, dolly, toy

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

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

refugee

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

synonym: emigrant, evacuee, exile

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

The community warmly welcomed the **refugees**.

displace

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

synonym: evict, exile, remove

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

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

durable

adj. capable of lasting and being used for a long time without being damaged or destroyed

synonym: enduring, stable, long-lasting

(1) **durable** peace, (2) **durable** materials

Our company's products are made of highly **durable** materials.

achieve

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

synonym: accomplish, attain, reach

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

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

authorization

n. the act or process of giving official permission, approval, or authority to do or engage in something; a legal or official document granting such permission or authority

synonym: permission, sanction, approval

(1) written **authorization**, (2) legal **authorization**

Before accessing sensitive information, you need proper **authorization**.

peacekeeping

n. the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives

synonym: peacebuilding, peacemaking, reconciliation

(1) **peacekeeping** efforts, (2) **peacekeeping** force

The **peacekeeping** mission in the war-torn country was challenging but necessary.

leadership

n. the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization

synonym: captaincy, direction, initiative

(1) under his **leadership**, (2) **leadership** by politicians

The country's **leadership** has decided to take large-scale measures against global warming.

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.

evil

adj. profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people

synonym: malign, corruption, immorality

(1) **evil** ways, (2) a charm against **evil**

Corruption is an **evil** act for any reason.

prevail

v. to be common, widespread, or frequent; to be the strongest or most powerful

synonym: triumph, prevail over, be victorious

(1) good will **prevail**, (2) **prevail** in a suit

It is common for oppressive governments to **prevail** through violence, using military and police force to control their citizens and suppress dissent.

surround

v. to be all around something or somebody

synonym: encircle, encompass, envelop

(1) **surround** a town, (2) a stone wall **surrounds** the palace

On three sides, mountains **surround** the settlement.

horseback

n. the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse

synonym: equestrian, horse riding, mounted

(1) **horseback** trek, (2) **horseback** adventure

We went on a scenic trail ride on **horseback** through the mountains.

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.

firewood

n. wood used as fuel for fires, particularly for heating, cooking, or other purposes

synonym: fire logs, fire sticks, kindling

(1) chop **firewood**, (2) stacks of **firewood**

My neighbor gave me some extra **firewood** from their own supply.

humanitarian

adj. something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare

synonym: philanthropic, compassionate, caring

(1) **humanitarian** crisis, (2) a truly **humanitarian** act

The organization is dedicated to providing **humanitarian** aid to disaster-stricken areas worldwide.

aid *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
synonym: helper, resource, assistance
(1) financial **aid**, (2) country-by-country **aid** programs
Pakistan's **aid** budget was still being reviewed.

edible *adj.* fit or safe to be eaten; able to be consumed as food
synonym: esculent, comestible, digestible
(1) non- **edible** ingredients, (2) **edible** vegetables
I made sure to pick only **edible** mushrooms for our dinner.

rap *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
synonym: hip-hop, emceeing, MCing
(1) **rap** music, (2) get a **rap**
The new **rap** album is getting a lot of attention.

mention *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
synonym: reference, allude, cite
(1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report
I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

authorize *v.* to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something
synonym: empower, sanction, permit
(1) **authorize** payment, (2) **authorize** access
The government has **authorized** the use of military force in the region to keep the peace.

steppe *n.* a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America

synonym : prairie, savannah, grassland

(1) **steppe** climate, (2) barren **steppe**

The nomadic tribes set up camp on the vast **steppe**.

troop

n. a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.

synonym : group, unit, band

(1) the members of a military **troop**, (2) a **troop** of deer

The **troop** of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.

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.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym : comparative, proximate, congeneric

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

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

gravity

n. the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

synonym : heaviness, attraction, weight

(1) the attraction of **gravity**, (2) preserve my **gravity**

The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of **gravity**.

unfold

v. to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown

synonym : open, spread out, expose

(1) **unfold** the story, (2) **unfold** the stroller

The mystery **unfolded** as the detectives gathered more

clues.

sufficient

adj. adequate; enough for a particular purpose or requirement

synonym: acceptable, ample, satisfactory

(1) **sufficient** time, (2) self- **sufficient** economy

That candidate does not have **sufficient** means to win an election with certainty.

compatriot

n. a fellow citizen or countryman; someone who belongs to the same country, society, or community as oneself; a person with similar interests, beliefs, or values

synonym: fellow citizen, national, associate

(1) **compatriot** soldier, (2) fellow **compatriot**

My soccer team played against my **compatriot's** team in the local tournament.

prone

adj. inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward

synonym: inclined, susceptible, liable

(1) accident- **prone**, (2) **prone** to diarrhea

He was **prone** to making rash decisions.

guilt

n. the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong

synonym: regret, remorse, blame

(1) criminal **guilt**, (2) feeling of **guilt**

Shame and **guilt** have significant social influences.

consensus

n. general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole

synonym: agreement, accord, harmony

(1) a public **consensus**, (2) **consensus** among scientists

The two parties have reached a **consensus**.

advantage

n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

synonym : benefit, edge, asset

(1) score an **advantage**, (2) take **advantage** of his weak points

One of the main **advantages** of the new product is its increased efficiency.

acknowledged

adj. recognized or admitted as being true or valid

synonym : recognized, accepted, admitted

(1) **acknowledged** beauty, (2) publicly **acknowledged** truth

His **acknowledged** expertise in the field earned him the respect of his peers.

responsible

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

synonym : accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym : guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

gravitation

n. the force by which a celestial body, such as the Earth, pulls objects toward its center; the attraction between two or more objects due to their mass

synonym : attraction, pull, gravity

(1) terrestrial **gravitation**, (2) universal **gravitation**

The force of **gravitation** keeps the planets in our solar system in orbit around the sun.

magnitude

n. the extent, level, importance, or amount of something
synonym: size, extent, level

(1) a star of the first **magnitude**, (2) the **magnitude** of the disaster

The **magnitude** of the earthquake was measured at 7.8 on the Richter scale.

naturally

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners
synonym: by nature, inherently, intrinsically

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

eager

adj. showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
synonym: keen, enthusiastic, ardent

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

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

reign

n. the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen
synonym: rule, governance, sovereignty

(1) **reign** of a dictator, (2) **reign** as sovereign

The dictator's **reign** was characterized by widespread human rights abuses and suppression of political opposition.

loose

adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
synonym: relaxed, unconsolidated, open

(1) a **loose** tongue, (2) remove **loose** hair

The inspector discovered **loose** bolts under the fuel rods.

nuke

v. (derived from "nuclear") to attack or destroy a place or target with a nuclear weapon; to cook food in a

microwave oven; (noun) a nuclear weapon, such as a nuclear bomb or missile

synonym : blast, bomb, attack

(1) **nuke** a city, (2) **nuke** missile

The government threatened to **nuke** the enemy territory if they didn't surrender.

bureaucracy

n. a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives

synonym : administration, government, system

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

The bumbling **bureaucracy** made it difficult to get the permits we needed.

orient

v. to position or adjust someone or something for a particular purpose; (noun) the countries of Asia

synonym : position, align, adjust

(1) **orient** my thinking, (2) the exotic flavor of the **Orient**

She took a moment to **orient** herself in the unfamiliar city.

distant

adj. far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship

synonym : far, isolated, remote

(1) a **distant** memory, (2) **distant** ancestors

The sun set over the crest of **distant** hills.

suffer

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

synonym : endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades

The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

credible

adj. capable of being trusted or believed

synonym : reasonable, believable, plausible

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

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

legitimacy

n. the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason

synonym: legality, lawfulness, authenticity

(1) democratic **legitimacy**, (2) challenge the **legitimacy**

I'm going to deny the **legitimacy** of his claim.

institute

n. an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

synonym: academy, university, college

(1) **institute** a lawsuit, (2) research **institutes**

This region has many **institutes** offering higher education.

structural

adj. associated with the way on construction or organization of anything

synonym: architectural, basic, anatomical

(1) **structural** analyses, (2) **structural** reorganization

The earthquake resulted in significant **structural** destruction.

denounce

v. to speak out against; to strongly criticize something or someone

synonym: condemn, disapprove, criticize

(1) **denounce** a statement, (2) **denounce** a heresy

He **denounced** the actions of the corrupt official.

no-brainer

n. a decision or a problem that requires little or no thought because it is obvious what you should do

(1) **no-brainer** product, (2) look like a **no-brainer**

The first question in the test was a complete **no-brainer**.

involve

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

synonym : implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk

The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

alibi

n. a claim or piece of evidence that shows an individual was elsewhere at the time a crime or offense was committed and thus could not have been involved

synonym : excuse, defense, justification

(1) airtight **alibi**, (2) provide an **alibi**

The suspect claimed to have an **alibi** at the time of the crime, but the evidence proved otherwise.

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.

sphere

n. a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity

synonym : ball, globe, scope

(1) **sphere** of influence, (2) business **sphere**

The **sphere** of the earth is divided into several layers including the crust, mantle, and core.

restore

v. to repair or return something or someone to a previous good state or position

synonym : fix, mend, reestablish

(1) **restore** order, (2) **restore** the emperor to the throne

The military regime has promised to **restore** democracy as soon as possible.

standing

adj. existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position;
(noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation

synonym : upright, vertical, (noun) position

(1) **standing** water, (2) his social **standing**

The **standing** concert was packed with fans.

recover

v. to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

synonym : come back, convalesce, heal

(1) **recover** a loss, (2) **recover** approval ratings

She is still **recovering** from a shot to her shoulder.

relation

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

synonym : association, linkage, connection

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

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

roost

n. a place where birds rest or sleep, typically on a branch or in a birdhouse or coop

synonym : perch, nest, roosting place

(1) wild **roost**, (2) bird **roost**

The chickens return to their **roost** at sunset every night.

victim

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

synonym : prey, target, sufferer

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

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

suicide

n. the act of killing yourself intentionally

synonym : self-destruction, self-annihilation, felo-de-se

(1) commit **suicide**, (2) **suicide** attack

In an economically prosperous country, most male **suicide** is due to child support problems.

bomb

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

synonym: missile, explosive, ammunition

(1) atomic **bombs**, (2) disarm the **bomb**

The use of cluster **bombs** is strictly prohibited by international law.

invasion

n. army's act of forcibly entering another country or territory to take control of it

synonym: aggression, attack, raid

(1) the Turkish **invasion**, (2) home **invasion**

An **invasion** would most probably result in a political catastrophe.

loot

v. steal goods from a place or person, typically during a war or riot; (noun) steal goods from a place or person, typically using force, especially in times of war or civil disorder

synonym: plunder, pillage, rob

(1) **loot** the ship, (2) war **loot**

The bandits **looted** the small town, leaving it in ruins.

civilian

n. a person who is not a member of the military or armed forces; a person who is not a law enforcement officer or public official in a position of authority or responsibility

synonym: citizen, inhabitant, resident

(1) **civilian** casualties, (2) **civilian** life

The army is instructed not to target any **civilians** during the conflict.

addition

n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

synonym: accumulation, expansion, addendum

(1) chemical **addition**, (2) **addition** of vectors

In **addition**, private corporations provide healthcare services.

bond

n. a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money

synonym : bind, adhesion, attachment

(1) **bond** as a family, (2) global **bond** market

They had formed a friendship **bond**.

merge

v. to combine or integrate things, or to cause this to happen

synonym : combine, join, coalesce

(1) **merge** into a new party, (2) **merge** those systems into a new one

This consulting firm decided to **merge** the two companies into one.

ingenious

adj. showing inventiveness and ability or skill

synonym : creative, innovative, inventive

(1) **ingenious** device, (2) **ingenious** idea

I always look forward to reading his stories since they're so **ingenious**.

flame

n. a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger

synonym : blaze, inferno, fire

(1) **flame** of passion, (2) simmering **flame**

The **flame** of the candle flickered in the darkness of the room.

chase

v. to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes

synonym : pursue, hunt, track

(1) **chase** a dream, (2) wild goose **chase**

The police officer **chased** the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.

moth

n. an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light

(1) **moth** larva, (2) **moth** attracted to the light

The **moth** is a serious threat to the farm's output.

adrenaline

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

synonym: epinephrine

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

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

junk

n. discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition

synonym: trash, debris, waste

(1) **junk** mail, (2) hunk of **junk**

I need to clear out some of the **junk** in my garage.

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.

masquerade

n. a party, dance, or other festive gatherings of persons wearing masks and other disguises, or a costume worn on such an occasion; making a false outward show

synonym: disguise, pretense, facade

(1) show up in a **masquerade**, (2) absurd **masquerade**

The **masquerade** party was lavish, with guests in elaborate costumes and masks.

idealist

n. a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity

synonym: dreamer, idealizer, visionary

(1) **idealist** at heart, (2) an **idealist** perspective

As a dedicated **idealist**, she always fought for what was right, no matter the cost.

decathlon

n. a combined event in athletics consisting of ten track and field events

(1) **decathlon** athlete, (2) put himself in for the **decathlon**

He won Olympic gold medals in the **decathlon**.

nation

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

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

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.

govern

v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

synonym: control, rule, preside

(1) a nation's right to **govern**, (2) **govern** a public enterprise

The regulations **governing** medical malpractice claims are rigorous.

precise

adj. sharply exact or accurate or delimited

synonym : accurate, exact, distinct

(1) **precise** analyses, (2) estimate **precise** costs

The content is **precise** and informative for me.

threat

n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

synonym : menace, danger, hazard

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

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

horizon

n. the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated

synonym : skyline, view, visible boundary

(1) the event **horizon** of a black hole, (2) business **horizon**

As the sun set, the colors of the sky merged with the **horizon**, creating a beautiful orange and pink hue.

concentration

n. the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.

synonym : attention, engagement, assiduity

(1) **concentration** of armaments, (2) his research area of **concentration**

This exam requires excellent **concentration** to pass.

headline

n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

synonym : title, caption

(1) **headline** article, (2) banner **headline**

The engagement of the two golf players became **headline** news.

independence

n. freedom from another's or others' control or influence
synonym : freedom, liberty, autonomy

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

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

colonize

v. to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers

synonym : settle, occupy, inhabit

(1) **colonize** planets, (2) **colonize** for cultivation

European powers **colonized** much of the Americas in the 16th and 17th centuries.

outflow

n. the leakage of fluid from a container; a natural flow of groundwater

synonym : discharge, outpouring, gush

(1) **outflow** fluid, (2) **outflow** of capital

After the valves were closed, the **outflow** halted.

invade

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

synonym : intrude, raid, overrun

(1) **invade** other tissues, (2) **invade** his privacy

I have no intention to **invade** your privacy.

overrun

v. to invade or occupy a place or territory by force, especially in large numbers; (noun) the act of taking control or overwhelming something or someone

synonym : invade, conquer, occupy

(1) **overrun** an area, (2) garden **overrun** with weeds

The invading army quickly may **overrun** the small country and took control of its capital city.

era

n. a period that is distinct from others, typically in history

synonym : epoch, age, period

(1) dawn of a new **era**, (2) the **era** of the Renaissance

Political corruption was common throughout the postwar **era**.

