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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### technological

*adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress

*synonym* : specialized, technical

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

**Technological** advances have disrupted many industries.

### critic

*n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

*synonym* : pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

### gadget

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

*synonym* : appliance, gimmick, device

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

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

### nestling

*n.* a young bird that has not yet left its nest; a recently hatched or newly born animal that is still dependent on its mother

*synonym* : chick, fledgling, baby bird

(1) **nestling** bird, (2) hungry **nestling**

The mother bird was carefully feeding her **nestlings**.

## decor

*n.* the arrangement and style of the furniture, art, and other items in a room or building, used to create a particular atmosphere or aesthetic

*synonym* : ornamentation, embellishment, adornment

(1) tropical **decor**, (2) **decor** styles

The **decor** of the restaurant gave it a cozy and inviting feel.

## cable

*n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire

*synonym* : wire, cord, rope

(1) **cable** television, (2) coaxial **cable**

This system uses submarine **cables** to exchange information between continents.

## trend

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

*synonym* : direction, movement, tendency

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

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

## volcano

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

*synonym* : mount, peak, crater

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

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

## ordinary

*adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

*synonym* : mundane, prosaic, average

(1) an **ordinary** school, (2) **ordinary** annual revenue

The **ordinary** session of the Diet opened.

## modem

*n.* a device that converts digital signals from a computer or other electronic device into analog signals that can be transmitted over telephone or cable lines and that converts incoming analog signals back into digital form for use by the computer or device

*synonym* : router, connection

(1) high-speed **modem**, (2) dial-up **modem**

The IT department secured the network by configuring the **modem's** firewall settings.

## 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.

## fake

*adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

*synonym* : affected, bogus, counterfeit

(1) **fake** police officer, (2) spread of **fake** news

The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and **faked** it

## reassure

*v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence

*synonym* : comfort, soothe, bolster

(1) **reassure** anxious patients, (2) **reassure** market

The pilot tried to **reassure** the customers that the planes were safe.

## salsa

*n.* a type of spicy sauce or condiment made from tomatoes, onions, chili peppers, and other ingredients, commonly used in Latin American and Mexican cuisine, as well as a lively social dance style with origins in those same regions

*synonym* : sauce, dip, condiment

(1) **salsa** music, (2) homemade **salsa** dip

We brought chips and **salsa** to the party as a tasty appetizer.

## comedy

*n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

*synonym*: humor, farce, satire

(1) **comedy** series, (2) romantic **comedy**

I love going to see live **comedy** shows with my friends.

## routine

*n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program

*synonym*: habit, custom, procedure

(1) **routine** business, (2) a built-in diagnostic **routine**

She studies gardening on a **routine** basis.

## feat

*n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

*synonym*: achievement, accomplishment, exploit

(1) intellectual **feat**, (2) **feat** accomplishment

It is an incredible **feat** to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

## software

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

*synonym*: program, system, operating system

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

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

## landline

*n.* (also "wireline") a telephone line that transmits and receives signals through a physical wire or cable network, as opposed to a cellular or satellite connection

*synonym*: fixed line, wired phone

(1) **landline** phone, (2) **landline** connection

We need to install a **landline** in our new office before we can start taking client calls.

## self-respect

*n.* a feeling of being proud of and confident in yourself

*synonym*: dignity, pride, self-esteem

(1) lacks a sense of **self-respect**, (2) wound his

## self-respect

Her failure resulted in a loss of her **self-respect**.

## download

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

*synonym*: load, save, transfer

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

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

## downside

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

*synonym*: drawback, negative, disadvantage

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

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

## headset

*n.* a pair of headphones, typically with a microphone attached

(1) **headset** with a microphone, (2) noise reduction **headset**

Professional game players pay the latest attention to the sound quality of their **headsets**.

## nerd

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

*synonym*: geek, techie, wonk

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

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

## 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.

## cute

*adj.* attractive, especially in a childlike or youthful way  
*synonym* : attractive, charming, adorable

(1) act **cute**, (2) super **cute** dress

The baby's chubby cheeks and big eyes made her look so **cute**.

## semester

*n.* one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term

(1) end of the **semester**, (2) during the **semester** breaks

We must complete all of these courses in the following **semester**.

## 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.

## wireless

*adj.* of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals

*synonym* : cordless, radio

(1) **wireless** access, (2) **wireless** charging

The office's **wireless** network allows employees to work from anywhere in the building.

## hotspot

*n.* a place or area, typically a location or region, that is known for having an unusually high number of a particular phenomenon, such as disease, activity, or popularity

*synonym* : epicenter, cluster, outbreak

(1) covid-19 **hotspot**, (2) geographic **hotspot**

The airport is a **hotspot** for tourists and travelers from around the world.

## cellular

*adj.* of or connected with the cells of animals or plants; of or connected with a mobile telephone system that uses several short-range radio stations instead of wires

*synonym* : organic, biological, nuclear

(1) **cellular** and molecular biology, (2) a **cellular** phone handset

This factory employs a **cellular** manufacturing system.

## nickel

*n.* a silver-white metallic element with the symbol Ni, used in many alloys and as a coin; a United States coin worth one-twentieth of a dollar

*synonym* : metal, coin, alloy

(1) **nickel** ore, (2) **nickel** plate

The **nickel** in my pocket jingled as I walked.

## 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.

## rigid

*adj.* extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending

*synonym* : strict, inflexible, stringent

(1) **rigid** rules, (2) **rigid** structure

He was unpopular because of his **rigid** adherence to the rules.

## 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.

## **jerk**

*v.* to make a sudden, sharp movement, or cause something to do this

*synonym*: wrench, jolt, twitch

(1) **jerk** her head back, (2) **jerk** the rope

The driver suddenly  **jerked** the steering wheel to the left to avoid hitting the deer.

## **ruin**

*v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,

*synonym*: bankrupt, demolish, destroy

(1) **ruin** the plan, (2) **ruin** the reputation

He knocked over the red wine and **ruined** the tablecloth.

## **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.

## **smartphone**

*n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

(1) **smartphone** app developer, (2) **smartphone** addict

Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of **smartphones**.



## announcement

*n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news

*synonym* : declaration, notification, statement

(1) public **announcement**, (2) **announcement** date  
The company made an **announcement** about its new product at a press conference.

## rout

*n.* a disorderly retreat or defeat of an army or group; a decisive defeat

*synonym* : defeat, debacle, disaster

(1) **rout** march, (2) cricket team's **rout**  
The football team suffered a humiliating **rout** in the championship game.

## 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**.

## pathetic

*adj.* arousing pity, sorrow, or compassion; expressing or evoking sadness, weakness, or inadequacy; inadequate or inferior in quality or ability

*synonym* : pitiful, miserable, sad

(1) **pathetic** attempt, (2) **pathetic** display  
The team's performance was **pathetic** and left the coach feeling disappointed.

## 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**.

## thumbnail

*n.* the small image used to represent a larger image or document on a computer or mobile device; the nail on the thumb

(1) **thumbnail** image, (2) video **thumbnail**

The photographer selected the best image from the photo shoot for the **thumbnail**.

## 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.

## tower

*n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone

*synonym* : building, belfry, edifice

(1) a bell **tower**, (2) the **tower** on a cliff

She is a **tower** of strength for our team in trouble.

## stealth

*n.* the quality of remaining hidden or undetected; the ability to move or act with great secrecy and subtlety

*synonym* : sneakiness, secrecy, furtiveness

(1) **stealth** technology, (2) **stealth** bomber

The thief moved with **stealth**, careful not to make any noise and alert anyone to his presence.

## installation

*n.* the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position

*synonym* : induction, introduction, furnishing

(1) **installation** fee, (2) a medical **installation**

The Queen attested the **installation** of state ministers to their portfolios.

## syllable

*n.* a single unit of spoken language more significant than a phoneme containing a vowel sound and usually one or

more consonants

(1) **syllable** structure, (2) single **syllable**

Emphasize the second **syllable** when pronouncing it.

## seamless

*adj.* without spaces or breaks between one part and the next

*synonym*: smooth, continuous, unseamed

(1) enable **seamless** access, (2) **seamless** device connectivity

The service was **seamless**, and the food was quite delicious.

## advance

*v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

*synonym*: progress, boost, come along

(1) **advance** the technology, (2) **advance** a cooperative relationship

Scientific knowledge will **advance** significantly with the power of AI.

## gear

*n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose

*synonym*: equipment, tools, apparatus

(1) sports **gear**, (2) a **gear** change lever

She checked her **gear** before embarking on the hike.

## camcorder

*n.* a portable video camera that records pictures and sound

(1) **camcorder** battery, (2) handy-size **camcorder**

The microphone of this **camcorder** can deduct wind noise.

## darling

*n.* a term of endearment or affectionate term for someone you love or hold dear

*synonym*: sweetheart, beloved, dear

(1) have a **darling** baby, (2) medium **darling**

My **darling** child, I love you so much.

## boundary

*n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places

*synonym*: border, frontier, limitation

(1) geographical **boundary**, (2) the **boundary** between reality and fantasy

He wandered the **boundary** between life and death by gunfire.

## 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.

## battery

*n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them

*synonym*: electric cell, array, batch

(1) a dry **battery**, (2) **battery** charging

The engine did not start because the **battery** was flat.

## oversea

*adj.* situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries

*synonym*: foreign, abroad, international

(1) **oversea** shipments, (2) for **oversea** use

The company enhanced **oversea** operations to tap into new markets.

## unlimited

*adj.* without any limits or restrictions

*synonym*: unrestricted, boundless, limitless

(1) **unlimited** liability, (2) **unlimited** resources

An **unlimited** data plan is a popular option for heavy internet users.

## fuss

*n.* a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance

*synonym*: commotion, agitation, disturbance

(1) make a **fuss**, (2) get into a **fuss**

There was a **fuss** about the broken vase, but it was quickly forgotten.

## odd

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

*synonym*: strange, bizarre, abnormal

(1) in an **odd** way, (2) **odd** behavior

His grandfather was an **odd** man.

## demonstrate

*v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience

*synonym*: show, illustrate, display

(1) **demonstrate** a difference, (2) **demonstrate** mastery

How can you **demonstrate** that the earth is a sphere?

## absurd

*adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical

*synonym*: ridiculous, foolish, idiotic

(1) **absurd** storyline, (2) an **absurd** amount of money

We immediately rejected his **absurd** suggestion.

## excuse

*n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt

*synonym*: apology, justification, reason

(1) **excuse** for inaction, (2) perfect **excuse**

He quickly fabricated an **excuse** for not attending the meeting.

## grand

*adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent

*synonym*: impressive, great, ambitious

(1) a **grand** meal, (2) **grand** bargain

This year's **grand** gathering will be held in Canada.

## sake

*n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done

*synonym*: purpose, reason, interest

(1) for your own **sake**, (2) for the **sake** of argument

He got a new job for the **sake** of his family.

## numb

*adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

*synonym* : dazed, insensitive, emotionless

(1) **numb** with cold, (2) a **numb** mind

My left arm became **numb**.

## brilliant

*adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

*synonym* : luminous, intelligent, clever

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

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

## yacht

*n.* a large, luxurious sailing vessel or motorboat that is often used for pleasure cruises, racing, or other leisure activities

*synonym* : boat, vessel, ship

(1) **yacht** owner, (2) luxury **yacht**

We spent the weekend sailing our **yacht** around the Mediterranean.

## greet

*v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

*synonym* : welcome, salute, acknowledge

(1) **greet** a customer, (2) **greet** an idea

He **greeted** his friends with a warm smile and a hug.

## suppose

*v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

*synonym* : guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand

What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

## bother

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

*synonym* : annoy, pester, irritate

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

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

## buck

*n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention

*synonym*: dollar, money, currency

(1) **buck** the trend, (2) extra **buck**

I spotted a majestic **buck** with large antlers standing at the forest's edge.

## outrage

*n.* an intense feeling of anger or indignation in response to something that is perceived as unfair, unjust, or offensive; a public display of anger or protest against such injustices

*synonym*: indignation, fury, anger

(1) public **outrage**, (2) **outrage** over injustice

There was widespread **outrage** over the government's handling of the situation.

## photograph

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

*synonym*: photo, picture, snapshot

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

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

## employee

*n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

*synonym*: worker, staff, personnel

(1) **employee** benefits, (2) **employee** evaluation

The **employee** handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

## pharmacy

*n.* a place where medicines are prepared and dispensed; a drugstore or chemist's

*synonym*: drugstore, chemist's, apothecary

(1) **pharmacy** chain, (2) online **pharmacy**

I need to go to the hospital **pharmacy** to pick up my prescription.

