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Session 1: Word List

chain

n. a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

synonym: series, string, link

(1) **chain** reaction, (2) supply **chain**

The **chain** on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.

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.

marine

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

synonym: sea-dwelling, maritime, aquatic

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

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

biology

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

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

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

class.

fantastic

adj. extremely good; excellent

synonym : incredible, unbelievable, marvelous

(1) a **fantastic** dress, (2) absolutely **fantastic** event

The new amusement park ride was **fantastic**, with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.

coral

n. a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry

(1) **coral** island, (2) **coral** ornament

She is wearing a **coral** necklace.

reef

n. a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

(1) barrier **reef**, (2) coral **reefs**

The vessel ran aground on a **reef**.

dive

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

synonym : dip, leap, plunge

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

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

snorkel

n. a tube-like device used for breathing underwater, with one end in the mouth and the other above the surface of the water

synonym : tube, breather

(1) **snorkel** gear, (2) scuba **snorkel**

The **snorkel** rental shop provided us with a map of the nearby snorkel sites.

investigate

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

synonym : examine, analyze, look into

(1) **investigate** the matter, (2) **investigate** a data leak
The committee **investigated** several apparent inconsistencies.

whale

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

synonym: porpoise, giant

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

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

dolphin

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

synonym: porpoise, cetacean, marine mammal

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

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

monsoon

n. a seasonal wind system that brings heavy rainfall to a region, typically occurring in tropical areas

synonym: rainy season, deluge, downpour

(1) **monsoon** season, (2) **monsoon** current

The **monsoon** rains often bring relief to areas suffering from drought.

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.

replace

v. to take the place of something

synonym: substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone
Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

moisture

n. small amounts of liquid, especially water, that are present in or absorbed by a substance

synonym: dampness, humidity, wetness

(1) **moisture** level, (2) lot of **moisture**

My hair looks greasy because there is too much **moisture** in the air.

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.

fashion

n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

synonym: style, manner, fad

(1) go out of **fashion**, (2) new **fashion** trends

That style is no longer in **fashion**.

naturalism

n. a philosophical belief that everything, including human behavior and cognition, can be explained solely by natural causes and laws

(1) **naturalism** in literature, (2) philosophical **naturalism**

The scientific method is often seen as an embodiment of **naturalism**, as it seeks to understand the natural world through observation and experimentation.

suppose

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

synonym: guess, assume, presume

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

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

dragonfly

n. a slender-bodied non-stinging insect having two pairs of large transparent wings that are outspread at rest

(1) **dragonfly** passing over the water, (2) **dragonfly** larva

I caught a rare **dragonfly** in the mountains.

oriental

adj. relating to Asia or the eastern part of the world; specifically associated with the cultural, artistic, and architectural traditions of Asia

synonym : Eastern, Asian, far eastern

(1) **oriental** philosophy, (2) **oriental** culture

The **oriental** cuisine at this restaurant is delicious.

scarlet

n. a bright red color; a vivid, deep, or intense red

synonym : crimson, ruby, vermilion

(1) **scarlet** petals, (2) **scarlet** lipstick

She wore a **scarlet** dress to the party, making her stand out in the crowd.

breed

v. to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner

synonym : raise, multiply, reproduce

(1) **breed** horses, (2) **breed** suspicion

This animal **breeds** in northern latitudes.

larva

n. the immature free-living form of insect or an animal, which at hatching from the egg, is fundamentally unlike its parent and must metamorphose

synonym : caterpillar, grub, maggot

(1) **larva** of a butterfly, (2) a moth **larva**

The butterfly emerged from its **larva** stage.

hatch

v. to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage

synonym : incubate, breed, produce

(1) **hatch** a plan, (2) **hatch** a baby chick

The eggs began to **hatch**, and the small chicks emerged.

mosquito

n. a small flying insect whose female bites people and animals and sucks their blood, and sometimes transmits serious diseases such as malaria

synonym : insect, bug, flea

(1) **mosquito** bite, (2) **mosquito** repellent

A stagnant water area are breeding ground for **mosquitos**.

typical

adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

synonym : characteristic, usual, distinctive

(1) **typical** leader, (2) fairly **typical** symptoms

This artwork is **typical** of her work.

variation

n. the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said

synonym : fluctuation, change, variance

(1) **variation** of temperature, (2) gene **variation**

There is a lot of **variation** in the colors of flowers in the garden.

cycle

n. an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle

synonym : revolution, rotation, bike

(1) the **cycle** of the seasons, (2) go to the workplace by **cycle**

The food chain causes a material **cycle**.

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.

freshwater

adj. living in, found in, or connecting with water that does not contain salt

(1) **freshwater** area, (2) **freshwater** aquatic bird

This microbe is a parasite of **freshwater** fish.

flier

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

synonym : aeronaut, pamphlet, handbill

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

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

exception

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

synonym : anomaly, rarity, exemption

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

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

globe

n. the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness

synonym : Earth, world, sphere

(1) terrestrial **globe**, (2) around the **globe**

His final goal is to sail around the **globe**.

skim

v. to read something quickly to get a general idea of its contents; to remove any unwanted or unnecessary material from the surface of a liquid; to glide smoothly or briefly over a surface

synonym : glance, scan, skitter

(1) **skim** off the top, (2) **skim** the surface of the water

I like to **skim** the newspaper headlines in the morning to catch up on the news.

wander

v. to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction

synonym : ramble, roam, stroll

(1) **wander** alone in a strange country, (2) **wander** far from home

I often **wander** around the park for half an hour.

glider

n. a light aircraft or small, unpowered plane that is designed to glide and soar through the air using natural

winds and or thermal currents

synonym : sailplane, soaring bird

(1) **glider** club, (2) paper- **glider**

The hang- **glider** enthusiast looked at the clear skies, anticipating a perfect day to take flight.

tropical

adj. originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics

synonym : equatorial, tropic

(1) **tropical** cyclones, (2) **tropical** islands

Tropical storm Marco is making his way along the coast of Florida.

pacific

adj. peaceful in character or intent; tending to lessen or avoid conflict; calm or soothing in manner or tone;
(noun, as "Pacific") the largest and deepest of Earth's oceanic divisions

synonym : calm, peaceful, tranquil

(1) **pacific-natured** disposition, (2) the **Pacific** Ocean

They adopted a **pacific** approach to resolving their differences, emphasizing dialogue and understanding.

studied

adj. deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned

synonym : thoughtful, deliberate, calculated

(1) **studied** analysis, (2) well- **studied** decision

His speech was carefully crafted and delivered with **studied** confidence.

mediocre

adj. of only average quality; not very good

synonym : average, ordinary, unimpressive

(1) **mediocre** performance, (2) a **mediocre** talent

He was considered a **mediocre** artist compared to others in his field.

endemic

adj. (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area

synonym : prevalent, widespread, native

(1) **endemic** disease, (2) cholera- **endemic** area
Malaria is **endemic** in many tropical countries.

endangered

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

synonym : at risk, threatened, vulnerable

(1) **endangered** species, (2) **endangered** ecosystem
The government has implemented policies to protect the habitat of **endangered** animals.

dull

adj. not interesting or exciting; not bright, vivid, or shiny; not active, brisk, or sharp

synonym : insensitive, unintelligent, boring

(1) a **dull** pain, (2) **dull** sight
The trade is **dull** right now due to the collapse of the prominent investment bank.