marine

adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there

synonym : sea-dwelling, maritime, aquatic

(1) **marine** insurance, (2) variety of **marine** life

Seals and whales are **marine** animals beloved by the people.

barrack

v. to provide accommodations or housing, often for military personnel or sports teams; to spur on or encourage especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a large building or group of buildings that provide temporary housing for soldiers or other military personnel

synonym : house, lodge, cheer

(1) **barrack** room, (2) **barrack** the opposing team

The soldiers were instructed to **barrack** in the buildings until further notice.

wit

n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

synonym : humor, comedy, funniness

(1) the **wit** of man, (2) full of **wit**

He has the **wit** to keep talking about this topic.

dawning

adj. relating to or occurring at the beginning or early stages of something; characterized by the first appearance of light or knowledge; (noun) the beginning or first appearance of something

synonym : emerging, beginning

(1) the **dawning** of the Internet age, (2) **dawning** awareness

The **dawning** realization of their mistake was evident on their faces.

ethnic

adj. relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition

synonym : racial, ethnical, tribal

(1) **ethnic** minority, (2) single **ethnic** group
Each **ethnic** group has its unique rituals.

sectarian

adj. relating to a group or faction that is narrowly focused on its own religious, political, or ideological beliefs, often at the expense of others or in opposition to differing viewpoints

synonym : denominational, factional, partisan

(1) **sectarian** violence, (2) **sectarian** tension

The political campaign descended into a **sectarian** battle between rival parties.

violent

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

synonym : aggressive, intense, turbulent

(1) victim of a **violent** crime, (2) **violent** incident

The protesters became **violent** when the police tried to disperse them.

negotiate

v. to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement

synonym : discuss, mediate, bargain

(1) **negotiate** a settlement, (2) **negotiate** the price of the house

We are always happy to **negotiate** a discount.

prevailing

adj. most frequent, widespread, or currently dominant, usually referring to a particular opinion, attitude, or trend

synonym : dominant, prevalent, current

(1) **prevailing** wind, (2) **prevailing** trend

The **prevailing** opinion was that the project would be a success.

embodiment

n. someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea

synonym : image, avatar, incarnation

(1) **embodiment** of evil, (2) illustrative **embodiment**

The devil is the **embodiment** of wicked ideas.

realm

n. a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

synonym : domain, empire, kingdom

(1) public **realm**, (2) beyond the **realm** of possibility

Her passions are in the **realm** of real-world political affairs.

convince

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

synonym : persuade, win over, convert

(1) **convince** her to go with us, (2) **convince** an opponent

I am considering what I should do to **convince** him.

nickname

n. a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name

synonym : moniker, sobriquet, handle

(1) endearing **nickname**, (2) **nickname** for a person

The team has a **nickname** for their star player: "The Ace."

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.

conduct

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

synonym : behave, lead, carry on

(1) **conduct** a background check, (2) **conduct** research

Police will **conduct** random breath testing for drunk driving.

negotiation

n. the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

synonym : bargaining, dialogue, haggling

(1) **negotiation** process, (2) **negotiation** skills

The **negotiation** between the two countries was a delicate and complex process.

aftermath

n. the consequences or results of a significant event, particularly a disaster or conflict; a period of time following a significant event

synonym: consequence, backwash, result

(1) financial **aftermath**, (2) the **aftermath** of a crisis

The **aftermath** of the hurricane left the city in shambles.

decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

synonym: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

flee

v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

synonym: exit, escape, run away

(1) **flee** their homes, (2) **flee** abroad

It is a basic instinct to **flee** from a dangerous situation.

supple

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

synonym: flexible, pliable, bendable

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

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

separate

v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

synonym: disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

door-to-door

adj. involving going from one house or building to another on foot, often to sell or distribute items or conduct surveys or interviews

(1) **door-to-door** transportation, (2) **door-to-door** delivery
Our company is starting a new **door-to-door** sales campaign to expand our customer base.

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.

pluck

v. to pull or draw something, especially with sudden force or effort; to strip of feathers

synonym: grab, pull out, pick

(1) **pluck** a gray hair, (2) **pluck** out weeds

She **plucked** the flowers off the bush.

decision

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

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

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

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

spigot

n. a valve or faucet used to control the flow of liquid from a container or pipe

synonym: faucet, tap, valve

(1) shut off the **spigot**, (2) open the **spigot**

The **spigot** on the outdoor faucet was leaking and needed to be fixed.

fee *n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service
synonym: charge, cost, expense

(1) **fee** calculation, (2) service **fee**

The lawyer's **fee** for the case was \$10,000.

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.

sharpen *v.* to make something, usually a blade or point, sharp or sharper; to enhance or improve the clarity, focus, or effectiveness of something

synonym: hone, enhance, improve

(1) **sharpen** your focus, (2) **sharpen** a pencil

I must **sharpen** my knives before cooking to ensure precise and efficient cutting.

terrain *n.* the physical features of a piece of land, including hills, valleys, rivers, and forests

synonym: land, geography, topography

(1) **terrain** map, (2) permafrost **terrain**

The mountainous **terrain** was rough and rocky.

jerry *adj.* a slang term referring to something that is improvised, makeshift, or of poor quality; jerry-rigged

synonym: deceptive, deceitful, dishonest

(1) **jerry-built** foundation, (2) **jerry-made** toy

The **jerry-rigged** repair was only a temporary solution to the problem.

viceroy *n.* a governor appointed to rule a country or province in the name of a monarch

synonym: governor, regent, ruler

(1) the position of **vicero**y, (2) appointed **vicero**y

The notable **viceroy** ruled over the colony on behalf of the king.

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.

currency

n. a system of money in general use in a particular country

synonym : money, tender, cash

(1) **currency** exchange, (2) digital **currency**

The **currency** used in this country is the Euro.

patrol

n. the act of guarding an area or conducting surveillance of an area to maintain order, perform security functions, or prevent crime; a group of officers or soldiers that conducts such an operation

synonym : guard, watch, surveillance

(1) **patrol** car, (2) border **patrol**

The highway **patrol** officer pulled over the speeding vehicle on the freeway.

judgment

n. the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

synonym : conclusion, decision, determination

(1) an emotional **judgment**, (2) deliver a **judgment**

Her **judgments** are consistently rational and sensible.

zone

n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

synonym : area, region, territory

(1) time **zone**, (2) **zone** defense

He was reluctant to leave his comfort **zone** and try something new.

nonetheless

adv. in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless
synonym : nevertheless, regardless, still

(1) we are **nonetheless** confident, (2) love him

nonetheless

They each choose **nonetheless** to battle.

experiment

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

synonym : experimentation, investigation

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

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

commissioner

n. an official member of a government department or another organization who is responsible for controlling something or performing specific duties

synonym : administrator, agent, official

(1) elect police **commissioners**, (2) **commissioner** of patent office

He became an audit **commissioner** because of his years of experience as an accountant.

balance

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

synonym : equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

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

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

liberty

n. the state of being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life, behavior, or political views

synonym : freedom, autonomy, independence

(1) personal **liberty**, (2) **liberty** as a right

The founding fathers fought for the **liberty** of the American people.

security

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

synonym : safety, protection, stock

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

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

bow

v. to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows

synonym : bend, curve, arch

(1) **bow** and greet, (2) a **bow** wave

She **bowed** to the audience after her performance.

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.

reticent

adj. disposed to be silent or uncommunicative; restrained or reluctant to speak; inclined to keep one's thoughts or feelings to oneself

synonym : reserved, quiet, introverted

(1) **reticent** nature, (2) **reticent** response

He was always **reticent** about his personal life and rarely shared any details with others.

charm

n. the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people

synonym : allure, appeal, beauty

(1) masculine **charm**, (2) **charm** against bad luck

These are significantly more exquisite than typical **charm** bracelets.

president

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

synonym : leader, CEO, chairperson

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

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

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym : regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**

The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

tragic

adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

synonym : calamitous, disastrous, catastrophic

(1) **tragic** love stories, (2) **tragic** death

The **tragic** events of the war left many families torn apart.

appointment

n. a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility

synonym : assignment, selection, commission

(1) **appointment** calendar, (2) take up an **appointment**

We had to reschedule the dentist's **appointment**.

devastating

adj. causing a great deal of destruction or damage

synonym : destructive, annihilative, disastrous

(1) have **devastating** effects, (2) treat this **devastating** disease

This typhoon was the most **devastating** in years.

predicate

n. a statement or assertion about something, especially a statement in logic or grammar; (verb) to base or found on a particular fact or assumption

synonym: statement, assertion, claim

(1) a **predicate** that it's true, (2) **predicate** noun

The **predicate** of the sentence states the action or condition of the subject.

terrorism

n. the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act

(1) **terrorism** against civilians, (2) anti- **terrorism** bill

Democracy is utterly opposed to any form of **terrorism**.

receptacle

n. a container or device used to receive or hold something; a place where things are deposited or collected

synonym: container, holder, vessel

(1) **receptacle** for liquids, (2) flower **receptacle**

The recycling bin is the designated **receptacle** for all plastic and paper waste.

rubble

n. fragments of rock, stone, or other materials that remain after a building or other structure has been destroyed or demolished; the remains of something that has been broken down or destroyed

synonym: debris, ruins, wreckage

(1) clear away **rubble**, (2) **rubble-strewn** road

After the earthquake, the city was left in a pile of **rubble**.

rescue

v. to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

synonym: save, extricate, retrieve

(1) **rescue** a dying dog, (2) **rescue** a company from bankruptcy

The fire department arrived just in time to **rescue** the family from the burning building.

stateless

adj. having no nationality or citizenship; not being affiliated with any particular state or government

synonym : without citizenship, homeless

(1) become **stateless**, (2) **stateless** person

The **stateless** refugees were not allowed to enter the country.

represent

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

synonym : depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

humankind

n. the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth

synonym : humanity, human race, society

(1) **humankind** as a species, (2) history of **humankind**

On the geological time scale, **humankind** has existed for a brief moment.

muster

v. to gather, assemble, or bring together a group of people or things; to collect or summon for a specific purpose or mission

synonym : gather, assemble, rally

(1) **muster** the troops, (2) **muster** the resources

The team needed to **muster** all their energy and focus to win the game.

shaft

n. a long, narrow part or section of an arrow, hammer, golf club, etc.; a long, narrow passage consisting of the vertical part of a column

synonym : beam, pole, gleam

(1) the **shaft** of an arrow, (2) front drive **shaft**

The rescue team rushed into the mine **shaft**.

buddy

n. a close friend; a partner, especially one of a pair or team
synonym: mate, peer, associate

(1) my golf **buddy**, (2) **buddy** movie

He was the first **buddy** in the military training camp.

headquarter

n. the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed

synonym: base, center, command

(1) administrative **headquarter**, (2) an emergency

headquarter

The company decided to move its **headquarters** to New York City.

pulley

n. a wheel or set of wheels with a grooved rim around which a cord or rope runs, used to change the direction or point of application of a force, especially to lift heavy objects

synonym: block and tackle, hoist, lift

(1) **pulley** system, (2) movable **pulley**

The construction worker used a fixed **pulley** to lift the heavy equipment to the top floor.

quiver

v. to shake or tremble with a slight, rapid motion

synonym: shake, tremble, shiver

(1) **quiver** in the breeze, (2) **quiver** with excitement

The archer's hands **quivered** as he aimed the arrow at the target.

shepherd

n. a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

synonym: herder, flock-keeper, sheepdog

(1) **shepherd** boy, (2) sheep without a **shepherd**

The **shepherd's** dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.

guidance

n. advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making

synonym : advice, direction, support

(1) vocational **guidance**, (2) **guidance** counselor

The mentor provided **guidance** to the young entrepreneur, helping her navigate the business world.

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.

shore

n. the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid

synonym : coast, seaside, beach

(1) a sandy **shore**, (2) **shore** up demand

The waves are beating against the **shore**.

crane

n. a large, tall machine used for moving heavy objects by suspending them from a beam or hook

synonym : hoist, derrick, winch

(1) **crane** operator, (2) **crane** construction

The construction workers used a **crane** to lift the heavy beams.

wrap

v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

synonym : surround, cover, bandage

(1) **wrap** a fish in foil, (2) **wrap** up a meeting

Wrap the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

frame

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

synonym : body, skeleton, scaffolding

(1) a picture **frame**, (2) the **frame** of the policy
The detective looked for fingerprints on the window **frame**.

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.

grapple

v. to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
synonym: brawl, scuffle, wrestle

(1) **grapple** with problem, (2) **grapple** with each other
He needed to **grapple** with structural reforms to improve the company's revenue.

flaw

n. a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
synonym: defect, fault, imperfection

(1) a minor **flaw**, (2) the **flaw** in the legislation
Even the slightest design **flaw** in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

adaptive

adj. capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions
synonym: flexible, adjustable, pliant

(1) the **adaptive** coloring, (2) **adaptive** technology
The **adaptive** learning system adjusts the difficulty level of the lessons based on the student's performance.

viol

n. a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
synonym: viola, viola da gamba, string instrument

(1) **viol** instrument, (2) **viol** music
The **viol** player was rehearsing for an upcoming concert.

charter

n. a document that grants certain rights or privileges; a contract to hire or lease transportation

synonym: constitution, agreement, pact

(1) a **charter** flight, (2) the **Charter** of the United Nations
The **charter** of the organization outlines its mission and goals.

unacceptably

adv. in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory

synonym: improperly, unsatisfactorily, inadequately

(1) **unacceptably** high prices, (2) **unacceptably** poor
The restaurant's service was **unacceptably** slow.