## 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.

## forecast

*n.* a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance

*synonym*: prediction, outlook, (verb) guess

(1) a weather **forecast**, (2) **forecast** an epidemic

Their team specializes in demand **forecasts** for our products.

## absolutely

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

*synonym*: completely, utterly, definitely

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

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

## phenomenal

*adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding

*synonym*: extraordinary, remarkable, impressive

(1) **phenomenal** success, (2) **phenomenal** growth

The athlete's **phenomenal** performance broke all previous records.

## 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.

## activate

v. make something start working, more active or dynamic  
*synonym*: mobilize, stimulate, initiate

(1) **activate** a receptor, (2) **activate** a motor

You must **activate** the software with a 16-digit key before you can use it.

## recognition

n. the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal

*synonym*: acknowledgement, identification, credit

(1) **recognition** award, (2) joint **recognition**

He was given **recognition** for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.

## bagel

n. a type of bread product that is typically round, dense, and chewy with a hole in the center, often topped with seeds or spices

*synonym*: roll, doughnut, bialy

(1) freshly baked **bagel**, (2) **bagel** with cream cheese

I prefer a toasty **bagel** with bacon and eggs for weekend brunch.

## bakery

n. a place where bread and other baked goods are made and sold

*synonym*: bakeshop, bakehouse

(1) run a **bakery**, (2) **bakery** industry

He worked at the **bakery** as a baker.

## commissary

n. a store or canteen within a military base, prison, or institutional setting that sells goods and supplies to the personnel or inmates; a person who is responsible for providing or managing provisions and supplies; the

place where food is provided or sold to cast and crew, especially in a film studio

*synonym* : store, pantry

(1) **commissary** discount, (2) military **commissary**

Prisoners receive a monthly **commissary** allowance to buy personal items from the facility's store.

## depart

*v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey

*synonym* : go away, leave, vacate

(1) arrive and **depart** on time, (2) **depart** from the faith

We **departed** before the temperature fell below zero.

## avenue

*n.* a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach

*synonym* : artery, roadway, street

(1) an **avenue** of poplars, (2) an **avenue** to success

They explored every **avenue** they could think of.

## valet

*n.* a person employed to park cars or act as a personal attendant; a personal servant or assistant

*synonym* : attendant, butler, chauffeur

(1) **valet** parking, (2) hotel **valet**

After dinner, I handed my keys to the **valet** and walked into the restaurant.

## schmear

*n.* a spread of cream cheese typically put on bagels; a broad or messy application of any substance

*synonym* : smear, spread

(1) **schmear** of avocado, (2) bagel **schmear**

He ordered a bagel with lox and a **schmear** of tomato cream cheese.

## 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.

## incredible

*adj.* unbelievable; enormous

*synonym* : unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

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

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

## accuracy

*n.* the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake

*synonym* : precision, exactness, truthfulness

(1) degree of **accuracy**, (2) the **accuracy** of his compass

To assure **accuracy**, I recommend investing in high-quality test kits.

## recipe

*n.* a set of instructions for preparing a dish, including the ingredients and the method of cooking

*synonym* : instructions, formula, method

(1) **recipe** book, (2) **recipe** collection

The **recipe** for the cake is passed down from generation to generation in her family.

## cocktail

*n.* a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal

*synonym* : appetizer, beverage

(1) a light **cocktail**, (2) **cocktail** of chemicals

We invited some friends for a **cocktail** party.

## 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**.

## pierce

*v.* to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument  
*synonym*: jab, penetrate, stab

(1) **pierce** the armored shells, (2) **pierce** a mystery  
The extreme cold **pierced** our bones.

## pretension

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

*synonym*: presumption, pretense, affectation

(1) **pretension** to authority, (2) baseless **pretension**  
His **pretensions** of being a gourmet were quickly exposed when he could not identify basic herbs and spices.

## valley

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

*synonym*: canyon, gorge, dale

(1) **valley** bottom, (2) basin-shaped **valley**  
The **valley** had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

## syzygy

*n.* an astronomical term referring to the alignment of three celestial bodies in a straight line, such as the conjunction or opposition of planets or the alignment of the Sun, Earth, and Moon during a solar or lunar eclipse

*synonym*: alignment, conjunction, union

(1) **syzygy** phenomenon, (2) planetary **syzygy**  
The **syzygy** alignment of the planets can create strong tidal forces on Earth.

## teeny

*adj.* extremely small; tiny

*synonym*: tiny, mini, minuscule

(1) **teeny** bit, (2) so **teeny** tiny  
The ring was so **teeny** that it almost looked like a toy.

## wee

*adj.* very small or tiny; referring to a short amount of time

*synonym*: tiny, small, diminutive

(1) **wee** child, (2) a **wee** bit

The toddler was excited to wear his new **wee-sized** shoes.

## 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.

## posit

v. to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

*synonym*: assert, declare, assume

(1) **posit** the existence of life after death, (2) **posit** the premise

We should **posit** several hypotheses to discuss the matter.

## 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.

## 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.

## pet

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

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

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

## peeve

v. to annoy or irritate someone; to be a source of annoyance or irritation to someone; (noun) something that irritates or annoys you; a source of annoyance or irritation

*synonym*: annoy, irritate, bother

(1) personal **peeve**, (2) **peeve** me off when people talk

loudly

Nothing **peeves** me more than being lied to.

## instruction

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

*synonym*: education, direction, guidance

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

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

## 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.

## pager

*n.* a small electronic device used for sending and receiving short text messages, often used in hospitals or other professional settings

*synonym*: beeper, pager device

(1) **pager** beep, (2) wireless **pager** service

The company provides all employees with a digital **pager** for emergency purposes.

## fin

*n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

*synonym*: flipper, appendage, stabilizer

(1) back **fin**, (2) a **fin** of a plane

The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

## retrieve

*v.* to find or get something back

*synonym*: recover, fetch, regain

(1) **retrieve** the lost wallet, (2) send and **retrieve** e-mail

She **retrieved** the book from the shelf.

## **mess**

*n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy

*synonym*: disarray, confusion, predicament

(1) have a whole **mess**, (2) get into a **mess**

He made a frightful **mess** in his room.

## **executive**

*n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

*synonym*: administrator, manager, director

(1) **executive** editor at the publishing house, (2) **executive** vice president

As the **executive** director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.

## **mathematics**

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

*synonym*: arithmetic, calculation, calculus

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

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

## **bet**

*v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

*synonym*: stake, wager, gamble

(1) **bet** on a race, (2) **bet** my future

I **bet** that you know it.

## **on-air**

*adj.* relating to or occurring during a live broadcast on radio or television; being broadcast

*synonym*: broadcasting, live, airing

(1) **on-air** personality, (2) **on-air** interview

The radio host was nervous about going **on-air** for the first

time.

## chuckle

*n.* a soft, partly suppressed laugh; an act of laughing quietly; (verb) to laugh quietly or softly, often in a suppressed or restrained way

*synonym*: laugh, giggle, snicker

(1) **chuckle** at my cat's silly antics, (2) stifled **chuckle**

I couldn't help but let out a little **chuckle** when I saw the silly photo my friend had sent me.

## bitter

*adj.* having a sharp, unpleasant taste; characterized by strong feelings of resentment, disappointment, or cynicism

*synonym*: harsh, acrid, sour

(1) feel **bitter**, (2) **bitter** disappointment

The **bitter** taste of the medicine made it difficult to swallow.

## transcribe

*v.* to copy or reproduce something in written or printed form; to translate spoken language into written text

*synonym*: copy, record, transliterate

(1) **transcribe** notes, (2) **transcribe** documents

She needs to **transcribe** the interview recording to write the article for the magazine.

## attach

*v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another

*synonym*: fix, fasten, bind

(1) **attach** firmly, (2) **attach** a file to an e-mail

He does not **attach** importance to these rumors.

## proprietor

*n.* a person who owns and runs a business, especially a hotel, a shop, or a company

*synonym*: owner, keeper, possessor

(1) **proprietor** of a business, (2) copyright **proprietor**

The **proprietor** of the small bakery was always friendly and welcoming.



- business-to-business** *adj.* of or relating to a type of commerce or transaction between two businesses rather than between a business and a consumer, often abbreviated as "B2B"  
*synonym* : B2B, corporate, commercial  
(1) **business-to-business** marketing,  
(2) **business-to-business** sales  
The company specializes in providing **business-to-business** services to other companies in the tech industry.
- breed** *v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner  
*synonym* : raise, multiply, reproduce  
(1) **breed** horses, (2) **breed** suspicion  
This animal **breeds** in northern latitudes.
- peer** *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability  
*synonym* : fellow, associate, counterpart  
(1) **peer** group, (2) **peer** review  
Among young people, **peer** pressure can be pretty influential.
- misspell** *v.* to spell incorrectly or wrongly; to use an incorrect spelling for a word  
*synonym* : miscopy, mismark  
(1) **misspell** words, (2) **misspell** his name  
Please be careful not to **misspell** any of the words in your essay.
- silent** *adj.* without any or little sound  
*synonym* : quiet, hushed, mute  
(1) **silent** reading, (2) give **silent** consent  
The politician remained **silent** despite intense media scrutiny.
- nail** *n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes  
*synonym* : pin, tack, fastener  
(1) rusty **nail**, (2) **nail** clipper

He used a hammer and round **nail** to fix the loose board on the fence.

## judge

*n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

*synonym*: arbiter, justice, (verb) deduce

(1) **judge** a competition, (2) an associate **judge**

The strict **judge** ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

## promenade

*n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern

*synonym*: stroll, walkway, boulevard

(1) evening **promenade**, (2) **promenade** in the park

The boardwalk by the beach was a beautiful **promenade** for tourists and locals alike.

## gist

*n.* the essence or main point of a text, speech, or situation

*synonym*: essence, core, summary

(1) the **gist** of a claim, (2) get the **gist**

The **gist** of the article was that technology is rapidly changing our world.

## emergency

*n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

*synonym*: crisis, trouble, difficulty

(1) **emergency** action, (2) acute **emergency**

The president declared a state of **emergency**.

## potentially

*adv.* in a possible state or condition; possibly

*synonym*: likely, possibly, probably

(1) **potentially** affected, (2) **potentially** lucrative

The organization assisted in the de-escalation of **potentially** violent situations.

## photocopy

*n.* a duplicate of a document or image made by a process involving the use of light and photosensitive material; a copy made by a photocopier

*synonym* : duplicate, reproduction

(1) **photocopy** machine, (2) color **photocopy**

I need to make a **photocopy** of this document before I send it out.

## journalism

*n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast

*synonym* : reporting, news media, writing

(1) **journalism** ethics, (2) tabloid **journalism**

She plans to study **journalism** in college and become a reporter.

## moron

*n.* (offensive and derogatory term) a person who is considered very foolish, stupid, or lacking intelligence or common sense

*synonym* : idiot, fool, imbecile

(1) social **moron**, (2) complete **moron**

The internet troll accused her of being a **moron** for her political views.

## logic

*n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments

*synonym* : reasoning, reason, ratiocination

(1) an indisputable **logic**, (2) a demonstration in **logic**

There's no **logic** in his description.

## veto

*n.* the power or right to prevent a decision or law from being enacted or enforced, typically granted to a person in authority, such as a government official or a president

*synonym* : rejection, disapproval, interdict

(1) **veto** power, (2) legislative **veto**

The president's **veto** prevented the bill from becoming law.

## aspect

*n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.  
*synonym*: characteristic, element, factor

(1) nontechnical **aspects** of the job, (2) **aspects** of social, political, and economic life

His professional experience includes all **aspects** of media production.

## conducive

*adj.* tending to make something likely or possible  
*synonym*: beneficial, advantageous, helpful

(1) **conducive** question, (2) **conducive** to growth

The quiet and peaceful environment was **conducive** to concentration and productivity.

## innovation

*n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation

*synonym*: invention, initiation, creation

(1) **innovation** leader, (2) cutting-edge **innovation**

The vegetarian burger was an **innovation** that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

## anticipate

*v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance

*synonym*: forecast, predict, expect

(1) **anticipate** your kind cooperation, (2) **anticipate** a black future

We **anticipate** heavy snowfall tomorrow.

## exclusive

*adj.* not divided or shared with others

*synonym*: sole, deluxe, limited

(1) **exclusive** authority, (2) **exclusive** clubs

The condo offers **exclusive** access to the beach.