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.

bother

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

synonym : annoy, pester, irritate

(1) **bother** the neighbors, (2) **bother** with details
Please don't **bother** me while I'm trying to concentrate.

attitude

n. the way you think and feel about someone or something

synonym : mindset, perspective, philosophy

(1) **attitude** toward mistakes, (2) **attitude** control
She had the **attitude** that work was fun.

amazing

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

synonym : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

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

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

privilege

n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

synonym : benefit, authorization, advantage

(1) a breach of **privilege**, (2) **privilege** of membership

In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the **privilege** of royalty and nobility.

stumble

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

synonym : bumble, struggle, misstep

(1) **stumble** financially, (2) **stumble** through life

She **stumbled** over the tree root.

keen

adj. having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest

synonym : eager, enthusiastic, ardent

(1) **keen** interest, (2) **keen** observation

He was **keen** to learn more about the subject and attended every lecture.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym : abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

colleague

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym : coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

dawn

n. the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky

synonym : daybreak, sunrise, advent

(1) the wan light of **dawn**, (2) crack of **dawn**

Missile assaults on the capital continued around **dawn**.

entirely

adv. completely

synonym : completely, fully, totally

(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame

Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

sand

n. finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action

synonym : grit, dust, powder

(1) **sand** dunes, (2) **sand** castle

The **sand** on the beach was warm and golden.

rainwater

n. water that falls from the clouds in the form of rain and is collected

synonym : precipitation, drizzle, showers

(1) **rainwater** acidity, (2) **rainwater** drainage

The company installed a **rainwater** harvesting system to collect and reuse it for manufacturing.

soak

v. to allow liquid to be absorbed, typically by immersing in it; to leave as a guarantee in return for money

synonym : saturate, steep, douse

(1) **soak** in a hot spring, (2) **soak** away stress

I **soaked** the shirt in the sink before washing it.

soil

n. the top layer of Earth in which plants grow

synonym : earth, ground, mud

(1) **soils** retentive of moisture, (2) parched **soil**

Soil moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.

humming

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

synonym: buzzing, droning, vibrating

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

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

tricky

adj. requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with

synonym: thorny, problematic, crafty

(1) **tricky** problem, (2) a **tricky** recipe to follow

We have discussed the entirety of this **tricky** problem.

pond

n. a small, shallow lake

synonym: lake, pool, basin

(1) a garden **pond**, (2) **pond** water

The freshwater **pond** was home to many different types of fish and was a popular spot for fishing.

stream

n. a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.

synonym: flow, current, brook

(1) the **stream** of time, (2) an endless **stream** of cars

Jet **streams** are the common name for air currents that form high in the atmosphere.

childhood

n. the state or time of being a child

synonym: youth, infancy, adolescence

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

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

swarm

n. a group of many things, such as insects, fishes, etc., in the air or water or on the ground

synonym : horde, hive, throng

(1) a **swarm** of mosquitoes, (2) locust **swarm**

A **swarm** of angry bees attacked because we had approached the hive.

string

n. long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads

synonym : line, wire, rope

(1) retie the **string** and make it strong, (2) tense piano **strings**

She wore a **string** of pearls around her neck.

widespread

adj. existing or happening in various places or among many people

synonym : across-the-board, overall, general

(1) **widespread** use, (2) **widespread** fear of nuclear war

In medieval times, death punishment was **widespread** and socially accepted.

phenomenon

n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

synonym : marvel, wonder, splendor

(1) natural **phenomenon**, (2) historical **phenomenon**

A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

writ

n. a written legal order or command

synonym : legal document, order, legal process

(1) a **writ** of summons, (2) issue a **writ**

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

invariably

adv. in every case or on every occasion; without exception

synonym : consistently, always, uniformly

(1) **invariably** polite, (2) **invariably** correct

She **invariably** arrived at the office early each day.

unlikely

adj. not probable or likely to happen

synonym : doubtful, questionable, far-fetched

(1) **unlikely** event, (2) it is **unlikely** that he would win the game

The passage of the bill is **unlikely**.

archipelago

n. a group of islands, often located in a specific area or region

synonym : group of islands, island chain

(1) tropical **archipelago**, (2) volcanic **archipelago**

The Philippines is an **archipelago** made up of over 7,000 islands.

stretch

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

synonym : lengthen, prolong, extend

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

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

emerging

adj. starting to exist, mature, or become well-known

synonym : arising, occurring, state-of-the-art

(1) **emerging** country, (2) **emerging** technologies

Emerging technologies have dramatically improved productivity in various industries.

outermost

adj. farthest from the center or the inside; located on or relating to the outer part or surface of something

synonym : outer, extreme, farthest

(1) **outermost** boundary, (2) **outermost** shell

The **outermost** layer of the planet's atmosphere is extremely thin.

doe *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
synonym : rabbit, bunny, hare
(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**
Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

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.

rigorous *adj.* allowing or demanding no deviation from a standard; extremely careful, thorough, or accurate
synonym : severe, exact, strict
(1) **rigorous** standards, (2) have **rigorous** criticism
The way he manages his employees is extremely **rigorous**.

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.

transect *v.* to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study
synonym : intersect, divide, bisect
(1) **transect** a forest, (2) **transect** the area
The new highway will **transect** the wilderness, potentially disrupting local wildlife.

bump

v. to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident

synonym : collide, hit, jolt

(1) **bump** against a wall, (2) **bump** up prices

She accidentally **bumped** into him in the crowded room.

inter

v. to bury or place a dead body in a tomb or grave; to temporarily detain or imprison someone; (prefix) between or among

synonym : bury, entomb, inhume

(1) **inter** a dead body, (2) **inter-disciplinary**

The funeral director explained the process of how they **inter** remains after cremation.

impressive

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

synonym : impactful, remarkable, exceptional

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

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

mass

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

synonym : abundance, crowd, mob

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

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

vertical

adj. upright or perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line

synonym : perpendicular, upright, plumb

(1) **vertical** takeoff, (2) **vertical** axis

The ladder leaned against the **vertical** surface of the building.

standing

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

synonym : upright, vertical, (noun) position

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

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

underneath

adv. under or below something else

synonym : below, under, beneath

(1) **underneath** the surface of the water, (2) **underneath** the laughter

The penny fell **underneath** the piano.

altitude

n. the height of an object or point in relation to sea level or ground level

synonym : height, elevation, tallness

(1) the meridian **altitude**, (2) low **altitude**

The plane flew at a high **altitude** to avoid turbulence.

meter

n. a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse

synonym : gauge, indicator, rhythm

(1) a gas **meter**, (2) poetic **meter**

The **meter** on the wall showed that the room was three meters long.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym : unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

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

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

insect

n. any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections

(1) **insect** antenna, (2) **insect** biology

These **insects** are more prevalent above a certain latitude.

centimeter

n. a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter

(1) **centimeter** measurement, (2) thirty **centimeters** tall
The room was only one **centimeter** wider than the piano, making it a tight fit.

quitter

n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

synonym: coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

scratch

v. to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object

synonym: claw, rub, scrape

(1) **scratch** off a name, (2) **scratch** my signature

Don't **scratch** your mosquito bites.

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.

doom

n. death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

synonym: judgment, destiny, fate

(1) economic **doom**, (2) prophet of **doom**

Everyone was aware of the impending **doom** but was unable to prevent it.

fishery

n. an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish

synonym: fishing, piscary, angling

(1) **fishery** management, (2) commercial **fishery**

The majority of the people on the island are **fishery** folk.

vessel

n. a ship or large boat

synonym : boat, ship, craft

(1) blood **vessels**, (2) naval **vessels**

The **vessel** arrived in port the following day.

rainfall

n. the amount of rain that falls in a specific location at a particular moment

synonym : downpour, drizzle, rain

(1) the mean annual **rainfall**, (2) heavy **rainfall**

These plants thrive in hot climates with abundant **rainfall**.

temporary

adj. not lasting or be used for a very long

synonym : provisional, short-term, interim

(1) a **temporary** permit, (2) **temporary** housing

He managed to get **temporary** jobs during the recession.

seasonal

adj. occurring or varying according to the season or time of year; related to or affected by the changing seasons

synonym : periodic, cyclic

(1) **seasonal** allergies, (2) **seasonal** fruits

The pumpkin patch only operates during the **seasonal** fall months.

develop

v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

synonym : evolve, progress, advance

(1) **develop** a strategy, (2) **develop** a skill

We must **develop** a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

hunt

v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit

synonym : chase, pursuit, quest

(1) **hunt** a job, (2) **hunt** after knowledge

Hounds **hunt** their prey by using their keen scent.

withdraw

v. to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something

synonym: retract, remove, back out

(1) **withdraw** from public life, (2) **withdraw** \$500 from my account

The company decided to **withdraw** its proposal due to public opposition.