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**.

lung

n. either of the two organs in the chest that people and some animals use for breathing

(1) **lung** capacity, (2) do **lung** transplantation

He has terminal **lung** cancer.

opposition

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

synonym: resistance, hostility, antagonism

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

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

obsequious

adj. excessively obedient or attentive to someone in a servile or ingratiating manner; overly eager to please or gain favor

synonym: servile, subservient, fawning

(1) **obsequious** flattery, (2) **obsequious** behavior

The **obsequious** waiter constantly showered the wealthy

customer with compliments and excessive attention.

strike

v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

synonym: hit, impact, influence

(1) **strike** up a conversation, (2) **strike** a blow

We **strike** to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

adversary

n. a person, group, or force that opposes or fights against another; an enemy or opponent

synonym: opponent, enemy, foe

(1) **adversary** team, (2) political **adversary**

The boxer's toughest **adversary** was his fear of losing.

bracket

n. projecting support or fixture used to attach or bear weight; a small shelf or ledge; a punctuation mark ([]) used to enclose words, numbers, or symbols

synonym: support, holder, frame

(1) **bracket** placement, (2) tax **bracket**

I need to hang these shelves with the help of some sturdy **brackets**.

principle

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

synonym: rule, creed, code

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

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

progression

n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

synonym: advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease

The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.

coalition

n. a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body

synonym : union, confederation, alliance

(1) a three-party **coalition**, (2) **coalition** forces

The two largest opposition parties announced they would form a **coalition** in the next elections.

wrongdoing

n. an improper or illegal behavior or action

synonym : misconduct, crime, offense

(1) an accusation of **wrongdoing**, (2) willful **wrongdoing**

The CEO of the company denied any **wrongdoing** while admitting to mismanagement.

regime

n. the organization, a system, or method that is the governing authority of a political unit

synonym : administration, establishment, government

(1) a puppet **regime**, (2) exercise **regime**

Totalitarian **regimes** are less likely to innovate because they deprive individuals of economic incentives.

takeaway

n. a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information

synonym : conclusion, message, insight

(1) **takeaway** pizza, (2) **takeaway** message

The main **takeaway** from the meeting was the need for better communication.

espouse

v. to adopt or support a particular belief, theory, or cause; to take up or support; to marry

synonym : adopt, support, embrace

(1) **espouse** a cause, (2) **espouse** an idea

She **espoused** the philosophy of non-violence.

exhibit

v. to show something in public for people to enjoy or to provide them with information

synonym : display, expose, show

(1) **exhibit** a bad attitude, (2) **exhibit** a great talent
Other technology industries **exhibit** similarly explosive growth.

reverence

n. a deep respect for someone or something
synonym: respect, honor, awe

(1) **reverence** for tradition, (2) pay **reverence** to him
The people of the village showed great **reverence** for the elderly.

dignity

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

synonym: grace, elegance, nobility

(1) respect for human **dignity**, (2) retain everyone's **dignity**
The failure destroyed his trust and personal **dignity**.

micro

n. extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth

(1) **micro** bubble, (2) **micro** force sensor

This approach employs both **micro** and macro analysis methods.

individual

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

synonym: person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

visible

adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view

synonym: clear, observable, seeable

(1) **visible** stars, (2) **visible** by X-ray

My home is easily **visible** from the shore.

macro

n. (computing) a set of instructions that automate a frequently used series of keystrokes or mouse actions; (photography) a lens that allows you to take close-up photographs; (economics) a large-scale economic policy

or system

synonym : large-scale, big-picture, major

(1) **macro** economy, (2) **macro** scale

Macro photography is a technique that allows you to take close-up photos of small objects.

promote

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

synonym : boost, raise, advertise

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

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

affront

n. an action or statement that causes offense or disrespect to someone's dignity or honor; a deliberate insult or slight; (verb) to insult or offend someone intentionally, often by showing disrespect or disregard for their feelings, beliefs, or social norms

synonym : insult, offense, slight

(1) **affront** his pride, (2) **affront** to reputation

The rude remark was an **affront** to her dignity.

boast

v. to talk about someone's accomplishments, wealth, or abilities excessively with undue pride and self-satisfaction

synonym : show off, brag, bluster

(1) **boast** of his success, (2) **boast** a long history

This town **boasts** a national park.

inject

v. to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)

synonym : shoot, infiltrate, insinuate

(1) **inject** under the skin, (2) **inject** a personal opinion into a debate

Let's try to **inject** a bit of enthusiasm into your performance.

revolution

n. a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

synonym: coup, innovation, rebellion

(1) beginning of the industrial **revolution**, (2) a political **revolution**

The **revolution** by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym: acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

genuine

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

synonym: actual, honest, unpretending

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

Is this painting **genuine** or forged?

calibrate

v. to measure or adjust something, typically a machine or device, to ensure accurate functioning or to match a standard or desired level of performance

synonym: adjust, fine-tune

(1) **calibrate** machinery, (2) **calibrate** measurements

It's important to **calibrate** the equipment regularly to ensure accurate results.

hype

n. advertisements and media discussions informing the public about a product and how nice or vital it is

synonym: hoopla, ballyhoo, advertising

(1) media **hype**, (2) emotional **hype**

The audience was not duped by the media's **hype** around the event.

melt

v. to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating

synonym : disintegrate, soften, disappear

(1) **melt** the ice, (2) **melt** down gold

Her resistance **melted** under his persuasion.

secured

adj. fixed or fastened firmly in place; made safe or protected from harm or danger

synonym : safe, protected, guaranteed

(1) **secured** loans, (2) **secured** credit card

The **secured** room was only accessible with a special key card.

union

n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

synonym : alliance, coalition, confederation

(1) bank and credit **unions**, (2) a craft **union**

The trade **union** remained adamant about its demands.

legitimate

adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful

synonym : lawful, honest, fair

(1) a **legitimate** child, (2) **legitimate** question

Public political demonstrations are considered **legitimate** rights for citizens.

panic

n. a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action

synonym : confusion, hysteria, consternation

(1) a **panic** reaction, (2) **panic** buying

The participation of oil-producing countries in the war caused **panic** in the financial markets.

adviser

n. a person who gives advice about a particular subject

synonym : consultant, guide, expert

(1) a medical **adviser**, (2) chief **adviser**

After retiring, he continued to be an **adviser** to politicians.

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.

humility

n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self

synonym : humbleness, modesty, unpretentiousness

(1) develop an attitude of **humility**, (2) lack of **humility**

We were filled with **humility** at the sight of the Queen.

awareness

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

synonym : understanding, cognition, knowledge

(1) **awareness** of my ignorance, (2) raise public **awareness**

There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental **awareness**.

complexity

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

synonym : intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory

The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

acute

adj. extremely sharp or severe

synonym : sharp, perceptive, keen

(1) **acute** pain, (2) **acute** triangle

The patient died from **acute** alcohol intoxication.

mend

v. to repair or fix something that is broken or damaged

synonym : fix, repair, rectify

(1) **mend** broken relationship, (2) **mend** my ways

He **mended** the torn shirt with a needle and thread.

humble

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

synonym : modest, unpretentious, abject

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

The nobler, the more **humble**.

paralyze

v. to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel

synonym : immobilize, disable, numb

(1) **paralyze** a city, (2) **paralyze** a person

The venom from the snake bite **paralyzed** his arm.

confidence

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

synonym : self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

competence

n. the ability to do something well or efficiently; the knowledge, skill, and ability required to perform a task or job effectively

synonym : ability, proficiency, skill

(1) **competence** evaluation, (2) proven **competence**

The company is looking for candidates with the necessary **competence** and skills.

temptation

n. the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire

synonym : allure, attraction, enticement

(1) withstand **temptation**, (2) many **temptations**

Researchers often succumb to the **temptation** of accolades and commit research misconduct.

afford

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

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

He cannot **afford** a holiday.

partial

adj. not complete; fragmentary; favoring somebody or something very much

synonym : limited, incomplete, partisan

(1) **partial** withdrawal, (2) **partial** knowledge

Although some progress had been made, the study's findings were **partial**.

rely

v. to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

synonym : depend, count, lean

(1) **rely** on convenience stores, (2) **rely** entirely on him

Babies heavily **rely** on others for food.

necessarily

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

synonym : inevitable, certainly, automatically

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

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

combination

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

synonym : blend, hybrid, compounding

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

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

embolden

v. to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief

synonym : encourage, inspire, empower

(1) **embolden** the opposition, (2) **embolden** a country's leadership

She was **emboldened** by her success and decided to take on a more significant challenge.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. clear away ru___e | <i>n.</i> fragments of rock, stone, or other materials that remain after a building or other structure has been destroyed or demolished; the remains of something that has been broken down or destroyed |
| 2. str_____al analyses | <i>adj.</i> associated with the way on construction or organization of anything |
| 3. ki___h decor | <i>n.</i> art, objects, or design considered to be tasteless and overly sentimental, often produced to appeal to popular or commercial taste rather than for artistic value |
| 4. de_____e us to meet again | <i>v.</i> to determine or set the course of something in advance, often in a way that seems predetermined or inevitable; to specify or choose someone or something for a particular fate or outcome |
| 5. es_____e an idea | <i>v.</i> to adopt or support a particular belief, theory, or cause; to take up or support; to marry |
| 6. vocational gu_____ce | <i>n.</i> advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making |
| 7. respect for human di_____y | <i>n.</i> the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station |

ANSWERS: 1. rubble, 2. structural, 3. kitsch, 4. destine, 5. espouse, 6. guidance, 7. dignity

8. str_____al reorganization *adj.* associated with the way on construction or organization of anything
9. raise public aw_____ss *n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
10. sigh of re____f *n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
11. estimate pr_____e costs *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
12. st____e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
13. bank and credit un____ns *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
14. open the sp____t *n.* a valve or faucet used to control the flow of liquid from a container or pipe
15. hunting sp____r *n.* a weapon with a long shaft and a sharp metal point used for battle, hunting, and fishing in the past
16. com_____ner of patent office *n.* an official member of a government department or another organization who is responsible for controlling something or performing specific duties
17. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
18. r_p music *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

ANSWERS: 8. structural, 9. awareness, 10. relief, 11. precise, 12. strike, 13. union, 14. spigot, 15. spear, 16. commissioner, 17. responsible, 18. rap

19. hawkish con_____son *n.* a person who belongs to a congress, especially a member of the US House of Representatives; congressman (congressperson is used to avoid gender discrimination)
20. the e_a of the Renaissance *n.* a period that is distinct from others, typically in history
21. ch__m against bad luck *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
22. con_____ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
23. me__e into a new party *v.* to combine or integrate things, or to cause this to happen
24. a prefectural go_____or *n.* the person who holds the highest executive office in a state or province
25. obs_____us flattery *adj.* excessively obedient or attentive to someone in a servile or ingratiating manner; overly eager to please or gain favor
26. pa_____l withdrawal *adj.* not complete; fragmentary; favoring somebody or something very much
27. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
28. ar___t the progress *v.* to take into custody

ANSWERS: 19. congressperson, 20. era, 21. charm, 22. confidence, 23. merge, 24. governor, 25. obsequious, 26. partial, 27. introduction, 28. arrest

29. cold-blooded at_____ty *n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
30. airtight al__i *n.* a claim or piece of evidence that shows an individual was elsewhere at the time a crime or offense was committed and thus could not have been involved
31. apo_____al stance *adj.* not related to or involving politics or political affairs; free from political beliefs, bias, or affiliation
32. business ho_____n *n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
33. card with no foreign tra_____on fees *n.* an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
34. anti-terrorist leg_____on *n.* a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws
35. challenge the leg_____cy *n.* the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason
36. pr_____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
37. l__g capacity *n.* either of the two organs in the chest that people and some animals use for breathing
38. a public co_____us *n.* general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole

ANSWERS: 29. atrocity, 30. alibi, 31. apolitical, 32. horizon, 33. transaction, 34. legislation, 35. legitimacy, 36. probable, 37. lung, 38. consensus

39. ex_____t a great talent *v.* to show something in public for people to enjoy or to provide them with information
40. qu____r with excitement *v.* to shake or tremble with a slight, rapid motion
41. z_p code *n.* a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently
42. mi_____d him into trusting her *v.* to cause someone to believe something that is not true
43. qu____r in the breeze *v.* to shake or tremble with a slight, rapid motion
44. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
45. use of inn_____ve technology *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
46. an app_____te time *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
47. adr_____ne addiction *n.* (also "epinephrine") a substance secreted by the adrenal medulla in response to stress, which makes the heart beat faster and prepares the body to react to danger

ANSWERS: 39. exhibit, 40. quiver, 41. zip, 42. mislead, 43. quiver, 44. statistics, 45. innovative, 46. appropriate, 47. adrenaline

48. pr____e a better relationship *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
49. sp____e of influence *n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
50. ta____ay message *n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information
51. genic com_____ons *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
52. co_____us among scientists *n.* general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole
53. a minor f__w *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
54. re___e a company from bankruptcy *v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
55. political ad_____ry *n.* a person, group, or force that opposes or fights against another; an enemy or opponent
56. es_____al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
57. on a qu__t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something
58. b__y in the earth *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb

ANSWERS: 48. promote, 49. sphere, 50. takeaway, 51. combination, 52. consensus, 53. flaw, 54. rescue, 55. adversary, 56. essential, 57. quest, 58. bury

59. e__l ways *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
60. ack_____ged beauty *adj.* recognized or admitted as being true or valid
61. expel a di_____at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
62. 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
63. co_____on forces *n.* a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body
64. f__e their homes *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
65. many tem_____ons *n.* the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire
66. na_____ly arising *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
67. tax re____f *n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced

ANSWERS: 59. evil, 60. acknowledged, 61. diplomat, 62. movement, 63. coalition, 64. flee, 65. temptation, 66. naturally, 67. relief

68. accident-pr__e *adj.* inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward
69. b__d as a family *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
70. a b__h of hair *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
71. media h__e *n.* advertisements and media discussions informing the public about a product and how nice or vital it is
72. score an ad____ge *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
73. a lo__e tongue *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
74. re___d him as an enemy *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
75. lea____ip by politicians *n.* the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
76. de___e all of my energies *v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
77. boost my con____ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

ANSWERS: 68. prone, 69. bond, 70. bush, 71. hype, 72. advantage, 73. loose, 74. regard, 75. leadership, 76. devote, 77. confidence

78. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
79. ch_____r of a political party *n.* a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled
80. avoid climate cat_____he *n.* a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune
81. na_____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
82. emb_____nt of evil *n.* someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea
83. una_____bly poor *adv.* in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory
84. ap_____id policies *n.* a system of racial segregation and discrimination that was enforced in South Africa from 1948 to 1994; any similar system of discrimination or segregation based on race, ethnicity, or other factors
85. ma_____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
86. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
87. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
88. ou_____w fluid *n.* the leakage of fluid from a container; a natural flow of groundwater
89. z_p file *n.* a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently

ANSWERS: 78. extreme, 79. chapter, 80. catastrophe, 81. nation, 82. embodiment, 83. unacceptably, 84. apartheid, 85. massive, 86. separate, 87. statistics, 88. outflow, 89. zip

90. pa_____l knowledge *adj.* not complete; fragmentary; favoring somebody or something very much
91. 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
92. in_____us idea *adj.* showing inventiveness and ability or skill
93. legal aut_____ion *n.* the act or process of giving official permission, approval, or authority to do or engage in something; a legal or official document granting such permission or authority
94. je__y-built foundation *adj.* a slang term referring to something that is improvised, makeshift, or of poor quality; jerry-rigged
95. st_____ss person *adj.* having no nationality or citizenship; not being affiliated with any particular state or government
96. new_____hy announcement *adj.* worthy of being reported in the news; interesting or important enough to be of public interest or noteworthy
97. the ad_____ve coloring *adj.* capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions
98. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
99. in___e other tissues *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

ANSWERS: 90. partial, 91. journalist, 92. ingenious, 93. authorization, 94. jerry, 95. stateless, 96. newsworthy, 97. adaptive, 98. decide, 99. invade

100. tax br____t *n.* projecting support or fixture used to attach or bear weight; a small shelf or ledge; a punctuation mark ([]) used to enclose words, numbers, or symbols
101. the w_t of man *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
102. de____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
103. chemical ad____on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
104. heal the body po____c *adj.* wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
105. publicly ack____ged truth *adj.* recognized or admitted as being true or valid
106. a pr____te that it's true *n.* a statement or assertion about something, especially a statement in logic or grammar; (verb) to base or found on a particular fact or assumption
107. radical ex____st *n.* a person who holds extreme political or religious views and who is willing to use violent or illegal methods to promote those views
108. elect police com____ners *n.* an official member of a government department or another organization who is responsible for controlling something or performing specific duties

ANSWERS: 100. bracket, 101. wit, 102. decision, 103. addition, 104. politic, 105. acknowledged, 106. predicate, 107. extremist, 108. commissioner