## fan

*n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

*synonym*: lover, devotee, blade

(1) a film **fan**, (2) engine cooling **fan**  
I'm a big **fan** of French food.

## 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.

## masterpiece

*n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement

*synonym*: classic, chef-d'oeuvre, magnum opus

(1) literary **masterpiece**, (2) a **masterpiece** of design

The Mona Lisa is widely considered to be a **masterpiece** of art.

## acknowledge

*v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

*synonym*: accept, agree, declare

(1) **acknowledge** the deed, (2) **acknowledge** his help

He never **acknowledged** his fault.

## laptop

*n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap

(1) bring my **laptop**, (2) thin-and-light **laptop**

I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my **laptop** all day.

## grandchild

*n.* a child of someone's son or daughter

*synonym*: offspring, descendant, progeny

(1) **grandchild-grandparent** relationship, (2) **grandchild** development

The grandparents take care of their **grandchild** while the parents are at work.

## 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.

## broadcast

*v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television

*synonym*: air, announce, advertise

(1) **broadcast** a concert, (2) **broadcast** a radio ad

Most of the programs are **broadcast** in this area.

## outlet

*n.* a means of release or expression, often for emotions or energy; a place of business that sells goods directly to customers; a device or opening through which something can flow out

*synonym*: opening, vent, aperture

(1) an **outlet** for water, (2) media **outlet**

The **outlet** in the bathroom was faulty, so I had to use a different one for my hair dryer.

## shuffle

*v.* to move or mix around in a casual or unorganized way; to walk with short, dragging steps

*synonym*: jumble, muddle, rearrange

(1) **shuffle** deck, (2) **shuffle** from side to side

She **shuffled** the cards before dealing them to the players.

## mock

*v.* to make fun of someone, usually by imitating them in a witty but harsh way

*synonym*: gibe (or jibe), make fun of, laugh at

(1) **mock** his accent, (2) **mock** at his misfortune

It is impolite to **mock** fun of an international student's English mistakes.

## random

*adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

*synonym* : incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**

To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

## hell

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

*synonym* : inferno, agony, misery

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

The battlefield became **hell** on earth.

## app

*n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC

*synonym* : application, software

(1) killer **app**, (2) cannot log in to the **app**

The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the **app's** release.

## tilt

*v.* to incline or bend from a vertical position; (noun) the act of inclining or the state of being inclined or leaning to one side

*synonym* : incline, slant, lean

(1) on the **tilt**, (2) **tilt** a chair

She **tilted** her head to the side, indicating she was listening.

## sensor

*n.* a device that receives a signal or stimulus such as heat, pressure, light, motion, etc. and responds to it in a specific manner

*synonym* : detector

(1) motion **sensor** lighting, (2) an image **sensor**

This automatic door could no longer be opened due to a **sensor** failure.

## steer

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

*synonym*: guide, direct, control

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

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

## component

*n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger

*synonym*: element, part, factor

(1) key **component**, (2) spare **components** for cars

The researchers try to discover a common **component** in all types of successful organizations.

## theme

*n.* a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation

*synonym*: subject, topic, motif

(1) **theme** park, (2) central **theme**

The **theme** of the novel is the corrupting influence of power.

## erase

*v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

*synonym*: wipe out, delete, obliterate

(1) **erase** a memory, (2) **erased** the files

He attempted to **erase** the misspelled word.

## translator

*n.* a person whose job is restating written messages from one language to another

*synonym*: interpreter

(1) electronic **translator**, (2) professional **translator**

The author discovered that the **translator** had inserted several unique interpretations into his book.

## translate

*v.* to convert or change words into another language

*synonym*: convert, transcribe, render

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

**Translate** the text from Italian into English.



- tap** v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.  
*synonym*: knock, exploit, use  
(1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger  
To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.
- Don** n. a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge  
(1) the **don** of the university, (2) **Don** Giovanni  
He could never go against what **Don** Carlos said.
- insane** adj. extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill  
*synonym*: crazy, mad, foolish  
(1) go **insane** with pleasure, (2) an **insane** scheme  
Her excessive demands drove me **insane**.
- immediately** adv. now or without delay  
*synonym*: directly, instantly, promptly  
(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer **immediately**  
A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.
- thumb** n. the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists  
*synonym*: digit, finger, phalange  
(1) **thumb** wrestling, (2) **thumb** a ride  
He used his right **thumb** to press the button on his phone.
- instrument** n. an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work  
*synonym*: apparatus, tool, device  
(1) musical **instruments**, (2) surgical **instruments**  
This electronic **instrument** is required to undergo periodic inspections to ensure precision.

## tempo

*n.* the speed at which a piece of music is performed  
*synonym* : pace, rhythm, speed

(1) a quick **tempo**, (2) set **tempo**

The **tempo** of the music was slow and soothing.

## tailor

*n.* a person who makes, alters, or repairs clothing professionally, typically working in a tailor shop or boutique; (verb) to customize, modify, or adapt something to suit a particular purpose, need, or individual

*synonym* : seamster, designer, dressmaker

(1) **tailor-made** suit, (2) **tailor** your needs

I need to find a skilled **tailor** to alter my wedding dress.

## eventually

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

*synonym* : finally, someday, ultimately

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

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

## 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.

## propose

*v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

*synonym* : suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes

I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

## locate

*v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

*synonym* : discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

## dike

*n.* a wall or embankment built to hold back water and prevent flooding; a barrier made of earth, stone, or concrete; a narrow channel cut into rock or soil by erosion

*synonym* : levee, embankment, dam

(1) water **dike**, (2) coastal **dike**

The town council plans to repair the damaged **dike** along the riverbank.

## android

*n.* a robot with a human appearance; (operating system) Google's mobile operating system

*synonym* : droid, cyborg

(1) household **android**, (2) **Android** tablet

The lab is developing an **android** robot that assists in dangerous construction work.

## 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.

## handset

*n.* a component of a telephone or communication device that is held or grasped by the hand and used to transmit and receive audio signals during a conversation, often includes a microphone and speaker

*synonym* : phone, receiver

(1) cellular **handset**, (2) cordless **handset**

I need to buy a new **handset** for my landline phone.

## calcium

*n.* a chemical element with the symbol Ca and atomic number 20, which is an important mineral for the human body

*synonym* : Ca, lime, chalk

(1) **calcium** deficiency, (2) ion of **calcium**

The patient was prescribed a **calcium** supplement to help prevent osteoporosis.

## corporate

*adj.* of or relating to a large company

*synonym*: business, commercial, organizational

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

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

## conservative

*adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation

*synonym*: traditional, reactionary, cautious

(1) a **conservative** society, (2) **conservative** about production

He always makes a **conservative** estimation when predicting future sales.

## 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.

## unique

*adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else

*synonym*: one-of-a-kind, unparalleled, incomparable

(1) a **unique** teacher, (2) **unique** design

The painting is **unique**, and there is no other like it.

## pound

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

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

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

## install

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

*synonym* : establish, inaugurate, lodge

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

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

## gentle

*adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

*synonym* : mild, delicate, soft

(1) in a **gentle** voice, (2) **gentle** downward slope

Her **gentle** manner relaxed everyone there.

## bliss

*n.* extreme happiness or joy

*synonym* : delight, euphoria, happiness

(1) ignorance is **bliss**, (2) ultimate **bliss**

The first two years of her marriage were sheer **bliss**.

## tune

*n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard

*synonym* : melody, harmony, (verb) adjust

(1) the **tune** of a song, (2) **tune** a piano

The band played a beautiful **tune** on their instruments.

## stink

*v.* to emit a strong, unpleasant odor; to have a strong offensive smell; to be corrupt or unethical

*synonym* : reek, smell, odor

(1) **stink** up the place, (2) **stink** badly

The garbage in the alley began to **stink** after a few hot days.

## 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.

## sealed

*adj.* closed or secured with

*synonym*: closed, impenetrable

(1) **sealed** orders, (2) **sealed** jar

We packed and shipped the product in **sealed** containers.

## replace

*v.* to take the place of something

*synonym*: substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone

Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

## precious

*adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable

*synonym*: adored, cherished, valued

(1) price of **precious** metals, (2) **precious** information

We cannot afford to squander **precious** time.

## wipe

*v.* to clean or dry something by rubbing with a piece of cloth or paper or one's hand and removing dirt, food, or liquid

*synonym*: clean, brush, swab

(1) **Wipe** off dirt, (2) **wipe** with water

Please **wipe** your sweat with this towel.

## smudge

*n.* a blurry or dirty mark or stain left by rubbing or smearing something; also, a bundle of material, such as sage or incense, that is burned to produce smoke for purification or ritual purposes

*synonym*: blemish, mark, stain

(1) ink **smudge**, (2) lipstick **smudge**

She accidentally left a **smudge** on the newly painted wall.

## drool

*v.* to allow saliva to drip or flow out of the mouth involuntarily, usually as a result of excitement, anticipation, or illness; to express excessive admiration

or desire for something

*synonym* : slobber, dribble, slaver

(1) **drool** over a dessert, (2) **drool** on a pillow

The baby began to **drool** while teething.

## **squat**

v. to crouch or sit with one's knees bent and one's heels close to or touching one's buttocks; to occupy a space, usually a place that is not designed for human habitation or use; (noun) a physical exercise that involves holding a position similar to sitting with the knees bent and the thighs parallel to the ground

*synonym* : crouch, hunch, sit

(1) **squat** behind a tree, (2) **squat** exercise

I need to **squat** down to pick up the pen from the floor.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. have a whole m\_\_s  
*n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
2. surgical ins\_\_\_\_\_nts  
*n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work
3. geographical bo\_\_\_\_\_ry  
*n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
4. public ou\_\_\_\_\_e  
*n.* an intense feeling of anger or indignation in response to something that is perceived as unfair, unjust, or offensive; a public display of anger or protest against such injustices
5. se\_\_\_\_d jar  
*adj.* closed or secured with
6. homemade sa\_\_a dip  
*n.* a type of spicy sauce or condiment made from tomatoes, onions, chili peppers, and other ingredients, commonly used in Latin American and Mexican cuisine, as well as a lively social dance style with origins in those same regions
7. gr\_\_t an idea  
*v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
8. an associate ju\_\_e  
*n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

ANSWERS: 1. mess, 2. instrument, 3. boundary, 4. outrage, 5. sealed, 6. salsa, 7. greet, 8. judge



9. a computer n\_\_d *n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
10. manually op\_\_\_\_\_e a machine *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
11. m\_\_t the ice *v.* to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating
12. love him non\_\_\_\_\_ss *adv.* in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless
13. get the g\_\_t *n.* the essence or main point of a text, speech, or situation
14. sc\_\_\_\_\_r of avocado *n.* a spread of cream cheese typically put on bagels; a broad or messy application of any substance
15. bagel sc\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a spread of cream cheese typically put on bagels; a broad or messy application of any substance
16. a ra\_\_\_m choice *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
17. ab\_\_\_d storyline *adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical
18. pr\_\_\_\_\_e the amendment *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
19. vo\_\_\_\_\_o alert level *n.* a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.