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.

swoosh

v. to move through the air with a rushing or hissing sound; to make such a sound; (noun) a sound that something makes when it moves quickly through the air

synonym: whoosh, swish, sweep

(1) **swoosh** sound, (2) **swoosh** through the tall trees

The basketball **swooshed** into the net, signaling the end of the game.

slightly

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

synonym: barely, narrowly, scarcely

(1) increase **slightly**, (2) **slightly** alkaline soils

He moved his body **slightly** to the left.

complicated

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

synonym: complex, convoluted, intricate

(1) a **complicated** process, (2) become increasingly **complicated**

He did **complicated** pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

generation

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

synonym: cohort, age group, era

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

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

drought

n. a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation

synonym: dryness, aridity, water shortage

(1) periods of **drought**, (2) **drought** conditions

The region has been experiencing a severe **drought**, leading to water shortages and crop failures.

converge

v. to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet

synonym: congregate, assemble, concentrate

(1) **converge** of a series, (2) **converge** from different points

The two rivers **converge** into one near this area.

overhead

n. the expense of maintaining something that is involved in operating a business, such as rent and heating; (adverb) above your head; in the sky

synonym: expense, upkeep, (adverb) aloft

(1) **overhead** capital, (2) a cloud passing **overhead**

This merger will help them reduce **overhead** costs substantially.

maximum

adj. the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained

synonym: peak, top, highest

(1) **maximum** limit, (2) the **maximum** speed

The **maximum** temperature recorded this summer was higher than average.

evaporation

n. the process of a liquid changing into a gas or vapor, often as a result of high temperatures or reduced pressure; the gradual disappearance or dissipation of something, such as money or resources

synonym: vaporization, dehydration, desiccation

(1) **evaporation** cooling, (2) slow **evaporation**

The formation of clouds is facilitated by the process of **evaporation** and condensation

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

reproduction

n. the process by which organisms create offspring; the production of something similar to an original work

synonym: procreation, replication, duplication

(1) **reproduction** rate, (2) **reproduction** system

The **reproduction** of the plant depends on the pollinators.

convect

v. to transfer heat or energy through a fluid, typically by means of currents; to cause something to rise or move by means of heat or fluid motion

synonym: move, circulate, transport

(1) **convect** fluid, (2) **convect** air

The storm clouds **convected** heat energy and caused a thunderstorm.

convergent

adj. tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge

synonym: merging, meeting

(1) **convergent** beam, (2) **convergent** thinking

The similarities between the two cultures suggest **convergent** evolution.

fellow

adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you

synonym : buddy, mate, affiliate

(1) junior **fellow**, (2) nice **fellow**

He is the kind of **fellow** who only works for his success.

automatically

adv. without needing a direct human control

synonym : mechanically, unconsciously, spontaneously

(1) record driving **automatically**, (2) **automatically** adjusted

Our subscription plan is **automatically** renewed.

circuit

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

synonym : route, course, rotation

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

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

monarch

n. a person who rules a country, such as a king or queen

synonym : ruler, sovereign, majesty

(1) an absolute **monarch**, (2) **monarch** butterflies

She came from a commoner background but eventually became the **monarch** of that country.

butterfly

n. a diurnal insect typically has a slender body with knobbed antennae and broad, colorful wings

(1) **butterfly** effect, (2) the life cycle of a **butterfly**

He enjoys collecting **butterfly** specimens.

migration

n. the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change

synonym : exodus

(1) the **migration** of birds, (2) overseas **migration**

There was a **migration** of impoverished farmers into the towns.

crossing

n. the act of going from one side to the other; a place where roads, railway tracks, or rivers intersect

synonym : intersection, junction

(1) **crossing** bridge, (2) a **crossing-keeper**

The busy road was closed for a few hours for a railway **crossing**.

transoceanic

adj. relating to or crossing an ocean or oceans

synonym : interoceanic, transatlantic, transpacific

(1) **transoceanic** cable, (2) **transoceanic** communication

The **transoceanic** flight took over 12 hours to complete.

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.

percolate

v. to filter through a porous substance or material; to pass through gradually or spread slowly; to rise or pass through a liquid or container, as in a coffee maker

synonym : filter, strain, drip

(1) **percolate** around the web, (2) **percolate** through the whole industry

The coffee slowly **percolated** through the filter and into the cup.

brain

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

synonym : intellect, mind, encephalon

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

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

creature

n. a living being, especially an animal

synonym : being, animal, organism

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

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

falcon

n. a bird of prey characterized by its sharp talons and hooked beak; typically having a long tail and wingspan and known for its swift and agile flight

synonym : hawk, eagle, kestrel

(1) **falcon** feathers, (2) peregrine **falcon**

The **falcon's** keen eyesight makes it an excellent hunter.

miserable

adj. very unhappy, uncomfortable, or unpleasant; causing great distress or suffering

synonym : unhappy, wretched, cheerless

(1) **miserable** weather, (2) **miserable** experience

She felt **miserable** after her dog passed away.

sensible

adj. having good sense or judgment; reasonable; practical; marked by a perception of the importance or seriousness of something

synonym : reasonable, practical, pragmatic

(1) **sensible** decision, (2) **sensible** approach

It's **sensible** to wear a helmet when riding a bike.

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.

refuel

v. to put additional fuel into a plane, ship, car, etc.

(1) **refuel** air-to-air, (2) **refuel** bombers in flight

Our plane stopped in the country to **refuel**.

latitude

n. the distance of a place north or south of the earth's equator, measured in degrees; freedom from normal restraints in conduct

synonym : breadth, range, freedom

(1) high **latitudes**, (2) **latitude** of choice

The city is located at a **latitude** of 40 degrees north.

strike

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

synonym : hit, impact, influence

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

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

extraordinary

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

synonym : exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

(1) **extraordinary** ability, (2) **extraordinary** weather

He narrated the **extraordinary** story of his adventure.

prey

n. the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating

synonym : target, quarry, chase

(1) **prey** of beast, (2) become **prey** to terrorists

The majority of snakes swallow their **prey** whole.

pie

adj. having two or more different colors, usually black and white

synonym : blotchy, marked, multi-colored

(1) **pie** stallion, (2) **pie** daisies

Foxes with reduced aggression have outer characteristics such as **pie** fur, curly tails, and lop-ears.

cuckoo

n. a bird of the Cuculidae family, known for its distinctive call; (informally) a person who is crazy, eccentric, or foolish

synonym : loony, nut, madcap

(1) **cuckoo** clock, (2) **cuckoo** in the nest

The **cuckoo** bird's call echoed through the forest.

- roll** v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
synonym: spin, swirl, wheel
(1) **roll** a ball, (2) **roll** down his cheeks
He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.
- comply** v. to obey an order, set of rules, or request
synonym: follow, abide by, adhere to
(1) **comply** with a code, (2) fully **comply** with all laws
The public schools **comply** with federal standards.
- migrate** v. to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally
synonym: relocate, emigrate, roam
(1) **migrate** across borders, (2) **migrate** a service
Many Germans **migrated** to South America in the mid-19th century.
- unfortunately** *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
synonym: regrettably, unluckily, alas
(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**
The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.
- unfortunate** *adj.* having bad luck or fortune; unlucky
synonym: unlucky, pitiful, wretched
(1) an **unfortunate** orphan, (2) an **unfortunate** situation
The **unfortunate** accident caused many injuries and some fatalities.
- naval** *adj.* of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy
synonym: marine, seafaring, maritime
(1) **naval** battles, (2) **naval** base

The **naval** officer was responsible for the safety and well-being of the crew on his ship.

jet

n. a type of aircraft that is powered by one or more jet engines and can fly at high speeds, typically over long distances

synonym : plane, aircraft, flier

(1) private **jet**, (2) commercial **jet**

The **jet** flew over the ocean at high speed, reaching its destination in hours.

bang

v. to hit or cause to hit something in a way that makes a loud noise

synonym : crash, hit, smash

(1) **bang** his fist on a desk, (2) **bang** a phone down

My father tried to **bang** mathematics into my head since childhood.

fortunate

adj. having good luck or lucky

synonym : fortuitous, lucky, blessed

(1) **fortunate** situation, (2) less **fortunate** person

He was pretty **fortunate** to pass the exam.

engine

n. a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose

synonym : motor, locomotive, driver

(1) a steam **engine**, (2) an air-cooled **engine**

The policies he announces can be the **engine** of economic growth in the country.

remains

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

synonym : leftovers, debris, relic

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

The **remains** of the ancient civilization can still be seen in the

city's ruins.

medium

adj. of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

synonym : average, intermediate, (noun) channel

(1) **medium** color, (2) an advertising **medium**

The **medium** size shirt fits him perfectly.

slide

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

synonym : glide, drift, drop

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

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

cheek

n. either side of the face below the eye and between the nose and the jaw

synonym : jaw, mandible, malar

(1) **cheek** bone, (2) hollowed-out **cheek**

He gently touched her apple-red **cheek** and whispered that he loved her.