109. show ge____e regret *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
110. w__p a fish in foil *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
111. business sp____e *n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
112. a b_w wave *v.* to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows
113. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
114. com_____ce evaluation *n.* the ability to do something well or efficiently; the knowledge, skill, and ability required to perform a task or job effectively
115. pa_____ze a person *v.* to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel
116. allied di_____at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
117. time z__e *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

ANSWERS: 109. genuine, 110. wrap, 111. sphere, 112. bow, 113. mass, 114. competence, 115. paralyze, 116. diplomat, 117. zone

118. ext_____te communism *v.* to destroy completely, often referring to the eradication of pests or weeds
119. in____t under the skin *v.* to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)
120. ex_____st political views *n.* a person who holds extreme political or religious views and who is willing to use violent or illegal methods to promote those views
121. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
122. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
123. a sandy sh__e *n.* the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid
124. pe_____g approval *adj.* awaiting a decision or resolution; yet to be resolved
125. tro_____oot network issues *v.* to identify and solve problems or difficulties, particularly in mechanical or technical systems or situations
126. du_____e peace *adj.* capable of lasting and being used for a long time without being damaged or destroyed
127. c__t's practices *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

ANSWERS: 118. exterminate, 119. inject, 120. extremist, 121. decision, 122. norm, 123. shore, 124. pending, 125. troubleshoot, 126. durable, 127. cult

128. global b__d market *n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
129. eva_____al Christian group *adj.* relating to or advocating a form of Protestant Christianity that emphasizes personal conversion and faith over religious rituals and central authority within the church
130. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
131. em_____en a country's leadership *v.* to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief
132. a charm against e__l *adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
133. preserve my gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
134. go_____a habitat *n.* a large, powerful, and intelligent primate found in the forests of central Africa, with coarse black or brown fur and a distinctive face
135. asset on the company's ba_____e sheet *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
136. ac__e pain *adj.* extremely sharp or severe

ANSWERS: 128. bond, 129. evangelical, 130. relation, 131. embolden, 132. evil, 133. gravity, 134. gorilla, 135. balance, 136. acute

137. mi__o force sensor *n.* extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth
138. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
139. af____d to buy a new car *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
140. ind____nce ceremony *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence
141. botanical ex____t *n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force
142. garden ov____n with weeds *v.* to invade or occupy a place or territory by force, especially in large numbers; (noun) the act of taking control or overwhelming something or someone
143. app____nt calendar *n.* a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility
144. in____te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
145. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

ANSWERS: 137. micro, 138. amazing, 139. afford, 140. independence, 141. extract, 142. overrun, 143. appointment, 144. institute, 145. norm

146. the exotic flavor of the Or___t *v.* to position or adjust someone or something for a particular purpose; (noun) the countries of Asia
147. lack of hu_____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
148. te_____sm against civilians *n.* the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act
149. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
150. f__e abroad *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
151. af_____t to reputation *n.* an action or statement that causes offense or disrespect to someone's dignity or honor; a deliberate insult or slight; (verb) to insult or offend someone intentionally, often by showing disrespect or disregard for their feelings, beliefs, or social norms
152. v__l instrument *n.* a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
153. a person of di_____e talents *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
154. democratic leg_____cy *n.* the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason
155. me__e those systems into a new one *v.* to combine or integrate things, or to cause this to happen

ANSWERS: 146. orient, 147. humility, 148. terrorism, 149. government, 150. flee, 151. affront, 152. viol, 153. diverse, 154. legitimacy, 155. merge

156. mi__s temperature *adj.* subtracting or taking away; having a value less than zero
157. simmering fl__e *n.* a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger
158. feeling of gu__t *n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
159. re__r to a map *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
160. ar___t the thief *v.* to take into custody
161. ho_____ck adventure *n.* the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse
162. bo__t of his success *v.* to talk about someone's accomplishments, wealth, or abilities excessively with undue pride and self-satisfaction
163. co_____ce an opponent *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
164. en_____ze a team *v.* to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate
165. war l__t *v.* steal goods from a place or person, typically during a war or riot; (noun) steal goods from a place or person, typically using force, especially in times of war or civil disorder

ANSWERS: 156. minus, 157. flame, 158. guilt, 159. refer, 160. arrest, 161. horseback, 162. boast, 163. convince, 164. energize, 165. loot

166. up_____er behavior *n.* a person who takes positive and proactive action against injustice or wrongdoing rather than being a bystander or remaining passive
167. gu_____ce counselor *n.* advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making
168. the da_____g of the Internet age *adj.* relating to or occurring at the beginning or early stages of something; characterized by the first appearance of light or knowledge; (noun) the beginning or first appearance of something
169. administrative hea_____er *n.* the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
170. su_____e attack *n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
171. emotional h___e *n.* advertisements and media discussions informing the public about a product and how nice or vital it is
172. la___h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
173. economic th___t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

ANSWERS: 166. upstander, 167. guidance, 168. dawning, 169. headquarter, 170. suicide, 171. hype, 172. launch, 173. threat

174. self-suf_____nt economy *adj.* adequate; enough for a particular purpose or requirement
175. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
176. pea_____ing efforts *n.* the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives
177. end_____ed ecosystem *adj.* at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats
178. play the a_e *n.* a large animal with long arms, no tail, and usually a lot of body hair, including gorillas, chimpanzees, orangutans, and gibbons
179. 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
180. r__y entirely on him *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
181. barren st___e *n.* a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America

ANSWERS: 174. sufficient, 175. violent, 176. peacekeeping, 177. endangered, 178. ape, 179. stud, 180. rely, 181. steppe

182. ru___e-strewn road *n.* fragments of rock, stone, or other materials that remain after a building or other structure has been destroyed or demolished; the remains of something that has been broken down or destroyed
183. bu___y movie *n.* a close friend; a partner, especially one of a pair or team
184. bring fo___h a beautiful vase *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
185. m___d broken relationship *v.* to repair or fix something that is broken or damaged
186. de_____on athlete *n.* a combined event in athletics consisting of ten track and field events
187. je___y-made toy *adj.* a slang term referring to something that is improvised, makeshift, or of poor quality; jerry-rigged
188. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
189. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
190. meet his com_____nts *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
191. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

ANSWERS: 182. rubble, 183. buddy, 184. forth, 185. mend, 186. decathlon, 187. jerry, 188. assume, 189. incredibly, 190. commitment, 191. decide

192. a stone wall su_____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody
193. public den_____ion *n.* the act of publicly condemning or criticizing something or someone, often done with strong disapproval or accusation
194. ac__e triangle *adj.* extremely sharp or severe
195. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
196. co_____t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
197. commit at_____ty *n.* brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act
198. af____d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
199. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
200. ci_____an casualties *n.* a person who is not a member of the military or armed forces; a person who is not a law enforcement officer or public official in a position of authority or responsibility
201. re_____e the emperor to the throne *v.* to repair or return something or someone to a previous good state or position
202. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

ANSWERS: 192. surround, 193. denunciation, 194. acute, 195. recognize, 196. conduct, 197. atrocity, 198. afford, 199. responsible, 200. civilian, 201. restore, 202. amazing

203. in___e his privacy *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
204. gr_____e with problem *v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
205. pay re_____ce to him *n.* a deep respect for someone or something
206. variety of ma___e life *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
207. shocked by_____er *n.* a person who witnesses an event or situation but does not actively participate or intervene
208. an introductory ch_____r *n.* a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled
209. cu_____cy exchange *n.* a system of money in general use in a particular country
210. nuclear ho_____st *n.* the systematic killing of millions of Jews and other minority groups by the Nazis during World War II, or any similar act of mass destruction
211. cat_____he risk management *n.* a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune
212. the af_____th of a crisis *n.* the consequences or results of a significant event, particularly a disaster or conflict; a period of time following a significant event
213. no-_____er product *n.* a decision or a problem that requires little or no thought because it is obvious what you should do

ANSWERS: 203. invade, 204. grapple, 205. reverence, 206. marine, 207. bystander, 208. chapter, 209. currency, 210. holocaust, 211. catastrophe, 212. aftermath, 213. no-brainer

214. an imp_____ve array of facts *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
215. b_w and greet *v.* to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows
216. shut off the sp____t *n.* a valve or faucet used to control the flow of liquid from a container or pipe
217. jungle a_e *n.* a large animal with long arms, no tail, and usually a lot of body hair, including gorillas, chimpanzees, orangutans, and gibbons
218. a re_____ic goal *adj.* having or showing a sensible and practical idea that is possible to achieve
219. m__t the ice *v.* to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating
220. introduce leg_____on *n.* a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws
221. se_____an violence *adj.* relating to a group or faction that is narrowly focused on its own religious, political, or ideological beliefs, often at the expense of others or in opposition to differing viewpoints
222. remove lo__e hair *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

ANSWERS: 214. impressive, 215. bow, 216. spigot, 217. ape, 218. realistic, 219. melt, 220. legislation, 221. sectarian, 222. loose

223. labor pop_____on *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
224. notable in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
225. ki___h art *n.* art, objects, or design considered to be tasteless and overly sentimental, often produced to appeal to popular or commercial taste rather than for artistic value
226. se_____r term *n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
227. ext_____te pests *v.* to destroy completely, often referring to the eradication of pests or weeds
228. mi___s sign *adj.* subtracting or taking away; having a value less than zero
229. se_____d loans *adj.* fixed or fastened firmly in place; made safe or protected from harm or danger
230. full-co_____ge insurance *n.* the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides
231. au_____ze access *v.* to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something
232. mu___r the resources *v.* to gather, assemble, or bring together a group of people or things; to collect or summon for a specific purpose or mission
233. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state

ANSWERS: 223. population, 224. instance, 225. kitsch, 226. senator, 227. exterminate, 228. minus, 229. secured, 230. coverage, 231. authorize, 232. muster, 233. government

234. co_____ed criminal *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
235. the members of a military tr__p *n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
236. students at all gr__e levels *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
237. ed___e vegetables *adj.* fit or safe to be eaten; able to be consumed as food
238. b__y emotion *v.* to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
239. wanted cr_____al *n.* a person who has committed a crime
240. de_____ce a heresy *v.* to speak out against; to strongly criticize something or someone
241. em_____en the opposition *v.* to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief
242. financial a_d *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
243. re_____r a loss *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
244. pr_____e bad behavior *v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
245. an id_____st perspective *n.* a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity

ANSWERS: 234. convinced, 235. troop, 236. grade, 237. edible, 238. bury, 239. criminal, 240. denounce, 241. embolden, 242. aid, 243. recover, 244. promote, 245. idealist

246. ta____ay pizza *n.* a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information
247. em____y function *n.* the diplomatic building where a country's representatives to a foreign country are based
248. ca_____te machinery *v.* to measure or adjust something, typically a machine or device, to ensure accurate functioning or to match a standard or desired level of performance
249. re__n as sovereign *n.* the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen
250. pa___l car *n.* the act of guarding an area or conducting surveillance of an area to maintain order, perform security functions, or prevent crime; a group of officers or soldiers that conducts such an operation
251. co_____ed of the idea *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
252. ni_____me for a person *n.* a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name
253. su___e muscles *adj.* flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas
254. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 246. takeaway, 247. embassy, 248. calibrate, 249. reign, 250. patrol, 251. convinced, 252. nickname, 253. supple, 254. movement

255. f_e calculation *n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service
256. em____y staff *n.* the diplomatic building where a country's representatives to a foreign country are based
257. banner he____ne *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
258. ne_____te the price of the house *v.* to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement
259. m__h larva *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
260. endearing ni_____me *n.* a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name
261. n__e missile *v.* (derived from "nuclear") to attack or destroy a place or target with a nuclear weapon; to cook food in a microwave oven; (noun) a nuclear weapon, such as a nuclear bomb or missile
262. love him non_____ss *adv.* in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless
263. con_____ncy needs *n.* a group of people who live in a particular geographic area and are represented politically by an elected official; a body of customers or clients who regularly use a particular service or product
264. the f__w in the legislation *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

ANSWERS: 255. fee, 256. embassy, 257. headline, 258. negotiate, 259. moth, 260. nickname, 261. nuke, 262. nonetheless, 263. constituency, 264. flaw

265. global re_____e crisis *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
266. the characters that re_____nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
267. doo_____oor delivery *adj.* involving going from one house or building to another on foot, often to sell or distribute items or conduct surveys or interviews
268. mi__o bubble *n.* extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth
269. we are non_____ss confident *adv.* in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless
270. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
271. op_____e 24 hours a day *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
272. un___d the story *v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
273. sh_____n a pencil *v.* to make something, usually a blade or point, sharp or sharper; to enhance or improve the clarity, focus, or effectiveness of something
274. use of nu_____r power *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy

ANSWERS: 265. refugee, 266. represent, 267. door-to-door, 268. micro, 269. nonetheless, 270. individual, 271. operate, 272. unfold, 273. sharpen, 274. nuclear

275. provide an al__i *n.* a claim or piece of evidence that shows an individual was elsewhere at the time a crime or offense was committed and thus could not have been involved
276. re____nt response *adj.* disposed to be silent or uncommunicative; restrained or reluctant to speak; inclined to keep one's thoughts or feelings to oneself
277. su___e leather *adj.* flexible and easy to bend or move; gracefully agile; adaptable or responsive to change or new ideas
278. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
279. re_____ce for tradition *n.* a deep respect for someone or something
280. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
281. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
282. sh__e up demand *n.* the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid
283. 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
284. 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

ANSWERS: 275. alibi, 276. reticent, 277. supple, 278. opposition, 279. reverence, 280. individual, 281. mass, 282. shore, 283. equip, 284. balk

285. arbitrary bur_____cy *n.* a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives
286. d__l down the tension *v.* to adjust or set the controls of a machine or device by turning a controller called dial; (noun) a disc on a telephone that is rotated a fixed distance for each number called
287. a di_____t memory *adj.* far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
288. ap_____id system *n.* a system of racial segregation and discrimination that was enforced in South Africa from 1948 to 1994; any similar system of discrimination or segregation based on race, ethnicity, or other factors
289. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
290. di_____ce the explosive power *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
291. af_____t his pride *n.* an action or statement that causes offense or disrespect to someone's dignity or honor; a deliberate insult or slight; (verb) to insult or offend someone intentionally, often by showing disrespect or disregard for their feelings, beliefs, or social norms

ANSWERS: 285. bureaucracy, 286. dial, 287. distant, 288. apartheid, 289. complexity, 290. displace, 291. affront

292. a craft un__n *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
293. treat this dev_____ng disease *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
294. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
295. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
296. hunk of j__k *n.* discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition
297. under his lea_____ip *n.* the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
298. apo_____al organization *adj.* not related to or involving politics or political affairs; free from political beliefs, bias, or affiliation
299. vi_____e stars *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
300. vi___m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
301. con_____nal approval *adj.* of or relating to Congress, especially to the Congress of the United States
302. environmental th___t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

ANSWERS: 292. union, 293. devastating, 294. imaginary, 295. imaginary, 296. junk, 297. leadership, 298. apolitical, 299. visible, 300. victim, 301. congressional, 302. threat