ANSWERS: 9. nerd, 10. operate, 11. melt, 12. nonetheless, 13. gist, 14. schmear, 15. schmear, 16. random, 17. absurd, 18. propose, 19. volcano

20. a f\_n of a plane *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
21. sma\_\_\_\_\_ne app developer *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
22. during the se\_\_\_\_\_er breaks *n.* one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term
23. b\_t my future *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
24. personal pe\_\_e *v.* to annoy or irritate someone; to be a source of annoyance or irritation to someone; (noun) something that irritates or annoys you; a source of annoyance or irritation
25. v\_\_o power *n.* the power or right to prevent a decision or law from being enacted or enforced, typically granted to a person in authority, such as a government official or a president
26. 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
27. f\_\_e police officer *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
28. m\_\_k his accent *v.* to make fun of someone, usually by imitating them in a witty but harsh way

ANSWERS: 20. fin, 21. smartphone, 22. semester, 23. bet, 24. peeve, 25. veto, 26. launch, 27. fake, 28. mock

29. 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
30. va\_\_t parking      *n.* a person employed to park cars or act as a personal attendant; a personal servant or assistant
31. bombs fell at ra\_\_\_m      *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
32. tec\_\_\_\_\_cal advancement      *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
33. th\_\_e park      *n.* a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation
34. gr\_\_t a customer      *v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone
35. ca\_\_e television      *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
36. h\_\_l broke loose      *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
37. the bo\_\_\_\_\_ry between reality and fantasy      *n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places

ANSWERS: 29. dial, 30. valet, 31. random, 32. technological, 33. theme, 34. greet, 35. cable, 36. hell, 37. boundary

38. su\_\_\_\_e you're right      *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
39. a quick te\_\_o      *n.* the speed at which a piece of music is performed
40. f\_e calculation      *n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service
41. re\_\_\_\_ve the lost wallet      *v.* to find or get something back
42. de\_\_r styles      *n.* the arrangement and style of the furniture, art, and other items in a room or building, used to create a particular atmosphere or aesthetic
43. an av\_\_\_\_e to success      *n.* a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach
44. students at all gr\_\_e levels      *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
45. ink sm\_\_\_\_e      *n.* a blurry or dirty mark or stain left by rubbing or smearing something; also, a bundle of material, such as sage or incense, that is burned to produce smoke for purification or ritual purposes
46. re\_\_\_\_re market      *v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
47. er\_\_e a memory      *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
48. ex\_\_\_\_ve authority      *adj.* not divided or shared with others
49. st\_\_r a steady course      *v.* to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone

ANSWERS: 38. suppose, 39. tempo, 40. fee, 41. retrieve, 42. decor, 43. avenue, 44. grade, 45. smudge, 46. reassure, 47. erase, 48. exclusive, 49. steer

50. j\_\_k the rope *v.* to make a sudden, sharp movement, or cause something to do this
51. inc\_\_\_\_\_le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
52. ni\_\_\_l ore *n.* a silver-white metallic element with the symbol Ni, used in many alloys and as a coin; a United States coin worth one-twentieth of a dollar
53. ba\_\_l with cream cheese *n.* a type of bread product that is typically round, dense, and chewy with a hole in the center, often topped with seeds or spices
54. W\_\_e off dirt *v.* to clean or dry something by rubbing with a piece of cloth or paper or one's hand and removing dirt, food, or liquid
55. bo\_\_\_r with details *v.* to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
56. a mas\_\_\_\_\_ce of design *n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
57. the tr\_\_d away from television *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
58. ri\_\_d structure *adj.* extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending
59. romantic co\_\_\_y *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

ANSWERS: 50. jerk, 51. incredible, 52. nickel, 53. bagel, 54. wipe, 55. bother, 56. masterpiece, 57. trend, 58. rigid, 59. comedy

60. thin-and-light la\_\_\_p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
61. ov\_\_\_\_\_a shipments *adj.* situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries
62. 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
63. at\_\_\_h firmly *v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
64. st\_\_k up the place *v.* to emit a strong, unpleasant odor; to have a strong offensive smell; to be corrupt or unethical
65. a minor f\_\_w *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
66. an ab\_\_\_d amount of money *adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical
67. n\_\_b with cold *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
68. water d\_\_e *n.* a wall or embankment built to hold back water and prevent flooding; a barrier made of earth, stone, or concrete; a narrow channel cut into rock or soil by erosion

ANSWERS: 60. laptop, 61. oversea, 62. zip, 63. attach, 64. stink, 65. flaw, 66. absurd, 67. numb, 68. dike

69. in a ge\_\_\_e voice *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
70. 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
71. la\_\_\_\_\_ne phone *n.* (also "wireline") a telephone line that transmits and receives signals through a physical wire or cable network, as opposed to a cellular or satellite connection
72. pot\_\_\_\_\_ly lucrative *adv.* in a possible state or condition; possibly
73. D\_n Giovanni *n.* a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge
74. cellular ha\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a component of a telephone or communication device that is held or grasped by the hand and used to transmit and receive audio signals during a conversation, often includes a microphone and speaker
75. acute em\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
76. 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

ANSWERS: 69. gentle, 70. policy, 71. landline, 72. potentially, 73. Don, 74. handset, 75. emergency, 76. doll

77. pi\_\_\_e the armored shells *v.* to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument
78. 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
79. spare co\_\_\_\_\_nts for cars *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
80. st\_\_\_\_\_h technology *n.* the quality of remaining hidden or undetected; the ability to move or act with great secrecy and subtlety
81. em\_\_\_\_\_cy action *n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action
82. 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
83. phe\_\_\_\_\_al success *adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding
84. pe\_\_e me off when people talk loudly *v.* to annoy or irritate someone; to be a source of annoyance or irritation to someone; (noun) something that irritates or annoys you; a source of annoyance or irritation
85. get into a f\_\_s *n.* a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance

ANSWERS: 77. pierce, 78. doll, 79. component, 80. stealth, 81. emergency, 82. introduction, 83. phenomenal, 84. peeve, 85. fuss



86. stifled ch\_\_\_\_e                    *n.* a soft, partly suppressed laugh; an act of laughing quietly; (verb) to laugh quietly or softly, often in a suppressed or restrained way
87. b\_\_k the trend                    *n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention
88. t\_\_t a chair                        *v.* to incline or bend from a vertical position; (noun) the act of inclining or the state of being inclined or leaning to one side
89. literary mas\_\_\_\_ce                *n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
90. handy-size ca\_\_\_\_er                *n.* a portable video camera that records pictures and sound
91. ro\_\_\_\_e business                    *n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program
92. p\_\_r review                        *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
93. pa\_\_\_\_ic attempt                    *adj.* arousing pity, sorrow, or compassion; expressing or evoking sadness, weakness, or inadequacy; inadequate or inferior in quality or ability
94. an ou\_\_\_\_t for water                *n.* a means of release or expression, often for emotions or energy; a place of business that sells goods directly to customers; a device or opening through which something can flow out

ANSWERS: 86. chuckle, 87. buck, 88. tilt, 89. masterpiece, 90. camcorder, 91. routine, 92. peer, 93. pathetic, 94. outlet

95. em\_\_\_\_\_ee benefits *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
96. cutting-edge inn\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
97. an indisputable lo\_\_c *n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments
98. f\_\_e abroad *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
99. his social st\_\_\_\_\_ng *adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
100. a built-in diagnostic ro\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program
101. th\_\_\_\_\_il image *n.* the small image used to represent a larger image or document on a computer or mobile device; the nail on the thumb
102. t\_\_e a piano *n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
103. wi\_\_\_\_\_ss charging *adj.* of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals

ANSWERS: 95. employee, 96. innovation, 97. logic, 98. flee, 99. standing, 100. routine, 101. thumbnail, 102. tune, 103. wireless

104. com\_\_\_\_\_ry discount *n.* a store or canteen within a military base, prison, or institutional setting that sells goods and supplies to the personnel or inmates; a person who is responsible for providing or managing provisions and supplies; the place where food is provided or sold to cast and crew, especially in a film studio
105. a handy ga\_\_\_t *n.* a small tool or device that is useful for a particular job
106. n\_\_l clipper *n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes
107. b\_t on a race *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
108. individual ins\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
109. extra b\_\_k *n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention
110. on the t\_\_t *v.* to incline or bend from a vertical position; (noun) the act of inclining or the state of being inclined or leaning to one side

ANSWERS: 104. commissary, 105. gadget, 106. nail, 107. bet, 108. instruction, 109. buck, 110. tilt

111. re\_\_\_\_e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
112. w\_e child *adj.* very small or tiny; referring to a short amount of time
113. br\_\_d horses *v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
114. imm\_\_\_\_\_ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
115. an in\_\_\_e scheme *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
116. ni\_\_\_l plate *n.* a silver-white metallic element with the symbol Ni, used in many alloys and as a coin; a United States coin worth one-twentieth of a dollar
117. er\_\_ed the files *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
118. service f\_e *n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service
119. pi\_\_\_e a mystery *v.* to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument
120. professional tra\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person whose job is restating written messages from one language to another
121. pr\_\_\_\_\_le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
122. ac\_\_\_\_\_te a motor *v.* make something start working, more active or dynamic
123. br\_\_d suspicion *v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
124. noise reduction he\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a pair of headphones, typically with a microphone attached

ANSWERS: 111. replace, 112. wee, 113. breed, 114. immediately, 115. insane, 116. nickel, 117. erase, 118. fee, 119. pierce, 120. translator, 121. probable, 122. activate, 123. breed, 124. headset

125. the most am\_\_\_\_g feeling      *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
126. a gr\_\_d meal      *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
127. lacks a sense of sel\_\_\_\_\_ect      *n.* a feeling of being proud of and confident in yourself
128. a g\_\_r change lever      *n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
129. ri\_\_d rules      *adj.* extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending
130. br\_\_\_\_\_nt performance      *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
131. household an\_\_\_\_d      *n.* a robot with a human appearance; (operating system) Google's mobile operating system
132. in\_\_\_\_l a door      *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
133. 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
134. military com\_\_\_\_\_ry      *n.* a store or canteen within a military base, prison, or institutional setting that sells goods and supplies to the personnel or inmates; a person who is responsible for providing or managing provisions and supplies; the place where food is provided or sold to cast and crew, especially in a film studio

ANSWERS: 125. amazing, 126. grand, 127. self-respect, 128. gear, 129. rigid, 130. brilliant, 131. android, 132. install, 133. dial, 134. commissary

135. un\_\_\_\_\_ed liability *adj.* without any limits or restrictions
136. price of pr\_\_\_\_\_us metals *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
137. sq\_\_t behind a tree *v.* to crouch or sit with one's knees bent and one's heels close to or touching one's buttocks; to occupy a space, usually a place that is not designed for human habitation or use; (noun) a physical exercise that involves holding a position similar to sitting with the knees bent and the thighs parallel to the ground
138. perfect ex\_\_\_e *n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt
139. re\_\_\_e book *n.* a set of instructions for preparing a dish, including the ingredients and the method of cooking
140. 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
141. an international tr\_\_d *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
142. arrive and de\_\_\_t on time *v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey

ANSWERS: 135. unlimited, 136. precious, 137. squat, 138. excuse, 139. recipe, 140. introduction, 141. trend, 142. depart

143. te\_\_y bit *adj.* extremely small; tiny
144. so\_\_\_\_re architect *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
145. a p\_t bird *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
146. bring my la\_\_\_\_p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
147. active vo\_\_\_\_o *n.* a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.
148. co\_\_\_\_y series *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
149. joint rec\_\_\_\_on *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
150. inc\_\_\_\_ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
151. ta\_\_\_\_r your needs *n.* a person who makes, alters, or repairs clothing professionally, typically working in a tailor shop or boutique; (verb) to customize, modify, or adapt something to suit a particular purpose, need, or individual

ANSWERS: 143. teeny, 144. software, 145. pet, 146. laptop, 147. volcano, 148. comedy, 149. recognition, 150. incredibly, 151. tailor

152. ant\_\_\_\_\_te your kind cooperation      *v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance
153. pho\_\_\_\_\_ph memories      *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
154. 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
155. bus\_\_\_\_\_ess marketing      *adj.* of or relating to a type of commerce or transaction between two businesses rather than between a business and a consumer, often abbreviated as "B2B"
156. ce\_\_\_\_\_ar and molecular biology      *adj.* of or connected with the cells of animals or plants; of or connected with a mobile telephone system that uses several short-range radio stations instead of wires
157. in an o\_d way      *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
158. baseless pre\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
159. dr\_\_l over a dessert      *v.* to allow saliva to drip or flow out of the mouth involuntarily, usually as a result of excitement, anticipation, or illness; to express excessive admiration or desire for something

ANSWERS: 152. anticipate, 153. photograph, 154. bond, 155. business-to-business, 156. cellular, 157. odd, 158. pretension, 159. drool



160. la\_\_\_\_ne connection *n.* (also "wireline") a telephone line that transmits and receives signals through a physical wire or cable network, as opposed to a cellular or satellite connection
161. in\_\_\_\_l a chairperson *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
162. for ov\_\_\_\_a use *adj.* situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries
163. a w\_e bit *adj.* very small or tiny; referring to a short amount of time
164. am\_\_\_\_g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
165. an or\_\_\_\_ry school *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
166. ignorance is bl\_\_s *n.* extreme happiness or joy
167. w\_\_e with water *v.* to clean or dry something by rubbing with a piece of cloth or paper or one's hand and removing dirt, food, or liquid
168. 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

ANSWERS: 160. landline, 161. install, 162. oversea, 163. wee, 164. amazing, 165. ordinary, 166. bliss, 167. wipe, 168. policy