Session 2: Spelling

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|---------------------------|---|
| 1. tra_____nic cable | <i>adj.</i> relating to or crossing an ocean or oceans |
| 2. su_____e you're right | <i>v.</i> to think that something is likely to be actual or possible |
| 3. inv_____ly correct | <i>adv.</i> in every case or on every occasion; without exception |
| 4. artificial cr_____re | <i>n.</i> a living being, especially an animal |
| 5. end_____ed species | <i>adj.</i> at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats |
| 6. mo_____to bite | <i>n.</i> a small flying insect whose female bites people and animals and sucks their blood, and sometimes transmits serious diseases such as malaria |
| 7. a d__l pain | <i>adj.</i> not interesting or exciting; not bright, vivid, or shiny; not active, brisk, or sharp |
| 8. a c__e about the crime | <i>n.</i> an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery |
| 9. p__d water | <i>n.</i> a small, shallow lake |
| 10. economic d__m | <i>n.</i> death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided |
| 11. ob_____s reasons | <i>adj.</i> easy to see, discover or understand |
| 12. heavy ra_____ll | <i>n.</i> the amount of rain that falls in a specific location at a particular moment |

ANSWERS: 1. transoceanic, 2. suppose, 3. invariably, 4. creature, 5. endangered, 6. mosquito, 7. dull, 8. clue, 9. pond, 10. doom, 11. obvious, 12. rainfall

13. seasoned fl__r *n.* (also "flyer") a person who travels by air or an airplane passenger; a leaflet or pamphlet designed to be handed out or posted to provide information or advertise something
14. d_e rabbit *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
15. sl____ly alkaline soils *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
16. rep_____ion rate *n.* the process by which organisms create offspring; the production of something similar to an original work
17. at____de control *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
18. re____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
19. pr_____ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
20. a gas me__r *n.* a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse
21. cr____re of habit *n.* a living being, especially an animal
22. wh__e watching *n.* a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities

ANSWERS: 13. flier, 14. doe, 15. slightly, 16. reproduction, 17. attitude, 18. replace, 19. privilege, 20. meter, 21. creature, 22. whale

23. fa___n feathers *n.* a bird of prey characterized by its sharp talons and hooked beak; typically having a long tail and wingspan and known for its swift and agile flight
24. become p__y to terrorists *n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
25. re____s of a building *n.* the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal
26. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
27. terrestrial gl__e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
28. thirty cen_____ers tall *n.* a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter
29. ess_____ly correct *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
30. human re____s *n.* the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal
31. su_____e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

ANSWERS: 23. falcon, 24. prey, 25. remains, 26. mass, 27. globe, 28. centimeter, 29. essentially, 30. remains, 31. suppose

32. de____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
33. tr____ct a forest *v.* to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study
34. wi____aw \$500 from my account *v.* to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something
35. overseas mi____on *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
36. become increasingly com____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
37. b__p up prices *v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident
38. without ex____on *n.* something that is not included in a general rule or pattern; a person or thing that is excluded or stands apart from others
39. mo____to repellent *n.* a small flying insect whose female bites people and animals and sucks their blood, and sometimes transmits serious diseases such as malaria
40. collaborate with co____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

ANSWERS: 32. develop, 33. transect, 34. withdraw, 35. migration, 36. complicated, 37. bump, 38. exception, 39. mosquito, 40. colleague

41. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
42. poetic me__r *n.* a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse
43. ap_____nt contradiction *adj.* able to see or understand easily or clearly
44. federal ci_____t courts *n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
45. pe_____te through the whole industry *v.* to filter through a porous substance or material; to pass through gradually or spread slowly; to rise or pass through a liquid or container, as in a coffee maker
46. absolutely fa_____ic event *adj.* extremely good; excellent
47. ve_____al axis *adj.* upright or perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line
48. prophet of d__m *n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided
49. high la_____des *n.* the distance of a place north or south of the earth's equator, measured in degrees; freedom from normal restraints in conduct
50. s__d castle *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action

ANSWERS: 41. incredible, 42. meter, 43. apparent, 44. circuit, 45. percolate, 46. fantastic, 47. vertical, 48. doom, 49. latitude, 50. sand

51. pr____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
52. un____ly event *adj.* not probable or likely to happen
53. st____ng water *adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
54. h__t after knowledge *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
55. go to the workplace by cy__e *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
56. ma____m limit *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
57. around the gl__e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
58. since ch____od *n.* the state or time of being a child
59. k__n observation *adj.* having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest
60. mo____h butterflies *n.* a person who rules a country, such as a king or queen
61. gen____on gap *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
62. na__l battles *adj.* of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy
63. co____ge of a series *v.* to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet

ANSWERS: 51. probable, 52. unlikely, 53. standing, 54. hunt, 55. cycle, 56. maximum, 57. globe, 58. childhood, 59. keen, 60. monarch, 61. generation, 62. naval, 63. converge

64. cu___o in the nest *n.* a bird of the Cuculidae family, known for its distinctive call; (informally) a person who is crazy, eccentric, or foolish
65. he was en_____ly to blame *adv.* completely
66. less fo_____te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
67. the cy__e of the seasons *n.* an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
68. gene va_____on *n.* the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said
69. h__t a job *v.* to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
70. a cr_____ng-keeper *n.* the act of going from one side to the other; a place where roads, railway tracks, or rivers intersect
71. aut_____lly adjusted *adv.* without needing a direct human control
72. mi_____e across borders *v.* to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally
73. inv_____ly polite *adv.* in every case or on every occasion; without exception
74. the Pa_____c Ocean *adj.* peaceful in character or intent; tending to lessen or avoid conflict; calm or soothing in manner or tone; (noun, as "Pacific") the largest and deepest of Earth's oceanic divisions

ANSWERS: 64. cuckoo, 65. entirely, 66. fortunate, 67. cycle, 68. variation, 69. hunt, 70. crossing, 71. automatically, 72. migrate, 73. invariably, 74. pacific

75. tense piano st___gs *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
76. volcanic arc_____go *n.* a group of islands, often located in a specific area or region
77. und_____th the laughter *adv.* under or below something else
78. ha__h a baby chick *v.* to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage
79. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
80. serial qu_____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
81. p__d stallion *adj.* having two or more different colors, usually black and white
82. ch_____od development *n.* the state or time of being a child
83. la_____de of choice *n.* the distance of a place north or south of the earth's equator, measured in degrees; freedom from normal restraints in conduct
84. wid_____ad use *adj.* existing or happening in various places or among many people
85. well-st_____d decision *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
86. the gen_____on of electricity *n.* all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity

ANSWERS: 75. string, 76. archipelago, 77. underneath, 78. hatch, 79. amazing, 80. quitter, 81. pied, 82. childhood, 83. latitude, 84. widespread, 85. studied, 86. generation

87. hollowed-out ch__k *n.* either side of the face below the eye and between the nose and the jaw
88. con_____nt thinking *adj.* tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge
89. fre_____er area *adj.* living in, found in, or connecting with water that does not contain salt
90. wa____r far from home *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
91. pr_____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
92. nice fe____w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
93. historical phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
94. make an ex_____on *n.* something that is not included in a general rule or pattern; a person or thing that is excluded or stands apart from others
95. end_____ed ecosystem *adj.* at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats
96. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
97. st____h a story *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking

ANSWERS: 87. cheek, 88. convergent, 89. freshwater, 90. wander, 91. probable, 92. fellow, 93. phenomenon, 94. exception, 95. endangered, 96. incredible, 97. stretch

98. a fa_____ic dress *adj.* extremely good; excellent
99. labor pop_____on *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
100. 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
101. st_____d analysis *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
102. cr_____ng bridge *n.* the act of going from one side to the other; a place where roads, railway tracks, or rivers intersect
103. mo_____n season *n.* a seasonal wind system that brings heavy rainfall to a region, typically occurring in tropical areas
104. coral r__fs *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface
105. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
106. crack of d__n *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
107. do_____n-watching tour *n.* a marine mammal that typically has a beaklike snout, a streamlined body, and flippers and that feeds on fish and squid
108. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
109. a tr___y recipe to follow *adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with

ANSWERS: 98. fantastic, 99. population, 100. reverse, 101. studied, 102. crossing, 103. monsoon, 104. reef, 105. extraordinary, 106. dawn, 107. dolphin, 108. brain, 109. tricky

110. mi_____le weather *adj.* very unhappy, uncomfortable, or unpleasant; causing great distress or suffering
111. d__e into anime communities *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
112. a garden p__d *n.* a small, shallow lake
113. philosophical nat_____sm *n.* a philosophical belief that everything, including human behavior and cognition, can be explained solely by natural causes and laws
114. ou_____st shell *adj.* farthest from the center or the inside; located on or relating to the outer part or surface of something
115. paper-gl___r *n.* a light aircraft or small, unpowered plane that is designed to glide and soar through the air using natural winds and or thermal currents
116. cholera-en_____c area *adj.* (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area
117. 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

ANSWERS: 110. miserable, 111. dive, 112. pond, 113. naturalism, 114. outermost, 115. glider, 116. endemic, 117. process