303. ba____k the opposing team *v.* to provide accommodations or housing, often for military personnel or sports teams; to spur on or encourage especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a large building or group of buildings that provide temporary housing for soldiers or other military personnel
304. take up an app_____nt *n.* a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility
305. a political rev_____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
306. a medical ad_____r *n.* a person who gives advice about a particular subject
307. disarm the b__b *n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
308. st_____h a story *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
309. home in_____on *n.* army's act of forcibly entering another country or territory to take control of it
310. pop_____on change *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
311. su_____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody

ANSWERS: 303. barrack, 304. appointment, 305. revolution, 306. adviser, 307. bomb, 308. stretch, 309. invasion, 310. population, 311. surround

312. an emergency hea_____er *n.* the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
313. pea_____ing force *n.* the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives
314. ac_____e milestones *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
315. my golf bu__y *n.* a close friend; a partner, especially one of a pair or team
316. ea__r anticipation *adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
317. withstand tem_____on *n.* the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire
318. he_____ne article *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
319. pr_____le of treatment *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
320. endangered go_____a *n.* a large, powerful, and intelligent primate found in the forests of central Africa, with coarse black or brown fur and a distinctive face
321. ad_____on of vectors *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

ANSWERS: 312. headquarter, 313. peacekeeping, 314. achieve, 315. buddy, 316. eager, 317. temptation, 318. headline, 319. principle, 320. gorilla, 321. addition

322. former con_____son *n.* a person who belongs to a congress, especially a member of the US House of Representatives; congressman (congressperson is used to avoid gender discrimination)
323. anti-te_____sm bill *n.* the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act
324. es_____e a cause *v.* to adopt or support a particular belief, theory, or cause; to take up or support; to marry
325. financial af_____th *n.* the consequences or results of a significant event, particularly a disaster or conflict; a period of time following a significant event
326. chop fi_____od *n.* wood used as fuel for fires, particularly for heating, cooking, or other purposes
327. di_____t ancestors *adj.* far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship
328. app_____te behavior *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
329. sh_____n your focus *v.* to make something, usually a blade or point, sharp or sharper; to enhance or improve the clarity, focus, or effectiveness of something
330. for in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
331. a mi_____ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

ANSWERS: 322. congressperson, 323. terrorism, 324. espouse, 325. aftermath, 326. firewood, 327. distant, 328. appropriate, 329. sharpen, 330. instance, 331. military

332. de____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
333. Je____h culture *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
334. a puppet re____e *n.* the organization, a system, or method that is the governing authority of a political unit
335. ch__e a dream *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
336. tr____c love stories *adj.* causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate
337. ou____w of capital *n.* the leakage of fluid from a container; a natural flow of groundwater
338. a he____c poem *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring
339. li____y as a right *n.* the state of being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life, behavior, or political views

ANSWERS: 332. develop, 333. Jewish, 334. regime, 335. chase, 336. tragic, 337. outflow, 338. heroic, 339. liberty

340. stacks of fi____od *n.* wood used as fuel for fires, particularly for heating, cooking, or other purposes
341. di____ce workers *v.* to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation
342. exp____re planning *n.* the act of spending money; the total amount of money spent
343. an international co____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
344. du____e materials *adj.* capable of lasting and being used for a long time without being damaged or destroyed
345. et____c minority *adj.* relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition
346. m__h attracted to the light *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
347. re__r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
348. the ho____st museum *n.* the systematic killing of millions of Jews and other minority groups by the Nazis during World War II, or any similar act of mass destruction
349. ad____ve technology *adj.* capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions

ANSWERS: 340. firewood, 341. displace, 342. expenditure, 343. congress, 344. durable, 345. ethnic, 346. moth, 347. refer, 348. holocaust, 349. adaptive

350. adm_____er the funds *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
351. au_____ze payment *v.* to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something
352. d__l up the volume *v.* to adjust or set the controls of a machine or device by turning a controller called dial; (noun) a disc on a telephone that is rotated a fixed distance for each number called
353. largest electronic m__l *n.* a large, enclosed shopping center that typically contains many stores, restaurants, and other businesses
354. tro_____oot software problems *v.* to identify and solve problems or difficulties, particularly in mechanical or technical systems or situations
355. com_____on number *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
356. ge_____de victims *n.* the intentional killing of a large group of people, especially those of a particular ethnic group or nation
357. or___t my thinking *v.* to position or adjust someone or something for a particular purpose; (noun) the countries of Asia
358. sheep without a sh_____rd *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area
359. deliver a ju_____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

ANSWERS: 350. administer, 351. authorize, 352. dial, 353. mall, 354. troubleshoot, 355. combination, 356. genocide, 357. orient, 358. shepherd, 359. judgment

360. m__l crawler *n.* a large, enclosed shopping center that typically contains many stores, restaurants, and other businesses
361. w__p up a meeting *v.* to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
362. a three-party co_____on *n.* a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body
363. z__e defense *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
364. ba_____k room *v.* to provide accommodations or housing, often for military personnel or sports teams; to spur on or encourage especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a large building or group of buildings that provide temporary housing for soldiers or other military personnel
365. id_____st at heart *n.* a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity
366. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

ANSWERS: 360. mall, 361. wrap, 362. coalition, 363. zone, 364. barrack, 365. idealist, 366. introduction

367. se_____an tension *adj.* relating to a group or faction that is narrowly focused on its own religious, political, or ideological beliefs, often at the expense of others or in opposition to differing viewpoints
368. suspend a con_____nal meeting *adj.* of or relating to Congress, especially to the Congress of the United States
369. he___c explorers *adj.* courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring
370. co_____se the recent past *v.* to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something
371. pr_____te noun *n.* a statement or assertion about something, especially a statement in logic or grammar; (verb) to base or found on a particular fact or assumption
372. de_____cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
373. wall s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
374. de_____ce a statement *v.* to speak out against; to strongly criticize something or someone

ANSWERS: 367. sectarian, 368. congressional, 369. heroic, 370. comprise, 371. predicate, 372. democracy, 373. stud, 374. denounce

375. a leg_____te child *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
376. call fo__h demand *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
377. pe_____nt life insurance *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
378. history of hu_____nd *n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
379. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
380. the re_____e camp *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
381. r__y on convenience stores *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
382. m__d my ways *v.* to repair or fix something that is broken or damaged
383. ma___e insurance *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
384. ac_____e success *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
385. ne_____te a settlement *v.* to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement

ANSWERS: 375. legitimate, 376. forth, 377. permanent, 378. humankind, 379. incredibly, 380. refugee, 381. rely, 382. mend, 383. marine, 384. achieve, 385. negotiate

386. a com_____nt to an alliance *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
387. ho_____ck trek *n.* the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse
388. with ea__r eyes *adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
389. j__k mail *n.* discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition
390. cr__e construction *n.* a large, tall machine used for moving heavy objects by suspending them from a beam or hook
391. a cr_____le story *adj.* capable of being trusted or believed
392. nu_____r fusion *adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
393. gr__m a horse *v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat; (noun, also "bridegroom") a man who is about to be married or has recently been married
394. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

ANSWERS: 386. commitment, 387. horseback, 388. eager, 389. junk, 390. crane, 391. credible, 392. nuclear, 393. groom, 394. violent

395. con_____ion of armaments *n.* the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.
396. re___e a dying dog *v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
397. un___d the stroller *v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown
398. the event ho_____n of a black hole *n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
399. a po_____c decision *adj.* wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
400. digital cu_____cy *n.* a system of money in general use in a particular country
401. da_____g awareness *adj.* relating to or occurring at the beginning or early stages of something; characterized by the first appearance of light or knowledge; (noun) the beginning or first appearance of something
402. cac_____us noise *adj.* producing a harsh, discordant, or unpleasant mixture of sounds; characterized by a loud and jarring noise
403. a star of the first ma_____de *n.* the extent, level, importance, or amount of something
404. co_____ce her to go with us *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true

ANSWERS: 395. concentration, 396. rescue, 397. unfold, 398. horizon, 399. politic, 400. currency, 401. dawning, 402. cacophonous, 403. magnitude, 404. convince

414. m__t down gold *v.* to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating
415. commit su____e *n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
416. terrestrial gra_____on *n.* the force by which a celestial body, such as the Earth, pulls objects toward its center; the attraction between two or more objects due to their mass
417. pro_____on of disease *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
418. full of w_t *n.* the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way
419. a nation's right to go___n *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
420. chief ad____r *n.* a person who gives advice about a particular subject
421. bo__t a long history *v.* to talk about someone's accomplishments, wealth, or abilities excessively with undue pride and self-satisfaction
422. na_____ly regenerated forest *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
423. local con_____ncy *n.* a group of people who live in a particular geographic area and are represented politically by an elected official; a body of customers or clients who regularly use a particular service or product

ANSWERS: 414. melt, 415. suicide, 416. gravitation, 417. progression, 418. wit, 419. govern, 420. adviser, 421. boast, 422. naturally, 423. constituency

424. pa_____ze a city *v.* to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel
425. look like a no-_____er *n.* a decision or a problem that requires little or no thought because it is obvious what you should do
426. st_____h along the coast *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
427. do aw__l damage *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
428. aw_____ss of my ignorance *n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
429. eq__p an army *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
430. re__n of a dictator *n.* the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; *(verb)* to be the king or queen
431. v__l music *n.* a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
432. ca_____te measurements *v.* to measure or adjust something, typically a machine or device, to ensure accurate functioning or to match a standard or desired level of performance
433. hum_____ian crisis *adj.* something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare

ANSWERS: 424. paralyze, 425. no-brainer, 426. stretch, 427. awful, 428. awareness, 429. equip, 430. reign, 431. viol, 432. calibrate, 433. humanitarian

434. pre_____ng wind *adj.* most frequent, widespread, or currently dominant, usually referring to a particular opinion, attitude, or trend
435. literature of pe_____nt value *adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
436. personal li_____y *n.* the state of being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life, behavior, or political views
437. cac_____us city streets *adj.* producing a harsh, discordant, or unpleasant mixture of sounds; characterized by a loud and jarring noise
438. pro_____on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
439. la____h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
440. 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
441. pu____y system *n.* a wheel or set of wheels with a grooved rim around which a cord or rope runs, used to change the direction or point of application of a force, especially to lift heavy objects

ANSWERS: 434. prevailing, 435. permanent, 436. liberty, 437. cacophonous, 438. progression, 439. launch, 440. policy, 441. pulley

442. se_____ty analyst *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
443. in_____us device *adj.* showing inventiveness and ability or skill
444. adm_____er justice *v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
445. an accusation of wro_____ng *n.* an improper or illegal behavior or action
446. eva_____al mission *adj.* relating to or advocating a form of Protestant Christianity that emphasizes personal conversion and faith over religious rituals and central authority within the church
447. research in_____tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
448. a remote re_____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
449. beginning of the industrial
rev_____on *n.* a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;
450. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
451. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

ANSWERS: 442. security, 443. ingenious, 444. administer, 445. wrongdoing, 446. evangelical, 447. institute, 448. relative, 449. revolution, 450. unfortunately, 451. separate

452. pl__k out weeds *v.* to pull or draw something, especially with sudden force or effort; to strip of feathers
453. nec_____ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
454. translate li_____ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
455. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
456. the sh__t of an arrow *n.* a long, narrow part or section of an arrow, hammer, golf club, etc.; a long, narrow passage consisting of the vertical part of a column
457. pa__c buying *n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
458. mu___r the troops *v.* to gather, assemble, or bring together a group of people or things; to collect or summon for a specific purpose or mission
459. an aw__l error *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
460. the ma_____de of the disaster *n.* the extent, level, importance, or amount of something
461. willful wro_____ng *n.* an improper or illegal behavior or action
462. absurd mas_____de *n.* a party, dance, or other festive gatherings of persons wearing masks and other disguises, or a costume worn on such an occasion; making a false outward show

ANSWERS: 452. pluck, 453. necessarily, 454. literally, 455. complexity, 456. shaft, 457. panic, 458. muster, 459. awful, 460. magnitude, 461. wrongdoing, 462. masquerade

463. rag d__l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
464. pr_____l in a suit *v.* to be common, widespread, or frequent; to be the strongest or most powerful
465. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
466. the attraction of gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
467. re_____e order *v.* to repair or return something or someone to a previous good state or position
468. vi_____e by X-ray *adj.* capable of being seen; or open to easy view
469. a tr__p of deer *n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
470. mi_____a groups *n.* a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs
471. gr__m duties *v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat; (noun, also "bridegroom") a man who is about to be married or has recently been married

ANSWERS: 463. doll, 464. prevail, 465. involve, 466. gravity, 467. restore, 468. visible, 469. troop, 470. militia, 471. groom

472. co_____ze for cultivation *v.* to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers
473. en_____ze the body *v.* to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate
474. appointed vi_____y *n.* a governor appointed to rule a country or province in the name of a monarch
475. 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
476. non-ed_____e ingredients *adj.* fit or safe to be eaten; able to be consumed as food
477. service f_e *n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service
478. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
479. the Turkish in_____on *n.* army's act of forcibly entering another country or territory to take control of it
480. tra_____on balance *n.* an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
481. his social st_____ng *adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
482. national se_____ty *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation

ANSWERS: 472. colonize, 473. energize, 474. viceroy, 475. journalist, 476. edible, 477. fee, 478. mention, 479. invasion, 480. transaction, 481. standing, 482. security

483. pr____e analyses *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
484. ex____t a bad attitude *v.* to show something in public for people to enjoy or to provide them with information
485. junior se____r *n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate
486. di____t from fossil fuels *v.* to strip or rid oneself of something; to deprive or dispossess someone of a possession, title, or right
487. take ad____ge of his weak points *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
488. public re__m *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
489. com____ot soldier *n.* a fellow citizen or countryman; someone who belongs to the same country, society, or community as oneself; a person with similar interests, beliefs, or values
490. br____t placement *n.* projecting support or fixture used to attach or bear weight; a small shelf or ledge; a punctuation mark ([]) used to enclose words, numbers, or symbols
491. pr____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
492. me____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
493. exp____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

ANSWERS: 483. precise, 484. exhibit, 485. senator, 486. divest, 487. advantage, 488. realm, 489. compatriot, 490. bracket, 491. probable, 492. mention, 493. experiment

494. neg_____on skills *n.* the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others
495. 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
496. masculine ch__m *n.* the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
497. permafrost te_____n *n.* the physical features of a piece of land, including hills, valleys, rivers, and forests
498. wild goose ch__e *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
499. put himself in for the de_____on *n.* a combined event in athletics consisting of ten track and field events
500. patent pe_____g *adj.* awaiting a decision or resolution; yet to be resolved
501. armed mi_____a *n.* a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs
502. an emotional ju_____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

ANSWERS: 494. negotiation, 495. policy, 496. charm, 497. terrain, 498. chase, 499. decathlon, 500. pending, 501. militia, 502. judgment