169. at inc_____le speed	<i>adj.</i> unbelievable; enormous
170. st__r a conversation	<i>v.</i> to control the direction or movement of a vehicle; to direct a course of action; to guide or motivate someone
171. sma_____ne addict	<i>n.</i> a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
172. have a da_____g baby	<i>n.</i> a term of endearment or affectionate term for someone you love or hold dear
173. j__k her head back	<i>v.</i> to make a sudden, sharp movement, or cause something to do this
174. pr_____le outcome	<i>adj.</i> likely to happen or likely to be true
175. un___e design	<i>adj.</i> being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
176. re_____re anxious patients	<i>v.</i> to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
177. co_____te right	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to a large company
178. lo___e a tumor	<i>v.</i> to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
179. tec_____cal policy	<i>adj.</i> based on scientific and industrial progress
180. sa__a music	<i>n.</i> a type of spicy sauce or condiment made from tomatoes, onions, chili peppers, and other ingredients, commonly used in Latin American and Mexican cuisine, as well as a lively social dance style with origins in those same regions

ANSWERS: 169. incredible, 170. steer, 171. smartphone, 172. darling, 173. jerk, 174. probable, 175. unique, 176. reassure, 177. corporate, 178. locate, 179. technological, 180. salsa

181. sy\_\_\_y phenomenon *n.* an astronomical term referring to the alignment of three celestial bodies in a straight line, such as the conjunction or opposition of planets or the alignment of the Sun, Earth, and Moon during a solar or lunar eclipse
182. gra\_\_\_\_\_ld development *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
183. go in\_\_\_e with pleasure *adj.* extremely stupid, crazy, or dangerous; mentally ill
184. pho\_\_\_\_\_ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
185. ack\_\_\_\_\_ge the deed *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
186. a n\_\_b mind *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
187. a ce\_\_\_\_\_ar phone handset *adj.* of or connected with the cells of animals or plants; of or connected with a mobile telephone system that uses several short-range radio stations instead of wires
188. super c\_\_e dress *adj.* attractive, especially in a childlike or youthful way

ANSWERS: 181. syzygy, 182. grandchild, 183. insane, 184. photograph, 185. acknowledge, 186. numb, 187. cellular, 188. cute

189. ant\_\_\_\_\_te a black future      *v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance
190. dr\_\_l on a pillow      *v.* to allow saliva to drip or flow out of the mouth involuntarily, usually as a result of excitement, anticipation, or illness; to express excessive admiration or desire for something
191. pot\_\_\_\_\_ly affected      *adv.* in a possible state or condition; possibly
192. r\_\_n the reputation      *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
193. ba\_\_\_y industry      *n.* a place where bread and other baked goods are made and sold
194. dem\_\_\_\_\_te mastery      *v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
195. 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
196. wireless pa\_\_r service      *n.* a small electronic device used for sending and receiving short text messages, often used in hospitals or other professional settings
197. a dry ba\_\_\_\_\_y      *n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them
198. sports g\_\_r      *n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 189. anticipate, 190. drool, 191. potentially, 192. ruin, 193. bakery, 194. demonstrate, 195. coverage, 196. pager, 197. battery, 198. gear

199. mi\_\_\_\_\_ll words *v.* to spell incorrectly or wrongly; to use an incorrect spelling for a word
200. ultimate bl\_\_s *n.* extreme happiness or joy
201. color ph\_\_\_\_\_py *n.* a duplicate of a document or image made by a process involving the use of light and photosensitive material; a copy made by a photocopier
202. 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
203. lipstick sm\_\_\_e *n.* a blurry or dirty mark or stain left by rubbing or smearing something; also, a bundle of material, such as sage or incense, that is burned to produce smoke for purification or ritual purposes
204. pro\_\_\_\_\_or of a business *n.* a person who owns and runs a business, especially a hotel, a shop, or a company
205. cricket team's r\_\_t *n.* a disorderly retreat or defeat of an army or group; a decisive defeat
206. central th\_\_e *n.* a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation
207. a teacher's p\_t *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
208. send and re\_\_\_\_\_ve e-mail *v.* to find or get something back
209. geographic ho\_\_\_\_\_t *n.* a place or area, typically a location or region, that is known for having an unusually high number of a particular phenomenon, such as disease, activity, or popularity

ANSWERS: 199. misspell, 200. bliss, 201. photocopy, 202. launch, 203. smudge, 204. proprietor, 205. rout, 206. theme, 207. pet, 208. retrieve, 209. hotspot

210. or\_\_\_\_ry annual revenue *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
211. follow his ins\_\_\_\_\_ons *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
212. the to\_\_r on a cliff *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
213. m\_\_t down gold *v.* to turn from something solid into something soft or liquid as a result of heating
214. boys in the twelfth gr\_\_e *n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
215. degree of ac\_\_\_\_cy *n.* the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake
216. we are non\_\_\_\_\_ss confident *adv.* in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless
217. inn\_\_\_\_\_on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
218. rusty n\_\_l *n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes
219. get into a m\_\_s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy

ANSWERS: 210. ordinary, 211. instruction, 212. tower, 213. melt, 214. grade, 215. accuracy, 216. nonetheless, 217. innovation, 218. nail, 219. mess

220. br\_\_\_\_\_st a radio ad      *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television
221. ex\_\_\_\_\_ve vice president      *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
222. a weather fo\_\_\_\_\_st      *n.* a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance
223. 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
224. write him an answer imm\_\_\_\_\_ly      *adv.* now or without delay
225. sh\_\_\_\_\_e from side to side      *v.* to move or mix around in a casual or unorganized way; to walk with short, dragging steps
226. ca\_\_\_\_\_er battery      *n.* a portable video camera that records pictures and sound
227. coastal d\_\_e      *n.* a wall or embankment built to hold back water and prevent flooding; a barrier made of earth, stone, or concrete; a narrow channel cut into rock or soil by erosion

ANSWERS: 220. broadcast, 221. executive, 222. forecast, 223. cult, 224. immediately, 225. shuffle, 226. camcorder, 227. dike

228. contractual co\_\_\_\_\_ge *n.* the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides
229. p\_\_r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
230. st\_\_\_\_\_h bomber *n.* the quality of remaining hidden or undetected; the ability to move or act with great secrecy and subtlety
231. ta\_\_\_r-made suit *n.* a person who makes, alters, or repairs clothing professionally, typically working in a tailor shop or boutique; (verb) to customize, modify, or adapt something to suit a particular purpose, need, or individual
232. pre\_\_\_\_\_on to authority *n.* the act of claiming or asserting something, especially without good reason or without evidence; an unfounded or excessive claim or ambition
233. pa\_\_r beep *n.* a small electronic device used for sending and receiving short text messages, often used in hospitals or other professional settings
234. do\_\_\_\_\_ad files from the Internet *v.* to transfer data or files from the Internet or computer network to a user's computer or device; (noun) the process of transferring data or information from a remote or central computer to a local computer or device

ANSWERS: 228. coverage, 229. peer, 230. stealth, 231. tailor, 232. pretension, 233. pager, 234. download



235. the ac\_\_\_\_cy of his compass      *n.* the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake
236. ph\_\_\_\_\_py machine      *n.* a duplicate of a document or image made by a process involving the use of light and photosensitive material; a copy made by a photocopier
237. complete mo\_\_n      *n.* (offensive and derogatory term) a person who is considered very foolish, stupid, or lacking intelligence or common sense
238. va\_\_\_y bottom      *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
239. copyrighted so\_\_\_\_\_re      *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
240. he\_\_\_\_\_t with a microphone      *n.* a pair of headphones, typically with a microphone attached
241. in\_\_\_\_\_us device      *adj.* showing inventiveness and ability or skill
242. the g\_\_t of a claim      *n.* the essence or main point of a text, speech, or situation
243. ya\_\_t owner      *n.* a large, luxurious sailing vessel or motorboat that is often used for pleasure cruises, racing, or other leisure activities
244. in\_\_\_\_\_us idea      *adj.* showing inventiveness and ability or skill
245. set te\_\_o      *n.* the speed at which a piece of music is performed

ANSWERS: 235. accuracy, 236. photocopy, 237. moron, 238. valley, 239. software, 240. headset, 241. ingenious, 242. gist, 243. yacht, 244. ingenious, 245. tempo

246. tra\_\_\_\_\_be notes      *v.* to copy or reproduce something in written or printed form; to translate spoken language into written text
247. mi\_\_\_\_\_ll his name      *v.* to spell incorrectly or wrongly; to use an incorrect spelling for a word
248. r\_\_n the plan      *v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,
249. on\_\_\_r personality      *adj.* relating to or occurring during a live broadcast on radio or television; being broadcast
250. n\_\_d neck      *n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
251. wi\_\_\_\_\_ss access      *adj.* of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals
252. the f\_\_w in the legislation      *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
253. dial-up mo\_\_m      *n.* a device that converts digital signals from a computer or other electronic device into analog signals that can be transmitted over telephone or cable lines and that converts incoming analog signals back into digital form for use by the computer or device
254. ge\_\_\_e downward slope      *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

ANSWERS: 246. transcribe, 247. misspell, 248. ruin, 249. on-air, 250. nerd, 251. wireless, 252. flaw, 253. modem, 254. gentle

255. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly obsessed with the girl      *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
256. mat\_\_\_\_\_cs competition      *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
257. nontechnical as\_\_\_ts of the job      *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
258. tropical de\_\_r      *n.* the arrangement and style of the furniture, art, and other items in a room or building, used to create a particular atmosphere or aesthetic
259. freshly baked ba\_\_l      *n.* a type of bread product that is typically round, dense, and chewy with a hole in the center, often topped with seeds or spices
260. major do\_\_\_\_\_de      *n.* the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure
261. pr\_\_\_\_\_us information      *adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
262. em\_\_\_\_\_ee evaluation      *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
263. make a f\_\_s      *n.* a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance
264. a film f\_n      *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
265. as\_\_\_ts of social, political, and economic life      *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

ANSWERS: 255. absolutely, 256. mathematics, 257. aspect, 258. decor, 259. bagel, 260. downside, 261. precious, 262. employee, 263. fuss, 264. fan, 265. aspect

266. online ph\_\_\_\_cy *n.* a place where medicines are prepared and dispensed; a drugstore or chemist's
267. wound his sel\_\_\_\_\_ect *n.* a feeling of being proud of and confident in yourself
268. key co\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
269. hotel va\_\_t *n.* a person employed to park cars or act as a personal attendant; a personal servant or assistant
270. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
271. ins\_\_\_\_\_ion fee *n.* the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position
272. af\_\_\_d to buy a new car *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
273. br\_\_\_\_\_nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
274. feel bi\_\_\_r *adj.* having a sharp, unpleasant taste; characterized by strong feelings of resentment, disappointment, or cynicism
275. give si\_\_\_t consent *adj.* without any or little sound
276. con\_\_\_\_\_ive about production *adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
277. do\_\_\_\_\_de of globalization *n.* the negative aspects or consequences of something; the potential for loss or failure

ANSWERS: 266. pharmacy, 267. self-respect, 268. component, 269. valet, 270. eventually, 271. installation, 272. afford, 273. brilliant, 274. bitter, 275. silent, 276. conservative, 277. downside

278. evening pr\_\_\_\_\_de *n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern
279. on\_\_\_\_r interview *adj.* relating to or occurring during a live broadcast on radio or television; being broadcast
280. co\_\_\_\_\_te environment *adj.* of or relating to a large company
281. dem\_\_\_\_\_te a difference *v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
282. un\_\_\_\_\_ed resources *adj.* without any limits or restrictions
283. pr\_\_\_\_\_de in the park *n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern
284. bi\_\_\_\_r disappointment *adj.* having a sharp, unpleasant taste; characterized by strong feelings of resentment, disappointment, or cynicism
285. for the s\_\_e of argument *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
286. the t\_\_e of a song *n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard

ANSWERS: 278. promenade, 279. on-air, 280. corporate, 281. demonstrate, 282. unlimited, 283. promenade, 284. bitter, 285. sake, 286. tune

287. social mo\_\_n *n.* (offensive and derogatory term) a person who is considered very foolish, stupid, or lacking intelligence or common sense
288. ad\_\_\_\_e the technology *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
289. sq\_\_t exercise *v.* to crouch or sit with one's knees bent and one's heels close to or touching one's buttocks; to occupy a space, usually a place that is not designed for human habitation or use; (noun) a physical exercise that involves holding a position similar to sitting with the knees bent and the thighs parallel to the ground
290. po\_\_t the existence of life after death *v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
291. coaxial ca\_\_e *n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
292. ch\_\_\_\_e at my cat's silly antics *n.* a soft, partly suppressed laugh; an act of laughing quietly; (verb) to laugh quietly or softly, often in a suppressed or restrained way
293. th\_\_b a ride *n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
294. po\_\_t the premise *v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

ANSWERS: 287. moron, 288. advance, 289. squat, 290. posit, 291. cable, 292. chuckle, 293. thumb, 294. posit

295. bus\_\_\_\_\_ess sales      *adj.* of or relating to a type of commerce or transaction between two businesses rather than between a business and a consumer, often abbreviated as "B2B"
296. at\_\_\_h a file to an e-mail      *v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another
297. back f\_n      *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
298. run like h\_\_l      *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
299. the d\_n of the university      *n.* a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge
300. ex\_\_\_\_\_ve editor at the publishing house      *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
301. engine cooling f\_n      *n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces
302. br\_\_\_\_\_st a concert      *v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television

ANSWERS: 295. business-to-business, 296. attach, 297. fin, 298. hell, 299. Don, 300. executive, 301. fan, 302. broadcast

303. tabloid jou\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast
304. fo\_\_\_\_\_st an epidemic *n.* a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance
305. public ann\_\_\_\_\_ent *n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news
306. lo\_\_\_e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
307. cannot log in to the a\_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
308. st\_\_\_\_\_ng water *adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
309. f\_\_t accomplishment *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
310. video th\_\_\_\_\_il *n.* the small image used to represent a larger image or document on a computer or mobile device; the nail on the thumb
311. legislative v\_\_o *n.* the power or right to prevent a decision or law from being enacted or enforced, typically granted to a person in authority, such as a government official or a president

ANSWERS: 303. journalism, 304. forecast, 305. announcement, 306. locate, 307. app, 308. standing, 309. feat, 310. thumbnail, 311. veto



312. re\_\_\_\_e one word with another      *v.* to take the place of something
313. covid-19 ho\_\_\_\_t      *n.* a place or area, typically a location or region, that is known for having an unusually high number of a particular phenomenon, such as disease, activity, or popularity
314. copyright pro\_\_\_\_or      *n.* a person who owns and runs a business, especially a hotel, a shop, or a company
315. si\_\_\_\_t reading      *adj.* without any or little sound
316. de\_\_\_\_t from the faith      *v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
317. se\_\_\_\_d orders      *adj.* closed or secured with
318. eve\_\_\_\_ly become obsolete      *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
319. basin-shaped va\_\_\_\_y      *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
320. ca\_\_\_\_m deficiency      *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Ca and atomic number 20, which is an important mineral for the human body
321. ou\_\_\_\_e over injustice      *n.* an intense feeling of anger or indignation in response to something that is perceived as unfair, unjust, or offensive; a public display of anger or protest against such injustices
322. an av\_\_\_\_e of poplars      *n.* a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach

ANSWERS: 312. replace, 313. hotspot, 314. proprietor, 315. silent, 316. depart, 317. sealed, 318. eventually, 319. valley, 320. calcium, 321. outrage, 322. avenue

323. a demonstration in lo\_\_c                    *n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments
324. ion of ca\_\_\_\_\_m                    *n.* a chemical element with the symbol Ca and atomic number 20, which is an important mineral for the human body
325. a con\_\_\_\_\_ive society                    *adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation
326. so te\_\_y tiny                    *adj.* extremely small; tiny
327. r\_\_t march                    *n.* a disorderly retreat or defeat of an army or group; a decisive defeat
328. o\_d behavior                    *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
329. ann\_\_\_\_\_ent date                    *n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news
330. sta\_\_\_\_\_cs for cancer                    *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
331. enable se\_\_\_\_\_ss access                    *adj.* without spaces or breaks between one part and the next
332. ex\_\_\_\_\_ve clubs                    *adj.* not divided or shared with others
333. jou\_\_\_\_\_sm ethics                    *n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast
334. ex\_\_\_e for inaction                    *n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt

ANSWERS: 323. logic, 324. calcium, 325. conservative, 326. teeny, 327. rout, 328. odd, 329. announcement, 330. statistics, 331. seamless, 332. exclusive, 333. journalism, 334. excuse

335. media ou\_\_\_t *n.* a means of release or expression, often for emotions or energy; a place of business that sells goods directly to customers; a device or opening through which something can flow out
336. electronic tra\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person whose job is restating written messages from one language to another
337. pa\_\_\_\_ic display *adj.* arousing pity, sorrow, or compassion; expressing or evoking sadness, weakness, or inadequacy; inadequate or inferior in quality or ability
338. tr\_\_\_\_te a document into English *v.* to convert or change words into another language
339. 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
340. gr\_\_d bargain *adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent
341. medium da\_\_\_\_g *n.* a term of endearment or affectionate term for someone you love or hold dear
342. se\_\_\_\_ss device connectivity *adj.* without spaces or breaks between one part and the next
343. do\_\_\_\_ad the assignment from the website *v.* to transfer data or files from the Internet or computer network to a user's computer or device; (noun) the process of transferring data or information from a remote or central computer to a local computer or device

ANSWERS: 335. outlet, 336. translator, 337. pathetic, 338. translate, 339. cult, 340. grand, 341. darling, 342. seamless, 343. download

344. phe\_\_\_\_\_al growth *adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding
345. ad\_\_\_\_\_e a cooperative relationship *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
346. co\_\_\_\_\_ve to growth *adj.* tending to make something likely or possible
347. run a ba\_\_\_\_y *n.* a place where bread and other baked goods are made and sold
348. official sta\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
349. co\_\_\_\_\_il of chemicals *n.* a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal
350. re\_\_\_\_e collection *n.* a set of instructions for preparing a dish, including the ingredients and the method of cooking
351. an image se\_\_\_\_r *n.* a device that receives a signal or stimulus such as heat, pressure, light, motion, etc. and responds to it in a specific manner
352. th\_\_b wrestling *n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
353. m\_\_k at his misfortune *v.* to make fun of someone, usually by imitating them in a witty but harsh way
354. af\_\_\_\_d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

ANSWERS: 344. phenomenal, 345. advance, 346. conducive, 347. bakery, 348. statistics, 349. cocktail, 350. recipe, 351. sensor, 352. thumb, 353. mock, 354. afford

355. luxury ya\_\_t *n.* a large, luxurious sailing vessel or motorboat that is often used for pleasure cruises, racing, or other leisure activities
356. co\_\_\_\_\_ve question *adj.* tending to make something likely or possible
357. t\_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
358. ju\_\_e a competition *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
359. ne\_\_\_\_\_ng bird *n.* a young bird that has not yet left its nest; a recently hatched or newly born animal that is still dependent on its mother
360. a un\_\_\_e teacher *adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
361. get inc\_\_\_\_\_ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
362. three-fourths of a po\_\_d *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
363. end of the se\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term
364. he\_\_\_\_\_ne article *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page

ANSWERS: 355. yacht, 356. conducive, 357. tap, 358. judge, 359. nestling, 360. unique, 361. incredibly, 362. pound, 363. semester, 364. headline

365. st\_\_k badly *v.* to emit a strong, unpleasant odor; to have a strong offensive smell; to be corrupt or unethical
366. spread of f\_\_e news *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
367. a light co\_\_\_\_\_il *n.* a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal
368. time-saving ga\_\_\_\_t *n.* a small tool or device that is useful for a particular job
369. thousands of po\_\_ds *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
370. musical ins\_\_\_\_\_nts *n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work
371. sy\_\_\_\_\_le structure *n.* a single unit of spoken language more significant than a phoneme containing a vowel sound and usually one or more consonants
372. op\_\_\_\_\_e 24 hours a day *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
373. a medical ins\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position

ANSWERS: 365. stink, 366. fake, 367. cocktail, 368. gadget, 369. pound, 370. instrument, 371. syllable, 372. operate, 373. installation

374. An\_\_\_\_d tablet *n.* a robot with a human appearance; (operating system) Google's mobile operating system
375. sh\_\_\_\_e deck *v.* to move or mix around in a casual or unorganized way; to walk with short, dragging steps
376. art cr\_\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
377. cordless ha\_\_\_\_t *n.* a component of a telephone or communication device that is held or grasped by the hand and used to transmit and receive audio signals during a conversation, often includes a microphone and speaker
378. 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
379. 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
380. intellectual f\_\_t *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

ANSWERS: 374. android, 375. shuffle, 376. critic, 377. handset, 378. zip, 379. bond, 380. feat

381. killer a\_p *n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
382. banner he\_\_\_\_ne *n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
383. single sy\_\_\_\_le *n.* a single unit of spoken language more significant than a phoneme containing a vowel sound and usually one or more consonants
384. t\_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
385. for your own s\_\_e *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
386. hungry ne\_\_\_\_ng *n.* a young bird that has not yet left its nest; a recently hatched or newly born animal that is still dependent on its mother
387. a good grounding in mat\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
388. motion se\_\_\_\_r lighting *n.* a device that receives a signal or stimulus such as heat, pressure, light, motion, etc. and responds to it in a specific manner
389. planetary sy\_\_\_\_y *n.* an astronomical term referring to the alignment of three celestial bodies in a straight line, such as the conjunction or opposition of planets or the alignment of the Sun, Earth, and Moon during a solar or lunar eclipse

ANSWERS: 381. app, 382. headline, 383. syllable, 384. tap, 385. sake, 386. nestling, 387. mathematics, 388. sensor, 389. syzygy



390. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
391. pr\_\_\_\_\_e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
392. gra\_\_\_\_\_ld-grandparent relationship *n.* a child of someone's son or daughter
393. tra\_\_\_\_\_be documents *v.* to copy or reproduce something in written or printed form; to translate spoken language into written text
394. bo\_\_\_\_r the neighbors *v.* to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
395. act c\_\_e *adj.* attractive, especially in a childlike or youthful way
396. ba\_\_\_\_\_y charging *n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them
397. ac\_\_\_\_\_te a receptor *v.* make something start working, more active or dynamic
398. ph\_\_\_\_\_cy chain *n.* a place where medicines are prepared and dispensed; a drugstore or chemist's
399. tr\_\_\_\_\_te the emotion to a movement *v.* to convert or change words into another language
400. a bell to\_\_r *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
401. ack\_\_\_\_\_ge his help *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

ANSWERS: 390. absolutely, 391. propose, 392. grandchild, 393. transcribe, 394. bother, 395. cute, 396. battery, 397. activate, 398. pharmacy, 399. translate, 400. tower, 401. acknowledge

402. su\_\_\_\_e beforehand      *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
403. f\_\_e their homes      *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
404. rec\_\_\_\_\_on award      *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
405. high-speed mo\_\_m      *n.* a device that converts digital signals from a computer or other electronic device into analog signals that can be transmitted over telephone or cable lines and that converts incoming analog signals back into digital form for use by the computer or device
406. severe cr\_\_\_c      *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

ANSWERS: 402. suppose, 403. flee, 404. recognition, 405. modem, 406. critic

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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
2. He was, by nature, a cyber \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a person who is very interested in and knowledgeable about a particular subject such as computers, mathematics, chess, etc.
3. This system uses submarine \_\_\_\_\_ to exchange information between continents.  
*n.* a set of wires covered by plastic or rubber that carries electricity, phone signals, etc.; a solid thick rope made of twisted hemp or steel wire
4. He cannot \_\_\_\_\_ a holiday.  
*v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
5. The politician remained \_\_\_\_\_ despite intense media scrutiny.  
*adj.* without any or little sound
6. We must complete all of these courses in the following \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* one of the periods that the school or university divided into, especially in the US and Australia; a half-year term
7. The researchers try to discover a common \_\_\_\_\_ in all types of successful organizations.  
*n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger

ANSWERS: 1. coverage, 2. nerd, 3. cables, 4. afford, 5. silent, 6. semester, 7. component

8. This factory employs a \_\_\_\_\_ manufacturing system.

*adj.* of or connected with the cells of animals or plants; of or connected with a mobile telephone system that uses several short-range radio stations instead of wires

9. She checked her \_\_\_\_\_ before embarking on the hike.

*n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose

10. The engine did not start because the \_\_\_\_\_ was flat.

*n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them

11. The \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

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

12. The \_\_\_\_\_ concert was packed with fans.

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

13. The company specializes in both hardware and \_\_\_\_\_.

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

14. The new president was \_\_\_\_\_ immediately after the national election.

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

ANSWERS: 8. cellular, 9. gear, 10. battery, 11. statistics, 12. standing, 13. software, 14. installed

15. Several cities are experiencing \_\_\_\_\_ high unemployment rates.  
*adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
16. We \_\_\_\_\_ before the temperature fell below zero.  
*v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
17. 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
18. The airport is a \_\_\_\_\_ for tourists and travelers from around the world.  
*n.* a place or area, typically a location or region, that is known for having an unusually high number of a particular phenomenon, such as disease, activity, or popularity
19. The discovery of a critical bug caused the company to delay the \_\_\_\_\_ release.  
*n.* (abbreviation for application) software designed to run on smartphones and other mobile devices or inside a web browser on a PC
20. I am \_\_\_\_\_ opposed to his idea because of morality.  
*adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
21. We spent the weekend sailing our \_\_\_\_\_ around the Mediterranean.  
*n.* a large, luxurious sailing vessel or motorboat that is often used for pleasure cruises, racing, or other leisure activities
22. Please be careful not to \_\_\_\_\_ any of the words in your essay.  
*v.* to spell incorrectly or wrongly; to use an incorrect spelling for a word

ANSWERS: 15. incredibly, 16. departed, 17. dialed, 18. hotspot, 19. app's, 20. absolutely, 21. yacht, 22. misspell

23. He made a frightful \_\_\_\_\_ in his room.

- n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy

24. The strict \_\_\_\_\_ ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

- n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

25. Scientific knowledge will \_\_\_\_\_ significantly with the power of AI.

- v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

26. The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred \_\_\_\_\_.

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

27. \_\_\_\_\_ the text from Italian into English.

- v.* to convert or change words into another language

28. The internet troll accused her of being a \_\_\_\_\_ for her political views.

- n.* (offensive and derogatory term) a person who is considered very foolish, stupid, or lacking intelligence or common sense

29. Emphasize the second \_\_\_\_\_ when pronouncing it.

- n.* a single unit of spoken language more significant than a phoneme containing a vowel sound and usually one or more consonants

30. The first two years of her marriage were sheer \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* extreme happiness or joy

ANSWERS: 23. mess, 24. judge, 25. advance, 26. pounds, 27. Translate, 28. moron, 29. syllable, 30. bliss

31. The shark's powerful \_\_\_\_\_ allowed it to swim at high speeds.

*n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

32. The president's \_\_\_\_\_ prevented the bill from becoming law.

*n.* the power or right to prevent a decision or law from being enacted or enforced, typically granted to a person in authority, such as a government official or a president

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

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

34. I love going to see live \_\_\_\_\_ shows with my friends.

*n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

35. To find drunk drivers, police conduct \_\_\_\_\_ tests.

*adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

36. They each choose \_\_\_\_\_ to battle.

*adv.* in spite of what has just been said or done; nevertheless

37. The baby began to \_\_\_\_\_ while teething.

*v.* to allow saliva to drip or flow out of the mouth involuntarily, usually as a result of excitement, anticipation, or illness; to express excessive admiration or desire for something

ANSWERS: 31. fins, 32. veto, 33. pretensions, 34. comedy, 35. random, 36. nonetheless, 37. drool

38. Eventually, the new design will \_\_\_\_\_ all older models.  
*v.* to take the place of something
39. He wandered the \_\_\_\_\_ between life and death by gunfire.  
*n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
40. Her failure resulted in a loss of her \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a feeling of being proud of and confident in yourself
41. 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
42. The robot can accurately \_\_\_\_\_ construction material.  
*v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
43. We should \_\_\_\_\_ several hypotheses to discuss the matter.  
*v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
44. There was a \_\_\_\_ about the broken vase, but it was quickly forgotten.  
*n.* a state of agitation or excitement; an angry disturbance
45. An \_\_\_\_\_ data plan is a popular option for heavy internet users.  
*adj.* without any limits or restrictions

ANSWERS: 38. replace, 39. boundary, 40. self-respect, 41. zip, 42. locate, 43. posit, 44. fuss, 45. unlimited



46. It seems \_\_\_\_\_ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.

*adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true

47. He used a hammer and round \_\_\_\_\_ to fix the loose board on the fence.

*n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes

48. His professional experience includes all \_\_\_\_\_ of media production.

*n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

49. The painting is \_\_\_\_\_ and there is no other like it.

*adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else

50. As the \_\_\_\_\_ director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.

*n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

51. She studies gardening on a \_\_\_\_\_ basis.

*n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program

52. He quickly fabricated an \_\_\_\_\_ for not attending the meeting.

*n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt

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

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

ANSWERS: 46. probable, 47. nail, 48. aspects, 49. unique, 50. executive, 51. routine, 52. excuse, 53. mathematics

54. This automatic door could no longer be opened due to a \_\_\_\_\_ failure.
- n.* a device that receives a signal or stimulus such as heat, pressure, light, motion, etc. and responds to it in a specific manner
55. They needed further \_\_\_\_\_ to perform their duties efficiently.
- n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
56. Professional game players pay the latest attention to the sound quality of their \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a pair of headphones, typically with a microphone attached
57. The company provides all employees with a digital \_\_\_\_\_ for emergency purposes.
- n.* a small electronic device used for sending and receiving short text messages, often used in hospitals or other professional settings
58. He worked at the \_\_\_\_\_ as a baker.
- n.* a place where bread and other baked goods are made and sold
59. The \_\_\_\_\_ in my pocket jingled as I walked.
- n.* a silver-white metallic element with the symbol Ni, used in many alloys and as a coin; a United States coin worth one-twentieth of a dollar
60. I need to find a skilled \_\_\_\_\_ to alter my wedding dress.
- n.* a person who makes, alters, or repairs clothing professionally, typically working in a tailor shop or boutique; (verb) to customize, modify, or adapt something to suit a particular purpose, need, or individual
61. We invited some friends for a \_\_\_\_\_ party.
- n.* a drink, usually an alcoholic one, made by mixing one or more spirits (= strong alcoholic drinks) and fruit juice; an appetizer served as a first course at a meal

ANSWERS: 54. sensor, 55. instruction, 56. headsets, 57. pager, 58. bakery, 59. nickel, 60. tailor, 61. cocktail

62. The quiet and peaceful environment was \_\_\_\_\_ to concentration and productivity.  
*adj.* tending to make something likely or possible
63. The patient was prescribed a \_\_\_\_\_ supplement to help prevent osteoporosis.  
*n.* a chemical element with the symbol Ca and atomic number 20, which is an important mineral for the human body
64. There's no \_\_\_\_\_ in his description.  
*n.* a way of thinking or reasoning conducted or evaluated by strict validity principles; the study of correct reasoning or good arguments
65. I need to go to the hospital \_\_\_\_\_ to pick up my prescription.  
*n.* a place where medicines are prepared and dispensed; a drugstore or chemist's
66. The Mona Lisa is widely considered to be a \_\_\_\_\_ of art.  
*n.* a work of art that is exceptionally good or highly skilled; a great achievement
67. We cannot afford to squander \_\_\_\_\_ time.  
*adj.* uncommon and extremely valuable
68. Please \_\_\_\_\_ your sweat with this towel.  
*v.* to clean or dry something by rubbing with a piece of cloth or paper or one's hand and removing dirt, food, or liquid
69. How can you \_\_\_\_\_ that the earth is a sphere?  
*v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
70. To assure \_\_\_\_\_ I recommend investing in high-quality test kits.  
*n.* the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake

ANSWERS: 62. conducive, 63. calcium, 64. logic, 65. pharmacy, 66. masterpiece, 67. precious, 68. wipe, 69. demonstrate, 70. accuracy,

71. The president declared a state of \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a sudden unforeseen crisis usually involving danger that requires immediate action

72. The grandparents take care of their \_\_\_\_\_ while the parents are at work.

- n.* a child of someone's son or daughter

73. He was unpopular because of his \_\_\_\_\_ adherence to the rules.

- adj.* extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending

74. She \_\_\_\_\_ the cards before dealing them to the players.

- v.* to move or mix around in a casual or unorganized way; to walk with short, dragging steps

75. The company enhanced \_\_\_\_\_ operations to tap into new markets.

- adj.* situated or operating beyond national boundaries; in, from, or to foreign countries

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

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

77. The \_\_\_\_\_ session of the Diet opened.

- adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

78. The extreme cold \_\_\_\_\_ our bones.

- v.* to cut or make a way through with a sharp instrument

ANSWERS: 71. emergency, 72. grandchild, 73. rigid, 74. shuffled, 75. oversea, 76. operate, 77. ordinary, 78. pierced

79. Her response revealed \_\_\_\_\_ idiocy.

*adj.* unbelievable; enormous

80. The \_\_\_\_\_ handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

*n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

81. 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

82. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the article was that technology is rapidly changing our world.

*n.* the essence or main point of a text, speech, or situation

83. I found an old \_\_\_\_\_ of my grandparents from their wedding day.

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

84. The vegetarian burger was an \_\_\_\_\_ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

*n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation

85. She \_\_\_\_\_ the book from the shelf.

*v.* to find or get something back

86. He attempted to \_\_\_\_\_ the misspelled word.

*v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

ANSWERS: 79. incredible, 80. employee, 81. flaw, 82. gist, 83. photograph, 84. innovation, 85. retrieved, 86. erase

87. Their team specializes in demand \_\_\_\_\_ for our products.  
*n.* a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance
88. It is impolite to \_\_\_\_ fun of an international student's English mistakes.  
*v.* to make fun of someone, usually by imitating them in a witty but harsh way
89. I \_\_\_\_ that you know it.  
*v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
90. We immediately rejected his \_\_\_\_\_ suggestion.  
*adj.* ridiculously silly, unreasonable, or illogical
91. She plans to study \_\_\_\_\_ in college and become a reporter.  
*n.* the profession or activity of writing or reporting news for publication or broadcast
92. He never \_\_\_\_\_ his fault.  
*v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
93. The mother bird was carefully feeding her \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a young bird that has not yet left its nest; a recently hatched or newly born animal that is still dependent on its mother
94. It is a basic instinct to \_\_\_\_ from a dangerous situation.  
*v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

ANSWERS: 87. forecasts, 88. mock, 89. bet, 90. absurd, 91. journalism, 92. acknowledged, 93. nestlings, 94. flee

95. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the restaurant gave it a cozy and inviting feel.
- n.* the arrangement and style of the furniture, art, and other items in a room or building, used to create a particular atmosphere or aesthetic
96. The engagement of the two golf players became \_\_\_\_\_ news.
- n.* a heading at the top of a newspaper or magazine story or page
97. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ down to pick up the pen from the floor.
- v.* to crouch or sit with one's knees bent and one's heels close to or touching one's buttocks; to occupy a space, usually a place that is not designed for human habitation or use; (noun) a physical exercise that involves holding a position similar to sitting with the knees bent and the thighs parallel to the ground
98. There was widespread \_\_\_\_\_ over the government's handling of the situation.
- n.* an intense feeling of anger or indignation in response to something that is perceived as unfair, unjust, or offensive; a public display of anger or protest against such injustices
99. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
100. We \_\_\_\_\_ heavy snowfall tomorrow.
- v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance
101. The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and \_\_\_\_\_ it
- adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
102. We need to install a \_\_\_\_\_ in our new office before we can start taking client calls.
- n.* (also "wireline") a telephone line that transmits and receives signals through a physical wire or cable network, as opposed to a cellular or satellite connection

ANSWERS: 95. decor, 96. headline, 97. squat, 98. outrage, 99. critics, 100. anticipate, 101. faked, 102. landline

103. I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my \_\_\_\_\_ all day.
- n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
104. Nothing \_\_\_\_\_ me more than being lied to.
- v.* to annoy or irritate someone; to be a source of annoyance or irritation to someone; (noun) something that irritates or annoys you; a source of annoyance or irritation
105. 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
106. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the music was slow and soothing.
- n.* the speed at which a piece of music is performed
107. The author discovered that the \_\_\_\_\_ had inserted several unique interpretations into his book.
- n.* a person whose job is restating written messages from one language to another
108. The island was formed by a \_\_\_\_\_ millions of years ago.
- n.* a mountain or hill, typically conical, having a crater or vent through which lava, rock fragments, hot vapor, and gas are or have been erupted from the earth's crust.
109. We packed and shipped the product in \_\_\_\_\_ containers.
- adj.* closed or secured with
110. The \_\_\_\_\_ for the cake is passed down from generation to generation in her family.
- n.* a set of instructions for preparing a dish, including the ingredients and the method of cooking

ANSWERS: 103. laptop, 104. peeves, 105. doll, 106. tempo, 107. translator, 108. volcano, 109. sealed, 110. recipe



111. The captain told him to \_\_\_\_\_ the ship north.

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

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

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

113. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the new policy was that it would be more expensive for customers.

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

114. This electronic \_\_\_\_\_ is required to undergo periodic inspections to ensure precision.

- n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work

115. He knocked over the red wine and \_\_\_\_\_ the tablecloth.

- v.* to damage, spoil, or demolish something; (noun) an unrecoverable state of devastation and destruction,

116. What do you \_\_\_\_\_ the culprit's motive was?

- v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

117. I want to \_\_\_\_\_ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

- v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

118. The \_\_\_\_\_ alignment of the planets can create strong tidal forces on Earth.

- n.* an astronomical term referring to the alignment of three celestial bodies in a straight line, such as the conjunction or opposition of planets or the alignment of the Sun, Earth, and Moon during a solar or lunar eclipse

ANSWERS: 111. steer, 112. peer, 113. downside, 114. instrument, 115. ruined, 116. suppose, 117. propose, 118. syzygy

119. The battlefield became \_\_\_\_\_ on earth.

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

120. \_\_\_\_\_ advances have disrupted many industries.

- adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress

121. This year's \_\_\_\_\_ gathering will be held in Canada.

- adj.* important and large in size, scope, or extent

122. He ordered a bagel with lox and a \_\_\_\_\_ of tomato cream cheese.

- n.* a spread of cream cheese typically put on bagels; a broad or messy application of any substance

123. The ring was so \_\_\_\_\_ that it almost looked like a toy.

- adj.* extremely small; tiny

124. Most of the programs are \_\_\_\_\_ in this area.

- v.* to send out a program or some information on radio or television

125. The \_\_\_\_\_ had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

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

126. The office's \_\_\_\_\_ network allows employees to work from anywhere in the building.

- adj.* of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals

ANSWERS: 119. hell, 120. Technological, 121. grand, 122. schmear, 123. teeny, 124. broadcast, 125. valley, 126. wireless

127. The garbage in the alley began to \_\_\_\_\_ after a few hot days.

*v.* to emit a strong, unpleasant odor; to have a strong offensive smell; to be corrupt or unethical

128. I need to make a \_\_\_\_\_ of this document before I send it out.

*n.* a duplicate of a document or image made by a process involving the use of light and photosensitive material; a copy made by a photocopier

129. The organization assisted in the de-escalation of \_\_\_\_\_ violent situations.

*adv.* in a possible state or condition; possibly

130. I couldn't help but let out a little \_\_\_\_\_ when I saw the silly photo my friend had sent me.

*n.* a soft, partly suppressed laugh; an act of laughing quietly; (verb) to laugh quietly or softly, often in a suppressed or restrained way

131. The photographer selected the best image from the photo shoot for the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the small image used to represent a larger image or document on a computer or mobile device; the nail on the thumb

132. He does not \_\_\_\_\_ importance to these rumors.

*v.* to fasten, join, or connect one thing to another

133. The service was \_\_\_\_\_ and the food was quite delicious.

*adj.* without spaces or breaks between one part and the next

134. My left arm became \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity

ANSWERS: 127. stink, 128. photocopy, 129. potentially, 130. chuckle, 131. thumbnail, 132. attach, 133. seamless, 134. numb

135. The toddler was excited to wear his new \_\_\_\_\_ shoes.

*adj.* very small or tiny; referring to a short amount of time

136. The football team suffered a humiliating \_\_\_\_\_ in the championship game.

*n.* a disorderly retreat or defeat of an army or group; a decisive defeat

137. They explored every \_\_\_\_\_ they could think of.

*n.* a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach

138. We brought chips and \_\_\_\_\_ to the party as a tasty appetizer.

*n.* a type of spicy sauce or condiment made from tomatoes, onions, chili peppers, and other ingredients, commonly used in Latin American and Mexican cuisine, as well as a lively social dance style with origins in those same regions

139. The \_\_\_\_\_ taste of the medicine made it difficult to swallow.

*adj.* having a sharp, unpleasant taste; characterized by strong feelings of resentment, disappointment, or cynicism

140. I need to buy a new \_\_\_\_\_ for my landline phone.

*n.* a component of a telephone or communication device that is held or grasped by the hand and used to transmit and receive audio signals during a conversation, often includes a microphone and speaker

141. He always makes a \_\_\_\_\_ estimation when predicting future sales.

*adj.* holding traditional views and values and opposed to change or innovation

142. The baby's chubby cheeks and big eyes made her look so \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* attractive, especially in a childlike or youthful way

ANSWERS: 135. wee-sized, 136. rout, 137. avenue, 138. salsa, 139. bitter, 140. handset, 141. conservative, 142. cute

143. The more \_\_\_\_\_ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

*adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

144. The IT department secured the network by configuring the \_\_\_\_\_ firewall settings.

*n.* a device that converts digital signals from a computer or other electronic device into analog signals that can be transmitted over telephone or cable lines and that converts incoming analog signals back into digital form for use by the computer or device

145. My \_\_\_\_\_ child, I love you so much.

*n.* a term of endearment or affectionate term for someone you love or hold dear

146. I always look forward to reading his stories since they're so \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* showing inventiveness and ability or skill

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

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

148. 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

149. Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

ANSWERS: 143. brilliant, 144. modem's, 145. darling, 146. ingenious, 147. odd, 148. policy, 149. smartphones

150. He \_\_\_\_\_ his friends with a warm smile and a hug.

*v.* to say hello to someone; to express welcome on meeting someone

151. You must \_\_\_\_\_ the software with a 16-digit key before you can use it.

*v.* make something start working, more active or dynamic

152. The company made an \_\_\_\_\_ about its new product at a press conference.

*n.* a public statement or declaration, often made in writing or through the media, that conveys important information or news

153. Her \_\_\_\_\_ manner relaxed everyone there.

*adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

154. I spotted a majestic \_\_\_\_\_ with large antlers standing at the forest's edge.

*n.* a male deer; a unit of currency, especially the US dollar; a sudden jolt or movement; a young man; (verb) to resist or oppose something, such as an authority, trend, or convention

155. I found the kitchen \_\_\_\_\_ that will serve as a bottle opener in the store.

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

156. Please don't \_\_\_\_\_ me while I'm trying to concentrate.

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

157. The radio host was nervous about going \_\_\_\_\_ for the first time.

*adj.* relating to or occurring during a live broadcast on radio or television; being broadcast

ANSWERS: 150. greeted, 151. activate, 152. announcement, 153. gentle, 154. buck, 155. gadget, 156. bother, 157. on-air

158. 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

159. The Queen attested the \_\_\_\_\_ of state ministers to their portfolios.

- n.* the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position

160. The driver suddenly \_\_\_\_\_ the steering wheel to the left to avoid hitting the deer.

- v.* to make a sudden, sharp movement, or cause something to do this

161. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the bathroom was faulty, so I had to use a different one for my hair dryer.

- n.* a means of release or expression, often for emotions or energy; a place of business that sells goods directly to customers; a device or opening through which something can flow out

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

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

163. He was given \_\_\_\_\_ for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.

- n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal

164. He used his right \_\_\_\_\_ to press the button on his phone.

- n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists

ANSWERS: 158. cult, 159. installation, 160. jerked, 161. outlet, 162. trend, 163. recognition, 164. thumb

165. After dinner, I handed my keys to the \_\_\_\_\_ and walked into the restaurant.

- n.* a person employed to park cars or act as a personal attendant; a personal servant or assistant

166. He could never go against what \_\_\_\_ Carlos said.

- n.* a Spanish gentleman; a university lecturer, especially a senior member of a college at Oxford or Cambridge

167. The band played a beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ on their instruments.

- n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard

168. She needs to \_\_\_\_\_ the interview recording to write the article for the magazine.

- v.* to copy or reproduce something in written or printed form; to translate spoken language into written text

169. She accidentally left a \_\_\_\_\_ on the newly painted wall.

- n.* a blurry or dirty mark or stain left by rubbing or smearing something; also, a bundle of material, such as sage or incense, that is burned to produce smoke for purification or ritual purposes

170. 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

171. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the novel is the corrupting influence of power.

- n.* a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation

ANSWERS: 165. valet, 166. Don, 167. tune, 168. transcribe, 169. smudge, 170. introduction, 171. theme



172. Prisoners receive a monthly \_\_\_\_\_ allowance to buy personal items from the facility's store.
- n.* a store or canteen within a military base, prison, or institutional setting that sells goods and supplies to the personnel or inmates; a person who is responsible for providing or managing provisions and supplies; the place where food is provided or sold to cast and crew, especially in a film studio
173. The condo offers \_\_\_\_\_ access to the beach.
- adj.* not divided or shared with others
174. She is a \_\_\_\_\_ of strength for our team in trouble.
- n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
175. She \_\_\_\_\_ her head to the side, indicating she was listening.
- v.* to incline or bend from a vertical position; (noun) the act of inclining or the state of being inclined or leaning to one side
176. The lab is developing an \_\_\_\_\_ robot that assists in dangerous construction work.
- n.* a robot with a human appearance; (operating system) Google's mobile operating system
177. I have a parrot as a \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
178. A suspension order from the court is effective \_\_\_\_\_.
- adv.* now or without delay
179. The lawyer's \_\_\_\_\_ for the case was \$10,000.
- n.* a sum of money charged for a particular service

ANSWERS: 172. commissary, 173. exclusive, 174. tower, 175. tilted, 176. android, 177. pet, 178. immediately, 179. fee

180. I prefer a toasty \_\_\_\_\_ with bacon and eggs for weekend brunch.

*n.* a type of bread product that is typically round, dense, and chewy with a hole in the center, often topped with seeds or spices

181. It is an incredible \_\_\_\_\_ to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

*n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

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

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

183. I'm a big \_\_\_\_\_ of French food.

*n.* a person who admires and supports a person, group, sport, sports team, etc.; a device for creating a current of air by the movement of a surface or surfaces

184. To expand the company, we must \_\_\_\_\_ new human resources.

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

185. 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

186. The team's performance was \_\_\_\_\_ and left the coach feeling disappointed.

*adj.* arousing pity, sorrow, or compassion; expressing or evoking sadness, weakness, or inadequacy; inadequate or inferior in quality or ability

ANSWERS: 180. bagel, 181. feat, 182. eventually, 183. fan, 184. tap, 185. launch, 186. pathetic

187. The athlete's \_\_\_\_\_ performance broke all previous records.  
*adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding
188. Departments may set requirements for a higher \_\_\_\_\_ point average.  
*n.* a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
189. This animal \_\_\_\_\_ in northern latitudes.  
*v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
190. The town council plans to repair the damaged \_\_\_\_\_ along the riverbank.  
*n.* a wall or embankment built to hold back water and prevent flooding; a barrier made of earth, stone, or concrete; a narrow channel cut into rock or soil by erosion
191. He got a new job for the \_\_\_\_\_ of his family.  
*n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
192. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the small bakery was always friendly and welcoming.  
*n.* a person who owns and runs a business, especially a hotel, a shop, or a company
193. The golfer recorded an \_\_\_\_\_ distance.  
*adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
194. The microphone of this \_\_\_\_\_ can deduct wind noise.  
*n.* a portable video camera that records pictures and sound
195. The \_\_\_\_\_ office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.  
*adj.* of or relating to a large company

ANSWERS: 187. phenomenal, 188. grade, 189. breeds, 190. dike, 191. sake, 192. proprietor, 193. amazing, 194. camcorder, 195. corporate

196. 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

197. The company specializes in providing \_\_\_\_\_ services to other companies in the tech industry.

- adj.* of or relating to a type of commerce or transaction between two businesses rather than between a business and a consumer, often abbreviated as "B2B"

198. Her resistance \_\_\_\_\_ under his persuasion.

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

199. Her excessive demands drove me \_\_\_\_\_.

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

200. The boardwalk by the beach was a beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ for tourists and locals alike.

- n.* a stroll or walk, often taken in a public place or park; a public place for walking or strolling, often filled with shops or vendors; a dance movement in which the partners move around the floor in a circle or similar pattern

201. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ the latest update for my computer's operating system.

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

202. The thief moved with \_\_\_\_\_ careful not to make any noise and alert anyone to his presence.

- n.* the quality of remaining hidden or undetected; the ability to move or act with great secrecy and subtlety

ANSWERS: 196. bond, 197. business-to-business, 198. melted, 199. insane, 200. promenade, 201. download, 202. stealth,

203. The pilot tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the customers that the planes were safe.

v. to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence

ANSWERS: 203. reassure