118. fa___y accurate *adv.* to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
119. st___e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
120. hu_____g bird *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
121. fi_____y management *n.* an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish
122. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
123. supply ch__n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
124. commercial j_t *n.* a type of aircraft that is powered by one or more jet engines and can fly at high speeds, typically over long distances
125. a w__t of summons *n.* a written legal order or command
126. mo_____n current *n.* a seasonal wind system that brings heavy rainfall to a region, typically occurring in tropical areas
127. co_____ge from different points *v.* to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet
128. barrier r__f *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

ANSWERS: 118. fairly, 119. strike, 120. humming, 121. fishery, 122. extraordinary, 123. chain, 124. jet, 125. writ, 126. monsoon, 127. converge, 128. reef

129. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
130. re___l bombers in flight *v.* to put additional fuel into a plane, ship, car, etc.
131. fre_____er aquatic bird *adj.* living in, found in, or connecting with water that does not contain salt
132. an absolute mo_____h *n.* a person who rules a country, such as a king or queen
133. pe_____te around the web *v.* to filter through a porous substance or material; to pass through gradually or spread slowly; to rise or pass through a liquid or container, as in a coffee maker
134. periods of dr_____t *n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
135. locust sw___m *n.* a group of many things, such as insects, fishes, etc., in the air or water or on the ground
136. a moth la__a *n.* the immature free-living form of insect or an animal, which at hatching from the egg, is fundamentally unlike its parent and must metamorphose
137. rep_____ion system *n.* the process by which organisms create offspring; the production of something similar to an original work
138. evolutionary bi_____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
139. new fa_____n trends *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular

ANSWERS: 129. incredibly, 130. refuel, 131. freshwater, 132. monarch, 133. percolate, 134. drought, 135. swarm, 136. larva, 137. reproduction, 138. biology, 139. fashion

140. bo___r the neighbors *v.* to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
141. sn_____l gear *n.* a tube-like device used for breathing underwater, with one end in the mouth and the other above the surface of the water
142. ty_____l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
143. in__r-disciplinary *v.* to bury or place a dead body in a tomb or grave; to temporarily detain or imprison someone; (prefix) between or among
144. b__g his fist on a desk *v.* to hit or cause to hit something in a way that makes a loud noise
145. the mi_____on of birds *n.* the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
146. ci_____t breaker *n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
147. lot of mo_____re *n.* small amounts of liquid, especially water, that are present in or absorbed by a substance
148. ch__k bone *n.* either side of the face below the eye and between the nose and the jaw
149. st_____e through life *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

ANSWERS: 140. bother, 141. snorkel, 142. typical, 143. inter, 144. bang, 145. migration, 146. circuit, 147. moisture, 148. cheek, 149. stumble

150. und_____th the surface of the water
adv. under or below something else
151. inv_____te a data leak
v. to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
152. r__l down his cheeks
v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
153. me___m color
adj. of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information
154. variety of ma___e life
adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
155. wi_____aw from public life
v. to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something
156. la__a of a butterfly
n. the immature free-living form of insect or an animal, which at hatching from the egg, is fundamentally unlike its parent and must metamorphose
157. have ri_____us criticism
adj. allowing or demanding no deviation from a standard; extremely careful, thorough, or accurate
158. br__d horses
v. to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
159. co___y with a code
v. to obey an order, set of rules, or request
160. st___e up a conversation
v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

ANSWERS: 150. underneath, 151. investigate, 152. roll, 153. medium, 154. marine, 155. withdraw, 156. larva, 157. rigorous, 158. breed, 159. comply, 160. strike

161. pa____c-natured disposition *adj.* peaceful in character or intent; tending to lessen or avoid conflict; calm or soothing in manner or tone; (noun, as "Pacific") the largest and deepest of Earth's oceanic divisions
162. 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
163. s__m off the top *v.* to read something quickly to get a general idea of its contents; to remove any unwanted or unnecessary material from the surface of a liquid; to glide smoothly or briefly over a surface
164. his social st____ng *adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
165. get inc____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
166. die su____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
167. fo____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
168. em____ng technologies *adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
169. easy qu____r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
170. peregrine fa____n *n.* a bird of prey characterized by its sharp talons and hooked beak; typically having a long tail and wingspan and known for its swift and agile flight

ANSWERS: 161. pacific, 162. reverse, 163. skim, 164. standing, 165. incredibly, 166. suddenly, 167. fortunate, 168. emerging, 169. quitter, 170. falcon

171. se_____al fruits *adj.* occurring or varying according to the season or time of year; related to or affected by the changing seasons
172. me_____re performance *adj.* of only average quality; not very good
173. te_____ry housing *adj.* not lasting or be used for a very long
174. the life cycle of a bu_____ly *n.* a diurnal insect typically has a slender body with knobbed antennae and broad, colorful wings
175. sc_____h off a name *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
176. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
177. dr_____ly larva *n.* a slender-bodied non-stinging insect having two pairs of large transparent wings that are outspread at rest
178. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
179. tra_____nic communication *adj.* relating to or crossing an ocean or oceans
180. an unf_____te orphan *adj.* having bad luck or fortune; unlucky
181. mo_____re level *n.* small amounts of liquid, especially water, that are present in or absorbed by a substance
182. tr____y problem *adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with

ANSWERS: 171. seasonal, 172. mediocre, 173. temporary, 174. butterfly, 175. scratch, 176. amazing, 177. dragonfly, 178. opportune, 179. transoceanic, 180. unfortunate, 181. moisture, 182. tricky

183. su____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
184. re____e a phone *v.* to take the place of something
185. inv____te the matter *v.* to conduct a systematic or formal inquiry to identify and evaluate the facts of a crime, problem, statement, etc. to establish the truth
186. f__t accomplishment *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
187. dr____t conditions *n.* a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation
188. retie the st____g and make it strong *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
189. an unf____te situation *adj.* having bad luck or fortune; unlucky
190. en____c disease *adj.* (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area
191. sw____h sound *v.* to move through the air with a rushing or hissing sound; to make such a sound; (noun) a sound that something makes when it moves quickly through the air
192. em____ng country *adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
193. heir ap____nt *adj.* able to see or understand easily or clearly

ANSWERS: 183. suddenly, 184. replace, 185. investigate, 186. feat, 187. drought, 188. string, 189. unfortunate, 190. endemic, 191. swoosh, 192. emerging, 193. apparent

194. tropical arc_____go *n.* a group of islands, often located in a specific area or region
195. an advertising me___m *adj.* of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information
196. naval ve___ls *n.* a ship or large boat
197. basic br___n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
198. tr_____ct the area *v.* to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study
199. fully co___y with all laws *v.* to obey an order, set of rules, or request
200. con_____nt beam *adj.* tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge
201. private j_t *n.* a type of aircraft that is powered by one or more jet engines and can fly at high speeds, typically over long distances
202. d__l sight *adj.* not interesting or exciting; not bright, vivid, or shiny; not active, brisk, or sharp
203. bo___r with details *v.* to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something

ANSWERS: 194. archipelago, 195. medium, 196. vessel, 197. brain, 198. transect, 199. comply, 200. convergent, 201. jet, 202. dull, 203. bother

204. re___l air-to-air *v.* to put additional fuel into a plane, ship, car, etc.
205. a com_____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
206. p__d daisies *adj.* having two or more different colors, usually black and white
207. sw___h through the tall trees *v.* to move through the air with a rushing or hissing sound; to make such a sound; (noun) a sound that something makes when it moves quickly through the air
208. va_____on of temperature *n.* the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said
209. co___l island *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
210. cu___o clock *n.* a bird of the Cuculidae family, known for its distinctive call; (informally) a person who is crazy, eccentric, or foolish
211. increase sl_____ly *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
212. junior fe___w *adj.* someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
213. st_____e financially *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
214. promotional fl__r *n.* (also "flyer") a person who travels by air or an airplane passenger; a leaflet or pamphlet designed to be handed out or posted to provide information or advertise something

ANSWERS: 204. refuel, 205. complicated, 206. pied, 207. swoosh, 208. variation, 209. coral, 210. cuckoo, 211. slightly, 212. fellow, 213. stumble, 214. flier

215. it is un____ly that he would win the game *adj.* not probable or likely to happen
216. br__d suspicion *v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
217. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
218. an endless st___m of cars *n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
219. tr_____al cyclones *adj.* originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics
220. an air-cooled en___e *n.* a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
221. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
222. co_____t air *v.* to transfer heat or energy through a fluid, typically by means of currents; to cause something to rise or move by means of heat or fluid motion
223. have a fa___y clear view *adv.* to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
224. the wan light of d__n *n.* the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
225. en_____ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely

ANSWERS: 215. unlikely, 216. breed, 217. opportune, 218. stream, 219. tropical, 220. engine, 221. slide, 222. convect, 223. fairly, 224. dawn, 225. entirely

226. natural phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
227. in__r a dead body *v.* to bury or place a dead body in a tomb or grave; to temporarily detain or imprison someone; (prefix) between or among
228. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
229. imp_____ve performances *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
230. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
231. ch__n reaction *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
232. b__g a phone down *v.* to hit or cause to hit something in a way that makes a loud noise
233. buck and d_e *n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
234. become ess_____ly same *adv.* relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
235. s__k in a hot spring *v.* to allow liquid to be absorbed, typically by immersing in it; to leave as a guarantee in return for money
236. a cloud passing ov_____ad *n.* the expense of maintaining something that is involved in operating a business, such as rent and heating; (adverb) above your head; in the sky

ANSWERS: 226. phenomenon, 227. inter, 228. obvious, 229. impressive, 230. unfortunately, 231. chain, 232. bang, 233. doe, 234. essentially, 235. soak, 236. overhead

237. tr____al islands *adj.* originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics
238. scuba sn____l *n.* a tube-like device used for breathing underwater, with one end in the mouth and the other above the surface of the water
239. issue a w__t *n.* a written legal order or command
240. eva____on cooling *n.* the process of a liquid changing into a gas or vapor, often as a result of high temperatures or reduced pressure; the gradual disappearance or dissipation of something, such as money or resources
241. parched s__l *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
242. ou____st boundary *adj.* farthest from the center or the inside; located on or relating to the outer part or surface of something
243. s__m the surface of the water *v.* to read something quickly to get a general idea of its contents; to remove any unwanted or unnecessary material from the surface of a liquid; to glide smoothly or briefly over a surface
244. na__l base *adj.* of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy
245. in__t antenna *n.* any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections
246. k__n interest *adj.* having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest
247. se____al allergies *adj.* occurring or varying according to the season or time of year; related to or affected by the changing seasons

ANSWERS: 237. tropical, 238. snorkel, 239. writ, 240. evaporation, 241. soil, 242. outermost, 243. skim, 244. naval, 245. insect, 246. keen, 247. seasonal

248. at____de toward mistakes *n.* the way you think and feel about someone or something
249. mi_____e a service *v.* to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally
250. wa____r alone in a strange country *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
251. co__l ornament *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
252. intellectual f__t *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
253. go out of fa_____n *n.* a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
254. commercial fi_____y *n.* an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish
255. or_____al culture *adj.* relating to Asia or the eastern part of the world; specifically associated with the cultural, artistic, and architectural traditions of Asia
256. d__e off a cliff *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
257. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

ANSWERS: 248. attitude, 249. migrate, 250. wander, 251. coral, 252. feat, 253. fashion, 254. fishery, 255. oriental, 256. dive, 257. mass

258. ra_____er drainage *n.* water that falls from the clouds in the form of rain and is collected
259. bu_____ly effect *n.* a diurnal insect typically has a slender body with knobbed antennae and broad, colorful wings
260. blood ve___ls *n.* a ship or large boat
261. a sw___m of mosquitoes *n.* a group of many things, such as insects, fishes, etc., in the air or water or on the ground
262. do_____n show *n.* a marine mammal that typically has a beaklike snout, a streamlined body, and flippers and that feeds on fish and squid
263. sc_____h my signature *v.* to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
264. a me_____re talent *adj.* of only average quality; not very good
265. low al_____de *n.* the height of an object or point in relation to sea level or ground level
266. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
267. the mean annual ra_____ll *n.* the amount of rain that falls in a specific location at a particular moment
268. the st___m of time *n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
269. ov_____ad capital *n.* the expense of maintaining something that is involved in operating a business, such as rent and heating; (adverb) above your head; in the sky

ANSWERS: 258. rainwater, 259. butterfly, 260. vessel, 261. swarm, 262. dolphin, 263. scratch, 264. mediocre, 265. altitude, 266. colleague, 267. rainfall, 268. stream, 269. overhead

270. se_____le approach *adj.* having good sense or judgment; reasonable; practical; marked by a perception of the importance or seriousness of something
271. r__l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
272. sc_____t petals *n.* a bright red color; a vivid, deep, or intense red
273. the meridian al_____de *n.* the height of an object or point in relation to sea level or ground level
274. s__ls retentive of moisture *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
275. sc_____t lipstick *n.* a bright red color; a vivid, deep, or intense red
276. ma_____e insurance *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
277. p__y of beast *n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
278. cen_____er measurement *n.* a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter
279. s__d dunes *n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
280. fairly ty_____l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

ANSWERS: 270. sensible, 271. roll, 272. scarlet, 273. altitude, 274. soil, 275. scarlet, 276. marine, 277. prey, 278. centimeter, 279. sand, 280. typical

281. wid_____ad fear of nuclear war *adj.* existing or happening in various places or among many people
282. an imp_____ve array of facts *adj.* arousing admiration due to size, quality, or skill
283. 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
284. s__k away stress *v.* to allow liquid to be absorbed, typically by immersing in it; to leave as a guarantee in return for money
285. dr_____ly passing over the water *n.* a slender-bodied non-stinging insect having two pairs of large transparent wings that are outspread at rest
286. a breach of pr_____ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
287. ra_____er acidity *n.* water that falls from the clouds in the form of rain and is collected
288. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
289. se_____le decision *adj.* having good sense or judgment; reasonable; practical; marked by a perception of the importance or seriousness of something
290. st_____h along the coast *v.* to make or be capable of making anything longer or broader without hurting or breaking
291. the ma_____m speed *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained

ANSWERS: 281. widespread, 282. impressive, 283. clue, 284. soak, 285. dragonfly, 286. privilege, 287. rainwater, 288. unfortunately, 289. sensible, 290. stretch, 291. maximum

292. record driving aut_____lly *adv.* without needing a direct human control
293. b__p against a wall *v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident
294. mi_____le experience *adj.* very unhappy, uncomfortable, or unpleasant; causing great distress or suffering
295. or_____al philosophy *adj.* relating to Asia or the eastern part of the world; specifically associated with the cultural, artistic, and architectural traditions of Asia
296. pop_____on change *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
297. a te_____ry permit *adj.* not lasting or be used for a very long
298. co_____t fluid *v.* to transfer heat or energy through a fluid, typically by means of currents; to cause something to rise or move by means of heat or fluid motion
299. a bull wh__e *n.* a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities
300. ha__h a plan *v.* to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage
301. ve_____al takeoff *adj.* upright or perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line

ANSWERS: 292. automatically, 293. bump, 294. miserable, 295. oriental, 296. population, 297. temporary, 298. convect, 299. whale, 300. hatch, 301. vertical

302. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
303. cell and molecular bi____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
304. de____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
305. hu____g sound *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
306. nat_____sm in literature *n.* a philosophical belief that everything, including human behavior and cognition, can be explained solely by natural causes and laws
307. a steam en____e *n.* a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
308. slow eva_____on *n.* the process of a liquid changing into a gas or vapor, often as a result of high temperatures or reduced pressure; the gradual disappearance or dissipation of something, such as money or resources
309. ri____us standards *adj.* allowing or demanding no deviation from a standard; extremely careful, thorough, or accurate
310. 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

ANSWERS: 302. slide, 303. biology, 304. develop, 305. humming, 306. naturalism,

307. engine, 308. evaporation, 309. rigorous, 310. process

311. in___t biology

n. any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections

312. gl___r club

n. a light aircraft or small, unpowered plane that is designed to glide and soar through the air using natural winds and or thermal currents

ANSWERS: 311. insect, 312. glider

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. There was a _____ of impoverished farmers into the towns.
n. the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
2. The _____ keen eyesight makes it an excellent hunter.
n. a bird of prey characterized by its sharp talons and hooked beak; typically having a long tail and wingspan and known for its swift and agile flight
3. He deals _____ with his employees.
adv. to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
4. It seems _____ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.
adj. likely to happen or likely to be true
5. The similarities between the two cultures suggest _____ evolution.
adj. tending to come together or meet at a point; merging or intersecting; characterized by similarities or commonalities, particularly in different fields or areas of knowledge
6. He was _____ to learn more about the subject and attended every lecture.
adj. having or showing quick and eager intelligence or interest
7. What do you _____ the culprit's motive was?
v. to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
8. This artwork is _____ of her work.
adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

ANSWERS: 1. migration, 2. falcon's, 3. fairly, 4. probable, 5. convergent, 6. keen, 7. suppose, 8. typical

9. The Philippines is an _____ made up of over 7,000 islands.
n. a group of islands, often located in a specific area or region
10. Our subscription plan is _____ renewed.
adv. without needing a direct human control
11. She _____ over the tree root.
v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
12. His final goal is to sail around the _____.
n. the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
13. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.
adj. having good luck or lucky
14. 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
15. The _____ accident caused many injuries and some fatalities.
adj. having bad luck or fortune; unlucky
16. Please don't _____ me while I'm trying to concentrate.
v. to disturb, annoy, or cause inconvenience or worry to someone; to take the trouble or effort to do something
17. Jet _____ are the common name for air currents that form high in the atmosphere.
n. a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.