503. su___r a setback
v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
504. te_____n map
n. the physical features of a piece of land, including hills, valleys, rivers, and forests
505. 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
506. mass of hu_____ty
n. all people living on the earth; the quality or state of being human rather than an animal, a machine, etc.
507. obs_____us behavior
adj. excessively obedient or attentive to someone in a servile or ingratiating manner; overly eager to please or gain favor
508. the court se_____n
n. a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
509. pl__k a gray hair
v. to pull or draw something, especially with sudden force or effort; to strip of feathers
510. co_____al swimming pool
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
511. co_____l into a solid mass
v. to solidify or thicken, especially by cooling or freezing; to become firm or solid, often referring to a liquid or substance

ANSWERS: 503. suffer, 504. terrain, 505. develop, 506. humanity, 507. obsequious, 508. session, 509. pluck, 510. communal, 511. congeal

512. develop an attitude of hu____ty *n.* the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self
513. flower rec_____le *n.* a container or device used to receive or hold something; a place where things are deposited or collected
514. series of exp_____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
515. Je___h history *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
516. get a r_p *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
517. show up in a mas_____de *n.* a party, dance, or other festive gatherings of persons wearing masks and other disguises, or a costume worn on such an occasion; making a false outward show
518. ex_____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
519. the position of vi_____y *n.* a governor appointed to rule a country or province in the name of a monarch
520. a brief ex_____t from the book *n.* a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force
521. st___e climate *n.* a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America

ANSWERS: 512. humility, 513. receptacle, 514. experiment, 515. Jewish, 516. rap, 517. masquerade, 518. extreme, 519. viceroy, 520. extract, 521. steppe

522. ov_____n an area *v.* to invade or occupy a place or territory by force, especially in large numbers; (noun) the act of taking control or overwhelming something or someone
523. leg_____te question *adj.* accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
524. come out of no_____e *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
525. manually op_____e a machine *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
526. criminal gu__t *n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
527. fierce den_____ion *n.* the act of publicly condemning or criticizing something or someone, often done with strong disapproval or accusation
528. the fr__e of the policy *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
529. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
530. government bur_____cy *n.* a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives
531. co_____t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity

ANSWERS: 522. overrun, 523. legitimate, 524. nowhere, 525. operate, 526. guilt, 527. denunciation, 528. frame, 529. communal, 530. bureaucracy, 531. conduct

532. country-by-country a_d programs *n.* things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support
533. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
534. no_____e else to go *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
535. written aut_____ion *n.* the act or process of giving official permission, approval, or authority to do or engage in something; a legal or official document granting such permission or authority
536. pr_____le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
537. the Ch_____r of the United Nations *n.* a document that grants certain rights or privileges; a contract to hire or lease transportation
538. beyond the re__m of possibility *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
539. do l__g transplantation *n.* either of the two organs in the chest that people and some animals use for breathing
540. re_____r approval ratings *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
541. front drive sh__t *n.* a long, narrow part or section of an arrow, hammer, golf club, etc.; a long, narrow passage consisting of the vertical part of a column

ANSWERS: 532. aid, 533. president, 534. nowhere, 535. authorization, 536. principle, 537. charter, 538. realm, 539. lung, 540. recover, 541. shaft

542. wild ro__t *n.* a place where birds rest or sleep, typically on a branch or in a birdhouse or coop
543. new_____hy event *adj.* worthy of being reported in the news; interesting or important enough to be of public interest or noteworthy
544. vi___m compensation *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
545. re_____nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
546. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
547. exercise re___e *n.* the organization, a system, or method that is the governing authority of a political unit
548. border pa___l *n.* the act of guarding an area or conducting surveillance of an area to maintain order, perform security functions, or prevent crime; a group of officers or soldiers that conducts such an operation
549. hu___e opinion *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
550. illustrative emb_____nt *n.* someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea

ANSWERS: 542. roost, 543. newsworthy, 544. victim, 545. represent, 546. president, 547. regime, 548. patrol, 549. humble, 550. embodiment

551. be de_____ed to become a great artist *v.* to determine or set the course of something in advance, often in a way that seems predetermined or inevitable; to specify or choose someone or something for a particular fate or outcome
552. pre_____ng trend *adj.* most frequent, widespread, or currently dominant, usually referring to a particular opinion, attitude, or trend
553. brave up_____er *n.* a person who takes positive and proactive action against injustice or wrongdoing rather than being a bystander or remaining passive
554. a truly hum_____ian act *adj.* something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare
555. se_____d credit card *adj.* fixed or fastened firmly in place; made safe or protected from harm or danger
556. su____r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
557. plastic d__l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
558. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
559. financial ind_____nce *n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence

ANSWERS: 551. destine, 552. prevailing, 553. upstander, 554. humanitarian, 555. secured, 556. suffer, 557. doll, 558. relation, 559. independence

560. the qu__t for truth *n.* a long or challenging search for something
561. doo_____oor transportation *adj.* involving going from one house or building to another on foot, often to sell or distribute items or conduct surveys or interviews
562. the ba_____e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
563. a picture fr__e *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
564. pr__e to diarrhea *adj.* inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward
565. a pa__c reaction *n.* a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
566. stylistically inn_____ve works *adj.* introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
567. re___d the situation as unfortunate *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
568. rec_____le for liquids *n.* a container or device used to receive or hold something; a place where things are deposited or collected
569. suf_____nt time *adj.* adequate; enough for a particular purpose or requirement

ANSWERS: 560. quest, 561. door-to-door, 562. balance, 563. frame, 564. prone, 565. panic, 566. innovative, 567. regard, 568. receptacle, 569. sufficient

570. cr__e operator *n.* a large, tall machine used for moving heavy objects by suspending them from a beam or hook
571. una_____bly high prices *adv.* in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory
572. fl__e of passion *n.* a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger
573. st___e up a conversation *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
574. proven com_____ce *n.* the ability to do something well or efficiently; the knowledge, skill, and ability required to perform a task or job effectively
575. ci_____an life *n.* a person who is not a member of the military or armed forces; a person who is not a law enforcement officer or public official in a position of authority or responsibility
576. end_____ed species *adj.* at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats
577. movable pu___y *n.* a wheel or set of wheels with a grooved rim around which a cord or rope runs, used to change the direction or point of application of a force, especially to lift heavy objects
578. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

ANSWERS: 570. crane, 571. unacceptably, 572. flame, 573. strike, 574. competence, 575. civilian, 576. endangered, 577. pulley, 578. nation

579. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
580. mi_____d the enemy *v.* to cause someone to believe something that is not true
581. his research area of
con_____ion *n.* the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.
582. hu_____nd as a species *n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
583. universal gra_____on *n.* the force by which a celestial body, such as the Earth, pulls objects toward its center; the attraction between two or more objects due to their mass
584. innocent by_____er *n.* a person who witnesses an event or situation but does not actively participate or intervene
585. de___e my own life *v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
586. ad_____ry team *n.* a person, group, or force that opposes or fights against another; an enemy or opponent
587. st_____ng water *adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
588. cr_____al investigation *n.* a person who has committed a crime
589. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid

ANSWERS: 579. democracy, 580. mislead, 581. concentration, 582. humankind, 583. gravitation, 584. bystander, 585. devote, 586. adversary, 587. standing, 588. criminal, 589. massive

601. l__t the ship
v. steal goods from a place or person, typically during a war or riot; (noun) steal goods from a place or person, typically using force, especially in times of war or civil disorder
602. es_____al commodities of life
adj. indispensable; fundamental
603. have dev_____ng effects
adj. causing a great deal of destruction or damage
604. meet with opp_____on
n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
605. cr____s management
n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
606. n__e a city
v. (derived from "nuclear") to attack or destroy a place or target with a nuclear weapon; to cook food in a microwave oven; (noun) a nuclear weapon, such as a nuclear bomb or missile
607. in_____e a lot of paperwork
v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
608. neg_____on process
n. the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others
609. fellow com_____ot
n. a fellow citizen or countryman; someone who belongs to the same country, society, or community as oneself; a person with similar interests, beliefs, or values

ANSWERS: 601. loot, 602. essential, 603. devastating, 604. opposition, 605. crisis, 606. nuke, 607. involve, 608. negotiation, 609. compatriot

610. financial cr___s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
611. cr_____le source *adj.* capable of being trusted or believed
612. re_____nt nature *adj.* disposed to be silent or uncommunicative; restrained or reluctant to speak; inclined to keep one's thoughts or feelings to oneself
613. hu_____ty at large *n.* all people living on the earth; the quality or state of being human rather than an animal, a machine, etc.
614. a ge_____e article *adj.* real and exactly; not pretended; sincerely felt or expressed
615. trees and b__hes *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
616. go_____or general *n.* the person who holds the highest executive office in a state or province
617. the morning se_____n *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
618. re_____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
619. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
620. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

ANSWERS: 610. crisis, 611. credible, 612. reticent, 613. humanity, 614. genuine, 615. bush, 616. governor, 617. session, 618. relative, 619. unfortunately, 620. recognize

621. a ch____r flight *n.* a document that grants certain rights or privileges; a contract to hire or lease transportation
622. co____l liquid *v.* to solidify or thicken, especially by cooling or freezing; to become firm or solid, often referring to a liquid or substance
623. single et___c group *adj.* relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition
624. bird ro__t *n.* a place where birds rest or sleep, typically on a branch or in a birdhouse or coop
625. 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
626. c__t members *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
627. a mi_____ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
628. as___e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
629. gr_____e with each other *v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons

ANSWERS: 621. charter, 622. congeal, 623. ethnic, 624. roost, 625. literally, 626. cult, 627. military, 628. assume, 629. grapple

630. peace co____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
631. di____e backgrounds *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
632. ma__o economy *n.* (computing) a set of instructions that automate a frequently used series of keystrokes or mouse actions; (photography) a lens that allows you to take close-up photographs; (economics) a large-scale economic policy or system
633. retain everyone's di____y *n.* the quality of being worthy of esteem or respect; high office or rank or station
634. co____se a large percentage *v.* to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something
635. sh____rd boy *n.* a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

ANSWERS: 630. congress, 631. diverse, 632. macro, 633. dignity, 634. comprise, 635. shepherd

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Her _____ are consistently rational and sensible.
n. the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

2. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.
v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

3. This town _____ a national park.
v. to talk about someone's accomplishments, wealth, or abilities excessively with undue pride and self-satisfaction

4. The construction of the new dam will _____ hundreds of families living downstream.
v. to force someone or something to leave their home or place of origin, especially as a result of conflict, natural disaster, or manipulation

5. The _____ group planned a series of violent attacks to push its agenda.
n. a person who holds extreme political or religious views and who is willing to use violent or illegal methods to promote those views

6. The _____ building was heavily guarded by security personnel.
n. the diplomatic building where a country's representatives to a foreign country are based

7. The content is _____ and informative for me.
adj. sharply exact or accurate or delimited

8. The political campaign descended into a _____ battle between rival parties.
adj. relating to a group or faction that is narrowly focused on its own religious, political, or ideological beliefs, often at the expense of others or in opposition to differing viewpoints

ANSWERS: 1. judgments, 2. flee, 3. boasts, 4. displace, 5. extremist, 6. embassy, 7. precise, 8. sectarian

9. They had formed a friendship _____.
- n.* a close emotional connection between two or more people; a certificate of debt that a government or corporation issues to raise money
10. My soccer team played against my _____ team in the local tournament.
- n.* a fellow citizen or countryman; someone who belongs to the same country, society, or community as oneself; a person with similar interests, beliefs, or values
11. The _____ of the earthquake was measured at 7.8 on the Richter scale.
- n.* the extent, level, importance, or amount of something
12. The invading army quickly may _____ the small country and took control of its capital city.
- v.* to invade or occupy a place or territory by force, especially in large numbers; (noun) the act of taking control or overwhelming something or someone
13. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.
- adj.* very great in amount or degree
14. The lack of funds has resulted in a _____ for our university system.
- n.* a sudden event that causes extreme ruin and misfortune
15. Electronic _____ remain incomplete due to system errors.
- n.* an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
16. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
- n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

ANSWERS: 9. bond, 10. compatriot's, 11. magnitude, 12. overrun, 13. extreme, 14. catastrophe, 15. transactions, 16. threat

17. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.
- n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
18. The _____ party was lavish, with guests in elaborate costumes and masks.
- n.* a party, dance, or other festive gatherings of persons wearing masks and other disguises, or a costume worn on such an occasion; making a false outward show
19. This approach employs both _____ and macro analysis methods.
- n.* extremely small in scale or scope; one millionth
20. I need to _____ my dog before his fur gets too long.
- v.* to clean, brush, and care for the fur or feathers of an animal; to prepare oneself or someone else for a special event or occasion; to make something neat; (noun, also "bridegroom") a man who is about to be married or has recently been married
21. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.
- v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
22. They donated large sums of money for the development of _____.
- n.* all people living on the earth; the quality or state of being human rather than an animal, a machine, etc.
23. The waves are beating against the _____.
- n.* the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid
24. 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

ANSWERS: 17. instances, 18. masquerade, 19. micro, 20. groom, 21. mentioned, 22. humanity, 23. shore, 24. equipped

25. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.
- v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
26. Anesthetize the gum before _____ the teeth.
- n. a short passage taken from a book, piece of music, etc.; a substance obtained from something through a specific process; (verb) to obtain from something or to remove something by effort or force
27. 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
28. The archer's hands _____ as he aimed the arrow at the target.
- v. to shake or tremble with a slight, rapid motion
29. The _____ effect is a phenomenon where people are less likely to intervene in an emergency if others are present.
- n. a person who witnesses an event or situation but does not actively participate or intervene
30. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
- n. the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
31. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.
- v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

ANSWERS: 25. represent, 26. extracting, 27. stud, 28. quivered, 29. bystander, 30. relations, 31. separate

32. I always look forward to reading his stories since they're so _____.

adj. showing inventiveness and ability or skill

33. The government has _____ the use of military force in the region to keep the peace.

v. to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something

34. 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

35. The _____ events of the war left many families torn apart.

adj. causing great sadness or suffering; very unfortunate

36. The recipe calls for four cups of flour _____ one tablespoon.

adj. subtracting or taking away; having a value less than zero

37. The engagement of the two golf players became _____ news.

n. a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

38. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

39. The two largest opposition parties announced they would form a _____ in the next elections.

n. a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body

ANSWERS: 32. ingenious, 33. authorized, 34. develop, 35. tragic, 36. minus, 37. headline, 38. unfortunately, 39. coalition

40. The rescue team rushed into the mine _____.
- n.* a long, narrow part or section of an arrow, hammer, golf club, etc.; a long, narrow passage consisting of the vertical part of a column
41. He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian _____ fund.
- n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
42. 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
43. The _____ player was rehearsing for an upcoming concert.
- n.* a stringed instrument, typically with six strings and frets, played with a bow, also called a viola da gamba
44. Let's try to _____ a bit of enthusiasm into your performance.
- v.* to put a liquid such as a drug or other substance into a person's or an animal's body using a needle and syringe (= small tube)
45. She is searching for a _____ residence.
- adj.* lasting for a long time without essential change
46. My neighbor gave me some extra _____ from their own supply.
- n.* wood used as fuel for fires, particularly for heating, cooking, or other purposes
47. The children were _____ to start the treasure hunt.
- adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something

ANSWERS: 40. shaft, 41. relief, 42. balk, 43. viol, 44. inject, 45. permanent, 46. firewood, 47. eager

48. He was _____ to making rash decisions.

adj. inclined or likely to do something or to show a particular characteristic, especially something bad; lying face downward

49. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

50. This exam requires excellent _____ to pass.

n. the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.

51. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

52. I must _____ my knives before cooking to ensure precise and efficient cutting.

v. to make something, usually a blade or point, sharp or sharper; to enhance or improve the clarity, focus, or effectiveness of something

53. The _____ of the war left many children orphaned.

n. brutal act; an extremely wicked or cruel act

54. There is nothing more valuable than _____ and freedom.

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

55. The notable _____ ruled over the colony on behalf of the king.

n. a governor appointed to rule a country or province in the name of a monarch

ANSWERS: 48. prone, 49. Democracy, 50. concentration, 51. decide, 52. sharpen, 53. atrocity, 54. independence, 55. viceroy

56. The _____ chorus of the morning market created an overwhelming yet lively ambiance.

adj. producing a harsh, discordant, or unpleasant mixture of sounds; characterized by a loud and jarring noise

57. The earthquake resulted in significant _____ destruction.

adj. associated with the way on construction or organization of anything

58. The audience was not duped by the media's _____ around the event.

n. advertisements and media discussions informing the public about a product and how nice or vital it is

59. Even the slightest design _____ in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

n. a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

60. She took a moment to _____ herself in the unfamiliar city.

v. to position or adjust someone or something for a particular purpose; (noun) the countries of Asia

61. My friend is a _____ woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

adj. of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

62. As an _____ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.

n. a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

63. New York is a city with a _____ ethnic population.

adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

ANSWERS: 56. cacophonous, 57. structural, 58. hype, 59. flaw, 60. orient, 61. Jewish, 62. individual, 63. diverse

64. The _____ of the earth is divided into several layers including the crust, mantle, and core.
- n.* a round object or geometric shape that is three-dimensional and symmetrical around a central point; a particular aspect or scope of life or activity
65. In just four years, the _____ has doubled.
- n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
66. After the valves were closed, the _____ halted.
- n.* the leakage of fluid from a container; a natural flow of groundwater
67. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.
- n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
68. The _____ is a serious threat to the farm's output.
- n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
69. The mentor provided _____ to the young entrepreneur, helping her navigate the business world.
- n.* advice or instructions given to help direct someone's behavior or decision-making
70. The _____ of the candle flickered in the darkness of the room.
- n.* a bright, visible light and heat source caused by combustion; a strong, intense feeling typically associated with passion, aggression, or anger
71. _____ photography is a technique that allows you to take close-up photos of small objects.
- n.* (computing) a set of instructions that automate a frequently used series of keystrokes or mouse actions; (photography) a lens that allows you to take close-up photographs; (economics) a large-scale economic policy or system

ANSWERS: 64. sphere, 65. population, 66. outflow, 67. grade, 68. moth, 69. guidance, 70. flame, 71. Macro

72. That adventurer traveled in _____ of buried treasure.

n. a long or challenging search for something

73. Each _____ group has its unique rituals.

adj. relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition

74. Totalitarian _____ are less likely to innovate because they deprive individuals of economic incentives.

n. the organization, a system, or method that is the governing authority of a political unit

75. This consulting firm decided to _____ the two companies into one.

v. to combine or integrate things, or to cause this to happen

76. The police officer _____ the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.

v. to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes

77. It is common for oppressive governments to _____ through violence, using military and police force to control their citizens and suppress dissent.

v. to be common, widespread, or frequent; to be the strongest or most powerful

78. The _____ opinion was that the project would be a success.

adj. most frequent, widespread, or currently dominant, usually referring to a particular opinion, attitude, or trend

79. The club _____ does not have absolute power.

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

ANSWERS: 72. quest, 73. ethnic, 74. regimes, 75. merge, 76. chased, 77. prevail, 78. prevailing, 79. president

80. The ____ leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.
- n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
81. The nomadic tribes set up camp on the vast _____.
- n.* a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America
82. He needed to _____ with structural reforms to improve the company's revenue.
- v.* to make a strenuous effort to solve a problem; to engage in a close fight or conflict without weapons
83. Our company's products are made of highly _____ materials.
- adj.* capable of lasting and being used for a long time without being damaged or destroyed
84. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
- n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
85. Some people believe that we are all _____ for greatness.
- v.* to determine or set the course of something in advance, often in a way that seems predetermined or inevitable; to specify or choose someone or something for a particular fate or outcome
86. Similar _____ had already been rejected by the parliament four times.
- n.* a law or a set of laws suggested and then passed by a parliament, or the act of making or enacting laws

ANSWERS: 80. cult, 81. steppe, 82. grapple, 83. durable, 84. complexity, 85. destined, 86. legislation

87. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
88. The patient died from _____ alcohol intoxication.
adj. extremely sharp or severe
89. _____ suddenly occupied the presidential palace.
n. a military force comprised of trained soldiers who are usually a citizen or have other jobs
90. 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
91. He was the first _____ in the military training camp.
n. a close friend; a partner, especially one of a pair or team
92. The CEO of the company denied any _____ while admitting to mismanagement.
n. an improper or illegal behavior or action
93. The _____ of the hurricane left the city in shambles.
n. the consequences or results of a significant event, particularly a disaster or conflict; a period of time following a significant event
94. Almost \$1 billion in capital _____ is still required.
n. the act of spending money; the total amount of money spent

ANSWERS: 87. Communal, 88. acute, 89. Militia, 90. policy, 91. buddy, 92. wrongdoing, 93. aftermath, 94. expenditure

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

adj. indispensable; fundamental

96. He became an audit _____ because of his years of experience as an accountant.

n. an official member of a government department or another organization who is responsible for controlling something or performing specific duties

97. The team has a _____ for their star player: "The Ace."

n. a familiar or humorous name given to a person or thing instead of or as well as the real name

98. The restaurant's service was _____ slow.

adv. in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory

99. The _____ dog helped keep the sheep in line and protect them from predators.

n. a person who tends and guards sheep, especially in a rural area

100. Political corruption was common throughout the postwar ____.

n. a period that is distinct from others, typically in history

101. The Prime Minister stressed the need to create _____ industries.

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

102. The dictator's _____ was characterized by widespread human rights abuses and suppression of political opposition.

n. the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen

ANSWERS: 95. essential, 96. commissioner, 97. nickname, 98. unacceptably, 99. shepherd's, 100. era, 101. innovative, 102. reign

103. She was _____ by her success and decided to take on a more significant challenge.
- v. to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief
104. Her passions are in the _____ of real-world political affairs.
- n. a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
105. He _____ himself to studying the history of ancient civilizations.
- v. to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
106. I had a _____ transaction on my credit card.
- adj. awaiting a decision or resolution; yet to be resolved
107. She is still _____ from a shot to her shoulder.
- v. to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
108. I am considering what I should do to _____ him.
- v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
109. The team needed to _____ all their energy and focus to win the game.
- v. to gather, assemble, or bring together a group of people or things; to collect or summon for a specific purpose or mission
110. The force of _____ keeps the planets in our solar system in orbit around the sun.
- n. the force by which a celestial body, such as the Earth, pulls objects toward its center; the attraction between two or more objects due to their mass

ANSWERS: 103. emboldened, 104. realm, 105. devoted, 106. pending, 107. recovering, 108. convince, 109. muster, 110. gravitation

111. The _____ waiter constantly showered the wealthy customer with compliments and excessive attention.

adj. excessively obedient or attentive to someone in a servile or ingratiating manner; overly eager to please or gain favor

112. The rude remark was an _____ to her dignity.

n. an action or statement that causes offense or disrespect to someone's dignity or honor; a deliberate insult or slight; (verb) to insult or offend someone intentionally, often by showing disrespect or disregard for their feelings, beliefs, or social norms

113. The use of cluster _____ is strictly prohibited by international law.

n. a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

114. The government _____ the invasive species to protect native plants and animals.

v. to destroy completely, often referring to the eradication of pests or weeds

115. The trade _____ remained adamant about its demands.

n. a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together

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

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

117. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

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

ANSWERS: 111. obsequious, 112. affront, 113. bombs, 114. exterminated, 115. union, 116. troubleshoot, 117. government

118. This machine is too difficult to _____ for me.

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

119. As a dedicated _____ she always fought for what was right, no matter the cost.

n. a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity

120. Efficiency isn't an essential _____ here; fairness is.

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

121. The _____ on the outdoor faucet was leaking and needed to be fixed.

n. a valve or faucet used to control the flow of liquid from a container or pipe

122. The protesters became _____ when the police tried to disperse them.

adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something

123. Police will _____ random breath testing for drunk driving.

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

124. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

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

125. The _____ actions of individuals are now easily spread worldwide by SNS.

adj. courageous and daring; having or displaying qualities appropriate for legendary figures that is courage and daring

ANSWERS: 118. operate, 119. idealist, 120. principle, 121. spigot, 122. violent, 123. conduct, 124. statistics, 125. heroic

126. The mystery _____ as the detectives gathered more clues.

- v.* to open up or spread out something that is folded or rolled up; to reveal or disclose something that was previously hidden or unknown

127. Our troops pulled back to _____ the enemy.

- v.* to cause someone to believe something that is not true

128. European powers _____ much of the Americas in the 16th and 17th centuries.

- v.* to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers

129. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

- adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

130. Babies heavily _____ on others for food.

- v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

131. The term of a _____ is two years.

- n.* a person who belongs to a congress, especially a member of the US House of Representatives; congressman (congressperson is used to avoid gender discrimination)

132. The band has released a lot of _____ rock music.

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

ANSWERS: 126. unfolded, 127. mislead, 128. colonized, 129. responsible, 130. rely, 131. congressperson, 132. adrenaline-pumping

133. 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

134. I regretted making an _____ mistake in my final exam.

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

135. The scientist studied the behavior of _____ in the wild.

n. a large animal with long arms, no tail, and usually a lot of body hair, including gorillas, chimpanzees, orangutans, and gibbons

136. There was a _____ probe into the scandal.

adj. of or relating to Congress, especially to the Congress of the United States

137. Before accessing sensitive information, you need proper _____.

n. the act or process of giving official permission, approval, or authority to do or engage in something; a legal or official document granting such permission or authority

138. _____ must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

n. a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups

139. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

140. He was always _____ about his personal life and rarely shared any details with others.

adj. disposed to be silent or uncommunicative; restrained or reluctant to speak; inclined to keep one's thoughts or feelings to oneself

ANSWERS: 133. crisis, 134. awful, 135. apes, 136. congressional, 137. authorization, 138. Congress, 139. recognize, 140. reticent

141. The country's _____ has decided to take large-scale measures against global warming.
n. the ability, act, or status of leading a group of people or an organization
142. The scandal was deemed _____ by every major media outlet in the country.
adj. worthy of being reported in the news; interesting or important enough to be of public interest or noteworthy
143. The _____ at the zoo impressed visitors with its size and strength.
n. a large, powerful, and intelligent primate found in the forests of central Africa, with coarse black or brown fur and a distinctive face
144. His _____ showed highly positive results.
n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
145. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.
n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
146. The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of _____.
n. the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
147. I've been thinking all day and getting _____.
adv. not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
148. The _____ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.
adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

ANSWERS: 141. leadership, 142. newsworthy, 143. gorilla, 144. experiments, 145. addition, 146. gravity, 147. nowhere, 148. military

149. The blood began to _____ as it dried in the wound.

v. to solidify or thicken, especially by cooling or freezing; to become firm or solid, often referring to a liquid or substance

150. The recycling bin is the designated _____ for all plastic and paper waste.

n. a container or device used to receive or hold something; a place where things are deposited or collected

151. The _____ room was only accessible with a special key card.

adj. fixed or fastened firmly in place; made safe or protected from harm or danger

152. Skill and _____ are an unconquered army.

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

153. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.

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

154. This typhoon was the most _____ in years.

adj. causing a great deal of destruction or damage

155. The politician met with his _____ to hear their concerns and ideas.

n. a group of people who live in a particular geographic area and are represented politically by an elected official; a body of customers or clients who regularly use a particular service or product

156. He was _____ gifted.

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

ANSWERS: 149. congeal, 150. receptacle, 151. secured, 152. confidence, 153. incredibly, 154. devastating, 155. constituency, 156. naturally

157. After the accident, three governmental bodies _____ the company.

v. to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

158. After the earthquake, the city was left in a pile of _____.

n. fragments of rock, stone, or other materials that remain after a building or other structure has been destroyed or demolished; the remains of something that has been broken down or destroyed

159. The first question in the test was a complete _____.

n. a decision or a problem that requires little or no thought because it is obvious what you should do

160. He has terminal _____ cancer.

n. either of the two organs in the chest that people and some animals use for breathing

161. He _____ the torn shirt with a needle and thread.

v. to repair or fix something that is broken or damaged

162. The company decided to _____ its holdings in the fossil fuel industry.

v. to strip or rid oneself of something; to deprive or dispossess someone of a possession, title, or right

163. The final _____ provides a summary of the discussion.

n. a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled

164. The antique _____ was worth thousands of dollars.

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

ANSWERS: 157. administer, 158. rubble, 159. no-brainer, 160. lung, 161. mended, 162. divest, 163. chapter, 164. doll

165. Other technology industries _____ similarly explosive growth.

- v.* to show something in public for people to enjoy or to provide them with information

166. The _____ concert was packed with fans.

- adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation

167. He cannot _____ a holiday.

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

168. The _____ mission in the war-torn country was challenging but necessary.

- n.* the act of maintaining peace, especially in conflict-prone regions or between hostile groups, usually through the deployment of a neutral military force or diplomatic initiatives

169. That candidate does not have _____ means to win an election with certainty.

- adj.* adequate; enough for a particular purpose or requirement

170. The construction worker used a fixed _____ to lift the heavy equipment to the top floor.

- n.* a wheel or set of wheels with a grooved rim around which a cord or rope runs, used to change the direction or point of application of a force, especially to lift heavy objects

171. The _____ between the two countries was a delicate and complex process.

- n.* the process of discussing and reaching an agreement with others

ANSWERS: 165. exhibit, 166. standing, 167. afford, 168. peacekeeping, 169. sufficient, 170. pulley, 171. negotiation

172. We were filled with _____ at the sight of the Queen.

n. the quality or condition of being humble; a low estimate of one's self

173. The people of the village showed great _____ for the elderly.

n. a deep respect for someone or something

174. She put her phone in the ____ pocket of her backpack.

n. a fastener made of interlocking teeth or ridges that is used to join two edges or pieces of fabric; a sound or motion that resembles the sound made by a zipper when it is pulled; (of a computer) a popular file compression and archiving format; (short for Zone Improvement Plan) a system of postal codes used in the United States to help facilitate mail delivery more efficiently

175. Pakistan's ____ budget was still being reviewed.

n. things sent to help countries in need, notably food or money; support

176. 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

177. The devil is the _____ of wicked ideas.

n. someone or something that precisely expresses a characteristic or an idea

178. The nonprofit organization remains _____ and does not endorse any political candidates.

adj. not related to or involving politics or political affairs; free from political beliefs, bias, or affiliation

179. The two parties have reached a _____.

n. general agreement or accord in the judgment or opinion reached by a group as a whole

ANSWERS: 172. humility, 173. reverence, 174. zip, 175. aid, 176. journalists, 177. embodiment, 178. apolitical, 179. consensus

180. Many people go to the shopping _____ to socialize and spend time with friends.

- n.* a large, enclosed shopping center that typically contains many stores, restaurants, and other businesses

181. There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental _____.

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

182. The community warmly welcomed the _____.

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

183. It's important to _____ the equipment regularly to ensure accurate results.

- v.* to measure or adjust something, typically a machine or device, to ensure accurate functioning or to match a standard or desired level of performance

184. The senior _____ worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.

- n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

185. The company is looking for candidates with the necessary _____ and skills.

- n.* the ability to do something well or efficiently; the knowledge, skill, and ability required to perform a task or job effectively

186. The hawkish _____ gave a speech on the new bill in the Senate.

- n.* a member of a legislative body, especially a member of the U.S. Senate

ANSWERS: 180. mall, 181. awareness, 182. refugees, 183. calibrate, 184. diplomat, 185. competence, 186. senator

187. These are significantly more exquisite than typical _____ bracelets.
n. the power or quality of pleasing or fascinating people
188. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
189. An _____ would most probably result in a political catastrophe.
n. army's act of forcibly entering another country or territory to take control of it
190. Frugality and industry are still _____ as virtues.
v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
191. The _____ to the safe was a secret.
n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
192. He was reluctant to leave his comfort _____ and try something new.
n. a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
193. The participation of oil-producing countries in the war caused _____ in the financial markets.
n. a sudden strong feeling of fear that cannot be controlled and prevents reasonable thought and action
194. Parliament is now in _____.
n. a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity

ANSWERS: 187. charm, 188. decision, 189. invasion, 190. regarded, 191. combination, 192. zone, 193. panic, 194. session

195. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

196. This region has many _____ offering higher education.

n. an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

197. Little children tend to have _____ friends.

adj. existing only in someone's mind

198. I have no intention to _____ your privacy.

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

199. The organization is dedicated to providing _____ aid to disaster-stricken areas worldwide.

adj. something relating to the promotion of human welfare or someone who works to promote human welfare

200. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.

v. to be all around something or somebody

201. 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

202. The founding fathers fought for the _____ of the American people.

n. the state of being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life, behavior, or political views

ANSWERS: 195. massive, 196. institutes, 197. imaginary, 198. invade, 199. humanitarian, 200. surround, 201. literally, 202. liberty

203. The scandal received widespread media _____.

- n.* the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides

204. It would be _____ to dress nicely for the wedding.

- adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

205. Researchers often succumb to the _____ of accolades and commit research misconduct.

- n.* the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire

206. The highway _____ officer pulled over the speeding vehicle on the freeway.

- n.* the act of guarding an area or conducting surveillance of an area to maintain order, perform security functions, or prevent crime; a group of officers or soldiers that conducts such an operation

207. As the sun set, the colors of the sky merged with the _____ creating a beautiful orange and pink hue.

- n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated

208. We went on a scenic trail ride on _____ through the mountains.

- n.* the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse

209. The motivational speaker _____ the crowd with their words.

- v.* to give energy or vitality to someone or something; to invigorate

210. A police officer has the authority to _____ a criminal.

- v.* to take into custody

ANSWERS: 203. coverage, 204. appropriate, 205. temptation, 206. patrol, 207. horizon, 208. horseback, 209. energized, 210. arrest

211. The government has implemented policies to protect the habitat of _____ animals.

adj. at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats

212. The main _____ from the meeting was the need for better communication.

n. a message or conclusion that can be taken away from a situation or piece of information

213. The South African government enforced _____ laws that segregated people based on race.

n. a system of racial segregation and discrimination that was enforced in South Africa from 1948 to 1994; any similar system of discrimination or segregation based on race, ethnicity, or other factors

214. The regulations _____ medical malpractice claims are rigorous.

v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

215. One of the main _____ of the new product is its increased efficiency.

n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

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

adj. likely to happen or likely to be true

217. Our company is starting a new _____ sales campaign to expand our customer base.

adj. involving going from one house or building to another on foot, often to sell or distribute items or conduct surveys or interviews

ANSWERS: 211. endangered, 212. takeaway, 213. apartheid, 214. governing, 215. advantages, 216. probable, 217. door-to-door

218. The army is instructed not to target any _____ during the conflict.
- n.* a person who is not a member of the military or armed forces; a person who is not a law enforcement officer or public official in a position of authority or responsibility
219. I am going to trim this _____ off.
- n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
220. The government should do more to _____ sustainable agribusiness.
- v.* to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
221. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
- n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
222. The garden gnome statue is cheesy _____ but some people love that style.
- n.* art, objects, or design considered to be tasteless and overly sentimental, often produced to appeal to popular or commercial taste rather than for artistic value
223. After retiring, he continued to be an _____ to politicians.
- n.* a person who gives advice about a particular subject
224. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.
- v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
225. 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

ANSWERS: 218. civilians, 219. bush, 220. promote, 221. mass, 222. kitsch, 223. adviser, 224. suffers, 225. spears

226. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.
- n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
227. The soldiers were instructed to _____ in the buildings until further notice.
- v.* to provide accommodations or housing, often for military personnel or sports teams; to spur on or encourage especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a large building or group of buildings that provide temporary housing for soldiers or other military personnel
228. Many countries have now agreed to a treaty banning the use of _____ weapons.
- adj.* of or relating to or constituting the nucleus of an atom; deriving destructive energy from the release of atomic energy
229. Shame and _____ have significant social influences.
- n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
230. The fire department arrived just in time to _____ the family from the burning building.
- v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
231. Corruption is an _____ act for any reason.
- adj.* profoundly immoral, cruel, and wicked; having or exerting a harmful effect on people
232. The military regime has promised to _____ democracy as soon as possible.
- v.* to repair or return something or someone to a previous good state or position

ANSWERS: 226. introduction, 227. barrack, 228. nuclear, 229. guilt, 230. rescue, 231. evil, 232. restore

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

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

234. My home is easily _____ from the shore.

adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view

235. Many _____ survivors still suffer from the trauma they experienced during that time.

n. the systematic killing of millions of Jews and other minority groups by the Nazis during World War II, or any similar act of mass destruction

236. The team _____ players from different countries.

v. to include or consist of something; the act of making up or forming something

237. We _____ to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

238. Is this painting _____ or forged?

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

239. The detective looked for fingerprints on the window _____.

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

240. The failure destroyed his trust and personal _____.

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

241. The international community condemned the _____ in the country.

n. the intentional killing of a large group of people, especially those of a particular ethnic group or nation

ANSWERS: 233. relatives, 234. visible, 235. holocaust, 236. comprises, 237. strike, 238. genuine, 239. frame, 240. dignity, 241. genocide

242. I'm going to deny the _____ of his claim.

- n.* the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason

243. I need to clear out some of the _____ in my garage.

- n.* discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition

244. We had to reschedule the dentist's _____.

- n.* a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility

245. The nobler, the more _____.

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

246. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.

- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

247. The chickens return to their _____ at sunset every night.

- n.* a place where birds rest or sleep, typically on a branch or in a birdhouse or coop

248. His _____ expertise in the field earned him the respect of his peers.

- adj.* recognized or admitted as being true or valid

249. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

- v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

ANSWERS: 242. legitimacy, 243. junk, 244. appointment, 245. humble, 246. assumes, 247. roost, 248. acknowledged, 249. involves

250. We are always happy to _____ a discount.
v. to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement
251. Seals and whales are _____ animals beloved by the people.
adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
252. I pushed _____ with my new project, even though it would take much hard work.
adv. forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
253. Public political demonstrations are considered _____ rights for citizens.
adj. accordant with or allowed by law; lawful
254. The bumbling _____ made it difficult to get the permits we needed.
n. a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives
255. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
256. He _____ the phone number and waited for an answer.
v. to adjust or set the controls of a machine or device by turning a controller called dial; (noun) a disc on a telephone that is rotated a fixed distance for each number called
257. He won Olympic gold medals in the _____.
n. a combined event in athletics consisting of ten track and field events
258. Teachers can encourage their students to be _____ by teaching them about empathy and the importance of standing up for others.
n. a person who takes positive and proactive action against injustice or wrongdoing rather than being a bystander or remaining passive

ANSWERS: 250. negotiate, 251. marine, 252. forth, 253. legitimate, 254. bureaucracy, 255. norms, 256. dialed, 257. decathlon, 258. upstanders

259. Try to keep a _____ between work and off.

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

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

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

261. On the geological time scale, _____ has existed for a brief moment.

- n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth

262. The construction workers used a _____ to lift the heavy beams.

- n.* a large, tall machine used for moving heavy objects by suspending them from a beam or hook

263. Some herds have been observed to _____ hundreds of kilometers.

- v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking

264. The ballerina's _____ movements left the audience mesmerized.

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

265. The _____ repair was only a temporary solution to the problem.

- adj.* a slang term referring to something that is improvised, makeshift, or of poor quality; jerry-rigged

266. I will work hard to _____ my goals and realize my dreams.

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

ANSWERS: 259. balance, 260. security, 261. humankind, 262. crane, 263. stretch, 264. supple, 265. jerry-rigged, 266. achieve

267. The venom from the snake bite _____ his arm.

v. to cause a person or part of the body to become unable to move or feel

268. The _____ of the sentence states the action or condition of the subject.

n. a statement or assertion about something, especially a statement in logic or grammar; (verb) to base or found on a particular fact or assumption

269. He _____ the actions of the corrupt official.

v. to speak out against; to strongly criticize something or someone

270. The _____ refugees were not allowed to enter the country.

adj. having no nationality or citizenship; not being affiliated with any particular state or government

271. The mountainous _____ was rough and rocky.

n. the physical features of a piece of land, including hills, valleys, rivers, and forests

272. The new ____ album is getting a lot of attention.

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

273. The public is _____ that the prime minister has committed fraud.

adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

274. Her resistance _____ under his persuasion.

v. to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating

ANSWERS: 267. paralyzed, 268. predicate, 269. denounced, 270. stateless, 271. terrain, 272. rap, 273. convinced, 274. melted

275. I made sure to pick only _____ mushrooms for our dinner.

adj. fit or safe to be eaten; able to be consumed as food

276. The company decided to move its _____ to New York City.

n. the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed

277. The _____ realization of their mistake was evident on their faces.

adj. relating to or occurring at the beginning or early stages of something; characterized by the first appearance of light or knowledge; (noun) the beginning or first appearance of something

278. His business _____ took him to the United States.

n. a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

279. The lawyer's ____ for the case was \$10,000.

n. a sum of money charged for a particular service

280. In an economically prosperous country, most male _____ is due to child support problems.

n. the act of killing yourself intentionally

281. The _____ pastor delivered a powerful sermon to his congregation.

adj. relating to or advocating a form of Protestant Christianity that emphasizes personal conversion and faith over religious rituals and central authority within the church

282. He has the ____ to keep talking about this topic.

n. the ability to say or write things or ideas in a clever and humorous way

ANSWERS: 275. edible, 276. headquarters, 277. dawning, 278. commitments, 279. fee, 280. suicide, 281. evangelical, 282. wit

283. The company has made great strides in its _____ toward sustainability.
n. the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
284. The _____ of the organization outlines its mission and goals.
n. a document that grants certain rights or privileges; a contract to hire or lease transportation
285. The _____ used in this country is the Euro.
n. a system of money in general use in a particular country
286. This accident was something that happened _____.
adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
287. She was _____ in her behavior.
adj. wise and displaying the ability to make reasonable decisions
288. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.
v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
289. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
290. _____ the bandage tightly around the injured arm.
v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
291. That story was so _____ and it was scary.
adj. having or showing a sensible and practical idea that is possible to achieve

ANSWERS: 283. progression, 284. charter, 285. currency, 286. necessarily, 287. politic, 288. launch, 289. nation, 290. Wrap, 291. realistic,

292. They didn't have any _____ evidence of his innocence.

adj. capable of being trusted or believed

293. She _____ to the audience after her performance.

v. to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows

294. The diplomat's _____ of the terrorist attack was a strong statement of condemnation from the international community.

n. the act of publicly condemning or criticizing something or someone, often done with strong disapproval or accusation

295. I need to hang these shelves with the help of some sturdy _____.

n. projecting support or fixture used to attach or bear weight; a small shelf or ledge; a punctuation mark ([]) used to enclose words, numbers, or symbols

296. They each choose _____ to battle.

adv. in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless

297. She _____ the philosophy of non-violence.

v. to adopt or support a particular belief, theory, or cause; to take up or support; to marry

298. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

299. The suspect claimed to have an _____ at the time of the crime, but the evidence proved otherwise.

n. a claim or piece of evidence that shows an individual was elsewhere at the time a crime or offense was committed and thus could not have been involved

ANSWERS: 292. credible, 293. bowed, 294. denunciation, 295. brackets, 296. nonetheless, 297. espoused, 298. amazing, 299. alibi

300. The police are searching for the _____ who stole the jewels.

n. a person who has committed a crime

301. The state _____ visited the affected areas and promised to aid the victims.

n. the person who holds the highest executive office in a state or province

302. The bandits _____ the small town, leaving it in ruins.

v. steal goods from a place or person, typically during a war or riot; (noun) steal goods from a place or person, typically using force, especially in times of war or civil disorder

303. She _____ the flowers off the bush.

v. to pull or draw something, especially with sudden force or effort; to strip of feathers

304. The sun set over the crest of _____ hills.

adj. far away in space, time, or where you are; far apart in relevance, relationship, or kinship

305. The _____ of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.

n. a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.

306. 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

307. Democracy is utterly opposed to any form of _____.

n. the use of violence to attain political or religious goals or to compel a government to act

ANSWERS: 300. criminal, 301. governor, 302. looted, 303. plucked, 304. distant, 305. troop, 306. movement, 307. terrorism

308. Although some progress had been made, the study's findings were _____.
adj. not complete; fragmentary; favoring somebody or something very much
309. The _____ learning system adjusts the difficulty level of the lessons based on the student's performance.
adj. capable of adjusting to new situations or changing conditions
310. The budget reduction was an _____ feat for our nation.
adj. arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
311. Please _____ to the instruction manual for further assistance.
v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
312. The government threatened to _____ the enemy territory if they didn't surrender.
v. (derived from "nuclear") to attack or destroy a place or target with a nuclear weapon; to cook food in a microwave oven; (noun) a nuclear weapon, such as a nuclear bomb or missile
313. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.
n. the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
314. There is plenty of space to _____ everyone.
v. to place a dead body in the ground, grave, or tomb
315. The _____ by the citizen resulted in a redistribution of wealth.
n. a large-scale attempt to overthrow the government of a country, often using violence or war;

ANSWERS: 308. partial, 309. adaptive, 310. impressive, 311. refer, 312. nuke, 313. opposition, 314. bury, 315. revolution

316. The _____ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

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

317. The inspector discovered _____ bolts under the fuel rods.

- adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

318. The boxer's toughest _____ was his fear of losing.

- n.* a person, group, or force that opposes or fights against another; an enemy or opponent

ANSWERS: 316. victim, 317. loose, 318. adversary