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Session 1: Word List

specialize

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

synonym : narrow down, particularize

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

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

clue

n. an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery

synonym : hint, indication, inkling

(1) a **clue** about the crime, (2) a **clue** to the diagnosis

The police couldn't find a **clue** to her whereabouts.

lab

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

synonym : workshop, laboratory, research chamber

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

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

increasingly

adv. more and more

synonym : more and more, progressively

(1) **increasingly** become common, (2) face **increasingly** complicated challenges

Our company found it **increasingly** difficult to keep up with the competition.

planet

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

synonym : earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**

Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

cellular

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

synonym : organic, biological, nuclear

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

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

connectivity

n. the state or quality of being connected or interconnected; the ability of devices, systems, or networks to communicate with and exchange information with each other

synonym : linkage, network

(1) digital **connectivity**, (2) global **connectivity**

The hotel offers high-speed internet **connectivity** for all its guests.

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.

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.

subconscious

adj. relating to or concerning the part of the mind that is not fully conscious but still influences thoughts, feelings, and behavior

synonym : unconscious, latent, hidden

(1) **subconscious** influence, (2) **subconscious** behavior
The **subconscious** mind is said to hold our deepest desires and fears.

decision

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

synonym : choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**
She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

process

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

synonym : procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**
The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

imply

v. to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it

synonym : hint, indicate, denote

(1) **imply** a strong correlation, (2) **imply** the presence of alien

The salespeople speak in technical terms to **imply** that they are more knowledgeable than the customer.

spiritual

adj. relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things

synonym: otherworldly, ethereal, transcendental

(1) constant **spiritual** striving, (2) **spiritual** leader

The meditation class was focused on finding inner peace and cultivating a more **spiritual** connection with the universe.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym: affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

functional

adj. designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service

synonym: applicable, practical, usable

(1) field of **functional** medicine, (2) **functional** deafness

The mobile phone was still **functional** even after being dropped.

blunt

adj. having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive

synonym: dull, obtuse, insensitive

(1) **blunt** criticism, (2) **blunt** force

The **blunt** knife made it difficult to cut through the tough steak.

probable

adj. likely to happen or likely to be true

synonym: likely, possible, potential

(1) **probable** outcome, (2) **probable** cause of a fire

It seems **probable** that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.

stalk

v. to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main

stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit;
the stem or main axis of a support structure or
framework

synonym : follow, creep up on, (noun) stem

(1) **stalk** of celery, (2) **stalk** from the room

The hunter quietly **stalked** the deer for hours before taking the shot

permission

n. consent or authorization given by someone in authority or by the owner of something, allowing someone to do something or allowing something to occur

synonym : approval, consent, authorization

(1) grant **permission**, (2) **permission** for permanent residence

I asked my boss for **permission** to leave early for a doctor's appointment.

cult

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

synonym : sect, faith, religion

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

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

gender

n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

synonym : sexuality

(1) **gender-blind** policies, (2) dual **gender**

Cultural norms strongly influence **gender** expectations.

context

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

synonym : background, setting, environment

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

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

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.

survival

n. the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger

synonym : endurance, continuity

(1) **survival** ability, (2) **survival** food

He evaluated his chances for **survival** rather pessimistically.

shelter

n. a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger

synonym : refuge, hideout, lair

(1) rainproof **shelter**, (2) anti-air raid **shelter**

They need food and **shelter**.

transport

n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

synonym : shipment, transit, conveyance

(1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport**

Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

sustenance

n. food and drink that living things need to nourish their body

synonym : nourishment, livelihood, nutrition

(1) scanty **sustenance**, (2) **sustenance** allowance

A regular job is often a spiritual **sustenance**.

- recover** *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
synonym : come back, convalesce, heal
(1) **recover** a loss, (2) **recover** approval ratings
She is still **recovering** from a shot to her shoulder.
- prefer** *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
synonym : choose, like, favor
(1) **prefer** physics to chemistry, (2) **prefer** a window seat
The birds **prefer** open water areas with reeds around them.
- hierarchy** *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
synonym : ranking, order, scale
(1) top of the **hierarchy**, (2) **hierarchy** of folders
She has taken a step up in the organizational **hierarchy**.
- bunch** *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
synonym : group, assemblage, bundle
(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls
One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.
- transcend** *v.* to rise above or go beyond the limits of something
synonym : surpass, exceed, overcome
(1) **transcend** boundaries, (2) **transcend** limits
The music **transcended** cultural barriers and reached audiences globally.
- convenience** *n.* the state of being suitable or opportune
synonym : availability, usefulness, amenity
(1) **convenience** goods, (2) for **convenience** sake
They offered the **convenience** of an installment plan.
- fairly** *adv.* to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
synonym :

moderately, reasonably, pretty

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

He deals **fairly** with his employees.

universal

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

synonym: common, broad, worldwide

(1) **universal** life, (2) principles of **universal** design

The picture earned near- **universal** acclaim from critics.

appreciate

v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone

synonym: acknowledge, admire, enjoy

(1) **appreciate** her feedback, (2) **appreciate** the value

We would **appreciate** an early reply.

kiosk

n. a small, often freestanding structure or booth, typically used as a retail outlet or information center, particularly in a public space or high-traffic area

synonym: booth, stand, counter

(1) outdoor **kiosk**, (2) information **kiosk**

I ordered some snacks at the **kiosk** before boarding my flight.

addition

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

synonym: accumulation, expansion, addendum

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

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

degree

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

synonym: level, qualification, diploma

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

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

privacy

n. someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people

synonym : seclusion, aloneness, solitariness

(1) **privacy** abuse, (2) trespass on a person's **privacy**

This conduct would be an invasion of **privacy**.

convenient

adj. useful, helpful, or quick to do

synonym : timely, fortunate, suitable

(1) **convenient** way, (2) **convenient** location

The airport offers five **convenient** access routes.

survive

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

synonym : endure, persist, stay

(1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash

These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

feat

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

synonym : achievement, accomplishment, exploit

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

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

adaptable

adj. able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations

synonym : flexible, adjustable, elastic

(1) **adaptable** enough for the environment, (2) an **adaptable** person

We seek a candidate who possesses **adaptable** fighting potential.

adapt

v. to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment

synonym : adjust, acclimate, accustom

(1) **adapt** fully to the environment, (2) **adapt** as needed

I advised him to **adapt** to his new surroundings.

- situ** *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
synonym: situational, contextual, circumstantial
(1) ex- **situ** conservation, (2) in- **situ** control
Melanoma in **situ** is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.
- strategy** *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
synonym: approach, procedure, scenario
(1) military **strategy**, (2) develop a **strategy**
Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.
- reflection** *n.* the act of thinking deeply about something, or the ability to think deeply; the image of something that is seen in a mirror or other reflective surface
synonym: contemplation, meditation, consideration
(1) **reflection** question, (2) photon **reflection**
The teacher asked the students to write a **reflection** on the book they had just read.
- tap** *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
synonym: knock, exploit, use
(1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger
To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.
- stable** *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
synonym: sturdy, unmoving, durable
(1) in **stable** condition, (2) have a **stable** job
Relations between the two countries have been relatively **stable** due to the summit meeting.

gravity

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

synonym : heaviness, attraction, weight

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

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

gravitation

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

synonym : attraction, pull, gravity

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

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

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym : completely, utterly, definitely

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

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

guarantee

v. to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met

synonym : assure, promise, warrant

(1) **guarantee** a high quality, (2) **guarantee** women equality

We cannot **guarantee** enough raw material sources.

fortune

n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

synonym : wealth, affluence, assets

(1) ill **fortune**, (2) bit of good **fortune**

Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal **fortune**.

delegate

n. a person sent or authorized to represent others, in particular, an elected representative sent to a conference; (verb) to transfer power to someone

synonym : representative, envoy, agent

(1) **delegate** a routine task, (2) send a **delegate**

The **delegate** from the small country was not allowed to speak at the meeting.

perspective

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

synonym : viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle

His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

bodily

adj. relating to the body; physical or corporeal

synonym : physical, corporeal, material

(1) **bodily** functions, (2) **bodily** harm

He suffered from **bodily** injuries after the car accident.

function

n. the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

synonym : purpose, mapping, job

(1) **function** properly, (2) immune **function**

The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's **function**.

toilet

n. a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture

synonym : bathroom, lavatory, washroom

(1) **toilet** paper, (2) **toilet** seat

She walked to the **toilet** to freshen up before the meeting.

behalf

n. represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone
synonym : benefit, advantage, favor

(1) on **behalf** of our management, (2) on his own **behalf**
I gave witness on her **behalf**.

entertainment

n. public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people

synonym : amusement, recreation, enjoyment

(1) an elegant **entertainment**, (2) hour of **entertainment**
The hotel is famous for its **entertainment**, including the casino.

passionate

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

synonym : ardent, fervent, intense

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

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

illiterate

adj. unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing

synonym : unlettered, uneducated, unschooled

(1) **illiterate** population, (2) computer- **illiterate**

Despite attending school, he remained **illiterate** and unable to read or write.

communicate

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

synonym : convey, share, transmit

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

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

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

estimate

v. to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something

synonym : calculate, gauge, evaluate

(1) **estimate** a fair value, (2) **estimate** this chicken to weigh three pounds

We **estimated** the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

fig

n. a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow

(1) **fig** marigold, (2) **fig** tree

He ate the dried **figs** he had preserved.

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.

distance

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

synonym : space, gap, span

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

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

identify

v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

synonym : determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

postal

adj. relating to or involving the package or mail delivery; referring to an individual or situation involving the postal service

(1) **postal** delivery, (2) **postal** worker

The **postal** service delivers mail to your doorstep every day.

- mast** *n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails
(1) **mast** height, (2) built-up **mast**
The main cabin is located in front of the **mast**.
- sophisticated** *adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
synonym: refined, cultured, worldly
(1) **sophisticated** look, (2) a **sophisticated** lifestyle
Marketing strategies are growing more **sophisticated**.
- device** *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
synonym: gadget, instrument, tool
(1) electronic **device**, (2) tracking **device**
I always carry a backup **device** in case my phone runs out of battery.
- on-air** *adj.* relating to or occurring during a live broadcast on radio or television; being broadcast
synonym: broadcasting, live, airing
(1) **on-air** personality, (2) **on-air** interview
The radio host was nervous about going **on-air** for the first time.
- rural** *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
synonym: agrarian, country, rustic
(1) **rural** accents, (2) people in **rural** areas
Many **rural** areas are still impoverished.
- wage** *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
synonym: payment, compensation, salary
(1) unpaid **wages**, (2) increase in the minimum **wage**
His **wages** continued to rise as his skills improved.

earner

n. an individual who earns money through their work or employment

synonym : breadwinner, provider, supporter

(1) self-employed **earner**, (2) high **earner** tax

As a full-time **earner**, I must work hard to support my family.

operator

n. a person who uses and controls machinery or equipment; a mathematical symbol used to perform calculations

synonym : controller, handler, manipulator

(1) **operator** error, (2) an elevator **operator**

The **operator** of the machine must follow strict safety protocols.

prepaid

adj. referring to something that has already been paid for in advance; paid for before it is used or received

synonym : pre-funded, paid in advance, loaded

(1) **prepaid** card, (2) **prepaid** plan

I bought a **prepaid** cell phone because I didn't want to be tied to a contract.

commission

n. a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something

synonym : task, duty, authority

(1) **commission** appointed by the government, (2) the **commission** of murder

She gets a **commission** on each contract.

passee

adj. no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date

synonym : outdated, old-fashioned, antique

(1) **passee** entertainment, (2) **passee** trend

Bell-bottom jeans, once considered **passee** fashion, have made a surprising comeback in recent years.

essentially

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
synonym : fundamentally, basically, virtually

(1) **essentially** correct, (2) become **essentially** same
Essentially, a society is an organism.

rudimentary

adj. relating to basic facts or principles; fundamental
synonym : essential, fundamental, elementary

(1) a **rudimentary** plant, (2) **rudimentary** understanding
He has only a **rudimentary** knowledge of this topic.

infrastructure

n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

synonym : foundation, framework

(1) IT **infrastructure**, (2) **infrastructure** cost
Aging societies tend to require huge costs for **infrastructure** maintenance.

necessarily

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

synonym : inevitable, certainly, automatically

(1) not **necessarily** a problem, (2) **necessarily** true
This accident was something that happened **necessarily**.

viable

adj. capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
synonym : feasible, possible, attainable

(1) achieve a **viable** relationship, (2) develop a **viable** therapy

Male gorillas with good drumming skills are more **viable**.

wealth

n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

synonym : affluence, assets, fortunate

(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**
The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

dispose

v. to put things or people in a particular manner or position; to incline someone towards a specific activity or mood; throw or cast away

synonym : get rid of, arrange, set

(1) **dispose** battleships for a battle, (2) **dispose** of a used product

Generally speaking, the child is innately **disposed** to learn a language.

apparent

adj. able to see or understand easily or clearly

synonym : obvious, clear, conspicuous

(1) heir **apparent**, (2) **apparent** contradiction

This star is **apparent** to the naked eye.

sophistication

n. the quality or state of having a great deal of worldly experience; the quality or state of being intellectually or culturally refined

synonym : refinement, culture, elegance

(1) cultural **sophistication**, (2) linguistic **sophistication**

The new technology added a level of **sophistication** to the manufacturing process.

elegant

adj. pleasing and graceful in appearance or manner, or showing good taste and refinement

synonym : refined, sophisticated, graceful

(1) **elegant** design, (2) write **elegant** sentences

She wore an **elegant** evening gown to the gala.

tune

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

synonym : melody, harmony, (verb) adjust

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

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

microcredit

n. small loans, typically less than \$50,000, given to individuals or groups, particularly those who lack access

to traditional banking services, to start or expand small businesses or other income-generating activities

synonym : microfinance, microloan, small loan

(1) **microcredit** lender, (2) **microcredit** program

The government has established a **microcredit** scheme to stimulate entrepreneurship and create job opportunities.

innovation

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

synonym : invention, initiation, creation

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

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

inspiration

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

synonym : motivation, drive, encouragement

(1) source of **inspiration**, (2) get **inspiration** from nature

He found **inspiration** in the works of his favorite authors.

circulation

n. the movement of blood through the body or of a fluid through a system; the number of copies of a newspaper or magazine that are sold

synonym : flow, movement, dissemination

(1) lymphatic **circulation**, (2) **circulation** of money

The **circulation** of the magazine has been steadily declining.

workbench

n. a sturdy table or bench designed for carrying out manual work, particularly in a workshop or garage context

synonym : worktable, bench, desk

(1) **workbench** design, (2) wooden **workbench**

I must organize my tools on the **workbench** before starting my project.

reverse

v. to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or

moving toward the rear

synonym : overturn, shift, switch

(1) **reverse** the trend, (2) **reverse** the order

The restaurant **reversed** a ban on smoking.

engineer

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

synonym : architect, creator, builder

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

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

manual

adj. done by hand rather than by machine; (noun) a book of instructions, especially for operating a machine or learning a subject

synonym : by hand, (noun) handbook, (noun) tutorial

(1) car with **manual** transmissions, (2) look at the **manual**

This machine cuts metal by **manual** control.

hack

v. to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks

synonym : cut, chop, crack

(1) **hack** through the jungle, (2) **hack** into the program

This blog offers a variety of tips for **hacking** everyday life.

subscribe

v. to agree to receive or support something, often through payment or regular participation; to sign up for or enroll in something, such as a publication, service, or program

synonym : sign up, enroll, register

(1) **subscribe** to the service, (2) **subscribe** a petition

I want to **subscribe** to the newsletter to stay up-to-date on industry news.

institute

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

synonym : academy, university, college

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

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

churning

n. the process of mixing or stirring something vigorously, often to create a frothy or creamy texture; a state of upheaval or turbulence, often referring to the stock market or economy

synonym : agitation, turmoil, commotion

(1) butter **churning**, (2) **churning** emotions

The **churning** of the waves on the beach made it difficult to swim.

screwdriver

n. a tool used for turning screws, typically consisting of a handle and a metal rod with a flattened tip that fits into the slot on the head of a screw; a popular cocktail made with vodka and orange juice

synonym : screw, driver, wrench

(1) open the can with a **screwdriver**, (2) electric **screwdriver**

I need a flathead **screwdriver** to tighten the loose screws on this cabinet.

toothbrush

n. a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth

synonym : brush, scrubber, cleaner

(1) **toothbrush** stand, (2) power **toothbrush**

My **toothbrush** with end-rounded bristles is excellent for gently cleaning my teeth and gums.

potentially

adv. in a possible state or condition; possibly

synonym : likely, possibly, probably

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

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

distribute

v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

synonym : broadcast, disperse, hand out

(1) **distribute** wealth evenly, (2) **distribute** video content
His estate was **distributed** to his sons.

norm

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

synonym : criterion, mean, standard

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

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

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.

backstreet

adj. located in a less prominent or central area of a city or town, often associated with poorer or seedier neighborhoods or establishments

synonym : underground, illicit, shady

(1) **backstreet** bar, (2) **backstreet** deals

The concert was held on a **backstreet** stage, giving it a unique and intimate atmosphere.

fake

adj. not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit

synonym : affected, bogus, counterfeit

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

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

implication

n. something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something

synonym : suggestion, association, conclusion

(1) the **implication** in a crime, (2) the **implication** of a word

His poem has a very significant **implication**.

confidence

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

synonym: self-trust, certainty, belief

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

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

pants

n. an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs

synonym: trousers, breeches, slacks

(1) woolly **pants**, (2) pajama **pants**

I always wear **pants** when I go outside, even in the summer.

redistribute

v. to share something among people in a different way

synonym: rearrange, readjust, reconstruct

(1) **redistribute** income fairly, (2) **redistribute** data

The general **redistributed** the troops more strategically.

prioritize

v. to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things

synonym: rank, order, arrange

(1) **prioritize** tasks, (2) **prioritize** people over cars

The organization **prioritized** the needs of the community in its decision-making.

trivial

adj. of little value or importance

synonym: insignificant, minor, unimportant

(1) a **trivial** man, (2) for **trivial** reasons

The problem seemed **trivial** initially, but it became a significant issue.

numb

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

synonym: dazed, insensitive, emotionless

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

My left arm became **numb**.

shack

n. a small, often rundown dwelling or house, typically one that is poorly constructed or maintained

synonym : shanty, cabin, hut

(1) humble **shack**, (2) beach **shack**

The fisherman lived in a small **shack** by the lake.

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

synonym : character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

notion

n. a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts

synonym : idea, concept, belief

(1) **notion** of success, (2) vague **notion**

The **notion** of time travel has long fascinated scientists and fiction writers alike.

out-of-date

adj. no longer current or applicable; proceeding or produced in an older or previous time period and no longer considered fashionable, useful, or relevant

synonym : obsolete, outdated, old-fashioned

(1) **out-of-date** information, (2) **out-of-date** fashion

The technology used in this computer is **out-of-date** and needs an upgrade.

shifting

adj. constantly changing or moving

synonym : unfirm, shifty, fluctuating

(1) **shifting** balance, (2) continuously **shifting** landscape

Trends in the fashion industry are so **shifting** that it is challenging to keep up with them.

chai

n. a type of spiced tea originating from India, typically made with black tea, milk, and a variety of spices such as cinnamon, ginger, and cardamom

synonym : tea, masala tea, spiced tea

(1) spiced **chai**, (2) **chai** latte

I love to start my day off with a hot cup of **chai** tea.

background

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

synonym : ground, experience, backdrop

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

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

incredibly

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

synonym : enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

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

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

appreciation

n. the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time

synonym : recognition, admiration, esteem

(1) express my **appreciation**, (2) **appreciation** for diversity

The artist received a lot of **appreciation** for his latest work.

display

v. to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value

synonym : show, exhibit, present

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

We need to **display** our products in an attractive way to attract customers.

intertwine

v. to twist together or become twisted together

synonym : interweave, interlace, entwine

(1) **intertwine** thread, (2) **intertwine** story

The vines **intertwine** to form a thick canopy overhead.

dot

n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed

synonym : drop, dab, fleck

(1) connecting the **dots**, (2) **dot** blot method

The wallpaper had a pattern of pink **dots** on a white surface.

presentation

n. the act of formally introducing or displaying something to others; the manner in which something is presented or given visually, verbally, or otherwise

synonym : exhibition, display, speech

(1) **presentation** skills, (2) **presentation** slides

She gave a fantastic **presentation** at the conference and received a standing ovation.

consequence

n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

synonym : result, impact, outcome

(1) unintended **consequences**, (2) the **consequence** of an argument

These economic activities had disastrous environmental **consequences**.

summary

n. a brief statement that provides the critical aspects of something without going into depth

synonym : outline, digest, overview

(1) a **summary** execution, (2) a **summary** of the conclusions

A **summary** is at the end of the book.

immediacy

n. the quality of being immediate, close, or present; the sense of urgency or importance; the act of responding or attending to something promptly

synonym : urgency, importance, promptness

(1) **immediacy** of impact, (2) feel a sense of **immediacy**
The **immediacy** of the situation required quick action to be taken to prevent any further damage or harm.

benchmark

n. a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance

synonym: standard, measure, gauge

(1) industry **benchmark**, (2) performance **benchmark**

The teacher used a **benchmark** to measure the progress of her students.

embrace

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

synonym: grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**

The woods **embrace** the house.

adoption

n. the action or fact of legally taking another's child as one's own; the act of accepting with approval

synonym: fostering, acceptance, custody

(1) **adoption** assistance, (2) the **adoption** of a plan

The **adoption** process can be long and difficult, but it is worth it for the love of a child.

conceive

v. to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant

synonym: imagine, envision, concoct

(1) **conceive** of an idea, (2) **conceive** a child

I can't **conceive** he'd want to harm us.

population

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

synonym: people, inhabitants, folk

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

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

innovate

v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products

synonym: bring in, introduce, found

(1) **innovate** a new method, (2) **innovate** the quality of his life

Companies developing self-driving cars consistently

innovate the emerging technologies.

anticipate

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

synonym: forecast, predict, expect

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

We **anticipate** heavy snowfall tomorrow.

infuse

v. to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue

synonym: instill, fill, permeate

(1) **infuse** with spirit, (2) **infuse** life with meaning

She **infused** fresh herbs into the soup for added flavor.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

relevance

n. the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand

synonym: pertinence, applicability, connection

(1) have no **relevance**, (2) **relevance** category

The **relevance** of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.

Session 2: Spelling

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|------------------------------------|---|
| 1. unintended con_____ces | <i>n.</i> the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual |
| 2. com_____te well with my advisor | <i>v.</i> to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals |
| 3. hour of ent_____ent | <i>n.</i> public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people |
| 4. sp_____al leader | <i>adj.</i> relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things |
| 5. sus_____ce allowance | <i>n.</i> food and drink that living things need to nourish their body |
| 6. f__e police officer | <i>adj.</i> not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit |
| 7. me_____n name | <i>v.</i> to speak or write about something or someone briefly |
| 8. write el_____t sentences | <i>adj.</i> pleasing and graceful in appearance or manner, or showing good taste and refinement |
| 9. an ad_____le person | <i>adj.</i> able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations |
| 10. send a de_____te | <i>n.</i> a person sent or authorized to represent others, in particular, an elected representative sent to a conference; (verb) to transfer power to someone |

ANSWERS: 1. consequence, 2. communicate, 3. entertainment, 4. spiritual, 5. sustenance, 6. fake, 7. mention, 8. elegant, 9. adaptable, 10. delegate

11. industry be_____rk *n.* a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance
12. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
13. the com_____on of murder *n.* a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something
14. im_____cy of impact *n.* the quality of being immediate, close, or present; the sense of urgency or importance; the act of responding or attending to something promptly
15. sh_____ng balance *adj.* constantly changing or moving
16. have a st_____e job *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
17. fun_____al deafness *adj.* designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service
18. pr_____d card *adj.* referring to something that has already been paid for in advance; paid for before it is used or received

ANSWERS: 11. benchmark, 12. process, 13. commission, 14. immediacy, 15. shifting, 16. stable, 17. functional, 18. prepaid

19. es____te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
20. pr____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
21. ru__l accents *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
22. vague no____n *n.* a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts
23. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
24. int_____ne thread *v.* to twist together or become twisted together
25. red_____ute data *v.* to share something among people in a different way
26. id____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
27. di_____y merchandise *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
28. a su_____y execution *n.* a brief statement that provides the critical aspects of something without going into depth
29. the imp_____on of a word *n.* something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something

ANSWERS: 19. estimate, 20. probable, 21. rural, 22. notion, 23. background, 24. intertwine, 25. redistribute, 26. identify, 27. display, 28. summary, 29. implication

30. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist
v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
31. pr_____y abuse
n. someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
32. sop_____ted look
adj. having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
33. su_____al ability
n. the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
34. a criminal bac_____nd
n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
35. historical co_____t
n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
36. pa__e entertainment
adj. no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
37. tracking de___e
n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
38. em_____al health
adj. relating to people's feelings

ANSWERS: 30. communicate, 31. privacy, 32. sophisticated, 33. survival, 34. background, 35. context, 36. passe, 37. device, 38. emotional

45. inc_____gly become common	<i>adv.</i> more and more
46. not nec_____ly a problem	<i>adv.</i> in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
47. become ess_____ly same	<i>adv.</i> relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
48. pr_____le outcome	<i>adj.</i> likely to happen or likely to be true
49. on a qu__t for happiness	<i>n.</i> a long or challenging search for something
50. bit of good fo_____e	<i>n.</i> a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
51. dis_____te video content	<i>v.</i> to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
52. bo_____y harm	<i>adj.</i> relating to the body; physical or corporeal
53. im__y the presence of alien	<i>v.</i> to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
54. l_b instrument	<i>n.</i> a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
55. im__y a strong correlation	<i>v.</i> to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
56. pot_____ly lucrative	<i>adv.</i> in a possible state or condition; possibly
57. high ea___r tax	<i>n.</i> an individual who earns money through their work or employment
58. grant per_____on	<i>n.</i> consent or authorization given by someone in authority or by the owner of something, allowing someone to do something or allowing something to occur

ANSWERS: 45. increasingly, 46. necessarily, 47. essentially, 48. probable, 49. quest, 50. fortune, 51. distribute, 52. bodily, 53. imply, 54. lab, 55. imply, 56. potentially, 57. earner, 58. permission

59. tr_____rt facilities *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
60. pop_____on change *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
61. di_____e of a used product *v.* to put things or people in a particular manner or position; to incline someone towards a specific activity or mood; throw or cast away
62. red_____ute income fairly *v.* to share something among people in a different way
63. continuously sh_____ng landscape *adj.* constantly changing or moving
64. bac_____et deals *adj.* located in a less prominent or central area of a city or town, often associated with poorer or seedier neighborhoods or establishments
65. ref_____on question *n.* the act of thinking deeply about something, or the ability to think deeply; the image of something that is seen in a mirror or other reflective surface
66. ad_____on of vectors *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
67. anti-air raid sh_____r *n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
68. pr____r physics to chemistry *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another

ANSWERS: 59. transport, 60. population, 61. dispose, 62. redistribute, 63. shifting, 64. backstreet, 65. reflection, 66. addition, 67. shelter, 68. prefer

69. in___e life with meaning *v.* to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
70. su_____be a petition *v.* to agree to receive or support something, often through payment or regular participation; to sign up for or enroll in something, such as a publication, service, or program
71. sub_____ous behavior *adj.* relating to or concerning the part of the mind that is not fully conscious but still influences thoughts, feelings, and behavior
72. ant_____te your kind cooperation *v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance
73. outdoor ki__k *n.* a small, often freestanding structure or booth, typically used as a retail outlet or information center, particularly in a public space or high-traffic area
74. cir_____on of money *n.* the movement of blood through the body or of a fluid through a system; the number of copies of a newspaper or magazine that are sold
75. constant sp_____al striving *adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
76. open the can with a scr_____er *n.* a tool used for turning screws, typically consisting of a handle and a metal rod with a flattened tip that fits into the slot on the head of a screw; a popular cocktail made with vodka and orange juice

ANSWERS: 69. infuse, 70. subscribe, 71. subconscious, 72. anticipate, 73. kiosk, 74. circulation, 75. spiritual, 76. screwdriver

77. pa__e trend *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
78. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
79. t_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
80. the per_____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
81. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
82. wooden wo_____ch *n.* a sturdy table or bench designed for carrying out manual work, particularly in a workshop or garage context
83. in-s__u control *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
84. in_____te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
85. cultural sop_____ion *n.* the quality or state of having a great deal of worldly experience; the quality or state of being intellectually or culturally refined

ANSWERS: 77. passe, 78. degree, 79. tap, 80. perspective, 81. decision, 82. workbench, 83. situ, 84. institute, 85. sophistication

86. app_____te her feedback *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
87. de_____te a routine task *n.* a person sent or authorized to represent others, in particular, an elected representative sent to a conference; (verb) to transfer power to someone
88. a ce_____ar phone handset *adj.* of or connected with the cells of animals or plants; of or connected with a mobile telephone system that uses several short-range radio stations instead of wires
89. to____t seat *n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
90. re_____e the trend *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
91. in____e with spirit *v.* to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue
92. ant_____te a black future *v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance
93. information ki__k *n.* a small, often freestanding structure or booth, typically used as a retail outlet or information center, particularly in a public space or high-traffic area
94. bac_____et bar *adj.* located in a less prominent or central area of a city or town, often associated with poorer or seedier neighborhoods or establishments

ANSWERS: 86. appreciate, 87. delegate, 88. cellular, 89. toilet, 90. reverse, 91. infuse, 92. anticipate, 93. kiosk, 94. backstreet

95. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
96. out_____te information *adj.* no longer current or applicable; proceeding or produced in an older or previous time period and no longer considered fashionable, useful, or relevant
97. face inc_____gly complicated challenges *adv.* more and more
98. f_g tree *n.* a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow
99. a civil en_____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
100. photon ref_____on *n.* the act of thinking deeply about something, or the ability to think deeply; the image of something that is seen in a mirror or other reflective surface
101. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
102. ill fo_____e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
103. su_____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
104. spe_____ze in market research *v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
105. con_____ce goods *n.* the state of being suitable or opportune

ANSWERS: 95. conversation, 96. out-of-date, 97. increasingly, 98. fig, 99. engineer, 100. reflection, 101. incredibly, 102. fortune, 103. survive, 104. specialize, 105. convenience

106. ge___r-blind policies *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
107. tr_____nd boundaries *v.* to rise above or go beyond the limits of something
108. computer-ill_____te *adj.* unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing
109. the ad_____on of a plan *n.* the action or fact of legally taking another's child as one's own; the act of accepting with approval
110. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
111. immune fu_____on *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
112. a c__e to the diagnosis *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery

ANSWERS: 106. gender, 107. transcend, 108. illiterate, 109. adoption, 110. innovation, 111. function, 112. clue

113. int_____ne story *v.* to twist together or become twisted together
114. f__t accomplishment *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
115. f_g marigold *n.* a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow
116. inf_____ure cost *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
117. built-up m__t *n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails
118. h__k into the program *v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
119. ad__t fully to the environment *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
120. su_____al food *n.* the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
121. out_____te fashion *adj.* no longer current or applicable; proceeding or produced in an older or previous time period and no longer considered fashionable, useful, or relevant
122. dis_____te wealth evenly *v.* to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

ANSWERS: 113. intertwine, 114. feat, 115. fig, 116. infrastructure, 117. mast, 118. hack, 119. adapt, 120. survival, 121. out-of-date, 122. distribute

123. on his own be ___f *n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone
124. the t__e of a song *n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
125. t__e a piano *n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
126. per_____on for permanent residence *n.* consent or authorization given by someone in authority or by the owner of something, allowing someone to do something or allowing something to occur
127. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
128. su_____e a plane crash *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
129. principles of un_____al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
130. pr___r a window seat *v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
131. hi_____hy of folders *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest

ANSWERS: 123. behalf, 124. tune, 125. tune, 126. permission, 127. process, 128. survive, 129. universal, 130. prefer, 131. hierarchy

132. ob____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
133. re_____ce category *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
134. pri_____ze tasks *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
135. di_____e battleships for a battle *v.* to put things or people in a particular manner or position; to incline someone towards a specific activity or mood; throw or cast away
136. h__k through the jungle *v.* to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
137. mic_____it program *n.* small loans, typically less than \$50,000, given to individuals or groups, particularly those who lack access to traditional banking services, to start or expand small businesses or other income-generating activities
138. express my app_____ion *n.* the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time
139. app_____te the value *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
140. no___n of success *n.* a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts

ANSWERS: 132. obvious, 133. relevance, 134. prioritize, 135. dispose, 136. hack, 137. microcredit, 138. appreciation, 139. appreciate, 140. notion

141. c__t members *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
142. su_____be to the service *v.* to agree to receive or support something, often through payment or regular participation; to sign up for or enroll in something, such as a publication, service, or program
143. ap_____nt contradiction *adj.* able to see or understand easily or clearly
144. linguistic sop_____ion *n.* the quality or state of having a great deal of worldly experience; the quality or state of being intellectually or culturally refined
145. bl__t force *adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive
146. power too_____sh *n.* a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth
147. achieve a vi___e relationship *adj.* capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
148. mistaken id_____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
149. bl__t criticism *adj.* having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive

ANSWERS: 141. cult, 142. subscribe, 143. apparent, 144. sophistication, 145. blunt, 146. toothbrush, 147. viable, 148. identity, 149. blunt

150. beach sh__k *n.* a small, often rundown dwelling or house, typically one that is poorly constructed or maintained
151. increase in the minimum w__e *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
152. boost my con_____ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
153. driving di_____ce *n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
154. d_t blot method *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
155. com_____on appointed by the government *n.* a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something
156. save the pl____t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
157. the qu__t for truth *n.* a long or challenging search for something
158. unpaid w__es *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

ANSWERS: 150. shack, 151. wage, 152. confidence, 153. distance, 154. dot, 155. commission, 156. planet, 157. quest, 158. wage

159. butter ch_____ng *n.* the process of mixing or stirring something vigorously, often to create a frothy or creamy texture; a state of upheaval or turbulence, often referring to the stock market or economy
160. top of the hi_____hy *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
161. rud_____ry understanding *adj.* relating to basic facts or principles; fundamental
162. preserve my gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
163. mic_____it lender *n.* small loans, typically less than \$50,000, given to individuals or groups, particularly those who lack access to traditional banking services, to start or expand small businesses or other income-generating activities
164. es_____te a fair value *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
165. performance be_____rk *n.* a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance
166. fa_____y accurate *adv.* to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
167. a rud_____ry plant *adj.* relating to basic facts or principles; fundamental

ANSWERS: 159. churning, 160. hierarchy, 161. rudimentary, 162. gravity, 163. microcredit, 164. estimate, 165. benchmark, 166. fairly, 167. rudimentary

168. develop a st____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
169. a sop_____ted lifestyle *adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
170. gu_____ee a high quality *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
171. look at the ma____l *adj.* done by hand rather than by machine; (noun) a book of instructions, especially for operating a machine or learning a subject
172. pre_____ion slides *n.* the act of formally introducing or displaying something to others; the manner in which something is presented or given visually, verbally, or otherwise
173. op_____or error *n.* a person who uses and controls machinery or equipment; a mathematical symbol used to perform calculations
174. a tr____l man *adj.* of little value or importance
175. gu_____ee women equality *v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met
176. el_____t design *adj.* pleasing and graceful in appearance or manner, or showing good taste and refinement

ANSWERS: 168. strategy, 169. sophisticated, 170. guarantee, 171. manual, 172. presentation, 173. operator, 174. trivial, 175. guarantee, 176. elegant

177. con_____ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
178. majority of his we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
179. co_____us effort *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
180. a bu__h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
181. access to public tr_____rt *n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
182. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
183. ch_____ng emotions *n.* the process of mixing or stirring something vigorously, often to create a frothy or creamy texture; a state of upheaval or turbulence, often referring to the stock market or economy
184. an elevator op_____or *n.* a person who uses and controls machinery or equipment; a mathematical symbol used to perform calculations
185. people in ru__l areas *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
186. id_____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

ANSWERS: 177. confidence, 178. wealth, 179. conscious, 180. bunch, 181. transport, 182. emotional, 183. churning, 184. operator, 185. rural, 186. identity

187. nec_____ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
188. the attraction of gr_____y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
189. lymphatic cir_____on *n.* the movement of blood through the body or of a fluid through a system; the number of copies of a newspaper or magazine that are sold
190. medical l_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
191. a c__e about the crime *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
192. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
193. trespass on a person's pr_____y *n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
194. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
195. for con_____ce sake *n.* the state of being suitable or opportune
196. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
197. con_____nt way *adj.* useful, helpful, or quick to do
198. scanty sus_____ce *n.* food and drink that living things need to nourish their body

ANSWERS: 187. necessarily, 188. gravity, 189. circulation, 190. lab, 191. clue, 192. absolutely, 193. privacy, 194. obvious, 195. convenience, 196. consequence, 197. convenient, 198. sustenance

199. de_____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
200. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
201. pas_____te kiss *adj.* showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
202. ex-s__u conservation *adj.* short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
203. heir ap_____nt *adj.* able to see or understand easily or clearly
204. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
205. pot_____ly affected *adv.* in a possible state or condition; possibly
206. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
207. labor pop_____on *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
208. a warm em_____e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
209. t_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

ANSWERS: 199. decision, 200. perspective, 201. passionate, 202. situ, 203. apparent, 204. norm, 205. potentially, 206. identify, 207. population, 208. embrace, 209. tap

210. sub_____ous influence *adj.* relating to or concerning the part of the mind that is not fully conscious but still influences thoughts, feelings, and behavior
211. chemical ad_____on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
212. bo____y functions *adj.* relating to the body; physical or corporeal
213. po____l delivery *adj.* relating to or involving the package or mail delivery; referring to an individual or situation involving the postal service
214. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
215. in_____te the quality of his life *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
216. ess_____ly correct *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
217. re_____r approval ratings *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
218. re_____e the order *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
219. st__k from the room *v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework

ANSWERS: 210. subconscious, 211. addition, 212. bodily, 213. postal, 214. context, 215. innovate, 216. essentially, 217. recover, 218. reverse, 219. stalk

220. self-employed ea___r *n.* an individual who earns money through their work or employment
221. military st____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
222. in st___e condition *adj.* firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
223. co____ve a child *v.* to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant
224. em____e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
225. spread of f__e news *adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
226. a bu__h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
227. con_____nt location *adj.* useful, helpful, or quick to do
228. an elegant ent_____ent *n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people
229. bachelor's de___e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
230. pr____d plan *adj.* referring to something that has already been paid for in advance; paid for before it is used or received
231. abs____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

ANSWERS: 220. earner, 221. strategy, 222. stable, 223. conceive, 224. embrace, 225. fake, 226. bunch, 227. convenient, 228. entertainment, 229. degree, 230. prepaid, 231. absolutely

232. spiced c__i *n.* a type of spiced tea originating from India, typically made with black tea, milk, and a variety of spices such as cinnamon, ginger, and cardamom
233. electronic de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
234. material we___h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
235. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
236. terrestrial gra_____on *n.* the force by which a celestial body, such as the Earth, pulls objects toward its center; the attraction between two or more objects due to their mass
237. po___l worker *adj.* relating to or involving the package or mail delivery; referring to an individual or situation involving the postal service
238. electric scr_____er *n.* a tool used for turning screws, typically consisting of a handle and a metal rod with a flattened tip that fits into the slot on the head of a screw; a popular cocktail made with vodka and orange juice
239. source of ins_____on *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

ANSWERS: 232. chai, 233. device, 234. wealth, 235. mention, 236. gravitation, 237. postal, 238. screwdriver, 239. inspiration

240. un_____al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
241. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
242. ill_____te population *adj.* unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing
243. pas_____te speech *adj.* showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
244. digital con_____ity *n.* the state or quality of being connected or interconnected; the ability of devices, systems, or networks to communicate with and exchange information with each other
245. field of fun_____al medicine *adj.* designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service
246. spe_____ze in child care *v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
247. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
248. car with ma____l transmissions *adj.* done by hand rather than by machine; (noun) a book of instructions, especially for operating a machine or learning a subject

ANSWERS: 240. universal, 241. conversation, 242. illiterate, 243. passionate, 244. connectivity, 245. functional, 246. specialize, 247. engineer, 248. manual

249. ad_____le enough for the environment *adj.* able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations
250. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
251. intellectual f__t *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
252. ad_____on assistance *n.* the action or fact of legally taking another's child as one's own; the act of accepting with approval
253. on be___f of our management *n.* represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone
254. connecting the d_ts *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
255. wo_____ch design *n.* a sturdy table or bench designed for carrying out manual work, particularly in a workshop or garage context
256. n__b with cold *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
257. feel a sense of im_____cy *n.* the quality of being immediate, close, or present; the sense of urgency or importance; the act of responding or attending to something promptly
258. have no re_____ce *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
259. re_____r a loss *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

ANSWERS: 249. adaptable, 250. innovation, 251. feat, 252. adoption, 253. behalf, 254. dot, 255. workbench, 256. numb, 257. immediacy, 258. relevance, 259. recover

260. for tr____l reasons *adj.* of little value or importance
261. m__t height *n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails
262. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
263. a n__b mind *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
264. c__i latte *n.* a type of spiced tea originating from India, typically made with black tea, milk, and a variety of spices such as cinnamon, ginger, and cardamom
265. co_____us of having succeeded *adj.* being aware of and able to respond to what is happening around you
266. global con_____ity *n.* the state or quality of being connected or interconnected; the ability of devices, systems, or networks to communicate with and exchange information with each other
267. to____t paper *n.* a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture
268. dual ge____r *n.* the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology

ANSWERS: 260. trivial, 261. mast, 262. incredibly, 263. numb, 264. chai, 265. conscious, 266. connectivity, 267. toilet, 268. gender

269. universal gra_____on *n.* the force by which a celestial body, such as the Earth, pulls objects toward its center; the attraction between two or more objects due to their mass
270. woolly pa__s *n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
271. co_____ve of an idea *v.* to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant
272. app_____ion for diversity *n.* the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time
273. in_____te a new method *v.* to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
274. get ins_____on from nature *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
275. rainproof sh_____r *n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger
276. di_____y artwork *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
277. ce_____ar and molecular biology *adj.* of or connected with the cells of animals or plants; of or connected with a mobile telephone system that uses several short-range radio stations instead of wires

ANSWERS: 269. gravitation, 270. pants, 271. conceive, 272. appreciation, 273. innovate, 274. inspiration, 275. shelter, 276. display, 277. cellular

278. tr_____nd limits *v.* to rise above or go beyond the limits of something
279. pajama pa__s *n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
280. research in_____tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
281. too_____sh stand *n.* a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth
282. humble sh__k *n.* a small, often rundown dwelling or house, typically one that is poorly constructed or maintained
283. on___r interview *adj.* relating to or occurring during a live broadcast on radio or television; being broadcast
284. ad__t as needed *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
285. develop a vi___e therapy *adj.* capable of being done as intended; able to succeed
286. on___r personality *adj.* relating to or occurring during a live broadcast on radio or television; being broadcast
287. st__k of celery *v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework

ANSWERS: 278. transcend, 279. pants, 280. institute, 281. toothbrush, 282. shack, 283. on-air, 284. adapt, 285. viable, 286. on-air, 287. stalk

288. pri_____ze people over cars *v.* to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things
289. a su_____y of the conclusions *n.* a brief statement that provides the critical aspects of something without going into depth
290. co_____t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
291. pre_____ion skills *n.* the act of formally introducing or displaying something to others; the manner in which something is presented or given visually, verbally, or otherwise
292. the imp_____on in a crime *n.* something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something
293. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
294. co_____t a background check *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity

ANSWERS: 288. prioritize, 289. summary, 290. conduct, 291. presentation, 292. implication, 293. norm, 294. conduct

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ of the machine must follow strict safety protocols.
n. a person who uses and controls machinery or equipment; a mathematical symbol used to perform calculations
2. The organization assisted in the de-escalation of _____ violent situations.
adv. in a possible state or condition; possibly
3. I always carry a backup _____ in case my phone runs out of battery.
n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
4. The _____ of the waves on the beach made it difficult to swim.
n. the process of mixing or stirring something vigorously, often to create a frothy or creamy texture; a state of upheaval or turbulence, often referring to the stock market or economy
5. He deals _____ with his employees.
adv. to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
6. I love to start my day off with a hot cup of _____ tea.
n. a type of spiced tea originating from India, typically made with black tea, milk, and a variety of spices such as cinnamon, ginger, and cardamom
7. The concert was held on a _____ stage, giving it a unique and intimate atmosphere.
adj. located in a less prominent or central area of a city or town, often associated with poorer or seedier neighborhoods or establishments

ANSWERS: 1. operator, 2. potentially, 3. device, 4. churning, 5. fairly, 6. chai, 7. backstreet

8. The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's _____.
- n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
9. The vines _____ to form a thick canopy overhead.
- v.* to twist together or become twisted together
10. She gets a _____ on each contract.
- n.* a formal instruction, command, or request given to a person or group; an official group of people entrusted by a government or other official body to control or enforce something
11. The restaurant has chefs who _____ in beef.
- v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
12. Marketing strategies are growing more _____.
- adj.* having a great deal of worldly experience and knowledge of people's behavior, culture, and fashion
13. This conduct would be an invasion of _____.
- n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
14. The _____ of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.
- n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand

ANSWERS: 8. function, 9. intertwine, 10. commission, 11. specialize, 12. sophisticated, 13. privacy, 14. relevance

15. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.
n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
16. The mobile phone was still _____ even after being dropped.
adj. designed for or capable of a particular activity, purpose, or task; practical or ready for use or service
17. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.
n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
18. The fisherman lived in a small _____ by the lake.
n. a small, often rundown dwelling or house, typically one that is poorly constructed or maintained
19. Melanoma in _____ is considered the earliest stage of melanoma and has a high cure rate with appropriate treatment.
adj. short for "situated," meaning located or placed in a particular position or circumstance
20. This machine cuts metal by _____ control.
adj. done by hand rather than by machine; (noun) a book of instructions, especially for operating a machine or learning a subject
21. That adventurer traveled in _____ of buried treasure.
n. a long or challenging search for something
22. This factory employs a _____ manufacturing system.
adj. of or connected with the cells of animals or plants; of or connected with a mobile telephone system that uses several short-range radio stations instead of wires

ANSWERS: 15. engineer, 16. functional, 17. identity, 18. shack, 19. situ, 20. manual, 21. quest, 22. cellular

23. The _____ process can be long and difficult, but it is worth it for the love of a child.
- n.* the action or fact of legally taking another's child as one's own; the act of accepting with approval
24. A _____ is at the end of the book.
- n.* a brief statement that provides the critical aspects of something without going into depth
25. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.
- n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
26. The hunter quietly _____ the deer for hours before taking the shot
- v.* to follow or track someone or something closely and quietly, usually to cause harm or surveillance; to move slowly and quietly to avoid detection; (noun) the main stem of a plant that supports leaves, flowers, and fruit; the stem or main axis of a support structure or framework
27. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's _____.
- n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
28. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.
- n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
29. The _____ of time travel has long fascinated scientists and fiction writers alike.
- n.* a general idea or understanding of something, particularly an abstract or complex concept; a belief or opinion, often one that is not based on solid evidence or facts
30. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
- v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

ANSWERS: 23. adoption, 24. summary, 25. bunch, 26. stalked, 27. lab, 28. consequences, 29. notion, 30. identify

31. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
- n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
32. We _____ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.
- v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
33. I advised him to _____ to his new surroundings.
- v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
34. The birds _____ open water areas with reeds around them.
- v.* to like, choose, or want one thing or person better than another
35. I need a flathead _____ to tighten the loose screws on this cabinet.
- n.* a tool used for turning screws, typically consisting of a handle and a metal rod with a flattened tip that fits into the slot on the head of a screw; a popular cocktail made with vodka and orange juice
36. In just four years, the _____ has doubled.
- n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
37. Many _____ areas are still impoverished.
- adj.* of or relating to the countryside
38. I asked my boss for _____ to leave early for a doctor's appointment.
- n.* consent or authorization given by someone in authority or by the owner of something, allowing someone to do something or allowing something to occur

ANSWERS: 31. process, 32. estimated, 33. adapt, 34. prefer, 35. screwdriver, 36. population, 37. rural, 38. permission

39. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

adj. relating to people's feelings

40. The organization _____ the needs of the community in its decision-making.

v. to assign a higher level of importance to something compared to other things

41. He became _____ that he was being followed.

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

42. The _____ of the magazine has been steadily declining.

n. the movement of blood through the body or of a fluid through a system; the number of copies of a newspaper or magazine that are sold

43. She walked to the _____ to freshen up before the meeting.

n. a bowl-shaped plumbing fixture with a seat for defecation and urination, or a room or building containing one or more of this fixture

44. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.

n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

45. I always wear _____ when I go outside, even in the summer.

n. an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs

46. We seek a candidate who possesses _____ fighting potential.

adj. able or willing to modify or be modified to deal with new situations

ANSWERS: 39. emotional, 40. prioritized, 41. conscious, 42. circulation, 43. toilet, 44. infrastructure, 45. pants, 46. adaptable

47. We cannot _____ enough raw material sources.

- v.* to promise something will happen formally, especially that certain conditions about a product, service, or transaction would be met

48. He ate the dried _____ he had preserved.

- n.* a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow

49. The _____ service delivers mail to your doorstep every day.

- adj.* relating to or involving the package or mail delivery; referring to an individual or situation involving the postal service

50. The picture earned near-_____ acclaim from critics.

- adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

51. This region has many _____ offering higher education.

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

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

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

53. Trends in the fashion industry are so _____ that it is challenging to keep up with them.

- adj.* constantly changing or moving

54. She is still _____ from a shot to her shoulder.

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

ANSWERS: 47. guarantee, 48. figs, 49. postal, 50. universal, 51. institutes, 52. norms, 53. shifting, 54. recovering

55. I must organize my tools on the _____ before starting my project.
n. a sturdy table or bench designed for carrying out manual work, particularly in a workshop or garage context
56. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
adj. easy to see, discover or understand
57. She has taken a step up in the organizational _____.
n. a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
58. The _____ leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.
n. a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
59. My left arm became _____.
adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
60. 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
61. We would _____ an early reply.
v. to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
62. His poem has a very significant _____.
n. something that is inferred or indirectly stated; the act or fact of being involved in something

ANSWERS: 55. workbench, 56. obvious, 57. hierarchy, 58. cult, 59. numb, 60. mentioned, 61. appreciate, 62. implication

63. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.
adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
64. The main cabin is located in front of the _____.
n. a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails
65. The band played a beautiful _____ on their instruments.
n. a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
66. His estate was _____ to his sons.
v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something
67. Enhanced rail _____ is crucial for our business.
n. a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
68. His _____ continued to rise as his skills improved.
n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
69. Cultural norms strongly influence _____ expectations.
n. the range of characteristics of femininity and masculinity and differentiating between them, especially when considering social and cultural differences rather than differences in biology
70. The meditation class was focused on finding inner peace and cultivating a more _____ connection with the universe.
adj. relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things

ANSWERS: 63. incredibly, 64. mast, 65. tune, 66. distributed, 67. transportation, 68. wages, 69. gender, 70. spiritual

71. The problem seemed _____ initially, but it became a significant issue.
adj. of little value or importance
72. The artist received a lot of _____ for his latest work.
n. the act of recognizing and valuing the worth or importance of something or someone; gratitude or thankfulness; an increase in value over time
73. The teacher asked the students to write a _____ on the book they had just read.
n. the act of thinking deeply about something, or the ability to think deeply; the image of something that is seen in a mirror or other reflective surface
74. Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal _____.
n. a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
75. The woods _____ the house.
v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
76. Generally speaking, the child is innately _____ to learn a language.
v. to put things or people in a particular manner or position; to incline someone towards a specific activity or mood; throw or cast away
77. He evaluated his chances for _____ rather pessimistically.
n. the state of continuing to exist or live, frequently in the face of difficulty or danger
78. The radio host was nervous about going _____ for the first time.
adj. relating to or occurring during a live broadcast on radio or television; being broadcast

ANSWERS: 71. trivial, 72. appreciation, 73. reflection, 74. fortune, 75. embrace, 76. disposed, 77. survival, 78. on-air

79. I bought a _____ cell phone because I didn't want to be tied to a contract.
adj. referring to something that has already been paid for in advance; paid for before it is used or received
80. The salespeople speak in technical terms to _____ that they are more knowledgeable than the customer.
v. to indicate the truth or existence of something without referring to it
81. The teacher used a _____ to measure the progress of her students.
n. a standard or reference point used for comparison or evaluation; a point of reference for measuring progress or performance
82. Their _____ argument lasted for hours, neither willing to back down.
adj. showing intense emotion or strong feeling; characterized by great enthusiasm or zeal; deeply committed to a cause or belief
83. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.
n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
84. He suffered from _____ injuries after the car accident.
adj. relating to the body; physical or corporeal
85. The police couldn't find a _____ to her whereabouts.
n. an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
86. We need to _____ our products in an attractive way to attract customers.
v. to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value

ANSWERS: 79. prepaid, 80. imply, 81. benchmark, 82. passionate, 83. strategy, 84. bodily, 85. clue, 86. display

87. She wore an _____ evening gown to the gala.

adj. pleasing and graceful in appearance or manner, or showing good taste and refinement

88. Male gorillas with good drumming skills are more _____.

adj. capable of being done as intended; able to succeed

89. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

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

90. I ordered some snacks at the _____ before boarding my flight.

n. a small, often freestanding structure or booth, typically used as a retail outlet or information center, particularly in a public space or high-traffic area

91. To expand the company, we must ____ new human resources.

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

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

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

93. He found _____ in the works of his favorite authors.

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

94. I want to _____ to the newsletter to stay up-to-date on industry news.

v. to agree to receive or support something, often through payment or regular participation; to sign up for or enroll in something, such as a publication, service, or program

ANSWERS: 87. elegant, 88. viable, 89. innovation, 90. kiosk, 91. tap, 92. absolutely, 93. inspiration, 94. subscribe

95. They need food and _____.

- n.* a structure built to protect from poor weather, danger, or attack; (verb) to protect or shield from harm or adversity, particularly relating to environmental conditions or danger

96. This star is _____ to the naked eye.

- adj.* able to see or understand easily or clearly

97. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

98. He has only a _____ knowledge of this topic.

- adj.* relating to basic facts or principles; fundamental

99. I can't _____ he'd want to harm us.

- v.* to have or develop an idea, a plan, etc. in mind; to become pregnant

100. The new technology added a level of _____ to the manufacturing process.

- n.* the quality or state of having a great deal of worldly experience; the quality or state of being intellectually or culturally refined

101. This accident was something that happened _____.

- adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

102. Bell-bottom jeans, once considered _____ fashion, have made a surprising comeback in recent years.

- adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date

ANSWERS: 95. shelter, 96. apparent, 97. conversation, 98. rudimentary, 99. conceive, 100. sophistication, 101. necessarily, 102. passe

103. My _____ with end-rounded bristles is excellent for gently cleaning my teeth and gums.
- n.* a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth
104. The _____ from the small country was not allowed to speak at the meeting.
- n.* a person sent or authorized to represent others, in particular, an elected representative sent to a conference; (verb) to transfer power to someone
105. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.
- n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
106. As a full-time _____ I must work hard to support my family.
- n.* an individual who earns money through their work or employment
107. The hotel offers high-speed internet _____ for all its guests.
- n.* the state or quality of being connected or interconnected; the ability of devices, systems, or networks to communicate with and exchange information with each other
108. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
- n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
109. The hotel is famous for its _____ including the casino.
- n.* public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people
110. The government has established a _____ scheme to stimulate entrepreneurship and create job opportunities.
- n.* small loans, typically less than \$50,000, given to individuals or groups, particularly those who lack access to traditional banking services, to start or expand small businesses or other income-generating activities

ANSWERS: 103. toothbrush, 104. delegate, 105. degree, 106. earner, 107. connectivity, 108. decision, 109. entertainment, 110. microcredit

111. She _____ fresh herbs into the soup for added flavor.

v. to fill something with a particular quality, feeling, or influence; to imbue

112. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

113. _____ a society is an organism.

adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything

114. The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of _____.

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

115. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

116. The restaurant _____ a ban on smoking.

v. to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

117. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.

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

118. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.

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

ANSWERS: 111. infused, 112. perspective, 113. Essentially, 114. gravity, 115. survive, 116. reversed, 117. addition, 118. communicate

119. The music _____ cultural barriers and reached audiences globally.
v. to rise above or go beyond the limits of something
120. The _____ knife made it difficult to cut through the tough steak.
adj. having a dull or rounded edge or point; not sharp; straightforward in speech or manner, often to the point of being rude or insensitive
121. The airport offers five _____ access routes.
adj. useful, helpful, or quick to do
122. I gave witness on her _____.
n. represent; advantage, benefit, the interest of someone
123. This blog offers a variety of tips for _____ everyday life.
v. to hit and cut somebody or something roughly and violently; to find a bug in a computer program and break into their systems or networks
124. Companies developing self-driving cars consistently _____ the emerging technologies.
v. to introduce new methods, ideas, or products
125. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
126. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.
n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns

ANSWERS: 119. transcended, 120. blunt, 121. convenient, 122. behalf, 123. hacking, 124. innovate, 125. context, 126. wealth

127. The _____ of the situation required quick action to be taken to prevent any further damage or harm.
- n.* the quality of being immediate, close, or present; the sense of urgency or importance; the act of responding or attending to something promptly
128. The force of _____ keeps the planets in our solar system in orbit around the sun.
- n.* the force by which a celestial body, such as the Earth, pulls objects toward its center; the attraction between two or more objects due to their mass
129. The prime minister was not well prepared for the debate and _____ it
- adj.* not genuine; fraudulent or counterfeit
130. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's _____.
- n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
131. It seems _____ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.
- adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
132. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.
- n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
133. The general _____ the troops more strategically.
- v.* to share something among people in a different way
134. She gave a fantastic _____ at the conference and received a standing ovation.
- n.* the act of formally introducing or displaying something to others; the manner in which something is presented or given visually, verbally, or otherwise

ANSWERS: 127. immediacy, 128. gravitation, 129. faked, 130. background, 131. probable, 132. planet, 133. redistributed, 134. presentation

135. Police will _____ random breath testing for drunk driving.
v. to organize and carry out a particular activity
136. Despite attending school, he remained _____ and unable to read or write.
adj. unable to read or write; lacking basic education and knowledge in reading and writing
137. The marathon runner covered a long _____ in a short amount of time.
n. the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
138. The _____ mind is said to hold our deepest desires and fears.
adj. relating to or concerning the part of the mind that is not fully conscious but still influences thoughts, feelings, and behavior
139. Our company found it _____ difficult to keep up with the competition.
adv. more and more
140. They offered the _____ of an installment plan.
n. the state of being suitable or opportune
141. Skill and _____ are an unconquered army.
n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
142. Relations between the two countries have been relatively _____ due to the summit meeting.
adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed

ANSWERS: 135. conduct, 136. illiterate, 137. distance, 138. subconscious, 139. increasingly, 140. convenience, 141. confidence, 142. stable

143. A regular job is often a spiritual _____.

n. food and drink that living things need to nourish their body

144. We _____ heavy snowfall tomorrow.

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

145. The wallpaper had a pattern of pink _____ on a white surface.

n. a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed

146. It is an incredible _____ to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

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

147. The technology used in this computer is _____ and needs an upgrade.

adj. no longer current or applicable; proceeding or produced in an older or previous time period and no longer considered fashionable, useful, or relevant

ANSWERS: 143. sustenance, 144. anticipate, 145. dots, 146. feat, 147. out-of-date