ANSWERS: 9. archipelago, 10. automatically, 11. stumbled, 12. globe, 13. fortunate, 14. process, 15. unfortunate, 16. bother, 17. streams

18. The ____ flew over the ocean at high speed, reaching its destination in hours.
n. a type of aircraft that is powered by one or more jet engines and can fly at high speeds, typically over long distances
19. The freshwater ____ was home to many different types of fish and was a popular spot for fishing.
n. a small, shallow lake
20. The city is located at a _____ of 40 degrees north.
n. the distance of a place north or south of the earth's equator, measured in degrees; freedom from normal restraints in conduct
21. Our plane stopped in the country to _____.
v. to put additional fuel into a plane, ship, car, etc.
22. The penny fell _____ the piano.
adv. under or below something else
23. He is the kind of _____ who only works for his success.
adj. someone who has the same job or interests as you, or is in the same class, profession, or situation as you
24. The ladder leaned against the _____ surface of the building.
adj. upright or perpendicular to a horizontal surface or line
25. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.
n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society

ANSWERS: 18. jet, 19. pond, 20. latitude, 21. refuel, 22. underneath, 23. fellow, 24. vertical, 25. privilege

26. Seals and whales are _____ animals beloved by the people.
adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
27. Hounds _____ their prey by using their keen scent.
v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
28. The company decided to _____ its proposal due to public opposition.
v. to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something
29. She felt _____ after her dog passed away.
adj. very unhappy, uncomfortable, or unpleasant; causing great distress or suffering
30. The pumpkin patch only operates during the _____ fall months.
adj. occurring or varying according to the season or time of year; related to or affected by the changing seasons
31. He enjoys collecting _____ specimens.
n. a diurnal insect typically has a slender body with knobbed antennae and broad, colorful wings
32. She wore a _____ dress to the party, making her stand out in the crowd.
n. a bright red color; a vivid, deep, or intense red
33. The large group of _____ swam gracefully in the ocean, jumping out of the water now and then.
n. a marine mammal that typically has a beaklike snout, a streamlined body, and flippers and that feeds on fish and squid
34. The eggs began to _____ and the small chicks emerged.
v. to cause an egg to break to allow a young animal to come out; to produce and expand something that is in an early stage

ANSWERS: 26. marine, 27. hunt, 28. withdraw, 29. miserable, 30. seasonal, 31. butterfly, 32. scarlet, 33. dolphins, 34. hatch,

35. The _____ temperature recorded this summer was higher than average.
adj. the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
36. Missile assaults on the capital continued around _____.
n. the time of day when the sun's light starts to show in the sky
37. The _____ of the ancient civilization can still be seen in the city's ruins.
n. the leftover parts or pieces of something that have been destroyed, removed, or consumed; the physical or biological remains of a deceased person, plant, animal
38. She accidentally _____ into him in the crowded room.
v. to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident
39. As a frequent _____ I accumulate a lot of miles that I use for vacation trips.
n. (also "flyer") a person who travels by air or an airplane passenger; a leaflet or pamphlet designed to be handed out or posted to provide information or advertise something
40. The two rivers _____ into one near this area.
v. to move or draw together at a specific location; (of lines) to move towards the same point where they join or meet
41. Malaria is _____ in many tropical countries.
adj. (of a disease or other problem) regularly found among particular people or in a certain area
42. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

ANSWERS: 35. maximum, 36. dawn, 37. remains, 38. bumped, 39. flier, 40. converge, 41. endemic, 42. amazing

43. The company installed a _____ harvesting system to collect and reuse it for manufacturing.
n. water that falls from the clouds in the form of rain and is collected
44. I often _____ around the park for half an hour.
v. to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
45. _____ a society is an organism.
adv. relating to the essential features or concepts of anything
46. The _____ concert was packed with fans.
adj. existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
47. There is a lot of _____ in the colors of flowers in the garden.
n. the act or state of changing; a difference or change in the way something is done, made or said
48. 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
49. _____ moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.
n. the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
50. The busy road was closed for a few hours for a railway _____.
n. the act of going from one side to the other; a place where roads, railway tracks, or rivers intersect

ANSWERS: 43. rainwater, 44. wander, 45. Essentially, 46. standing, 47. variation, 48. clue, 49. Soil, 50. crossing

51. The hang-_____ enthusiast looked at the clear skies, anticipating a perfect day to take flight.

n. a light aircraft or small, unpowered plane that is designed to glide and soar through the air using natural winds and or thermal currents

52. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

53. He was labeled as a _____ after he abandoned the project halfway.

n. a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

54. The way he manages his employees is extremely _____.

adj. allowing or demanding no deviation from a standard; extremely careful, thorough, or accurate

55. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

56. He managed to get _____ jobs during the recession.

adj. not lasting or be used for a very long

57. She had the _____ that work was fun.

n. the way you think and feel about someone or something

58. This animal _____ in northern latitudes.

v. to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner

ANSWERS: 51. glider, 52. unfortunately, 53. quitter, 54. rigorous, 55. opportune, 56. temporary, 57. attitude, 58. breeds

59. She _____ arrived at the office early each day.

adv. in every case or on every occasion; without exception

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

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

61. She is wearing a _____ necklace.

n. a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry

62. In just four years, the _____ has doubled.

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

63. 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

64. Some herds have been observed to _____ hundreds of kilometers.

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

65. The _____ size shirt fits him perfectly.

adj. of a size, amount, or level that is average or intermediate; (noun) a means or instrumentality for storing or communicating information

66. A stagnant water area are breeding ground for _____.

n. a small flying insect whose female bites people and animals and sucks their blood, and sometimes transmits serious diseases such as malaria

ANSWERS: 59. invariably, 60. exception, 61. coral, 62. population, 63. reversed, 64. stretch, 65. medium, 66. mosquitos

67. I caught a rare _____ in the mountains.

n. a slender-bodied non-stinging insect having two pairs of large transparent wings that are outspread at rest

68. The _____ cuisine at this restaurant is delicious.

adj. relating to Asia or the eastern part of the world; specifically associated with the cultural, artistic, and architectural traditions of Asia

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

n. the state or time of being a child

70. A _____ of angry bees attacked because we had approached the hive.

n. a group of many things, such as insects, fishes, etc., in the air or water or on the ground

71. The plane flew at a high _____ to avoid turbulence.

n. the height of an object or point in relation to sea level or ground level

72. The funeral director explained the process of how they _____ remains after cremation.

v. to bury or place a dead body in a tomb or grave; to temporarily detain or imprison someone; (prefix) between or among

73. She came from a commoner background but eventually became the _____ of that country.

n. a person who rules a country, such as a king or queen

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

n. a written legal order or command

ANSWERS: 67. dragonfly, 68. oriental, 69. childhood, 70. swarm, 71. altitude, 72. inter, 73. monarch, 74. writ

75. The _____ on my bike broke, leaving me stranded.
- n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
76. My father tried to _____ mathematics into my head since childhood.
- v.* to hit or cause to hit something in a way that makes a loud noise
77. The _____ on the beach was warm and golden.
- n.* finely granulated particles of rock or mineral material typically found along beaches, deserts, or riverbeds; used in construction, landscaping, and other applications requiring drainage or abrasive action
78. Who answers _____ knows little.
- adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
79. Many Germans _____ to South America in the mid-19th century.
- v.* to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally
80. The policies he announces can be the _____ of economic growth in the country.
- n.* a machine that converts thermal energy to mechanical work; something that has an important role used to achieve a purpose
81. The majority of snakes swallow their _____ whole.
- n.* the object of a hunt; an animal hunted or trapped for eating
82. The vessel ran aground on a _____.
- n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

ANSWERS: 75. chain, 76. bang, 77. sand, 78. suddenly, 79. migrated, 80. engine, 81. prey, 82. reef

