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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### eminent

*adj.* famous, respected, or important, especially in a particular profession; standing above others in quality or position

*synonym* : outstanding, distinguished, superior

(1) an **eminent** writer, (2) hold **eminent** positions

She was a pre- **eminent** researcher in our lab.

### evolution

*n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things

*synonym* : elaboration, expansion, transition

(1) human **evolution**, (2) **evolution** theory

They study the **evolution** of the universe.

### anxious

*adj.* worried and nervous

*synonym* : nervous, uneasy, afraid

(1) **anxious** about his health, (2) an **anxious** look

He cast **anxious** glances behind her.

### celebrate

*v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

*synonym* : praise, glorify, honor

(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas

He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

## enlighten

*v.* to give someone greater knowledge or understanding about a particular subject or situation, often in a spiritual or moral sense

*synonym* : inform, educate, illuminate

(1) **enlighten** legions of people, (2) **enlighten** other countries

The teacher sought to **enlighten** her students by introducing them to new ideas and perspectives.

## 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.

## chimpanzee

*n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur

*synonym* : ape, chimp, pan troglodytes

(1) **chimpanzee** behavior, (2) **chimpanzee** society

Many zoos have **chimpanzee** exhibits, allowing visitors to observe these intelligent primates up close.

## genetics

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

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

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

## extreme

*adj.* very great in amount or degree

*synonym* : farthestmost, outermost, fierce

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

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

## relate

*v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

*synonym* : connect, link, associate

(1) **relate** a story, (2) **relate** a message

He tried to **relate** his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

## gene

*n.* the fundamental unit of heredity and the sequence of nucleotides in DNA that codes for the creation of RNA or protein.

*synonym* : factor, cistron

(1) **gene** expression, (2) **gene** cloning

A defective **gene** is responsible for the disease.

## phenotype

*n.* the observable physical or biochemical characteristics of an individual organism that result from the interaction between its genetic makeup and the environment in which it lives

*synonym* : trait, characteristic, attribute

(1) **phenotype** variation, (2) dominant **phenotype**

Our genetic **phenotype** determines the color of our eyes.

## astound

*v.* to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much

*synonym* : amaze, astonish, surprise

(1) **astound** everyone, (2) **astound** the viewer

The final result was nothing short of **astounding**.

## resemblance

*n.* similarity in appearance or exterior or superficial details

*synonym* : closeness, likeness, similarity

(1) striking **resemblance**, (2) faint **resemblance**

The **resemblance** between Anna and her mother was astonishing.

## airy

*adj.* having a light, delicate, or ethereal quality; spacious and well-ventilated; lacking in substance or depth

*synonym* : fluffy, breezy, ethereal

(1) **airy** fairy, (2) **airy** dress

The room felt **airy** and spacious with its high ceilings and

large windows.

## fairy

*n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers

*synonym*: sprite, pixie, elf

(1) **fairy** tale, (2) a water **fairy**

The mischievous **fairy** flew gracefully through the forest, spreading magic wherever she went.

## psychology

*n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

## nitty

*n.* short for "nitty-gritty," which refers to the essential or most important details of something

*synonym*: details, particulars, specifics

(1) **nitty-gritty** details, (2) **nitty-gritty** work

The **nitty-gritty** of this project needs to be discussed before we can move forward with a plan.

## grit

*n.* very small pieces of stone or sand; mental toughness and determination or perseverance in the face of challenges or obstacles

*synonym*: determination, fortitude, courage

(1) **grit** determination, (2) **grit** washer

She has a lot of **grit** and determination to succeed.

## measurable

*adj.* able to be measured, quantified, or assessed in some way

*synonym*: quantifiable, assessable, calculable

(1) **measurable** data, (2) **measurable** achievement

The company sets **measurable** goals to track progress and ensure success.

## differ

*v.* to be not like someone or something in some way

*synonym*: vary, diverge, disagree

(1) **differ** from the majority, (2) **differ** according to species  
The two products **differed** in their quality and price.

## hairy

*adj.* covered with hair or having a furry texture; difficult, dangerous, or complicated

*synonym* : furry, bushy, unkempt

(1) **hairy** situation, (2) **hairy** arms

The new rescue dog was covered in thick, **hairy** fur that kept him warm in cold weather.

## biped

*n.* an animal with two feet

*synonym* : hominoid

(1) **biped** robot, (2) a featherless **biped**

**Biped** walking encouraged the further evolution of humankind.

## ancestor

*n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather

*synonym* : forebear, forefather, progenitor

(1) **ancestor** language, (2) earliest human **ancestor**

My remote **ancestor** immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.

## ape

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

*synonym* : monkey, primate, simian

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

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

## plain

*adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees

*synonym* : basic, straight, bare

(1) **plain** answer, (2) delta **plain**

The lowest lowland region is mostly flat **plain**.

## 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.

## chase

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

*synonym*: pursue, hunt, track

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

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

## overheat

*v.* to become too hot, or to cause something to become too hot

*synonym*: become too hot, heat up too much

(1) **overheat** while charging, (2) starts to **overheat**

The car engine **overheated** and had to be repaired.

## fur

*n.* the hairy coat of a mammal, especially when fine, soft, and thick

*synonym*: hair, coat, pelt

(1) an artificial **fur**, (2) **fur** coat

The **fur** of the animal was thick and soft to the touch.

## generation

*n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

*synonym*: cohort, age group, era

(1) **generation** gap, (2) the **generation** of electricity

The younger **generation** has different values and beliefs than the older one.

## unravel

*v.* undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads by separating it

*synonym*: separate, unknot, ravel

(1) **unravel** a knit, (2) **unravel** a plot

Detectives are still attempting to **unravel** the mystery of his death.

## paleontology

*n.* the study of fossils and the history of life on Earth

*synonym*: fossilology, prehistoric biology

(1) vertebrate **paleontology**, (2) **paleontology** museum

My interest in **paleontology** research began when I visited a natural history museum and saw a display of fossils from the Jurassic period.

## accompanying

*adj.* being in a position next to or near something or someone

*synonym*: attendant, concomitant, coexisting

(1) **accompanying** equipment, (2) **accompanying** documents

The **accompanying** music was soothing and added to the ambiance.

## fauna

*n.* the animal life of a particular region, habitat, or geological period

*synonym*: wildlife, creatures, animals

(1) the tropical **fauna**, (2) **fauna** reserve

The national park is home to a diverse **fauna** of animal species.

## hominid

*n.* a primate of a family (Hominidae) that includes humans and their fossil ancestors

*synonym*: human, primate, ancestor

(1) large-toothed **hominid**, (2) **hominid** evolution

Scientists have discovered new fossil evidence of an ancient **hominid** species.

## savannah

*n.* a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close

*synonym*: grassland, plain

(1) **savannah** region, (2) tropical **savannah**

The birds live in tropical forests, **savannahs**, and arid semi-desert environments.

## herbivore

*n.* an animal that eats only plants, such as a cow or a deer  
*synonym*: plant-eater, browser, graminivore

(1) **herbivore** diet, (2) **herbivore** animals

A giraffe is an **herbivore** that primarily eats leaves and twigs.

## analyze

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

*synonym*: explore, examine, investigate

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

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

## fossilized

*adj.* transformed into a fossil (= something preserved in rock for a very long period) or preserved in the form of a fossil; antiquated or inflexible

*synonym*: petrified, ossified, preserved

(1) obsolete **fossilized** ways, (2) a **fossilized** grove

The dinosaur bones were so old that they had been wholly **fossilized**, turning to stone over millions of years.

## pollen

*n.* a fine powder substance consisting of microscopic grains produced by plants that facilitate their reproductive process through the process of pollination

*synonym*: dust, spores, allergen

(1) **pollen** allergy symptoms, (2) high **pollen** count

My allergies flare up during **pollen** season, making it difficult to breathe.

## shock

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

*synonym*: amazement, surprise, stunner

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



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

## horror

*n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying

*synonym*: fear, terror, dread

(1) **horror** movie, (2) **horror-struck** look

The stories of war crimes filled her with **horror**.

## vegetation

*n.* plants in general, particularly those indigenous to a particular region or spot

*synonym*: flora, leafage, foliage

(1) tropical **vegetation**, (2) dense **vegetation**

The **vegetation** in the area is quite diverse.

## liana

*n.* a long-stemmed, woody vine that trails or climbs by attaching itself to trees or other structures for support, typically found in tropical rainforests

*synonym*: vine, creeper, climber

(1) thick **liana**, (2) tropical **liana**

The adventurers swung through the jungle using the strong **liana** vines.

## dangle

*v.* to hang or swing loosely, especially in a way that suggests instability or lack of support; to tempt or tantalize by holding out the prospect of something desirable but uncertain

*synonym*: swing, hang, drape

(1) **dangle** a carrot, (2) **dangle** a pendant

The earring on her earlobe would **dangle** as she moved her head.

## jungle

*n.* an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly

*synonym*: wilderness, forest

(1) middle of the **jungle**, (2) **jungle** exploration

This village is still in a dense **jungle**.

## moving

*adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy

*synonym*: emotional, poignant, touching

(1) **moving** experience, (2) **moving** ceremony

His **moving** speech about his struggles with addiction brought tears to the audience's eyes.

## ecosystem

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

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

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

## existence

*n.* the state or fact of someone or something existing

*synonym*: fact, being, reality

(1) the biggest tree in **existence**, (2) the struggle for **existence**

He was an atheist and therefore did not believe in the **existence** of heaven or hell.

## minority

*n.* the smaller part of a group, especially a number or part representing less than half of the whole; a period before adult legal age

*synonym*: adolescence, nonage, juvenility

(1) a **minority** position, (2) number of **minority** students

Some ethnic **minority** groups experienced discrimination in society.

## unpopular

*adj.* not liked, supported, or approved by many people; having an unfavorable reputation

*synonym*: disliked, unloved, unsupported

(1) **unpopular** decision, (2) an **unpopular** opinion

The politician's stance on controversial issues made him an **unpopular** candidate for many voters.

## paradigm

*n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model

*synonym*: example, standard, epitome

(1) major **paradigm** shift, (2) cultural **paradigm**

He postulated a completely different **paradigm** to explain all these phenomena.

## quest

*n.* a long or challenging search for something

*synonym*: exploration, inquisition, pursuit

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

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

## construct

*v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

*synonym*: build, assemble, create

(1) **construct** a 3D image, (2) **construct** a dam

He **constructs** hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

## fanciful

*adj.* characterized by or involving imaginative and unrealistic ideas or concepts; existing or perceived only in the imagination

*synonym*: imaginative, whimsical, fantastic

(1) **fanciful** idea, (2) **fanciful** tale

Her **fanciful** imagination allowed her to dream up incredible stories.

## rely

*v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

*synonym*: depend, count, lean

(1) **rely** on convenience stores, (2) **rely** entirely on him

Babies heavily **rely** on others for food.

## solid

*adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

*synonym*: stable, reliable, hard

(1) **solid** ally, (2) **solid** employment measures

The **solid-state** of water is called ice.

## whip

*v.* to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.

*synonym*: thrash, flog, scourge

(1) **whip** egg whites, (2) **whip** into shape

The jockey **whipped** the horse hard to take first place.

## seminal

*adj.* highly original, influential, or innovative; containing the seeds or beginnings of future development or growth; (of medicine) of or relating to semen or the male reproductive system

*synonym*: influential, groundbreaking, original

(1) **seminal** research, (2) **seminal** duct

The book was a **seminal** work in psychology, influencing generations of researchers.

## treatise

*n.* a written work that deals with a particular subject in a thorough and systematic way

*synonym*: essay, dissertation, thesis

(1) collective **treatise**, (2) the subject of a **treatise**

He wrote a **treatise** on the history of philosophy, covering the ideas and theories of major philosophers.

## 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?

## elevate

*v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position

*synonym*: lift, heighten, promote

(1) **elevate** educational standards, (2) **elevate** a close relationship

Eating food in a hurry **elevates** blood glucose levels.

## principle

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

*synonym* : rule, creed, code

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

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

## selective

*adj.* relating to or involving only a small number of a larger group of people or things

*synonym* : choosy, demanding, finicky

(1) the process of **selective** breeding, (2) **selective** readers

This medication is **selective** in its effects.

## chromosome

*n.* a long and string-like DNA molecule containing the part or all of the genetic material of an organism that controls what an animal or plant is like

*synonym* : DNA

(1) a sex **chromosome**, (2) the end of **chromosome**

Human females normally have two X **chromosomes**.

## spinning

*n.* the act of rotating rapidly around an axis; in the context of textiles, the process of twisting fibers together to form thread or yarn

*synonym* : whirling, rotating, spinning wheel

(1) **spinning** machine, (2) **spinning** wheel

She took a **spinning** class at the gym to improve her cardiovascular fitness.

## grave

*n.* a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature

*synonym* : tomb, crypt, sepulcher

(1) **grave** an image, (2) **grave** mistake

Many innocent civilians were killed and buried in mass **graves** outside the city during the war.

## hypothesis

*n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate

*synonym*: assumption, conjecture, theory

(1) test my **hypothesis**, (2) a bold **hypothesis**

This evidence supports the big-bang **hypothesis**.

## despise

*v.* to feel strong dislike or contempt for someone or something, often because of a perceived fault or failing; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of something

*synonym*: hate, loathe, detest

(1) **despise** a particular food, (2) secretly **despise**

I **despise** injustice and those who perpetrate it.

## origin

*n.* the first existence or beginning of something

*synonym*: root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

## specie

*n.* coins or notes in a currency, as distinct from paper money; a chemical substance or group made up of identical molecules

*synonym*: coinage, mintage

(1) **specie** reserve, (2) ground-state **specie**

The store only accepts payment in cash, no credit or debit cards, only **specie**.

## irony

*n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect

*synonym*: sarcasm, cynicism, wit

(1) bitter **irony**, (2) **irony** humor

The **irony** of the situation is that he won the lottery on the day he lost his job.

## occasion

*n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or

circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

*synonym* : event, time, occurrence

(1) a glad **occasion**, (2) as **occasion** demands

She wore her best dress for the special **occasion**.

## collapse

*v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart

*synonym* : tumble, spill, bankruptcy

(1) the stock market **collapsed**, (2) ready to **collapse**

The roof finally **collapsed** after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.

## hardy

*adj.* able to withstand harsh conditions or difficult circumstances; robust, sturdy, or resilient

*synonym* : tough, sturdy, resilient

(1) **hardy** plants, (2) **hardy** breed

The **hardy** construction workers worked tirelessly in the scorching heat to complete the project.

## marine

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

*synonym* : sea-dwelling, maritime, aquatic

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

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

## biology

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

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

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

## aquatic

*adj.* growing or living in, on or near, or connected with water

*synonym* : marine, submarine, oceanic

(1) **aquatic** vehicles, (2) **aquatic** life

**Aquatic** ecosystems perform many essential environmental

functions.

- 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.
- loose** *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something  
*synonym* : relaxed, unconsolidated, open  
(1) a **loose** tongue, (2) remove **loose** hair  
The inspector discovered **loose** bolts under the fuel rods.
- colleague** *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business  
*synonym* : coworker, associate, fellow  
(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**  
I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.
- outrageous** *adj.* highly unusual, unconventional, or shocking; going beyond the bounds of what is considered acceptable or proper  
*synonym* : unconscionable, shocking, scandalous  
(1) **outrageous** prices, (2) **outrageous** claim  
Her **outrageous** behavior at the party caused quite a stir among the guests.
- exposed** *adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism  
*synonym* : endangered, revealed, disclosed  
(1) **exposed** to radiation, (2) an **exposed** rock  
Tech companies often employ **exposed** ducts and other materials in their office interiors.



## ridicule

*n.* speech or behavior that makes fun of or mocks someone or something; teasing, sarcasm, or scornful remarks that are intended to belittle or humiliate; (verb) to mock, criticize, or make fun of someone or something in a scornful or derisive way

*synonym*: derision, mockery, satire

(1) public **ridicule**, (2) **ridicule** at his expense

The **ridicule** from his classmates made him feel embarrassed and ashamed.

## dump

*v.* to deposit or dispose of something, such as trash, waste, etc., carelessly or hurriedly

*synonym*: throw away, dispose

(1) **dump** the gravel on the road, (2) **dump** hazardous waste

The company **dumped** him after several years of service.

## lunatic

*n.* a person who is considered mentally ill, especially one who is extremely irrational or unpredictable; a crazy or foolish person

*synonym*: maniac, crazy, insane

(1) raving **lunatic**, (2) a lone **lunatic**

The politician's outrageous comments made him appear like a **lunatic** to his opponents.

## fringe

*n.* a decorative border or edge on a piece of clothing; a group of people or things that are not considered to be part of the main group

*synonym*: border, edging, trim

(1) **fringe** benefit, (2) on the **fringe** of the city

The dress had a **fringe** of beads along the hem.

## handful

*n.* a small quantity or number, usually referring to the amount that can be held in one hand; a person or thing that is difficult to control or manage

*synonym*: small number, couple, few

(1) literal **handful**, (2) just a **handful** of participants

She only had a **handful** of pens left in her bag.

## hallmark

*n.* a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing

*synonym*: symbol, authentication, indication

(1) the **hallmark** of a good scientist, (2) the **hallmark** of modern life

A clear and simple expression is the **hallmark** of good writing.

## humankind

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

*synonym*: humanity, human race, society

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

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

## relative

*adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

*synonym*: comparative, proximate, congeneric

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

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

## obvious

*adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

*synonym*: apparent, conspicuous, evident

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

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

## mammal

*n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body

(1) a primitive **mammal**, (2) a sort of **mammal**

Marine **mammal** populations are declining worldwide due to ocean pollution.

## dugong

*n.* a large marine mammal found in warm coastal waters with a streamlined body, a paddle-like tail, and a rounded snout resembling a dolphin

*synonym* : sea cow, manatee, marine mammal

(1) **dugong** population, (2) coastal **dugong**

The conservation efforts aim to protect the habitat of the endangered **dugong**.

## walrus

*n.* a large marine mammal that belongs to the seal family, Odobenidae, known for its long tusks, large body size, and ability to live in the Arctic regions

*synonym* : seal, sea lion, marine mammal

(1) **walrus** mustache, (2) **walrus** habitat

The Arctic **walrus** lounged on the beach, basking in the sun.

## dolphin

*n.* a marine mammal that typically has a beaklike snout, a streamlined body, and flippers and that feeds on fish and squid

*synonym* : porpoise, cetacean, marine mammal

(1) **dolphin** show, (2) **dolphin-watching** tour

The large group of **dolphins** swam gracefully in the ocean, jumping out of the water now and then.

## hippopotamus

*n.* (also "hippo") a large, mostly herbivorous mammal native to sub-Saharan Africa, with a bulky, rounded body, short legs, and large head and mouth, which inhabits rivers and lakes and is known for its aggressive behavior and territorial nature

*synonym* : river horse, water horse, hippo

(1) **hippopotamus** habitat, (2) giant **hippopotamus**

The zoo has a new **hippopotamus** exhibit that popularly attracts families.

## mud

*n.* a soft, wet, sticky earth or clay

*synonym* : muck, sludge, ooze

(1) **mud** wall, (2) **mud** volcano

The **mud** of the swamp made it difficult to walk through the

field.

## tempt

*v.* to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong

*synonym*: entice, lure, attract

(1) **tempt** young people, (2) **tempt** the taste buds

Though he was evil, he never **tempted** his friends into wrongdoing.

## peal

*v.* to sound loudly and resonantly, often in repeated or overlapping sounds; to ring or chime with a loud, clear sound; (noun) a loud ringing of a bell or bells

*synonym*: chime, ring, toll

(1) **peal** out above my head, (2) **peal** of laughter

The church bells **pealed** loud and clear, announcing the start of the wedding ceremony.

## merry

*adj.* cheerful and lively, often with a sense of joyfulness or celebration; characterized by a happy or festive mood

*synonym*: jolly, happy, cheerful

(1) **merry-making**, (2) **merry** laughter

We had a **merry** time at the Christmas party, singing carols and drinking eggnog.

## laughter

*n.* the act or sound of laughing

*synonym*: laugh, chuckle, giggle

(1) **laughter** all around, (2) bring **laughter**

Some doctor says **laughter** is the best medicine.

## crazy

*adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry

*synonym*: insane, absurd, bizarre

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

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

## pachyderm

*n.* a type of large mammal with thick skin, such as an elephant, rhinoceros, or hippopotamus

*synonym*: elephant, rhinoceros, hippopotamus

(1) **pachyderm** species, (2) **pachyderm** habitat

The African savanna is home to many magnificent **pachyderms**, including elephants and rhinos.

## exception

*n.* something that is not included in a general rule or pattern; a person or thing that is excluded or stands apart from others

*synonym*: anomaly, rarity, exemption

(1) make an **exception**, (2) without **exception**

She was the **exception** to the rule, as she managed to graduate college in only two years.

## rhinoceros

*n.* (also rhino) a large, thick-skinned mammal with one or two horns on the nose, typically found in Africa and Asia.

*synonym*: rhino, horned beast, pachyderm

(1) **rhinoceros** habitat, (2) white **rhinoceros**

The baby **rhinoceros** at the wildlife sanctuary was recently born and is very cute.

## extinct

*adj.* no longer in existence

*synonym*: dead, obsolete, abolished

(1) **extinct** by human activity, (2) long- **extinct** volcano

Many species have become **extinct** due to habitat destruction and other human activities.

## absolute

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

*synonym*: complete, infrangible, indisputable

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

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

## otter

*n.* a semiaquatic mammal with a sleek, streamlined body, short legs, webbed feet, and dense, soft fur, found in and around freshwater and coastal areas

(1) **otter** in the river, (2) sea- **otter** fur

The playful **otter** swam around the river, diving in and out of

the water.

## **lifetime**

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

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

## **significance**

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

(1) **significance** level, (2) mystical **significance**  
The **significance** of his discovery cannot be overstated.

## **mole**

*n.* small velvety-furred burrowing mammal having small eyes and fossorial forefeet; a spy who works against enemy espionage; a small congenital pigmented spot on the skin

(1) **mole** catcher, (2) **mole** planted by the FBI  
The **mole** burrowed in the ground.

## **upright**

*adj.* perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line; (adverb) in a vertical position  
*synonym* : vertical, perpendicular, plumb

(1) **upright** posture, (2) sit **upright** in a chair  
The bookcase was **upright** against the wall.

## **capable**

*adj.* having the ability, skill, or potential to do something; competent or proficient in a particular task or area of expertise  
*synonym* : able, competent, proficient

(1) **capable** worker, (2) **capable** leader  
She is highly **capable** of handling multiple tasks at once.

## **circumstance**

*n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence  
*synonym* : condition, context, environment

(1) **circumstance** of birth, (2) **circumstance** of injury

She explained the **circumstances** surrounding the accident.

## wade

*v.* to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people

*synonym* : paddle, trudge, slosh

(1) **wade** down a street, (2) **wade** through paperwork

I had to **wade** through the knee-deep water to get to the other side of the river.

## layer

*n.* a sheet, quantity, or thickness of the material, typically one of several, covering a surface or body; a level or part within a system or set of ideas

*synonym* : stratum, sheet, coating

(1) **layer** cake, (2) **layer** of paint

The **layer** of frost on the ground was so thick it was difficult to walk on.

## primate

*n.* any mammal of the order Primates, which includes monkeys, apes, and humans

*synonym* : ape, monkey, lemur

(1) **primate** species, (2) **primate** sanctuary

Many scientists study **primate** behavior and intelligence.

## deposit

*n.* a sum of money or materials placed or kept in a bank, safety deposit box, or other secure places for safekeeping; a layer of rock, sand, or other material left behind by a flowing liquid or eroding force

*synonym* : bank, installment, sedimentation

(1) **deposit** money, (2) **deposit** accumulation

I made a **deposit** at the bank to add money to my account.

## kidney

*n.* either of a pair of small organs in the body that filter waste products, especially urea, from the blood and excrete them and water in urine

(1) an artificial **kidney**, (2) chronic **kidney** disease

The surgeon removed the healthy **kidney** from the donor.

## intestine

*n.* a long, tube-like organ in the digestive system that is responsible for absorbing nutrients from food and eliminating waste products

*synonym* : gut, bowel, tract

(1) large **intestine**, (2) **intestine** wall

The small **intestine** is responsible for absorbing most of the nutrients from food.

## migrate

*v.* to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally

*synonym* : relocate, emigrate, roam

(1) **migrate** across borders, (2) **migrate** a service

Many Germans **migrated** to South America in the mid-19th century.

## whale

*n.* a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities

*synonym* : porpoise, giant

(1) a bull **whale**, (2) **whale** watching

Some countries have a culture of eating the flesh of a **whale**.

## blubber

*v.* to speak or cry in a way that is noisy, emotional, and often difficult to understand; to sob or weep uncontrollably; (noun) a thick layer of fat that lies under the skin of marine mammals such as whales, seals, and walruses

*synonym* : snivel, blub, weep

(1) **blubber** uncontrollably, (2) seal **blubber**

The child began to **blubber** when he dropped his ice cream cone.

## suspicion

*n.* the act of doubting something, especially something wrong

*synonym* :



doubt, misgiving, skepticism

(1) **suspicion** of fraud, (2) cast **suspicion**

There was an almost certain **suspicion** that the company was involved in illegal activities.

## explanation

*n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear

*synonym*: description, elucidation, account

(1) the **explanation** for the failure, (2) detailed **explanation**

The following **explanation** is currently being used to explain the phenomenon in question.

## humming

*adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee

*synonym*: buzzing, droning, vibrating

(1) **humming** sound, (2) **humming** bird

The **humming** of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.

## gross

*adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant

*synonym*: before tax, total, abhorrent

(1) the **gross** amount, (2) **gross** injustice

The drastic reorganization has significantly increased this company's **gross** profits.

## obese

*adj.* excessively overweight, particularly to the point of being a serious health risk; having a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or more

*synonym*: overweight, corpulent, plump

(1) **obese** individuals, (2) **obese** children

The doctor warned him that his **obese** condition put him at risk for numerous health problems.

## physically

*adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind

(1) **physically** and mentally, (2) stay **physically** fit  
Having a **physically** healthy physique is essential for a great life.

## 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.

## matter-of-factly

*adv.* in a manner that is straightforward, without emotion or enthusiasm, simply stating facts or information without speculation or elaboration  
*synonym*: straightforwardly, bluntly

(1) speak **matter-of-factly**, (2) act **matter-of-factly**  
He answered the question **matter-of-factly**, without any hesitation or emotion.

## gorilla

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

(1) **gorilla** habitat, (2) endangered **gorilla**  
The **gorilla** at the zoo impressed visitors with its size and strength.

## tongue

*n.* a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language  
*synonym*: lingo, language, vocabulary

(1) native **tongue**, (2) **tongue** cancer  
The **tongue** is boneless, but it is as strong as bones.

## lung

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

(1) **lung** capacity, (2) do **lung** transplantation  
He has terminal **lung** cancer.

## **purity**

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

*synonym* : sinlessness, innocence, cleanliness

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

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

## **conscious**

*adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

*synonym* : aware, cognizant, deliberate

(1) **conscious** effort, (2) **conscious** of having succeeded

He became **conscious** that he was being followed.

## **breath**

*n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs

*synonym* : air, puff, whiff

(1) hold your **breath**, (2) **breath** of wind

He bated his **breath** when talking about this affair.

## **creature**

*n.* a living being, especially an animal

*synonym* : being, animal, organism

(1) **creature** of habit, (2) artificial **creature**

The deep sea **creature** was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.

## **dive**

*v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

*synonym* : dip, leap, plunge

(1) **dive** into anime communities, (2) **dive** off a cliff

The sperm whale can **dive** to 1,000 meters.

## **precondition**

*n.* a necessary condition or requirement that must be met for something else to happen or be possible

*synonym* : requisite, prerequisite, stipulation

(1) **precondition** agreement, (2) essential **precondition**

A peaceful environment is a **precondition** for meaningful

negotiations.

## streamline

*v.* to simplify or make more efficient by eliminating unnecessary parts or steps

*synonym*: simplify, optimize, make more efficient

(1) **streamline** administrative activities, (2) **streamline** workflow

The government plans to **streamline** the tax collection process to make it more efficient.

## diver

*n.* a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey

*synonym*: plunger, frogman, loon

(1) professional **diver**, (2) deep-sea **diver**

The search and rescue team sent a team of **divers** to search for the missing plane wreckage.

## splash

*v.* to cause liquid to scatter in irregular drops, especially with force

*synonym*: scatter, dash, gurgle

(1) **splash** water, (2) **splash** everywhere

The mountain was **splashed** with snow.

## maneuver

*n.* a motion or combination of moves that requires skill and care; a clever strategy, activity, or movement intended to give someone an advantage

*synonym*: gimmick, trick, action

(1) political **maneuvers**, (2) made a great **maneuver**

In this class, we learn the basic **maneuver** of the plane.

## halfway

*adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points

*synonym*: middle, median, center

(1) **halfway** through my journey, (2) **halfway** decent job

The famous restaurant stands **halfway** up the hill.

## categorize

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

*synonym*: classify, pigeonhole, sort

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

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

## ironic

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

*synonym*: sarcastic, wry, sardonic

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

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

## stave

*n.* a long, narrow piece of wood or similar material, often used as a structural element in construction or to make barrels, musical instruments, furniture, or other objects;  
*(verb)* to fend off, ward off or prevent something from happening

*synonym*: stick, rod, staff

(1) **stave** off a conspiracy, (2) barrel **stave**

They used iron **staves** to hit the ships and prevent them from approaching the harbor.

## vacuum

*n.* a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction

*synonym*: void, emptiness, gap

(1) **vacuum** cleaner, (2) **vacuum** packing

Please use the **vacuum** to clean up the mess on the floor.

## react

*v.* to take action in response to something

*synonym*: respond, reply, oppose

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

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

## reaction

*n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude;  
(in chemistry) a process in which one or more  
substances are changed into others

*synonym* : response, reply, answer

(1) chemical **reaction**, (2) trigger a **reaction**

There was a chemical **reaction** of the lime with the  
groundwater.

## investigate

*v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and  
evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to  
establish the truth

*synonym* : examine, analyze, look into

(1) **investigate** the matter, (2) **investigate** a data leak

The committee **investigated** several apparent  
inconsistencies.

## conduct

*v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity

*synonym* : behave, lead, carry on

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

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

## investigation

*n.* the act or process of thoroughly examining a crime,  
problem, statement, etc., to uncover the truth

*synonym* : examination, analysis, inspection

(1) a preliminary **investigation**, (2) the scope of an  
**investigation**

We have never before conducted a legitimate **investigation**.

## incident

*n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned;  
something that happens

*synonym* : event, occurrence, accident

(1) traffic **incident**, (2) security **incident**

The **incident** at the airport caused a delay in my flight.

## conclude

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

*synonym* : complete, finish, decide

(1) **conclude** a meeting, (2) **conclude** that he is healthy  
We **concluded** a cease-fire.

## urban

*adj.* relating to or located in a town or city

*synonym* : metropolitan, civic

(1) **urban** planning, (2) **urban** property owners  
Only a small number of **urban** utilities offer sanitation services.

## myth

*n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

*synonym* : fable, legend, lore

(1) the **myth** of an old religion, (2) perpetuate a **myth**  
With the financial bubble bursting, the **myth** of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.

## rub

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

*synonym* : scrub, massage, stroke

(1) **rub** shoulders, (2) **rub** a glass window  
She **rubbed** the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.

## strew

*v.* to scatter or spread things over an area; to scatter something in an untidy way

*synonym* : scatter, sprinkle, disperse

(1) **strew** the room with balloons, (2) **strew** garbage  
The wind **strew** the leaves all over the lawn.

## ultimate

*adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order

*synonym* : highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury  
Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

## genius

*n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality

*synonym* :

brilliance, brainiac, acumen

(1) a person of **genius**, (2) a **genius** for music  
Mozart was a musical **genius**.

## standoff

*n.* a situation in which two or more people, groups, or countries refuse to move from a position or make a compromise, leading to a stalemate or impasse; a short distance maintained between two opposing forces or objects, such as in a military context or electrical wiring

*synonym*: impasse, deadlock, stalemate

(1) diplomatic **standoff**, (2) military **standoff**

The **standoff** between the opposing political parties lasted for several days.

## bicker

*v.* to engage in a petty or argumentative disagreement, often characterized by back-and-forth exchanges and trivial accusations or criticisms

*synonym*: quarrel, dispute, argue

(1) **bicker** over small things, (2) **bicker** with each other

My siblings always **bicker** over who gets the front seat in the car.

## disbeliever

*n.* a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea

*synonym*: non-believer, skeptic, doubter

(1) persuade a **disbeliever**, (2) stubborn **disbeliever**

Despite the evidence, she remained a **disbeliever** in the theory of evolution.

## synthesis

*n.* the combination of components or elements to form a more complex whole; the creation of something new through combining parts or elements

*synonym*: combination, integration, compound

(1) **synthesis** of ammonia, (2) protein **synthesis** inhibitor

The chemical **synthesis** of the new drug was a breakthrough in medical research.



## blend

*v.* to mix or combine two or more substances

*synonym*: combine, mix, intermingle

(1) **blend** all the elements, (2) **blend** milk and cream

The toad altered its appearance to better **blend** in with its new environments.

## academic

*adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills

*synonym*: educational, scholarly, theoretical

(1) **academic** probation, (2) an **academic** discussion

An excellent historian must possess an **academic** mentality.

## decide

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

*synonym*: choose, determine, settle

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

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

## belong

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

*synonym*: fit, be appropriate, be suitable

(1) **belong** to different species, (2) **belong** to a group

All the books in this section **belong** to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

## professional

*adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful

*synonym*: skilled, competent, accomplished

(1) **professional** athlete, (2) certified **professional** secretary

He has a **professional** demeanor and always presents himself in a polished manner.

## journal

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

*synonym* : periodical, diary, bulletin

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

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

## barge

*n.* a large flat-bottomed boat with a wide, flat deck used for transporting goods on rivers and canals, which can be pushed or towed by a tugboat; (verb) to move forcefully or abruptly, often in a clumsy or rude manner

*synonym* : boat, vessel, flatboat

(1) **barge** through the crowded hallway, (2) canal **barge**

The captain of the **barge** navigated through the narrow canal with ease.

## pole

*n.* one of two antipodal points where the Earth's axis of rotation intersects the Earth's surface; a long, slender, rounded rod, typically of wood or metal, used as a support or to hang something

*synonym* : rod, staff, shaft

(1) a fishing **pole**, (2) the plus **pole**

The North **Pole** is the northernmost point on Earth.

## mention

*v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly

*synonym* : reference, allude, cite

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

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

## syllabus

*n.* an outline or summary of the topics, themes, and assignments to be covered in a particular course or educational program; a list or summary of key themes or components of a particular document, work, or project

*synonym* : outline, curriculum, program

(1) course **syllabus**, (2) **syllabus** content

The professor handed out the **syllabus** on the first day of class.

## horizon

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

*synonym* : skyline, view, visible boundary

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

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

## cue

*n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something

*synonym* : signal, sign, hint

(1) **cue** card, (2) visual **cue**

The director gave the actor a **cue** to begin the scene.

## jocular

*adj.* characterized by joking or jesting; humorous; fond of or inclined to make jokes or engage in friendly banter

*synonym* : playful, humorous, joking

(1) **jocular** personality, (2) **jocular** conversation

The presenter had a **jocular** tone during the talk, which made it more engaging.

## refer

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

*synonym* : cite, allude, mention

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

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

## diktat

*n.* an authoritative decree or order issued by a ruler or leader without any room for discussion or disagreement; an uncompromising and peremptory command or decision

*synonym* : order, decree, command

(1) economic **diktat**, (2) authoritarian **diktat**

The government's **diktat** restricted freedom of speech and media.

## commandment

*n.* a divine rule, especially one of the Ten Commandments; an order or law given by authority

*synonym*: law, edict, precept

(1) violate a **commandment**, (2) a religious **commandment**  
He was punished because he contravened a **commandment** of God.

## shalt

*v.* an archaic form of "shall," which is used to indicate a command, a requirement, or a prediction

*synonym*: must, should, ought

(1) full of thou **shalt** nots, (2) list of thou **shalts**  
Thou **shalt** not steal.

## progression

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

*synonym*: advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease  
The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.

## profession

*n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training

*synonym*: occupation, vocation, trade

(1) **profession** choice, (2) healthcare **profession**  
Being a doctor is considered a highly respected **profession**.

## impressive

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

*synonym*: impactful, remarkable, exceptional

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

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

## establishment

*n.* a business or organization, especially a well-established one; the act of starting or forming something that is meant to last for a long time

*synonym*: institution, organization, business

(1) run a large **establishment**, (2) **establishment** of a new

government

The community celebrated the **establishment** of the new school.

## morph

*v.* to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another

*synonym*: alter, modify, transform

(1) **morph** into a different shape, (2) **morph** into something entirely different

This company **morphed** into an enterprise company.

## priest

*n.* a person who performs religious duties and ceremonies, especially in the Christian faith

*synonym*: clergyman, minister, pastor

(1) **priest** in clerical garb, (2) faithful **priest**

He was ordained as a **priest** in the Catholic Church.

## refuse

*v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

*synonym*: turn down, deny, decline

(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

## excessive

*adj.* greater than what seems necessary, normal, or desirable

*synonym*: unreasonable, exorbitant, inflated

(1) an **excessive** force, (2) take **excessive** care

It would be best if you did not demand such an **excessive** charge.

## awe

*n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired

*synonym*: wonder, amazement, reverence

(1) a feeling of **awe**, (2) in **awe** of the situation

The **awe-inspiring** mountains dominate the landscape.

## reverence

*n.* a deep respect for someone or something

*synonym*: respect, honor, awe

(1) **reverence** for tradition, (2) pay **reverence** to him

The people of the village showed great **reverence** for the elderly.

## secondly

*adv.* used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.

*synonym*: in the second place, next, subsequently

(1) **secondly** connected, (2) **secondly**, it is important

Firstly, we will discuss the budget; **secondly**, we will go over the schedule.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|---------------------------------|------|--|
| 1. en_____en legions of people  | v.   | to give someone greater knowledge or understanding about a particular subject or situation, often in a spiritual or moral sense  |
| 2. be___g to different species  | v.   | to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place  |
| 3. dominant ph_____pe           | n.   | the observable physical or biochemical characteristics of an individual organism that result from the interaction between its genetic makeup and the environment in which it lives |
| 4. co_____t research            | v.   | to organize and carry out a particular activity  |
| 5. a cr__y scheme               | adj. | stupid or not sensible; very angry   |
| 6. an_____e a chemical compound | v.   | to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning   |
| 7. hold your br___h             | n.   | the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs  |
| 8. ha__y plants                 | adj. | able to withstand harsh conditions or difficult circumstances; robust, sturdy, or resilient  |
| 9. an ex_____ve force           | adj. | greater than what seems necessary, normal, or desirable  |

ANSWERS: 1. enlighten, 2. belong, 3. phenotype, 4. conduct, 5. crazy, 6. analyze, 7. breath, 8. hardy, 9. excessive

10. se\_\_\_\_\_ve readers *adj.* relating to or involving only a small number of a larger group of people or things
11. w\_\_e down a street *v.* to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people
12. native to\_\_\_e *n.* a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language
13. chronic ki\_\_\_y disease *n.* either of a pair of small organs in the body that filter waste products, especially urea, from the blood and excrete them and water in urine
14. an ex\_\_\_\_\_d rock *adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
15. literal ha\_\_\_\_\_l *n.* a small quantity or number, usually referring to the amount that can be held in one hand; a person or thing that is difficult to control or manage
16. 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
17. an artificial ki\_\_\_y *n.* either of a pair of small organs in the body that filter waste products, especially urea, from the blood and excrete them and water in urine

ANSWERS: 10. selective, 11. wade, 12. tongue, 13. kidney, 14. exposed, 15. handful, 16. hell, 17. kidney



18. la\_\_r cake *n.* a sheet, quantity, or thickness of the material, typically one of several, covering a surface or body; a level or part within a system or set of ideas
19. history of hu\_\_\_\_\_nd *n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
20. sa\_\_\_\_\_ah region *n.* a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close
21. gr\_\_s injustice *adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant
22. inv\_\_\_\_\_te a data leak *v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
23. authoritarian di\_\_\_t *n.* an authoritative decree or order issued by a ruler or leader without any room for discussion or disagreement; an uncompromising and peremptory command or decision
24. on a qu\_\_t for happiness *n.* a long or challenging search for something
25. vertebrate pal\_\_\_\_\_ogy *n.* the study of fossils and the history of life on Earth
26. ni\_\_y-gritty work *n.* short for "nitty-gritty," which refers to the essential or most important details of something

ANSWERS: 18. layer, 19. humankind, 20. savannah, 21. gross, 22. investigate, 23. diktat, 24. quest, 25. paleontology, 26. nitty

27. la\_\_r of paint *n.* a sheet, quantity, or thickness of the material, typically one of several, covering a surface or body; a level or part within a system or set of ideas
28. po\_\_\_n allergy symptoms *n.* a fine powder substance consisting of microscopic grains produced by plants that facilitate their reproductive process through the process of pollination
29. me\_\_\_\_\_n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
30. jo\_\_\_\_\_r conversation *adj.* characterized by joking or jesting; humorous; fond of or inclined to make jokes or engage in friendly banter
31. d\_\_p hazardous waste *v.* to deposit or dispose of something, such as trash, waste, etc., carelessly or hurriedly
32. professional di\_\_r *n.* a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey
33. do\_\_\_\_\_n show *n.* a marine mammal that typically has a beaklike snout, a streamlined body, and flippers and that feeds on fish and squid
34. visual c\_e *n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something
35. the qu\_\_t for truth *n.* a long or challenging search for something

ANSWERS: 27. layer, 28. pollen, 29. mention, 30. jocular, 31. dump, 32. diver, 33. dolphin, 34. cue, 35. quest

36. co\_\_\_\_\_ct a 3D image      *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
37. p\_\_l of laughter      *v.* to sound loudly and resonantly, often in repeated or overlapping sounds; to ring or chime with a loud, clear sound; (noun) a loud ringing of a bell or bells
38. sig\_\_\_\_\_nce level      *n.* the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy
39. se\_\_\_\_\_ly, it is important      *adv.* used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.
40. pal\_\_\_\_\_ogy museum      *n.* the study of fossils and the history of life on Earth
41. a preliminary inv\_\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* the act or process of thoroughly examining a crime, problem, statement, etc., to uncover the truth
42. chi\_\_\_\_\_ee society      *n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur
43. cast su\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the act of doubting something, especially something wrong
44. a\_\_y dress      *adj.* having a light, delicate, or ethereal quality; spacious and well-ventilated; lacking in substance or depth
45. me\_\_y-making      *adj.* cheerful and lively, often with a sense of joyfulness or celebration; characterized by a happy or festive mood

ANSWERS: 36. construct, 37. peal, 38. significance, 39. secondly, 40. paleontology, 41. investigation, 42. chimpanzee, 43. suspicion, 44. airy, 45. merry

46. a mi\_\_\_\_ty position *n.* the smaller part of a group, especially a number or part representing less than half of the whole; a period before adult legal age
47. se\_\_\_\_l research *adj.* highly original, influential, or innovative; containing the seeds or beginnings of future development or growth; (of medicine) of or relating to semen or the male reproductive system
48. cat\_\_\_\_\_ze the cause of failure *v.* to put people or things into groups according to their features, types, etc.
49. security in\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
50. ob\_\_e individuals *adj.* excessively overweight, particularly to the point of being a serious health risk; having a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or more
51. ev\_\_\_\_\_on theory *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
52. bi\_\_\_r with each other *v.* to engage in a petty or argumentative disagreement, often characterized by back-and-forth exchanges and trivial accusations or criticisms
53. or\_\_\_n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
54. pro\_\_\_\_\_on of disease *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
55. protein sy\_\_\_\_\_is inhibitor *n.* the combination of components or elements to form a more complex whole; the creation of something new through combining parts or elements

ANSWERS: 46. minority, 47. seminal, 48. categorize, 49. incident, 50. obese, 51. evolution, 52. bicker, 53. origin, 54. progression, 55. synthesis

56. ha\_\_y situation *adj.* covered with hair or having a furry texture; difficult, dangerous, or complicated
57. an ac\_\_\_\_ic discussion *adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
58. re\_\_\_e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
59. te\_\_t young people *v.* to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
60. delta pl\_\_n *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
61. de\_\_\_e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
62. ho\_\_\_r movie *n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
63. g\_\_t determination *n.* very small pieces of stone or sand; mental toughness and determination or perseverance in the face of challenges or obstacles
64. coastal du\_\_\_g *n.* a large marine mammal found in warm coastal waters with a streamlined body, a paddle-like tail, and a rounded snout resembling a dolphin

ANSWERS: 56. hairy, 57. academic, 58. relate, 59. tempt, 60. plain, 61. decide, 62. horror, 63. grit, 64. dugong

65. mi\_\_\_\_e across borders      *v.* to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally
66. a sort of ma\_\_\_\_l      *n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
67. play the a\_e      *n.* a large animal with long arms, no tail, and usually a lot of body hair, including gorillas, chimpanzees, orangutans, and gibbons
68. rhi\_\_\_\_os habitat      *n.* (also rhino) a large, thick-skinned mammal with one or two horns on the nose, typically found in Africa and Asia.
69. the science of ge\_\_\_\_cs      *n.* the branch of biology that studies genes, genetic variation, and heredity in organisms
70. collective tr\_\_\_\_se      *n.* a written work that deals with a particular subject in a thorough and systematic way
71. seal bl\_\_\_\_r      *v.* to speak or cry in a way that is noisy, emotional, and often difficult to understand; to sob or weep uncontrollably; (noun) a thick layer of fat that lies under the skin of marine mammals such as whales, seals, and walruses
72. ur\_\_n property owners      *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
73. ex\_\_\_\_d to radiation      *adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

ANSWERS: 65. migrate, 66. mammal, 67. ape, 68. rhinoceros, 69. genetics, 70. treatise, 71. blubber, 72. urban, 73. exposed

74. hu\_\_\_\_g sound *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
75. du\_\_\_g population *n.* a large marine mammal found in warm coastal waters with a streamlined body, a paddle-like tail, and a rounded snout resembling a dolphin
76. ground-state sp\_\_\_e *n.* coins or notes in a currency, as distinct from paper money; a chemical substance or group made up of identical molecules
77. str\_\_\_\_\_ne workflow *v.* to simplify or make more efficient by eliminating unnecessary parts or steps
78. ma\_\_\_e insurance *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
79. tropical li\_\_a *n.* a long-stemmed, woody vine that trails or climbs by attaching itself to trees or other structures for support, typically found in tropical rainforests
80. est\_\_\_\_\_ent of a new government *n.* a business or organization, especially a well-established one; the act of starting or forming something that is meant to last for a long time
81. an ir\_\_\_c turn of events *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect
82. g\_\_e cloning *n.* the fundamental unit of heredity and the sequence of nucleotides in DNA that codes for the creation of RNA or protein.

ANSWERS: 74. humming, 75. dugong, 76. specie, 77. streamline, 78. marine, 79. liana, 80. establishment, 81. ironic, 82. gene

83. a remote re\_\_\_\_ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
84. mo\_\_\_g experience *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
85. de\_\_\_\_t accumulation *n.* a sum of money or materials placed or kept in a bank, safety deposit box, or other secure places for safekeeping; a layer of rock, sand, or other material left behind by a flowing liquid or eroding force
86. a bull wh\_\_e *n.* a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities
87. a bold hyp\_\_\_\_is *n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
88. ho\_\_\_r-struck look *n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
89. the ha\_\_\_\_rk of modern life *n.* a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing
90. ur\_\_n planning *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
91. mea\_\_\_\_le data *adj.* able to be measured, quantified, or assessed in some way
92. chemical re\_\_\_\_on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
93. st\_\_w garbage *v.* to scatter or spread things over an area; to scatter something in an untidy way

ANSWERS: 83. relative, 84. moving, 85. deposit, 86. whale, 87. hypothesis, 88. horror, 89. hallmark, 90. urban, 91. measurable, 92. reaction, 93. strew



94. the tropical fa\_\_a *n.* the animal life of a particular region, habitat, or geological period
95. white rhi\_\_\_\_\_os *n.* (also rhino) a large, thick-skinned mammal with one or two horns on the nose, typically found in Africa and Asia.
96. ca\_\_\_\_\_e worker *adj.* having the ability, skill, or potential to do something; competent or proficient in a particular task or area of expertise
97. barrel st\_\_e *n.* a long, narrow piece of wood or similar material, often used as a structural element in construction or to make barrels, musical instruments, furniture, or other objects; (verb) to fend off, ward off or prevent something from happening
98. a ge\_\_\_s for music *n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
99. r\_\_y entirely on him *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
100. re\_\_r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
101. va\_\_\_m packing *n.* a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction
102. ob\_\_e children *adj.* excessively overweight, particularly to the point of being a serious health risk; having a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or more

ANSWERS: 94. fauna, 95. rhinoceros, 96. capable, 97. stave, 98. genius, 99. rely, 100. refer, 101. vacuum, 102. obese

103. thick li\_\_a *n.* a long-stemmed, woody vine that trails or climbs by attaching itself to trees or other structures for support, typically found in tropical rainforests
104. the gr\_\_s amount *adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant
105. a fishing p\_\_e *n.* one of two antipodal points where the Earth's axis of rotation intersects the Earth's surface; a long, slender, rounded rod, typically of wood or metal, used as a support or to hang something
106. canal ba\_\_e *n.* a large flat-bottomed boat with a wide, flat deck used for transporting goods on rivers and canals, which can be pushed or towed by a tugboat; (verb) to move forcefully or abruptly, often in a clumsy or rude manner
107. o\_d behavior *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
108. re\_\_\_e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
109. gr\_\_e mistake *n.* a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature

ANSWERS: 103. liana, 104. gross, 105. pole, 106. barge, 107. odd, 108. relate, 109. grave



117. hold em\_\_\_\_\_t positions *adj.* famous, respected, or important, especially in a particular profession; standing above others in quality or position
118. the scope of an inv\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* the act or process of thoroughly examining a crime, problem, statement, etc., to uncover the truth
119. li\_\_\_\_\_me ban from the sport *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
120. public ri\_\_\_\_\_le *n.* speech or behavior that makes fun of or mocks someone or something; teasing, sarcasm, or scornful remarks that are intended to belittle or humiliate; (verb) to mock, criticize, or make fun of someone or something in a scornful or derisive way
121. the subject of a tr\_\_\_\_\_se *n.* a written work that deals with a particular subject in a thorough and systematic way
122. diplomatic st\_\_\_\_\_ff *n.* a situation in which two or more people, groups, or countries refuse to move from a position or make a compromise, leading to a stalemate or impasse; a short distance maintained between two opposing forces or objects, such as in a military context or electrical wiring
123. ch\_\_e a dream *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes

ANSWERS: 117. eminent, 118. investigation, 119. lifetime, 120. ridicule, 121. treatise, 122. standoff, 123. chase

124. d\_\_e into anime communities      *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
125. gr\_\_e an image      *n.* a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature
126. the process of se\_\_\_\_\_ve breeding      *adj.* relating to or involving only a small number of a larger group of people or things
127. faithful pr\_\_\_\_t      *n.* a person who performs religious duties and ceremonies, especially in the Christian faith
128. ri\_\_\_\_\_le at his expense      *n.* speech or behavior that makes fun of or mocks someone or something; teasing, sarcasm, or scornful remarks that are intended to belittle or humiliate; (verb) to mock, criticize, or make fun of someone or something in a scornful or derisive way
129. a fos\_\_\_\_\_ed grove      *adj.* transformed into a fossil (= something preserved in rock for a very long period) or preserved in the form of a fossil; antiquated or inflexible
130. p\_\_r group      *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability

ANSWERS: 124. dive, 125. grave, 126. selective, 127. priest, 128. ridicule, 129. fossilized, 130. peer

131. do l\_\_g transplantation *n.* either of the two organs in the chest that people and some animals use for breathing
132. military st\_\_\_\_ff *n.* a situation in which two or more people, groups, or countries refuse to move from a position or make a compromise, leading to a stalemate or impasse; a short distance maintained between two opposing forces or objects, such as in a military context or electrical wiring
133. jo\_\_\_\_r personality *adj.* characterized by joking or jesting; humorous; fond of or inclined to make jokes or engage in friendly banter
134. hu\_\_\_\_g bird *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
135. out\_\_\_\_us prices *adj.* highly unusual, unconventional, or shocking; going beyond the bounds of what is considered acceptable or proper
136. a water fa\_\_y *n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers
137. ca\_\_\_\_e leader *adj.* having the ability, skill, or potential to do something; competent or proficient in a particular task or area of expertise
138. 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
139. a lone lu\_\_\_\_c *n.* a person who is considered mentally ill, especially one who is extremely irrational or unpredictable; a crazy or foolish person

ANSWERS: 131. lung, 132. standoff, 133. jocular, 134. humming, 135. outrageous, 136. fairy, 137. capable, 138. hell, 139. lunatic

140. re\_\_t at a high temperature      *v.* to take action in response to something
141. acc\_\_\_\_\_ing documents      *adj.* being in a position next to or near something or someone
142. large in\_\_\_\_\_ne      *n.* a long, tube-like organ in the digestive system that is responsible for absorbing nutrients from food and eliminating waste products
143. m\_d wall      *n.* a soft, wet, sticky earth or clay
144. da\_\_\_e a pendant      *v.* to hang or swing loosely, especially in a way that suggests instability or lack of support; to tempt or tantalize by holding out the prospect of something desirable but uncertain
145. re\_\_t against his way of thinking      *v.* to take action in response to something
146. m\_d volcano      *n.* a soft, wet, sticky earth or clay
147. large-toothed ho\_\_\_\_d      *n.* a primate of a family (Hominidae) that includes humans and their fossil ancestors
148. course sy\_\_\_\_us      *n.* an outline or summary of the topics, themes, and assignments to be covered in a particular course or educational program; a list or summary of key themes or components of a particular document, work, or project
149. p\_\_r review      *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
150. his conclusion was ob\_\_\_\_s      *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

ANSWERS: 140. react, 141. accompanying, 142. intestine, 143. mud, 144. dangle, 145. react, 146. mud, 147. hominid, 148. syllabus, 149. peer, 150. obvious

151. take ex\_\_\_\_\_ve care *adj.* greater than what seems necessary, normal, or desirable
152. w\_\_p into shape *v.* to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.
153. an an\_\_\_\_\_s look *adj.* worried and nervous
154. striking res\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* similarity in appearance or exterior or superficial details
155. en\_\_\_\_\_en other countries *v.* to give someone greater knowledge or understanding about a particular subject or situation, often in a spiritual or moral sense
156. bi\_\_\_r over small things *v.* to engage in a petty or argumentative disagreement, often characterized by back-and-forth exchanges and trivial accusations or criticisms
157. ready to co\_\_\_\_\_se *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
158. chi\_\_\_\_\_ee behavior *n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur
159. bitter ir\_\_\_y *n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
160. artificial cr\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* a living being, especially an animal
161. sea-ot\_\_\_r fur *n.* a semiaquatic mammal with a sleek, streamlined body, short legs, webbed feet, and dense, soft fur, found in and around freshwater and coastal areas

ANSWERS: 151. excessive, 152. whip, 153. anxious, 154. resemblance, 155. enlighten, 156. bicker, 157. collapse, 158. chimpanzee, 159. irony, 160. creature, 161. otter



162. political ma\_\_\_\_\_ers *n.* a motion or combination of moves that requires skill and care; a clever strategy, activity, or movement intended to give someone an advantage
163. high po\_\_\_\_n count *n.* a fine powder substance consisting of microscopic grains produced by plants that facilitate their reproductive process through the process of pollination
164. as\_\_\_\_ts of social, political, and economic life *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
165. sp\_\_\_\_\_ng wheel *n.* the act of rotating rapidly around an axis; in the context of textiles, the process of twisting fibers together to form thread or yarn
166. deep-sea di\_\_r *n.* a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey
167. acc\_\_\_\_\_ing equipment *adj.* being in a position next to or near something or someone
168. stubborn dis\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea
169. ob\_\_\_\_\_s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
170. in\_\_\_\_\_ne wall *n.* a long, tube-like organ in the digestive system that is responsible for absorbing nutrients from food and eliminating waste products
171. without ex\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* something that is not included in a general rule or pattern; a person or thing that is excluded or stands apart from others

ANSWERS: 162. maneuver, 163. pollen, 164. aspect, 165. spinning, 166. diver, 167. accompanying, 168. disbeliever, 169. obvious, 170. intestine, 171. exception

172. stay phy\_\_\_\_\_ly fit *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
173. obsolete fos\_\_\_\_\_ed ways *adj.* transformed into a fossil (= something preserved in rock for a very long period) or preserved in the form of a fossil; antiquated or inflexible
174. br\_\_\_\_h of wind *n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs
175. re\_\_\_\_e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
176. m\_\_e planted by the FBI *n.* small velvety-furred burrowing mammal having small eyes and fossorial forefeet; a spy who works against enemy espionage; a small congenital pigmented spot on the skin
177. nontechnical as\_\_\_\_ts of the job *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
178. ce\_\_\_\_\_te his election *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
179. healthcare pro\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
180. r\_b shoulders *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
181. di\_\_\_\_r according to species *v.* to be not like someone or something in some way
182. pr\_\_\_\_\_e sanctuary *n.* any mammal of the order Primates, which includes monkeys, apes, and humans

ANSWERS: 172. physically, 173. fossilized, 174. breath, 175. refuse, 176. mole, 177. aspect, 178. celebrate, 179. profession, 180. rub, 181. differ, 182. primate

183. pro_____nal athlete	<i>adj.</i> having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
184. co_____us of having succeeded	<i>adj.</i> being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
185. cir_____nce of injury	<i>n.</i> the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
186. aq_____c vehicles	<i>adj.</i> growing or living in, on or near, or connected with water
187. pa_____rm habitat	<i>n.</i> a type of large mammal with thick skin, such as an elephant, rhinoceros, or hippopotamus
188. st__w the room with balloons	<i>v.</i> to scatter or spread things over an area; to scatter something in an untidy way
189. an artificial f_r	<i>n.</i> the hairy coat of a mammal, especially when fine, soft, and thick
190. an ab_____te must	<i>adj.</i> perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
191. ir__y humor	<i>n.</i> the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
192. out_____us claim	<i>adj.</i> highly unusual, unconventional, or shocking; going beyond the bounds of what is considered acceptable or proper
193. el_____e educational standards	<i>v.</i> to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
194. jungle a_e	<i>n.</i> a large animal with long arms, no tail, and usually a lot of body hair, including gorillas, chimpanzees, orangutans, and gibbons

ANSWERS: 183. professional, 184. conscious, 185. circumstance, 186. aquatic, 187. pachyderm, 188. strew, 189. fur, 190. absolute, 191. irony, 192. outrageous, 193. elevate, 194. ape

195. pr\_\_\_\_\_le in business *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
196. cultural pa\_\_\_\_\_gm *n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
197. co\_\_\_\_\_ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
198. ni\_\_y-gritty details *n.* short for "nitty-gritty," which refers to the essential or most important details of something
199. so\_\_d ally *adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality
200. essential pre\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* a necessary condition or requirement that must be met for something else to happen or be possible
201. the plus p\_\_e *n.* one of two antipodal points where the Earth's axis of rotation intersects the Earth's surface; a long, slender, rounded rod, typically of wood or metal, used as a support or to hang something
202. sh\_\_k-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
203. pa\_\_\_\_\_rm species *n.* a type of large mammal with thick skin, such as an elephant, rhinoceros, or hippopotamus
204. sp\_\_\_\_h water *v.* to cause liquid to scatter in irregular drops, especially with force

ANSWERS: 195. principle, 196. paradigm, 197. construct, 198. nitty, 199. solid, 200. precondition, 201. pole, 202. shock, 203. pachyderm, 204. splash

205. major pa\_\_\_\_\_gm shift *n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
206. a religious com\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a divine rule, especially one of the Ten Commandments; an order or law given by authority
207. faint res\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* similarity in appearance or exterior or superficial details
208. m\_\_e catcher *n.* small velvety-furred burrowing mammal having small eyes and fossorial forefeet; a spy who works against enemy espionage; a small congenital pigmented spot on the skin
209. remove lo\_\_e hair *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
210. in an o\_d way *adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
211. cr\_\_\_\_\_re of habit *n.* a living being, especially an animal
212. el\_\_\_\_\_e a close relationship *v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
213. just a ha\_\_\_\_\_l of participants *n.* a small quantity or number, usually referring to the amount that can be held in one hand; a person or thing that is difficult to control or manage
214. he\_\_\_\_\_re animals *n.* an animal that eats only plants, such as a cow or a deer
215. c\_e card *n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something

ANSWERS: 205. paradigm, 206. commandment, 207. resemblance, 208. mole, 209. loose, 210. odd, 211. creature, 212. elevate, 213. handful, 214. herbivore, 215. cue

216. the exp\_\_\_\_\_on for the failure      *n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear
217. the ul\_\_\_\_\_te luxury      *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
218. ge\_\_\_\_\_cs discrimination      *n.* the branch of biology that studies genes, genetic variation, and heredity in organisms
219. pro\_\_\_\_\_on of civilization      *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
220. human ev\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things
221. te\_\_t the taste buds      *v.* to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
222. g\_\_t washer      *n.* very small pieces of stone or sand; mental toughness and determination or perseverance in the face of challenges or obstacles
223. d\_\_e off a cliff      *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
224. ce\_\_\_\_\_te Christmas      *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
225. su\_\_\_\_\_on of fraud      *n.* the act of doubting something, especially something wrong
226. make an ex\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* something that is not included in a general rule or pattern; a person or thing that is excluded or stands apart from others

ANSWERS: 216. explanation, 217. ultimate, 218. genetics, 219. progression, 220. evolution, 221. tempt, 222. grit, 223. dive, 224. celebrate, 225. suspicion, 226. exception

227. business ho\_\_\_\_n *n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
228. wild goose ch\_\_e *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
229. bring la\_\_\_\_er *n.* the act or sound of laughing
230. wa\_\_\_\_s habitat *n.* a large marine mammal that belongs to the seal family, Odobenidae, known for its long tusks, large body size, and ability to live in the Arctic regions
231. co\_\_\_\_us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
232. a glad oc\_\_\_\_on *n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
233. made a great ma\_\_\_\_er *n.* a motion or combination of moves that requires skill and care; a clever strategy, activity, or movement intended to give someone an advantage
234. change the ec\_\_\_\_em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

ANSWERS: 227. horizon, 228. chase, 229. laughter, 230. walrus, 231. conscious, 232. occasion, 233. maneuver, 234. ecosystem

235. a\_\_y fairy *adj.* having a light, delicate, or ethereal quality; spacious and well-ventilated; lacking in substance or depth
236. bi\_\_d robot *n.* an animal with two feet
237. ha\_\_\_\_\_y through my journey *adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
238. cell and molecular bi\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
239. ov\_\_\_\_\_at while charging *v.* to become too hot, or to cause something to become too hot
240. wh\_\_e watching *n.* a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities
241. f\_r coat *n.* the hairy coat of a mammal, especially when fine, soft, and thick
242. w\_\_p egg whites *v.* to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.
243. cat\_\_\_\_\_ze the image *v.* to put people or things into groups according to their features, types, etc.
244. imp\_\_\_\_\_ve performances *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
245. test my hyp\_\_\_\_\_is *n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
246. the ul\_\_\_\_\_te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order

ANSWERS: 235. airy, 236. biped, 237. halfway, 238. biology, 239. overheat, 240. whale, 241. fur, 242. whip, 243. categorize, 244. impressive, 245. hypothesis, 246. ultimate



247. the end of chr\_\_\_\_\_me *n.* a long and string-like DNA molecule containing the part or all of the genetic material of an organism that controls what an animal or plant is like
248. number of mi\_\_\_\_\_ty students *n.* the smaller part of a group, especially a number or part representing less than half of the whole; a period before adult legal age
249. earliest human an\_\_\_\_\_or *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
250. the struggle for ex\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the state or fact of someone or something existing
251. variety of ma\_\_\_e life *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
252. wa\_\_\_s mustache *n.* a large marine mammal that belongs to the seal family, Odobenidae, known for its long tusks, large body size, and ability to live in the Arctic regions
253. ex\_\_\_\_\_t by human activity *adj.* no longer in existence
254. secretly de\_\_\_\_\_e *v.* to feel strong dislike or contempt for someone or something, often because of a perceived fault or failing; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of something
255. se\_\_\_\_\_ly connected *adv.* used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.
256. pr\_\_\_\_\_e species *n.* any mammal of the order Primates, which includes monkeys, apes, and humans

ANSWERS: 247. chromosome, 248. minority, 249. ancestor, 250. existence, 251. marine, 252. walrus, 253. extinct, 254. despise, 255. secondly, 256. primate

257. death from sh\_\_k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
258. d\_\_p the gravel on the road *v.* to deposit or dispose of something, such as trash, waste, etc., carelessly or hurriedly
259. scientific jo\_\_\_\_l *n.* a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
260. sp\_\_\_\_h everywhere *v.* to cause liquid to scatter in irregular drops, especially with force
261. raving lu\_\_\_\_c *n.* a person who is considered mentally ill, especially one who is extremely irrational or unpredictable; a crazy or foolish person
262. he\_\_\_\_re diet *n.* an animal that eats only plants, such as a cow or a deer
263. ot\_\_r in the river *n.* a semiaquatic mammal with a sleek, streamlined body, short legs, webbed feet, and dense, soft fur, found in and around freshwater and coastal areas
264. the degree of pu\_\_\_\_y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
265. phy\_\_\_\_ly and mentally *adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
266. re\_\_\_\_ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

ANSWERS: 257. shock, 258. dump, 259. journal, 260. splash, 261. lunatic, 262. herbivore, 263. otter, 264. purity, 265. physically, 266. relative

267. pl\_\_n answer *adj.* without being decorated in any way;  
(Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
268. su\_\_\_\_e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
269. co\_\_\_\_de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
270. run a large est\_\_\_\_\_ent *n.* a business or organization, especially a well-established one; the act of starting or forming something that is meant to last for a long time
271. a lo\_\_e tongue *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
272. as oc\_\_\_\_on demands *n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
273. psy\_\_\_\_\_gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
274. ha\_\_y breed *adj.* able to withstand harsh conditions or difficult circumstances; robust, sturdy, or resilient
275. an imp\_\_\_\_\_ve array of facts *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
276. mo\_\_h into something entirely different *v.* to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another
277. aq\_\_\_\_c life *adj.* growing or living in, on or near, or connected with water

ANSWERS: 267. plain, 268. suppose, 269. conclude, 270. establishment, 271. loose, 272. occasion, 273. psychology, 274. hardy, 275. impressive, 276. morph, 277. aquatic

278. str\_\_\_\_\_ne administrative activities     *v.* to simplify or make more efficient by eliminating unnecessary parts or steps
279. fa\_\_\_\_\_ul tale     *adj.* characterized by or involving imaginative and unrealistic ideas or concepts; existing or perceived only in the imagination
280. do\_\_\_\_\_n-watching tour     *n.* a marine mammal that typically has a beaklike snout, a streamlined body, and flippers and that feeds on fish and squid
281. inv\_\_\_\_\_te the matter     *v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
282. sp\_\_\_\_\_e reserve     *n.* coins or notes in a currency, as distinct from paper money; a chemical substance or group made up of identical molecules
283. on the fr\_\_\_\_\_e of the city     *n.* a decorative border or edge on a piece of clothing; a group of people or things that are not considered to be part of the main group
284. hip\_\_\_\_\_mus habitat     *n.* (also "hippo") a large, mostly herbivorous mammal native to sub-Saharan Africa, with a bulky, rounded body, short legs, and large head and mouth, which inhabits rivers and lakes and is known for its aggressive behavior and territorial nature
285. list of thou sh\_\_ts     *v.* an archaic form of "shall," which is used to indicate a command, a requirement, or a prediction

ANSWERS: 278. streamline, 279. fanciful, 280. dolphin, 281. investigate, 282. specie, 283. fringe, 284. hippopotamus, 285. shalt

286. sp\_\_\_\_\_ng machine *n.* the act of rotating rapidly around an axis; in the context of textiles, the process of twisting fibers together to form thread or yarn
287. economic di\_\_\_\_t *n.* an authoritative decree or order issued by a ruler or leader without any room for discussion or disagreement; an uncompromising and peremptory command or decision
288. su\_\_\_\_\_e you're right *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
289. ac\_\_\_\_\_ic probation *adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
290. psy\_\_\_\_\_gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
291. trigger a re\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
292. act mat\_\_\_\_\_tly *adv.* in a manner that is straightforward, without emotion or enthusiasm, simply stating facts or information without speculation or elaboration
293. detailed exp\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear
294. the ha\_\_\_\_\_rk of a good scientist *n.* a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing
295. the m\_\_h of an old religion *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

ANSWERS: 286. spinning, 287. diktat, 288. suppose, 289. academic, 290. psychology, 291. reaction, 292. matter-of-factly, 293. explanation, 294. hallmark, 295. myth

296. mea\_\_\_\_\_le achievement *adj.* able to be measured, quantified, or assessed in some way
297. perpetuate a m\_\_h *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
298. li\_\_\_\_\_me benefits *n.* the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
299. sy\_\_\_\_\_us content *n.* an outline or summary of the topics, themes, and assignments to be covered in a particular course or educational program; a list or summary of key themes or components of a particular document, work, or project
300. as\_\_\_\_\_d everyone *v.* to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much
301. a feeling of a\_e *n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
302. a sex chr\_\_\_\_\_me *n.* a long and string-like DNA molecule containing the part or all of the genetic material of an organism that controls what an animal or plant is like
303. the event ho\_\_\_\_\_n of a black hole *n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
304. re\_\_r to a map *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

ANSWERS: 296. measurable, 297. myth, 298. lifetime, 299. syllabus, 300. astound, 301. awe, 302. chromosome, 303. horizon, 304. refer

305. ex\_\_\_\_e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
306. sit up\_\_\_\_t in a chair *adj.* perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line; (adverb) in a vertical position
307. in a\_e of the situation *n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
308. ju\_\_\_\_e exploration *n.* an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly
309. an em\_\_\_\_t writer *adj.* famous, respected, or important, especially in a particular profession; standing above others in quality or position
310. endangered go\_\_\_\_a *n.* a large, powerful, and intelligent primate found in the forests of central Africa, with coarse black or brown fur and a distinctive face
311. tropical sa\_\_\_\_ah *n.* a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close
312. re\_\_\_\_e a request *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
313. former co\_\_\_\_ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
314. violate a com\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a divine rule, especially one of the Ten Commandments; an order or law given by authority
315. an\_\_\_\_e your real motives *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

ANSWERS: 305. extreme, 306. upright, 307. awe, 308. jungle, 309. eminent, 310. gorilla, 311. savannah, 312. refuse, 313. colleague, 314. commandment, 315. analyze

316. ex\_\_\_\_e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
317. the stock market co\_\_\_\_sed *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
318. la\_\_\_\_er all around *n.* the act or sound of laughing
319. pr\_\_\_\_t in clerical garb *n.* a person who performs religious duties and ceremonies, especially in the Christian faith
320. a person of ge\_\_\_\_s *n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
321. so\_\_d employment measures *adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality
322. di\_\_\_\_r from the majority *v.* to be not like someone or something in some way
323. evolutionary bi\_\_\_\_y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
324. speak mat\_\_\_\_\_tly *adv.* in a manner that is straightforward, without emotion or enthusiasm, simply stating facts or information without speculation or elaboration
325. gen\_\_\_\_\_on gap *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
326. starts to ov\_\_\_\_at *v.* to become too hot, or to cause something to become too hot
327. ho\_\_\_\_d evolution *n.* a primate of a family (Hominidae) that includes humans and their fossil ancestors
328. ir\_\_\_\_c result *adj.* using words to express something different from and often opposite to their literal or usual meaning, often for humorous or rhetorical effect

ANSWERS: 316. extreme, 317. collapse, 318. laughter, 319. priest, 320. genius, 321. solid, 322. differ, 323. biology, 324. matter-of-factly, 325. generation, 326. overheat, 327. hominid, 328. ironic



329. me\_\_\_\_\_n name                    *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
330. l\_\_g capacity                        *n.* either of the two organs in the chest that people and some animals use for breathing
331. bl\_\_d milk and cream               *v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
332. cr\_\_y about cars and racing       *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
333. va\_\_\_\_m cleaner                   *n.* a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction
334. mi\_\_\_\_\_e a service               *v.* to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally
335. pr\_\_\_\_\_le of treatment        *n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
336. re\_\_\_\_\_ce for tradition        *n.* a deep respect for someone or something
337. un\_\_\_\_\_l a plot                   *v.* undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads by separating it
338. pro\_\_\_\_\_on choice               *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
339. se\_\_\_\_\_l duct                     *adj.* highly original, influential, or innovative; containing the seeds or beginnings of future development or growth; (of medicine) of or relating to semen or the male reproductive system

ANSWERS: 329. mention, 330. lung, 331. blend, 332. crazy, 333. vacuum, 334. migrate, 335. principle, 336. reverence, 337. unravel, 338. profession, 339. seminal

340. marine ec\_\_\_\_\_em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
341. co\_\_\_\_\_de a meeting *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
342. de\_\_\_\_\_e a particular food *v.* to feel strong dislike or contempt for someone or something, often because of a perceived fault or failing; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of something
343. un\_\_\_\_\_l a knit *v.* undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads by separating it
344. cir\_\_\_\_\_nce of birth *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
345. r\_\_y on convenience stores *v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.
346. co\_\_\_\_\_t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
347. a featherless bi\_\_d *n.* an animal with two feet
348. ha\_\_y arms *adj.* covered with hair or having a furry texture; difficult, dangerous, or complicated
349. sy\_\_\_\_\_is of ammonia *n.* the combination of components or elements to form a more complex whole; the creation of something new through combining parts or elements
350. the gen\_\_\_\_\_on of electricity *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

ANSWERS: 340. ecosystem, 341. conclude, 342. despise, 343. unravel, 344. circumstance, 345. rely, 346. conduct, 347. biped, 348. hairy, 349. synthesis, 350. generation

351. traffic in\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
352. jo\_\_\_\_\_l articles *n.* a newspaper or magazine specialized in a specific topic or profession
353. un\_\_\_\_\_ar decision *adj.* not liked, supported, or approved by many people; having an unfavorable reputation
354. me\_\_y laughter *adj.* cheerful and lively, often with a sense of joyfulness or celebration; characterized by a happy or festive mood
355. an\_\_\_\_\_or language *n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather
356. the biggest tree in ex\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the state or fact of someone or something existing
357. mo\_\_\_\_\_g ceremony *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
358. a primitive ma\_\_\_\_l *n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
359. persuade a dis\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea
360. mystical sig\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* the importance or value attached to something; the quality of being significant or noteworthy
361. mo\_\_h into a different shape *v.* to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another
362. collaborate with co\_\_\_\_\_ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

ANSWERS: 351. incident, 352. journal, 353. unpopular, 354. merry, 355. ancestor, 356. existence, 357. moving, 358. mammal, 359. disbeliever, 360. significance, 361. morph, 362. colleague

363. high pu\_\_\_y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
364. dense veg\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* plants in general, particularly those indigenous to a particular region or spot
365. go\_\_\_\_\_a habitat *n.* a large, powerful, and intelligent primate found in the forests of central Africa, with coarse black or brown fur and a distinctive face
366. w\_\_e through paperwork *v.* to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people
367. long-ex\_\_\_\_\_t volcano *adj.* no longer in existence
368. de\_\_\_e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
369. be\_\_\_g to a group *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
370. tropical veg\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* plants in general, particularly those indigenous to a particular region or spot
371. bl\_\_d all the elements *v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
372. certified pro\_\_\_\_\_nal secretary *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful

ANSWERS: 363. purity, 364. vegetation, 365. gorilla, 366. wade, 367. extinct, 368. decide, 369. belong, 370. vegetation, 371. blend, 372. professional

373. hu\_\_\_\_\_nd as a species *n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
374. fa\_\_y tale *n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers
375. fa\_\_\_\_\_ul idea *adj.* characterized by or involving imaginative and unrealistic ideas or concepts; existing or perceived only in the imagination
376. an\_\_\_\_\_s about his health *adj.* worried and nervous
377. bl\_\_\_\_\_r uncontrollably *v.* to speak or cry in a way that is noisy, emotional, and often difficult to understand; to sob or weep uncontrollably; (noun) a thick layer of fat that lies under the skin of marine mammals such as whales, seals, and walruses
378. an un\_\_\_\_\_ar opinion *adj.* not liked, supported, or approved by many people; having an unfavorable reputation
379. da\_\_\_e a carrot *v.* to hang or swing loosely, especially in a way that suggests instability or lack of support; to tempt or tantalize by holding out the prospect of something desirable but uncertain
380. middle of the ju\_\_\_e *n.* an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly
381. fa\_\_a reserve *n.* the animal life of a particular region, habitat, or geological period

ANSWERS: 373. humankind, 374. fairy, 375. fanciful, 376. anxious, 377. blubber, 378. unpopular, 379. dangle, 380. jungle, 381. fauna

382. ba\_\_e through the crowded hallway     *n.* a large flat-bottomed boat with a wide, flat deck used for transporting goods on rivers and canals, which can be pushed or towed by a tugboat; (verb) to move forcefully or abruptly, often in a clumsy or rude manner
383. pre\_\_\_\_\_ion agreement     *n.* a necessary condition or requirement that must be met for something else to happen or be possible
384. to\_\_\_e cancer     *n.* a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a language
385. r\_b a glass window     *v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
386. de\_\_\_\_\_t money     *n.* a sum of money or materials placed or kept in a bank, safety deposit box, or other secure places for safekeeping; a layer of rock, sand, or other material left behind by a flowing liquid or eroding force
387. as\_\_\_\_\_d the viewer     *v.* to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much
388. ha\_\_\_\_\_y decent job     *adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
389. ab\_\_\_\_\_te loyalty     *adj.* perfect or complete or to the most considerable degree possible
390. up\_\_\_\_\_t posture     *adj.* perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line; (adverb) in a vertical position
391. p\_\_l out above my head     *v.* to sound loudly and resonantly, often in repeated or overlapping sounds; to ring or chime with a loud, clear sound; (noun) a loud ringing of a bell or bells

ANSWERS: 382. barge, 383. precondition, 384. tongue, 385. rub, 386. deposit, 387. astound, 388. halfway, 389. absolute, 390. upright, 391. peal

392. ph\_\_\_\_\_pe variation

*n.* the observable physical or biochemical characteristics of an individual organism that result from the interaction between its genetic makeup and the environment in which it lives

ANSWERS: 392. phenotype

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Detectives are still attempting to \_\_\_\_\_ the mystery of his death.  
*v.* undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads by separating it
2. Some countries have a culture of eating the flesh of a \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities
3. A defective \_\_\_\_\_ is responsible for the disease.  
*n.* the fundamental unit of heredity and the sequence of nucleotides in DNA that codes for the creation of RNA or protein.
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ mountains dominate the landscape.  
*n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
5. The people of the village showed great \_\_\_\_\_ for the elderly.  
*n.* a deep respect for someone or something
6. An excellent historian must possess an \_\_\_\_\_ mentality.  
*adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
7. They used iron \_\_\_\_\_ to hit the ships and prevent them from approaching the harbor.  
*n.* a long, narrow piece of wood or similar material, often used as a structural element in construction or to make barrels, musical instruments, furniture, or other objects; (verb) to fend off, ward off or prevent something from happening

ANSWERS: 1. unravel, 2. whale, 3. gene, 4. awe-inspiring, 5. reverence, 6. academic, 7. staves



8. The wind \_\_\_\_\_ the leaves all over the lawn.
- v.* to scatter or spread things over an area; to scatter something in an untidy way
9. The following \_\_\_\_\_ is currently being used to explain the phenomenon in question.
- n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear
10. Tech companies often employ \_\_\_\_\_ ducts and other materials in their office interiors.
- adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
11. I made a \_\_\_\_\_ at the bank to add money to my account.
- n.* a sum of money or materials placed or kept in a bank, safety deposit box, or other secure places for safekeeping; a layer of rock, sand, or other material left behind by a flowing liquid or eroding force
12. He has a \_\_\_\_\_ demeanor and always presents himself in a polished manner.
- adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
13. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
14. Many zoos have \_\_\_\_\_ exhibits, allowing visitors to observe these intelligent primates up close.
- n.* a small, very intelligent ape found in west and central Africa with black or brown fur

ANSWERS: 8. strew, 9. explanation, 10. exposed, 11. deposit, 12. professional, 13. ecosystem, 14. chimpanzee

15. The surgeon removed the healthy \_\_\_\_\_ from the donor.  
*n.* either of a pair of small organs in the body that filter waste products, especially urea, from the blood and excrete them and water in urine
16. Thou \_\_\_\_\_ not steal.  
*v.* an archaic form of "shall," which is used to indicate a command, a requirement, or a prediction
17. Many scientists study \_\_\_\_\_ behavior and intelligence.  
*n.* any mammal of the order Primates, which includes monkeys, apes, and humans
18. She only had a \_\_\_\_\_ of pens left in her bag.  
*n.* a small quantity or number, usually referring to the amount that can be held in one hand; a person or thing that is difficult to control or manage
19. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.  
*adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
20. He answered the question \_\_\_\_\_ without any hesitation or emotion.  
*adv.* in a manner that is straightforward, without emotion or enthusiasm, simply stating facts or information without speculation or elaboration
21. The conservation efforts aim to protect the habitat of the endangered \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a large marine mammal found in warm coastal waters with a streamlined body, a paddle-like tail, and a rounded snout resembling a dolphin
22. There was an almost certain \_\_\_\_\_ that the company was involved in illegal activities.  
*n.* the act of doubting something, especially something wrong

ANSWERS: 15. kidney, 16. shalt, 17. primate, 18. handful, 19. humming, 20. matter-of-factly, 21. dugong, 22. suspicion

23. The inspector discovered \_\_\_\_\_ bolts under the fuel rods.  
*adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
24. The sperm whale can \_\_\_\_\_ to 1,000 meters.  
*v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
25. The director gave the actor a \_\_\_\_\_ to begin the scene.  
*n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something
26. The \_\_\_\_\_ music was soothing and added to the ambiance.  
*adj.* being in a position next to or near something or someone
27. The \_\_\_\_\_ burrowed in the ground.  
*n.* small velvety-furred burrowing mammal having small eyes and fossorial forefeet; a spy who works against enemy espionage; a small congenital pigmented spot on the skin
28. Higher \_\_\_\_\_ requires additional equipment and energy.  
*n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
29. I \_\_\_\_\_ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.  
*v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
30. The final result was nothing short of \_\_\_\_\_.  
*v.* to surprise or shock someone with wonder very much

ANSWERS: 23. loose, 24. dive, 25. cue, 26. accompanying, 27. mole, 28. purity, 29. mentioned, 30. astounding

31. The \_\_\_\_\_ from his classmates made him feel embarrassed and ashamed.
- n.* speech or behavior that makes fun of or mocks someone or something; teasing, sarcasm, or scornful remarks that are intended to belittle or humiliate; (verb) to mock, criticize, or make fun of someone or something in a scornful or derisive way
32. She has a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ and determination to succeed.
- n.* very small pieces of stone or sand; mental toughness and determination or perseverance in the face of challenges or obstacles
33. Among young people, \_\_\_\_\_ pressure can be pretty influential.
- n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
34. The book was a \_\_\_\_\_ work in psychology, influencing generations of researchers.
- adj.* highly original, influential, or innovative; containing the seeds or beginnings of future development or growth; (of medicine) of or relating to semen or the male reproductive system
35. The zoo has a new \_\_\_\_\_ exhibit that popularly attracts families.
- n.* (also "hippo") a large, mostly herbivorous mammal native to sub-Saharan Africa, with a bulky, rounded body, short legs, and large head and mouth, which inhabits rivers and lakes and is known for its aggressive behavior and territorial nature
36. The politician's outrageous comments made him appear like a \_\_\_\_\_ to his opponents.
- n.* a person who is considered mentally ill, especially one who is extremely irrational or unpredictable; a crazy or foolish person

ANSWERS: 31. ridicule, 32. grit, 33. peer, 34. seminal, 35. hippopotamus, 36. lunatic

37. He \_\_\_\_\_ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.
- v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
38. With the financial bubble bursting, the \_\_\_\_\_ of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.
- n. an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
39. On the geological time scale, \_\_\_\_\_ has existed for a brief moment.
- n. the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
40. The playful \_\_\_\_\_ swam around the river, diving in and out of the water.
- n. a semiaquatic mammal with a sleek, streamlined body, short legs, webbed feet, and dense, soft fur, found in and around freshwater and coastal areas
41. My initial reaction was to \_\_\_\_\_.
- v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
42. The small \_\_\_\_\_ is responsible for absorbing most of the nutrients from food.
- n. a long, tube-like organ in the digestive system that is responsible for absorbing nutrients from food and eliminating waste products
43. Please \_\_\_\_\_ to the instruction manual for further assistance.
- v. to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
44. How did he \_\_\_\_\_ to your idea?
- v. to take action in response to something

ANSWERS: 37. celebrated, 38. myth, 39. humankind, 40. otter, 41. refuse, 42. intestine, 43. refer, 44. react

45. Efficiency isn't an essential \_\_\_\_\_ here; fairness is.
- n.* a fundamental law or truth that explains or controls how something happens or works
46. The large group of \_\_\_\_\_ swam gracefully in the ocean, jumping out of the water now and then.
- n.* a marine mammal that typically has a beaklike snout, a streamlined body, and flippers and that feeds on fish and squid
47. We \_\_\_\_\_ a cease-fire.
- v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
48. Though he was evil, he never \_\_\_\_\_ his friends into wrongdoing.
- v.* to make someone want to do or have something, especially something that is unnecessary or wrong
49. She was the \_\_\_\_\_ to the rule, as she managed to graduate college in only two years.
- n.* something that is not included in a general rule or pattern; a person or thing that is excluded or stands apart from others
50. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
51. The Arctic \_\_\_\_\_ lounged on the beach, basking in the sun.
- n.* a large marine mammal that belongs to the seal family, Odobenidae, known for its long tusks, large body size, and ability to live in the Arctic regions
52. He was an atheist and therefore did not believe in the \_\_\_\_\_ of heaven or hell.
- n.* the state or fact of someone or something existing

ANSWERS: 45. principle, 46. dolphins, 47. concluded, 48. tempted, 49. exception, 50. colleague, 51. walrus, 52. existence

53. \_\_\_\_\_ walking encouraged the further evolution of humankind.  
*n.* an animal with two feet
54. Her \_\_\_\_\_ behavior at the party caused quite a stir among the guests.  
*adj.* highly unusual, unconventional, or shocking; going beyond the bounds of what is considered acceptable or proper
55. The drastic reorganization has significantly increased this company's \_\_\_\_\_ profits.  
*adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant
56. She took a \_\_\_\_\_ class at the gym to improve her cardiovascular fitness.  
*n.* the act of rotating rapidly around an axis; in the context of textiles, the process of twisting fibers together to form thread or yarn
57. The government plans to \_\_\_\_\_ the tax collection process to make it more efficient.  
*v.* to simplify or make more efficient by eliminating unnecessary parts or steps
58. The African savanna is home to many magnificent \_\_\_\_\_ including elephants and rhinos.  
*n.* a type of large mammal with thick skin, such as an elephant, rhinoceros, or hippopotamus
59. The \_\_\_\_\_ between the opposing political parties lasted for several days.  
*n.* a situation in which two or more people, groups, or countries refuse to move from a position or make a compromise, leading to a stalemate or impasse; a short distance maintained between two opposing forces or objects, such as in a military context or electrical wiring

ANSWERS: 53. Biped, 54. outrageous, 55. gross, 56. spinning, 57. streamline, 58. pachyderms, 59. standoff

60. The committee \_\_\_\_\_ several apparent inconsistencies.  
*v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
61. He was ordained as a \_\_\_\_\_ in the Catholic Church.  
*n.* a person who performs religious duties and ceremonies, especially in the Christian faith
62. The famous restaurant stands \_\_\_\_\_ up the hill.  
*adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
63. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
64. The national park is home to a diverse \_\_\_\_\_ of animal species.  
*n.* the animal life of a particular region, habitat, or geological period
65. My siblings always \_\_\_\_\_ over who gets the front seat in the car.  
*v.* to engage in a petty or argumentative disagreement, often characterized by back-and-forth exchanges and trivial accusations or criticisms
66. The dress had a \_\_\_\_\_ of beads along the hem.  
*n.* a decorative border or edge on a piece of clothing; a group of people or things that are not considered to be part of the main group
67. He wrote a \_\_\_\_\_ on the history of philosophy, covering the ideas and theories of major philosophers.  
*n.* a written work that deals with a particular subject in a thorough and systematic way

ANSWERS: 60. investigated, 61. priest, 62. halfway, 63. relatives, 64. fauna, 65. bicker, 66. fringe, 67. treatise



68. The bookcase was \_\_\_\_\_ against the wall.

*adj.* perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line; (adverb) in a vertical position

69. Seals and whales are \_\_\_\_\_ animals beloved by the people.

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

70. The new rescue dog was covered in thick, \_\_\_\_\_ fur that kept him warm in cold weather.

*adj.* covered with hair or having a furry texture; difficult, dangerous, or complicated

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

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

72. He has terminal \_\_\_\_\_ cancer.

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

73. A giraffe is an \_\_\_\_\_ that primarily eats leaves and twigs.

*n.* an animal that eats only plants, such as a cow or a deer

74. His \_\_\_\_\_ speech about his struggles with addiction brought tears to the audience's eyes.

*adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy

75. The younger \_\_\_\_\_ has different values and beliefs than the older one.

*n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

76. The baby \_\_\_\_\_ at the wildlife sanctuary was recently born and is very cute.

*n.* (also rhino) a large, thick-skinned mammal with one or two horns on the nose, typically found in Africa and Asia.

ANSWERS: 68. upright, 69. marine, 70. hairy, 71. suppose, 72. lung, 73. herbivore, 74. moving, 75. generation, 76. rhinoceros

77. The \_\_\_\_\_ at the zoo impressed visitors with its size and strength.
- n.* a large, powerful, and intelligent primate found in the forests of central Africa, with coarse black or brown fur and a distinctive face
78. The professor handed out the \_\_\_\_\_ on the first day of class.
- n.* an outline or summary of the topics, themes, and assignments to be covered in a particular course or educational program; a list or summary of key themes or components of a particular document, work, or project
79. She was a pre-\_\_\_\_\_ researcher in our lab.
- adj.* famous, respected, or important, especially in a particular profession; standing above others in quality or position
80. There was a chemical \_\_\_\_\_ of the lime with the groundwater.
- n.* a response that reveals a person's feelings or attitude; (in chemistry) a process in which one or more substances are changed into others
81. The \_\_\_\_\_ at the airport caused a delay in my flight.
- n.* an event or occurrence, often unexpected or unplanned; something that happens
82. I had to \_\_\_\_ through the knee-deep water to get to the other side of the river.
- v.* to walk through water that is not deep enough to swim in; to struggle or proceed slowly and laboriously through something, such as a difficult situation or a crowd of people
83. This company \_\_\_\_\_ into an enterprise company.
- v.* to change or cause to change something or someone smoothly and gradually from one thing to another

ANSWERS: 77. gorilla, 78. syllabus, 79. eminent, 80. reaction, 81. incident, 82. wade, 83. morphed

84. He was punished because he contravened a \_\_\_\_\_ of God.  
*n.* a divine rule, especially one of the Ten Commandments; an order or law given by authority
85. The budget reduction was an \_\_\_\_\_ feat for our nation.  
*adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
86. Human females normally have two X \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a long and string-like DNA molecule containing the part or all of the genetic material of an organism that controls what an animal or plant is like
87. My allergies flare up during \_\_\_\_\_ season, making it difficult to breathe.  
*n.* a fine powder substance consisting of microscopic grains produced by plants that facilitate their reproductive process through the process of pollination
88. The church bells \_\_\_\_\_ loud and clear, announcing the start of the wedding ceremony.  
*v.* to sound loudly and resonantly, often in repeated or overlapping sounds; to ring or chime with a loud, clear sound; (noun) a loud ringing of a bell or bells
89. The rain and thunder are \_\_\_\_\_ today.  
*adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
90. Scientists have discovered new fossil evidence of an ancient \_\_\_\_\_ species.  
*n.* a primate of a family (Hominidae) that includes humans and their fossil ancestors
91. My remote \_\_\_\_\_ immigrated to the United States from Ireland in the 1800s.  
*n.* a person from whom one is descended; a forefather

ANSWERS: 84. commandment, 85. impressive, 86. chromosomes, 87. pollen, 88. pealed, 89. crazy, 90. hominid, 91. ancestor

92. The room felt \_\_\_\_\_ and spacious with its high ceilings and large windows.  
*adj.* having a light, delicate, or ethereal quality; spacious and well-ventilated; lacking in substance or depth
93. Mozart was a musical \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
94. Many innocent civilians were killed and buried in mass \_\_\_\_\_ outside the city during the war.  
*n.* a place where a dead body is buried, typically marked by a headstone or other memorial; a very serious, solemn, or important matter; (verb) to carve, cut, or etch a design, inscription, or mark onto a hard surface, such as stone or metal; (adjective) serious, solemn, or weighty in nature
95. The child began to \_\_\_\_\_ when he dropped his ice cream cone.  
*v.* to speak or cry in a way that is noisy, emotional, and often difficult to understand; to sob or weep uncontrollably; (noun) a thick layer of fat that lies under the skin of marine mammals such as whales, seals, and walruses
96. The teacher attempted to \_\_\_\_\_ the root cause of our mistake.  
*v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
97. His professional experience includes all \_\_\_\_\_ of media production.  
*n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
98. The jockey \_\_\_\_\_ the horse hard to take first place.  
*v.* to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.
99. The car engine \_\_\_\_\_ and had to be repaired.  
*v.* to become too hot, or to cause something to become too hot

ANSWERS: 92. airy, 93. genius, 94. graves, 95. blubber, 96. analyze, 97. aspects, 98. whipped, 99. overheated

100. Please use the \_\_\_\_\_ to clean up the mess on the floor.
- n.* a space empty of matter; a device or tool used for cleaning or removing debris by creating suction
101. This evidence supports the big-bang \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
102. As the sun set, the colors of the sky merged with the \_\_\_\_\_ creating a beautiful orange and pink hue.
- n.* the line at which the earth's surface and the sky appear to meet; the range of interest or activity that can be anticipated
103. The community celebrated the \_\_\_\_\_ of the new school.
- n.* a business or organization, especially a well-established one; the act of starting or forming something that is meant to last for a long time
104. She \_\_\_\_\_ the sore spot on her leg to ease the pain.
- v.* to move one's hand or an object over the surface of something with pressure
105. The biologist \_\_\_\_\_ the viruses into four groups.
- v.* to put people or things into groups according to their features, types, etc.
106. She is highly \_\_\_\_\_ of handling multiple tasks at once.
- adj.* having the ability, skill, or potential to do something; competent or proficient in a particular task or area of expertise
107. My interest in \_\_\_\_\_ research began when I visited a natural history museum and saw a display of fossils from the Jurassic period.
- n.* the study of fossils and the history of life on Earth

ANSWERS: 100. vacuum, 101. hypothesis, 102. horizon, 103. establishment, 104. rubbed, 105. categorized, 106. capable, 107. paleontology

108. There are various hypotheses concerning the \_\_\_\_\_ of life.  
*n.* the first existence or beginning of something
109. The police officer \_\_\_\_\_ the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.  
*v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
110. The deep sea \_\_\_\_\_ was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.  
*n.* a living being, especially an animal
111. Management must take \_\_\_\_\_ responsibility for the accident.  
*adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
112. The adventurers swung through the jungle using the strong \_\_\_\_\_ vines.  
*n.* a long-stemmed, woody vine that trails or climbs by attaching itself to trees or other structures for support, typically found in tropical rainforests
113. His grandfather was an \_\_\_\_ man.  
*adj.* strange or unexpected; not divisible by two
114. The \_\_\_\_\_ is boneless, but it is as strong as bones.  
*n.* a moveable mass of muscle tissue covered with mucous membrane that is in the mouth; a tongue
115. Many species have become \_\_\_\_\_ due to habitat destruction and other human activities.  
*adj.* no longer in existence

ANSWERS: 108. origin, 109. chased, 110. creature, 111. ultimate, 112. liana, 113. odd, 114. tongue, 115. extinct

116. Despite the evidence, she remained a \_\_\_\_\_ in the theory of evolution.  
*n.* a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea
117. The presenter had a \_\_\_\_\_ tone during the talk, which made it more engaging.  
*adj.* characterized by joking or jesting; humorous; fond of or inclined to make jokes or engage in friendly banter
118. I \_\_\_\_\_ injustice and those who perpetrate it.  
*v.* to feel strong dislike or contempt for someone or something, often because of a perceived fault or failing; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of something
119. The politician's stance on controversial issues made him an \_\_\_\_\_ candidate for many voters.  
*adj.* not liked, supported, or approved by many people; having an unfavorable reputation
120. The company \_\_\_\_\_ him after several years of service.  
*v.* to deposit or dispose of something, such as trash, waste, etc., carelessly or hurriedly
121. The government's \_\_\_\_\_ restricted freedom of speech and media.  
*n.* an authoritative decree or order issued by a ruler or leader without any room for discussion or disagreement; an uncompromising and peremptory command or decision
122. The teacher sought to \_\_\_\_\_ her students by introducing them to new ideas and perspectives.  
*v.* to give someone greater knowledge or understanding about a particular subject or situation, often in a spiritual or moral sense

ANSWERS: 116. disbeliever, 117. jocular, 118. despise, 119. unpopular, 120. dumped, 121. diktat, 122. enlighten

123. The North \_\_\_\_\_ is the northernmost point on Earth.

- n.* one of two antipodal points where the Earth's axis of rotation intersects the Earth's surface; a long, slender, rounded rod, typically of wood or metal, used as a support or to hang something

124. The two products \_\_\_\_\_ in their quality and price.

- v.* to be not like someone or something in some way

125. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the situation is that he won the lottery on the day he lost his job.

- n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect

126. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the swamp made it difficult to walk through the field.

- n.* a soft, wet, sticky earth or clay

127. Some ethnic \_\_\_\_\_ groups experienced discrimination in society.

- n.* the smaller part of a group, especially a number or part representing less than half of the whole; a period before adult legal age

128. He got an electric \_\_\_\_\_ at work.

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

129. Our genetic \_\_\_\_\_ determines the color of our eyes.

- n.* the observable physical or biochemical characteristics of an individual organism that result from the interaction between its genetic makeup and the environment in which it lives

130. The physician is reading the \_\_\_\_\_ related to medicine

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

ANSWERS: 123. Pole, 124. differed, 125. irony, 126. mud, 127. minority, 128. shock, 129. phenotype, 130. journals



131. The \_\_\_\_\_ construction workers worked tirelessly in the scorching heat to complete the project.

*adj.* able to withstand harsh conditions or difficult circumstances; robust, sturdy, or resilient

132. In this class, we learn the basic \_\_\_\_\_ of the plane.

*n.* a motion or combination of moves that requires skill and care; a clever strategy, activity, or movement intended to give someone an advantage

133. The \_\_\_\_\_ between Anna and her mother was astonishing.

*n.* similarity in appearance or exterior or superficial details

134. Marine \_\_\_\_\_ populations are declining worldwide due to ocean pollution.

*n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body

135. All the books in this section \_\_\_\_\_ to the library's rare collection and must be handled carefully.

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

136. She had a master's degree in \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

137. A clear and simple expression is the \_\_\_\_\_ of good writing.

*n.* a distinctive characteristic or attribute of a person or thing

138. We had a \_\_\_\_\_ time at the Christmas party, singing carols and drinking eggnog.

*adj.* cheerful and lively, often with a sense of joyfulness or celebration; characterized by a happy or festive mood

ANSWERS: 131. hardy, 132. maneuver, 133. resemblance, 134. mammal, 135. belong, 136. psychology, 137. hallmark, 138. merry

139. It would be best if you did not demand such an \_\_\_\_\_ charge.  
*adj.* greater than what seems necessary, normal, or desirable
140. The chemical \_\_\_\_\_ of the new drug was a breakthrough in medical research.  
*n.* the combination of components or elements to form a more complex whole; the creation of something new through combining parts or elements
141. He postulated a completely different \_\_\_\_\_ to explain all these phenomena.  
*n.* a standard or typical example of something; a pattern or model
142. A peaceful environment is a \_\_\_\_\_ for meaningful negotiations.  
*n.* a necessary condition or requirement that must be met for something else to happen or be possible
143. Having a \_\_\_\_\_ healthy physique is essential for a great life.  
*adv.* in a way related to a person's body or appearance rather than their mind
144. We have never before conducted a legitimate \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the act or process of thoroughly examining a crime, problem, statement, etc., to uncover the truth
145. The roof finally \_\_\_\_\_ after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.  
*v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
146. The company sets \_\_\_\_\_ goals to track progress and ensure success.  
*adj.* able to be measured, quantified, or assessed in some way
147. The stories of war crimes filled her with \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying

ANSWERS: 139. excessive, 140. synthesis, 141. paradigm, 142. precondition, 143. physically, 144. investigation, 145. collapsed, 146. measurable, 147. horror

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

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

149. This medication is \_\_\_\_\_ in its effects.

*adj.* relating to or involving only a small number of a larger group of people or things

150. Babies heavily \_\_\_\_\_ on others for food.

*v.* to require a specific thing or the assistance and support of someone or something to continue, run properly, or succeed.

151. It was \_\_\_\_\_ that the heavy rain started just as they set up for an outdoor picnic.

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

152. She explained the \_\_\_\_\_ surrounding the accident.

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

153. He is a specialist in the \_\_\_\_\_ of aging.

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

154. Gandhi had an \_\_\_\_\_ zeal for nonviolence.

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

155. Eating food in a hurry \_\_\_\_\_ blood glucose levels.

*v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position

ANSWERS: 148. lifetime, 149. selective, 150. rely, 151. ironic, 152. circumstances, 153. genetics, 154. absolute, 155. elevates

156. \_\_\_\_\_ ecosystems perform many essential environmental functions.

*adj.* growing or living in, on or near, or connected with water

157. Her \_\_\_\_\_ imagination allowed her to dream up incredible stories.

*adj.* characterized by or involving imaginative and unrealistic ideas or concepts; existing or perceived only in the imagination

158. He \_\_\_\_\_ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

*v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

159. The earring on her earlobe would \_\_\_\_\_ as she moved her head.

*v.* to hang or swing loosely, especially in a way that suggests instability or lack of support; to tempt or tantalize by holding out the prospect of something desirable but uncertain

160. Being a doctor is considered a highly respected \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training

161. He cast \_\_\_\_\_ glances behind her.

*adj.* worried and nervous

162. The dinosaur bones were so old that they had been wholly \_\_\_\_\_ turning to stone over millions of years.

*adj.* transformed into a fossil (= something preserved in rock for a very long period) or preserved in the form of a fossil; antiquated or inflexible

163. The company has made great strides in its \_\_\_\_\_ toward sustainability.

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

ANSWERS: 156. Aquatic, 157. fanciful, 158. constructs, 159. dangle, 160. profession, 161. anxious, 162. fossilized, 163. progression

164. He became \_\_\_\_\_ that he was being followed.

*adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you

165. This village is still in a dense \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly

166. Some doctor says \_\_\_\_\_ is the best medicine.

*n.* the act or sound of laughing

167. There are \_\_\_\_\_ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

*adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

168. Many Germans \_\_\_\_\_ to South America in the mid-19th century.

*v.* to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally

169. 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

170. Only a small number of \_\_\_\_\_ utilities offer sanitation services.

*adj.* relating to or located in a town or city

171. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in \_\_\_\_\_ class.

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

172. The store only accepts payment in cash, no credit or debit cards, only \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* coins or notes in a currency, as distinct from paper money; a chemical substance or group made up of identical molecules

ANSWERS: 164. conscious, 165. jungle, 166. laughter, 167. obvious, 168. migrated, 169. hell, 170. urban, 171. biology, 172. specie

173. She wore her best dress for the special \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

174. The mountain was \_\_\_\_\_ with snow.

- v.* to cause liquid to scatter in irregular drops, especially with force

175. He bated his \_\_\_\_\_ when talking about this affair.

- n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs

176. The search and rescue team sent a team of \_\_\_\_\_ to search for the missing plane wreckage.

- n.* a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey

177. He tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

- v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something

178. Solar gravity creates \_\_\_\_\_ pressures and temperatures.

- adj.* very great in amount or degree

179. The birds live in tropical forests, \_\_\_\_\_ and arid semi-desert environments.

- n.* a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close

ANSWERS: 173. occasion, 174. splashed, 175. breath, 176. divers, 177. relate, 178. extreme, 179. savannahs,

180. The \_\_\_\_ of the animal was thick and soft to the touch.

*n.* the hairy coat of a mammal, especially when fine, soft, and thick

181. They study the \_\_\_\_\_ of the universe.

*n.* a gradual process of transformation of living things

182. The captain of the \_\_\_\_\_ navigated through the narrow canal with ease.

*n.* a large flat-bottomed boat with a wide, flat deck used for transporting goods on rivers and canals, which can be pushed or towed by a tugboat; (verb) to move forcefully or abruptly, often in a clumsy or rude manner

183. Police will \_\_\_\_\_ random breath testing for drunk driving.

*v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity

184. The \_\_\_\_\_ of frost on the ground was so thick it was difficult to walk on.

*n.* a sheet, quantity, or thickness of the material, typically one of several, covering a surface or body; a level or part within a system or set of ideas

185. The \_\_\_\_\_ of his discovery cannot be overstated.

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

186. The scientist studied the behavior of \_\_\_\_\_ in the wild.

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

187. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the area is quite diverse.

*n.* plants in general, particularly those indigenous to a particular region or spot

ANSWERS: 180. fur, 181. evolution, 182. barge, 183. conduct, 184. layer, 185. significance, 186. apes, 187. vegetation

188. The lowest lowland region is mostly flat \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees

189. The \_\_\_\_\_ of water is called ice.

*adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

190. The \_\_\_\_\_ of this project needs to be discussed before we can move forward with a plan.

*n.* short for "nitty-gritty," which refers to the essential or most important details of something

191. The toad altered its appearance to better \_\_\_\_\_ in with its new environments.

*v.* to mix or combine two or more substances

192. She couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

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

193. The doctor warned him that his \_\_\_\_\_ condition put him at risk for numerous health problems.

*adj.* excessively overweight, particularly to the point of being a serious health risk; having a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or more

194. That adventurer traveled in \_\_\_\_\_ of buried treasure.

*n.* a long or challenging search for something

195. Firstly, we will discuss the budget; \_\_\_\_\_ we will go over the schedule.

*adv.* used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.

ANSWERS: 188. plain, 189. solid-state, 190. nitty-gritty, 191. blend, 192. decide, 193. obese, 194. quest, 195. secondly,



196. The mischievous \_\_\_\_\_ flew gracefully through the forest, spreading magic wherever she went.

- n.* a mythical being of folklore and romance usually depicted as having magic powers

ANSWERS: 196. fairy