83. The younger _____ has different values and beliefs than the older one.
n. all the people born and living at about the same time, regarded collectively; the production of heat or electricity
84. He was considered a _____ artist compared to others in his field.
adj. of only average quality; not very good
85. Don't _____ your mosquito bites.
v. to cut or damage the surface of something or the skin with a sharp or pointed object
86. The scientific method is often seen as an embodiment of _____ as it seeks to understand the natural world through observation and experimentation.
n. a philosophical belief that everything, including human behavior and cognition, can be explained solely by natural causes and laws
87. The room was only one _____ wider than the piano, making it a tight fit.
n. a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter
88. She wore a _____ of pearls around her neck.
n. long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
89. The food chain causes a material _____.
n. an interval during which a recurring sequence of events occurs; a bicycle or motorcycle
90. The basketball _____ into the net, signaling the end of the game.
v. to move through the air with a rushing or hissing sound; to make such a sound; (noun) a sound that something makes when it moves quickly through the air

ANSWERS: 83. generation, 84. mediocre, 85. scratch, 86. naturalism, 87. centimeter, 88. string, 89. cycle, 90. swooshed

91. I _____ the shirt in the sink before washing it.
- v.* to allow liquid to be absorbed, typically by immersing in it; to leave as a guarantee in return for money
92. 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
93. An intelligent battery has a voltage monitoring _____.
- n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
94. Some countries have a culture of eating the flesh of a _____.
- n.* a very large sea mammal that has a streamlined body and breathes through a blowhole on the head; a very large person; impressive in size or qualities
95. _____ technologies have dramatically improved productivity in various industries.
- adj.* starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
96. The deep sea _____ was unlike anything the scientists had ever seen before.
- n.* a living being, especially an animal
97. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.
- n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
98. Everyone was aware of the impending _____ but was unable to prevent it.
- n.* death, destruction, or some other terrible situation that cannot be avoided

ANSWERS: 91. soaked, 92. feat, 93. circuit, 94. whale, 95. Emerging, 96. creature, 97. brain, 98. doom

99. This merger will help them reduce _____ costs substantially.
- n.* the expense of maintaining something that is involved in operating a business, such as rent and heating; (adverb) above your head; in the sky
100. These _____ are more prevalent above a certain latitude.
- n.* any small creature that has six legs and a body divided into three sections
101. The _____ officer was responsible for the safety and well-being of the crew on his ship.
- adj.* of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy
102. Later, his claim was found to be _____ false.
- adv.* completely
103. The butterfly emerged from its _____ stage.
- n.* the immature free-living form of insect or an animal, which at hatching from the egg, is fundamentally unlike its parent and must metamorphose
104. The trade is _____ right now due to the collapse of the prominent investment bank.
- adj.* not interesting or exciting; not bright, vivid, or shiny; not active, brisk, or sharp
105. The new highway will _____ the wilderness, potentially disrupting local wildlife.
- v.* to cut or divide something by means of a transverse line, typically for surveying or scientific study
106. We have discussed the entirety of this _____ problem.
- adj.* requiring care and skill because challenging to do or deal with

ANSWERS: 99. overhead, 100. insects, 101. naval, 102. entirely, 103. larva, 104. dull, 105. transect, 106. tricky

107. The passage of the bill is _____.

adj. not probable or likely to happen

108. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.

v. to take the place of something

109. The _____ rains often bring relief to areas suffering from drought.

n. a seasonal wind system that brings heavy rainfall to a region, typically occurring in tropical areas

110. The _____ layer of the planet's atmosphere is extremely thin.

adj. farthest from the center or the inside; located on or relating to the outer part or surface of something

111. The committee _____ several apparent inconsistencies.

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

112. The budget reduction was an _____ feat for our nation.

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

113. The storm clouds _____ heat energy and caused a thunderstorm.

v. to transfer heat or energy through a fluid, typically by means of currents; to cause something to rise or move by means of heat or fluid motion

114. They adopted a _____ approach to resolving their differences, emphasizing dialogue and understanding.

adj. peaceful in character or intent; tending to lessen or avoid conflict; calm or soothing in manner or tone; (noun, as "Pacific") the largest and deepest of Earth's oceanic divisions

ANSWERS: 107. unlikely, 108. replace, 109. monsoon, 110. outermost, 111. investigated, 112. impressive, 113. convected, 114. pacific

115. His speech was carefully crafted and delivered with _____ confidence.

adj. deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned

116. A rainbow is a natural _____.

n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

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

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

118. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

119. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.

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

120. The _____ flight took over 12 hours to complete.

adj. relating to or crossing an ocean or oceans

121. _____ storm Marco is making his way along the coast of Florida.

adj. originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics

122. The majority of the people on the island are _____ folk.

n. an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish

123. The formation of clouds is facilitated by the process of _____ and condensation

n. the process of a liquid changing into a gas or vapor, often as a result of high temperatures or reduced pressure; the gradual disappearance or dissipation of something, such as money or resources

ANSWERS: 115. studied, 116. phenomenon, 117. biology, 118. obvious, 119. incredibly, 120. transoceanic, 121. Tropical, 122. fishery, 123. evaporation

124. The coffee slowly _____ through the filter and into the cup.
v. to filter through a porous substance or material; to pass through gradually or spread slowly; to rise or pass through a liquid or container, as in a coffee maker
125. The public schools _____ with federal standards.
v. to obey an order, set of rules, or request
126. My hair looks greasy because there is too much _____ in the air.
n. small amounts of liquid, especially water, that are present in or absorbed by a substance
127. The _____ bird's call echoed through the forest.
n. a bird of the Cuculidae family, known for its distinctive call; (informally) a person who is crazy, eccentric, or foolish
128. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.
adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
129. Hunters use a whistle that makes the ____ sound to lure stags.
n. a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
130. He moved his body _____ to the left.
adv. in a small degree or extent; a little
131. This microbe is a parasite of _____ fish.
adj. living in, found in, or connecting with water that does not contain salt

ANSWERS: 124. percolated, 125. comply, 126. moisture, 127. cuckoo, 128. complicated, 129. doe, 130. slightly, 131. freshwater

132. We _____ to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.
v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
133. The _____ on the wall showed that the room was three meters long.
n. a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse
134. The government has implemented policies to protect the habitat of _____ animals.
adj. at risk of extinction because it is facing significant threats
135. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
136. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.
v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
137. That style is no longer in _____.
n. a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular
138. The _____ rental shop provided us with a map of the nearby snorkel sites.
n. a tube-like device used for breathing underwater, with one end in the mouth and the other above the surface of the water
139. The _____ of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.
adj. producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee

ANSWERS: 132. strike, 133. meter, 134. endangered, 135. mass, 136. slide, 137. fashion, 138. snorkel, 139. humming

140. This star is _____ to the naked eye.

adj. able to see or understand easily or clearly

141. I like to _____ the newspaper headlines in the morning to catch up on the news.

v. to read something quickly to get a general idea of its contents; to remove any unwanted or unnecessary material from the surface of a liquid; to glide smoothly or briefly over a surface

142. The region has been experiencing a severe _____ leading to water shortages and crop failures.

n. a long period of time during which there is very little or no rain, leading to a shortage of water and often causing damage to crops and other vegetation

143. He was exhausted and _____ into bed as soon as he got home.

v. to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

144. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

145. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

146. The _____ arrived in port the following day.

n. a ship or large boat

147. The _____ of the plant depends on the pollinators.

n. the process by which organisms create offspring; the production of something similar to an original work

ANSWERS: 140. apparent, 141. skim, 142. drought, 143. rolled, 144. develop, 145. extraordinary, 146. vessel, 147. reproduction

148. It's _____ to wear a helmet when riding a bike.

adj. having good sense or judgment; reasonable; practical; marked by a perception of the importance or seriousness of something

149. These plants thrive in hot climates with abundant _____.

n. the amount of rain that falls in a specific location at a particular moment

150. The new amusement park ride was _____ with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.

adj. extremely good; excellent

151. Foxes with reduced aggression have outer characteristics such as _____ fur, curly tails, and lop-ears.

adj. having two or more different colors, usually black and white

152. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

adj. unbelievable; enormous

153. He gently touched her apple-red _____ and whispered that he loved her.

n. either side of the face below the eye and between the nose and the jaw

154. The sperm whale can _____ to 1,000 meters.

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

155. In medieval times, death punishment was _____ and socially accepted.

adj. existing or happening in various places or among many people

156. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

ANSWERS: 148. sensible, 149. rainfall, 150. fantastic, 151. pied, 152. incredible, 153. cheek, 154. dive, 155. widespread, 156. colleague

ANSWERS: