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Session 1: Word List

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.

straight

adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

synonym : linear, honest, consecutive

(1) a **straight** line, (2) **straight** for two months

He was sick for five **straight** days.

logical

adj. characterized by clear and sound reasoning; following a rational and systematic approach; based on or in accordance with logic or reason

synonym : rational, reasonable, coherent

(1) **logical** conclusion, (2) **logical** reasoning

The mathematical equation had a **logical** solution that was easy to follow.

relate

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

synonym :

connect, link, associate

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

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

convince

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

synonym: persuade, win over, convert

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

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

notoriety

n. the state of being widely known, especially for something negative or notorious; a negative reputation or fame

synonym: infamy, disrepute, notoriousness

(1) violent **notoriety**, (2) achieve **notoriety**

The famous gangster's **notoriety** grew with each daring heist and narrow escape.

pornography

n. materials such as films, photographs, or written descriptions that depict or describe sexual activity graphically or explicitly, often intended to be sexually arousing

synonym: obscenity, indecency, smut

(1) **pornography** addiction, (2) violent **pornography**

The rise of digital technology has made the sharing of **pornography** easier than ever before.

comic

adj. funny and making you laugh

synonym: amusing, funny, humorous

(1) **comic** books, (2) a **comic** hat

The novel is **comic** and tragic.

concerned

adj. feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention

synonym: worried, caring, involved

(1) persons **concerned**, (2) **concerned** citizen

I am **concerned** about the safety of the children playing in the park.

context

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

synonym: background, setting, environment

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

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

weird

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

synonym: bizarre, creepy, peculiar

(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**

My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

premise

n. a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn

synonym: assumption, postulate, supposition

(1) the major **premise**, (2) make a **premise**

The book's **premise** is that the main character must save the world from an impending disaster.

photograph

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

synonym: photo, picture, snapshot

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

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

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.

serene

adj. calm, peaceful, and untroubled; free from disturbances or worries

synonym : calm, peaceful, tranquil

(1) **serene** landscape, (2) a **serene** atmosphere

The **serene** sunset over the ocean was a peaceful sight to behold.

downtown

adv. in or towards the central area of a town or city

synonym : central, city-center, urban

(1) **downtown** building, (2) **downtown** traffic

He decided to take a walk **downtown** area to explore the city.

construct

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

synonym : build, assemble, create

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

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

garage

n. a building or part of a building used to store a vehicle or vehicles, typically a car

synonym : carport, shed, barn

(1) electrical **garage** door, (2) **garage** repair

He parked his car in the private **garage**.

structure

n. the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

synonym : construction, architecture, establishment

(1) the **structure** of a machine, (2) **structure** and function of the brain

The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

avenue

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

synonym : artery, roadway, street

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

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

stud

n. a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

synonym : beam, scantling, framing

(1) horse **stud**, (2) wall **stud**

He bought a new **stud** to attach the strap to his watch.

deny

v. to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

synonym : refute, reject, repudiate

(1) adamantly **deny** killing, (2) **deny** the allegations

He is still **denying** stealing the money from the cash register.

upstage

v. to distract attention from someone or something else, often intentionally; to move upstage in a theater, away from the audience, thus taking a more prominent position on the stage; (adverb) at or toward the rear of the stage

synonym : outdo, overshadow, eclipse

(1) **upstage** a co-star, (2) move **upstage**

The musician's incredible solo momentarily **upstaged** the lead singer.

accommodation

n. a place to live, work, or stay, particularly for a temporary or short-term period; adjustment or adaptation to meet various needs or circumstances

synonym : lodging, housing, quarters

(1) temporary **accommodation**, (2) for your

accommodation

The hotel offers comfortable **accommodations** for both business and leisure travelers.

inclusive

adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

synonym : cover-all, all-embracing, comprehensive

(1) a fully **inclusive** price, (2) **inclusive** education

The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its **inclusive** policy.

bunch

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

synonym : group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls

One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

cardboard

n. a stiff, thick material made from compressed paper pulp used to make boxes and other packaging materials

synonym : corrugated board, paperboard

(1) **cardboard** box, (2) **cardboard** cutout

I made a **cardboard** box to store my winter clothes in.

loop

n. a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself

synonym : circle, curl, spiral

(1) exit from a **loop**, (2) positive feedback **loop**

Many people in this city use the **loop** railway for transportation.

security

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

synonym : safety, protection, stock

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

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

architect

n. a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

synonym : creator, designer, planner

(1) landscape **architect**, (2) **architect** of the peace accord

The building **architect** tried to build the house above the tree.

preliminary

adj. serving as a preparation for something more important or extensive; introductory; taking place before the main event or decision

synonym : initial, preparatory, introductory

(1) **preliminary** investigation, (2) **preliminary** agreement

Before starting the project, we need to go through some **preliminary** research and planning.

slice

n. a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting

synonym : piece, portion, slit

(1) a **slice** of the company's revenue, (2) **slice** a tomato thin

The children complained because one **slice** of cake was slightly larger than the other.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym : highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

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.

tap

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

synonym: knock, exploit, use

(1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger
To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.

resilient

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

synonym: robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population
She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

strength

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

synonym: resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**
Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

accidental

adj. happening or existing by chance or unintentionally

synonym: inadvertent, fortuitous, coincidental

(1) **accidental** death, (2) cover **accidental** damage
This system prevents **accidental** deletion of data.

discovery

n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

synonym: finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

mad

adj. insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
synonym : crazy, insane, furious

(1) a **mad** person, (2) gets **mad** easily

He was **mad** with joy to see the results.

postmodern

adj. relating to or characterized by a rejection of objective truth and global cultural narratives and instead emphasizing the role of personal interpretation

synonym : contemporary, poststructural, relativistic

(1) **postmodern** art, (2) **postmodern** anthropology

The **postmodern** architecture of the building was a contrast to the traditional designs in the neighborhood.

translate

v. to convert or change words into another language

synonym : convert, transcribe, render

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

Translate the text from Italian into English.

movement

n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

synonym : motion, progression, action

(1) a circular **movement**, (2) **movement** of troops

The **movement** of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

architectural

adj. of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures

synonym : structural, building, constructive

(1) study **architectural** engineering, (2) beautiful **architectural** landmarks

The **architectural** style of the building was a mix of modern and traditional.

intuitive

adj. obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof

synonym: involuntary, instinctive, innate

(1) **intuitive** eating, (2) **intuitive** judgment

I had an **intuitive** feeling that I might be pregnant.

proposal

n. a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one

synonym: offer, suggestion, proposition

(1) an innovative **proposal**, (2) details of his **proposal**

Our skeleton outline of the **proposal** met with much opposition.

contract

n. a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

synonym: agreement, deal, arrangement

(1) employment **contract**, (2) **contract** law

The company signed a **contract** with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

sake

n. purpose; reason for wanting something done

synonym: purpose, reason, interest

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

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

sketch

n. a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something

synonym: drawing, outline, blueprint

(1) a penciled **sketch**, (2) first design **sketches**

Yesterday, I created a rough **sketch** of the plan.

napkin

n. a small piece of cloth or paper used for wiping one's mouth and hands while eating; a decorative cloth placed on a table for formal occasions

synonym: serviette, handkerchief, cloth

(1) paper **napkin**, (2) linen **napkin**

I always keep a stack of **napkins** on my desk while I eat to

prevent any messes.

drawing

n. the act of making a picture with a pencil, pen, or other instruments on paper, cardboard, or other material

synonym: sketch, depiction, illustration

(1) technical **drawing**, (2) **drawing** for design

She is talented at **drawing** and has won several awards for her artwork.

competition

n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

synonym: contest, match, fight

(1) the first round of the **competition**, (2) intraspecific **competition**

Global **competition** is rising in virtually every industry.

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym: exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

(1) **exciting** football player, (2) **exciting** news

The findings of the experiment were both **exciting** and unexpected.

zigzag

adj. having short sharp turns or angles

synonym: bent, crinkled, crooked

(1) **zigzag** sewing machine, (2) a **zigzag** line

We had to go through a **zigzag** course.

dialogue

n. a conversation in a book, play, or film

synonym: conversation, discussion, talk

(1) Platonic **dialogues**, (2) the form of a **dialogue**

He recorded the **dialogue** at the time of the incident.

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.

craft

n. an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands

synonym : art, skill, workmanship

(1) **craft** arts of Japan, (2) **craft** manufacture

His hometown was where he first acquired the **craft** of wood carving.

magic

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

synonym : fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**

He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

carve

v. to create something by cutting wood or stone; to turn sharply

synonym : sculpt, engrave, cut

(1) **carve** a statue, (2) **carve** my name on the plate

This statue is **carved** from a single tree trunk.

foam

n. a mass of small air bubbles formed on the surface of a liquid; a substance that forms a lather when mixed with water

synonym : froth, lather, bubble

(1) the **foam** on a beer, (2) plastics **foam** material

The waves crashed against the rocks, creating white **foam**.

scan

v. to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

synonym : look over, scrutinize, browse

(1) **scan** the face of the man, (2) **scan** a document into PDF

She stood on the podium and **scanned** an audience.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

jay

n. a type of bird that belongs to the crow family and is known for its brightly colored feathers and loud, raucous call

synonym: magpie, crow

(1) **jay** feather, (2) blue **jay**

I often hear a **jay's** loud and distinctive call while hiking in the woods.

headquarter

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

synonym: base, center, command

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

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

delay

v. to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected

synonym: block, adjourn, detain

(1) **delay** a flight three hours, (2) **delay** the new project

We **delayed** the payment because of an incorrect invoice.

toxic

adj. of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous

synonym: poisonous, harmful, contaminated

(1) **toxic** molecule, (2) exposure to **toxic** chemicals

This chemical compound is a thousand-fold more **toxic**.

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.

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.

confer

v. to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

synonym : consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor
The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

drag

v. to pull or haul with force

synonym : haul, pull, draw

(1) **drag** a chair over, (2) **drag** a team down
He **dragged** the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.

hometown

n. the town or city where one was born or grew up

synonym : birthplace, home, native place

(1) **hometown** celebrity, (2) **hometown** memory
I always look forward to going back to my **hometown** during the holidays.

carp

n. a type of freshwater fish found in many parts of the world, typically with a scaleless body, barbels around the mouth, and erect fins; (verb) to complain or find fault with something repeatedly

synonym : fish, minnow, (verb) complain

(1) **carp** fishing, (2) **carp** at the issue
The fisherman showed off his biggest **carp** catch of the day.

bathtub

n. a large container, typically made of porcelain or acrylic, for holding water in which a person can bathe

synonym : tub, bath, basin

(1) **bathtub** curve, (2) **bathtub** drain

I filled the **bathtub** with hot water and a bubble bath for a relaxing soak.

interior

n. the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building

synonym: inner, inside, internal

(1) **interior** decoration, (2) plenty of **interior** space

The painter focused on the moody **interiors** of abandoned buildings in his work.

pedestal

n. a base or support on which something, typically a statue, column, etc., is placed

synonym: base, stand, platform

(1) **pedestal** sink, (2) a stone **pedestal**

The statue was placed on a **pedestal** in the center of the park.

sculpture

n. the art of creating three-dimensional objects or forms, typically by carving, modeling, or casting in a variety of materials such as stone, wood, metal, or clay

synonym: statuary, carving, modeling

(1) create **sculpture**, (2) abstract **sculpture**

The ancient Greek **sculptures** are known for their realism and attention to detail.

imagery

n. the use of words or pictures in books, photographs, paintings, etc., that produces pictures in the minds of people; the ability to form mental images of things or events

synonym: metaphors, symbolism, imaging

(1) visual **imagery**, (2) satellite **imagery**

This movie is famous for its romantic **imagery**.

assistant

n. someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job

synonym: aide, helper, associate

(1) an unwilling **assistant**, (2) **assistant** professor
An executive **assistant** director administers each branch.

souvenir

n. an object, often a small item, that is kept as a reminder or memento of a person, place, or event; a keepsake
synonym: memento, keepsake, token

(1) city **souvenir**, (2) **souvenir** shop

I bought my sister a miniature Eiffel Tower **souvenir** when I visited Paris.

salesperson

n. a person whose job is to sell goods in a shop or directly to customers

synonym: dealer, seller, vendor

(1) a **salesperson** in a store, (2) a drapery **salesperson**

He received the title of the best **salesperson** in all our branches worldwide.

highlight

v. to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention

synonym: feature, emphasize, stress

(1) **highlight** a string in red, (2) **highlight** an important difference

The introduction **highlighted** the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant

creditor

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

blade

n. the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting

synonym : knife, sword, cutter

(1) a **blade** of grass, (2) the **blade** of a turbine

The **blade** of the katana itself is still in excellent condition.

canal

n. a long and narrow strip of water made artificially either for boats and ships to travel along or for irrigation

synonym : aqueduct, trench, channel

(1) an ear **canal**, (2) an irrigation **canal**

Our container ship went through the Panama **Canal**.

mess

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

synonym : disarray, confusion, predicament

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

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

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.

fencing

n. the art or practice of fighting with swords, especially with foils, épées, or sabers, according to certain rules

synonym : swordplay, duelling, sabreplay

(1) **fencing** equipment, (2) **fencing** club

He practiced his **fencing** techniques with a partner.

quantity

n. the amount or number of something; magnitude

synonym : abundance, portion, amount

(1) half **quantity**, (2) residual **quantity**

In southward, the average annual water **quantity** increases.

absorb

v. to take in a fluid or other substance gradually

synonym : consume, soak, ingest

(1) **absorb** energy, (2) **absorb** a shock
The sponge **absorbs** water well.

denial

n. a statement that something is not true or does not exist
synonym: refusal, rejection, veto

(1) state of **denial**, (2) an absolute **denial**
She gave us a categorical **denial** of the scandal.

fascinate

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
synonym: captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young
The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

forgiveness

n. the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion
synonym: pardon, amnesty, compassion

(1) **forgiveness** of liabilities, (2) beg for **forgiveness**
He gained debt **forgiveness**.

homage

n. a show of respect or honor, often by performing an act of reverence or by paying tribute
synonym: respect, deference, reverence

(1) paying **homage** to tradition, (2) vassal **homage**
The crowd gave a standing ovation as a sign of **homage** to the retiring athlete.

perspective

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
synonym: viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle
His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

cancer

n. abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
synonym: tumor, carcinoma, malignancy

(1) **cancer** diagnosis, (2) **cancer** research

Breast **cancer** is the most common type of cancer in women.

collide

v. to hit something violently when moving

synonym: clash, slam, contradict

(1) **collide** head-on, (2) **collide** in midair

The interests of the two countries **collide**.

compose

v. to write music, poetry, or formal writing; to constitute or make up a whole, or a specified part of it

synonym: compile, constitute, build

(1) **compose** an essay, (2) **compose** my thoughts

The structure is **composed** of three main components.

binocular

n. (often used in plural form) a device or instrument designed for use with both eyes simultaneously, enabling a viewer to see objects in a three-dimensional perspective and with greater depth perception; (adjective) relating to or involving both eyes, especially when viewing through a device such as a pair of binoculars; involving or requiring the use of both eyes

synonym: field glasses, opera glasses, spyglasses

(1) **binoculars** for birdwatching, (2) powerful **binoculars**

The stargazing enthusiasts used their high-powered **binoculars** to study the constellations in the night sky.

rid

v. to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

synonym: do away with, free, clear

(1) get **rid** of the rats, (2) **rid** the body of waste products

We must **rid** ourselves of pollution.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

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

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

interaction

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

synonym: dealings, exchange, relations

(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,

(2) **interaction** among human beings

The **interaction** of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

ante

n. a mandatory bet or contribution made by all players in a game of cards or gambling as a prerequisite for participation; any initial or essential action or investment required for a particular endeavor

synonym: bet, wager, stake

(1) up the **ante**, (2) penny- **ante** trade

We need to raise the **ante** to win this poker game.

hell

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

synonym: inferno, agony, misery

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

The battlefield became **hell** on earth.

metal

n. a solid material that is typically hard, shiny, malleable, fusible, and ductile, with good electrical and thermal conductivity, and often used as a structural material, a conductor of heat or electricity, or for decorative purposes

synonym: alloy, metalloid

(1) **metal** fabrication, (2) precious **metal**

The construction worker used a **metal** saw to cut through the stubborn sheet metal.

rough

adj. not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface

synonym: inelegant, coarse, barbarian

(1) **rough** and tough, (2) **rough** estimation

The vehicle bounced along the **rough** mountain road.

carpenter

n. a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects

synonym: woodworker, artisan

(1) a short **carpenter** nail, (2) an apprentice **carpenter**

Carpenter bees are boring holes into the wall.

frustration

n. the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something

synonym: disappointment, discouragement, dissatisfaction

(1) **frustration** level, (2) express **frustration**

He felt a deep **frustration** as he realized the project would not be completed on time.

jasper

n. a dense, opaque variety of quartz that is typically red, brown, or yellow in color and often used as a gemstone or in decorative objects

synonym: opal, agate, chalcedony

(1) **jasper** gemstone, (2) **jasper** bracelet

She adorned her necklace with a beautiful **jasper** pendant.

junk

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

synonym: trash, debris, waste

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

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

metalwork

n. the art or craft of working with metals, particularly in a decorative or functional context; objects produced through metalworking techniques

synonym: metalcraft, metal fabrication

(1) ornamental **metalwork**, (2) custom **metalwork**

The artist's **metalwork** sculptures were on display at the museum.

duct

n. a tube, pipe, or channel for conveying air, water, or other substances

synonym: tube, pipe, channel

(1) breast **duct**, (2) **duct** tape

The air **ducts** in the building needed to be cleaned to improve the air quality.

ceiling

n. a room's top interior surface

synonym: canopy, awning, shelter

(1) **ceiling** board, (2) **ceiling** light

There was a crack in the **ceiling** that I found.

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.

exhibit

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

synonym: display, expose, show

(1) **exhibit** a bad attitude, (2) **exhibit** a great talent

Other technology industries **exhibit** similarly explosive growth.

union

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

synonym: alliance, coalition, confederation

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

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

craftsman

n. a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials

synonym: artisan, mechanic, workman

(1) **craftsman** skill, (2) a subtle **craftsman**

The adept **craftsman** carefully carved the wooden figurine with precision and skill.

realization

n. the act or process of understanding or becoming aware of something; the act of achieving or completing something that was planned or desired; the act of making something real or tangible

synonym: achievement, attainment, understanding

(1) **realization** of a concept, (2) harsh **realization**

Her sudden **realization** of her mistake caused her great regret.

architecture

n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings

synonym: design, structure, layout

(1) **architecture** design, (2) classic **architecture**

The city is known for its impressive **architecture** and beautiful old buildings.

miller

n. a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill

synonym: grinder, pulverizer, crusher

(1) **millers** flour, (2) water **millers**

The **millers'** work was a vital component of the local economy, providing flour to the bakeries and farmers in the area.

complexity

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

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

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

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

philosophy

n. the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
synonym : doctrine, attitude, creed

(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**
Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

trite

adj. lacking originality or freshness; overused, common, or clichéd; lacking in depth or significance due to being overly familiar or predictable

synonym : clichéd, banal, overused

(1) **trite** joke, (2) **trite** melody

The speaker's speech was full of **trite** phrases and platitudes.

cafeteria

n. a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.

synonym : canteen, mess hall, restaurant

(1) **cafeteria** lunch, (2) office **cafeteria**

The university's **cafeteria** was busy with students and staff grabbing a quick lunch.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

synonym : cooperate, combine, collaborate

(1) **interact** directly with customers, (2) **interact** with one another

He should **interact** more with his colleagues.

nowhere

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

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

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

copper

n. a chemical element that is a soft, malleable, and ductile metal with very high thermal and electrical conductivity

(1) **copper** alloy, (2) **copper** belt

He made the old **copper** coins shine.

galvanize

v. to stimulate or shock someone into taking action; to cover metal containing zinc to protect it from rust

synonym: energize, invigorate, motivate

(1) **galvanize** steel, (2) **galvanize** the country

The motivational speech **galvanized** the team and gave them the drive to succeed.

gauge

n. an instrument for measuring and displaying the amount, level, or contents of something; (verb) to judge tentatively or form an estimate of something

synonym: measure, benchmark, judge

(1) pressure **gauge**, (2) take the **gauge** of a situation

We use various precision **gauges** in the manufacturing process of machinery.

buckle

v. to bend out of shape, as under pressure or from heat; (noun) a device used for fastening two loose ends of a belt or strap

synonym: bend, crumple, contort

(1) **buckle** down to study, (2) **buckle** shoe

The severe heat wave **buckled** railway tracks.

undo

v. to reverse the effect of an action or event, typically one that is recent or specific

synonym: reverse, retract, revoke

(1) **undo** changes, (2) **undo** a belt

I accidentally deleted the file, so can you **undo** that action?

aesthetic

adj. connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty

synonym: beautiful, artistic, esthetic

(1) **aesthetic** value, (2) **aesthetic** feeling

My **aesthetic** standards are quite different from hers.

panel

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

synonym : board, commission, discussion

(1) **panel** discussion, (2) cost of solar **panels**

A **panel** of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

sloppy

adj. characterized by a lack of order or neatness; careless, disorganized, or careless in appearance or performance

synonym : messy, untidy, disheveled

(1) **sloppy** writing, (2) **sloppy** appearance

She looked **sloppy** in her wrinkled shirt and mismatched socks.

fuzzy

adj. having a soft and indistinct outline or covered with fine, soft, and hairlike fibers

synonym : hazy, blurry, indistinct

(1) **fuzzy** logic, (2) **fuzzy** memory

The picture was **fuzzy** because it was taken with an old camera.

ramp

n. a sloping surface connecting two levels or inclines, typically used for the movement of people, vehicles, or goods

synonym : slope, incline, gradient

(1) the **ramp** of a chasm, (2) an exit **ramp**

The wheelchair user needed a **ramp** to access the building's entrance.

dome

n. a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base

synonym : hemisphere, cupola, vaults

(1) snow **dome**, (2) **dome** structure

The cathedral **dome** soared high above, its stained-glass windows casting colorful light on the altar below.

instrumental

adj. of, relating to, or performed on musical instruments; useful or important in achieving a purpose

synonym : functional, operational, practical

(1) **instrumental** in solving the crime, (2) **instrumental** music

The **instrumental** role of technology in modern society cannot be overstated.

award

n. a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement

synonym : prize, honor, accolade

(1) **award** ceremony, (2) participation **award**

He won the **award** for best actor at the film festival.

cameo

n. a small, raised, typically oval, carving or portrait, usually made of a contrasting material (such as shell or stone) and often set in a larger piece of jewelry or decorative item; a brief appearance or performance by a well-known person in a film, play, or other medium

synonym : cameo, relief, carving

(1) antique **cameo**, (2) **cameo** appearance

The actress wore a stunning **cameo** pendant around her neck.

metaphor

n. a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity

synonym : conceit, analogy, symbol

(1) **metaphor** for death, (2) visual **metaphor**

She expressed her thought in an artful choice of **metaphors**.

tower

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

synonym : building, belfry, edifice

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

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

depression

n. a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

synonym : recession, slump, despair

(1) the Great **Depression**, (2) the root problem of her **depression**

Depression symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.

forth

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

synonym : forward, onwards, ahead

(1) bring **forth** a beautiful vase, (2) call **forth** demand
I pushed **forth** with my new project, even though it would take much hard work.

guardrail

n. a sturdy metal or wooden railing or barrier placed beside a road, bridge, or other dangerous areas to prevent vehicles or people from going over the edge; a protective barrier or railing used to prevent falls or accidents

synonym : barrier, railing, fence

(1) **guardrail** installation, (2) damaged **guardrail**

The **guardrail** along the highway prevents vehicles from going off the road's edge.

billboard

n. a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads

synonym : hoarding, signboard, advertisement

(1) **billboard** advertising, (2) digital **billboard**

The new **billboard** on the highway promotes a popular vacation destination.

goliath

n. a biblical figure and legendary giant warrior whom the young shepherd David defeated; a symbol of great strength or size

synonym : giant, colossus, titan

(1) automotive **goliath**, (2) **goliath** bird-eating spider

The young entrepreneur took down the **goliath** corporation with her innovative idea.

prominent

adj. important, well-known, or noticeable

synonym: notable, distinguished, eye-catching

(1) **prominent** figure, (2) play a **prominent** role

The media frequently interviewed **prominent** scientists.

freeway

n. a major highway designed for high-speed traffic, with no stoplights or grade crossings and having interchanges or access roads to other highways

synonym: highway, expressway, motorway

(1) **freeway** exit, (2) expanded **freeway**

We got stuck in a traffic jam on the **freeway** for over an hour.

cornice

n. a decorative, horizontal molding that crowns a building or furniture; a ledge or shelf along the top of a wall

synonym: projection, molding, ledge

(1) **cornice** molding, (2) exterior **cornice**

The **cornice** of the old building added to its architectural charm.

exuberant

adj. full of energy, enthusiasm, or excitement; lively, animated, or unrestrained in behavior or expression; characterized by abundant growth or profuse production

synonym: joyful, elated, ebullient

(1) **exuberant** performance, (2) **exuberant** personality

The young couple's **exuberant** energy was infectious, and everyone around them was smiling.

redo

v. to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable

synonym: revise, remake, rework

(1) **redo** a kitchen, (2) **redo** a project

I had to **redo** my entire presentation because the formatting was off.

proportion

n. a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole

synonym: ratio, balance, consonance

(1) direct **proportion**, (2) a building of vast **proportions**

He is more concerned about the **proportion** of his body fat than usual because of an upcoming bodybuilding competition.

approve

v. to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.

synonym: accept, authorize, agree

(1) **approve** a measures, (2) unanimously **approve** a resolution

My boss wouldn't **approve** of the plan.

strict

adj. strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.

synonym: rigorous, inflexible, relentless

(1) **strict** compliance regime, (2) in **strict** secrecy

Too **strict** a regulation for the private sector will stifle innovation.

guideline

n. a general rule or principle that provides guidance to appropriate behavior; a piece of advice or instructions that tell you how something should be done or what something should be

synonym: policy, direction, protocol

(1) an education **guideline**, (2) **guideline** for clinical trial

This book will be a practical **guideline** when coding.

normally

adv. usually; under normal conditions

synonym: commonly, generally, naturally

(1) complete **normally**, (2) not **normally** drink much

I don't **normally** take a vacation in the middle of summer.

tight

adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

synonym : closed, secured, cramped

(1) a **tight** game, (2) student on a **tight** budget

The national election was held amid **tight** security.

fabric

n. cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

synonym : cloth, material, goods

(1) a hand-loomed **fabric**, (2) **fabric** of creation

These synthetic **fabrics** are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

festival

n. a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works

synonym : fair, holiday, celebration

(1) **festival** attendee, (2) international film **festival**

The music **festival** attracts visitors from all over the world.

laser

n. a device that emits powerful and narrow light that can be used as a tool to cut metal through a process of optical amplification

synonym : beam, bar, ray

(1) **laser** printer, (2) pulse **laser**

The company holds patents on core components of **laser** jet printers.

laboratory

n. a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab

synonym : lab, workshop, testing room

(1) **laboratory** accident, (2) anthropology **laboratory**

Animal protection groups call for an end to animal testing in a **laboratory**.

abstract

adj. based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence

synonym : conceptual, theoretical, ideational

(1) an **abstract** noun, (2) **abstract** science

The invention of the camera triggered the development of **abstract** painting.

lab

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

synonym : workshop, laboratory, research chamber

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

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

coincidence

n. an occasion when two or more similar things happen at the same time by chance, in a surprising way

synonym : co-occurrence, concurrency, accident

(1) the **coincidence** of an opinion, (2) by a strange **coincidence**

It was a pure **coincidence** that we met her in the library.

curve

n. a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape

synonym : bend, arc, turn

(1) learning **curve**, (2) yield **curve**

The **curve** in the road was so sharp that I had to slow down to navigate it safely.

mechanical

adj. operated by a machine, relating to or concerned with machinery or tools

synonym : machinelike, automated, automatic

(1) a **mechanical** style of writing, (2) the influence of **mechanical** action

A **mechanical** engineer is still in demand in many companies.

equip

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

synonym : prepare, furnish, provide

(1) **equip** an army, (2) **equip** our children with some special skills

The construction company **equipped** the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

solid

adj. hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

synonym : stable, reliable, hard

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

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

chase

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

synonym : pursue, hunt, track

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

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

canyon

n. a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river

synonym : gorge, valley, ravine

(1) twisty **canyon** road, (2) **canyon** of skyscrapers

The Grand **Canyon** has an awe-inspiring sight.

seize

v. to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

synonym : grab, grasp, capture

(1) **seize** a person's property, (2) **seize** the day

He has the superpower to **seize** a business opportunity.

protruding

adj. sticking out or projecting from a surface; extending beyond a boundary or limit

synonym : jutting, sticking out, protrusion

(1) **protruding** object, (2) **protruding** tongue

The construction worker wore a hard hat to protect his head from **protruding** beams or wires.

vent

n. a small opening to escape or release gas, air, liquid, etc.; activity or process that frees or expresses strong creative energy or emotion

synonym : duct, outlet, venthole

(1) volcanic **vent**, (2) **vent** tube

He gave **vent** to his anger by playing the guitar.

valley

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

synonym : canyon, gorge, dale

(1) **valley** bottom, (2) basin-shaped **valley**

The **valley** had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

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.

dam

n. a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

synonym : barricade, barrier, embankment

(1) **dam-building** program, (2) **dam** collapsing

The break in the **dam** threatened the valley.

workmanship

n. the quality or skill with which something, especially a crafted item or construction, has been made or done; the level of artistry and craftsmanship displayed in a particular piece of work

synonym : craftsmanship, artistry, skill

(1) the painting's **workmanship**, (2) high **workmanship** standards

The intricate details and flawless craftsmanship in the furniture demonstrate exquisite **workmanship**.

defensive

adj. used or intended to protect someone or something against attack or aggression

synonym : protective, watchful, opposing

(1) assume the **defensive**, (2) **defensive** weapons

Boxing fans often criticize his **defensive** stance.

cheaply

adv. in a stingy or inexpensive manner

synonym : inexpensively, tattily, stingily

(1) **cheaply** available, (2) buy stock **cheaply**

You can live very **cheaply** in Southeast Asia.

downstairs

adv. on or to a lower or ground floor of a building

synonym : below

(1) creep **downstairs**, (2) escort him **downstairs**

Please get the desk **downstairs**.

schizophrenia

n. a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior

synonym : psychosis, disorder, mental illness

(1) **schizophrenia** spectrum disorder, (2) **schizophrenia** treatment

The **schizophrenia** patient was experiencing severe auditory hallucinations.

adolescent

n. a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult

synonym : teen, preadult, youth

(1) **adolescent** girl, (2) pre- **adolescent** children

Timely education about birth control might help reduce **adolescent** pregnancies.

dilemma

n. a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones

synonym: difficulty, plight, predicament

(1) chicken-and-egg **dilemma**, (2) be in a **dilemma**

The choice between bureaucracy and adocracy represents a common **dilemma**.

recommend

v. to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role

synonym: advise, suggest, instruct

(1) **recommend** a hospitalization, (2) **recommend** reading

We **recommend** taking media training every six months.

estate

n. a large piece of land with an impressive house on it, often owned by a wealthy family; all of a person's possessions and assets at the time of their death; an area of land considered as a unit in terms of ownership, use or taxation

synonym: property, domain, land

(1) **estate** agent, (2) real **estate** transaction

The wealthy businessman left his entire **estate** to his children when he died.

subdivision

n. a smaller part of something that is divided into such parts

synonym: part, section, branch

(1) an administrative **subdivision**, (2) **subdivision** of cells

The city is divided into several smaller **subdivisions**.

collector

n. a person who collects or gathers objects as a hobby or for personal interest; someone who accumulates or acquires a specific type of item

synonym: gatherer, curator, aggregator

(1) art **collector**, (2) coin **collector**

My grandfather is an avid stamp **collector**, and he has a collection of rare stamps from all over the world.

sculptural

adj. relating to or resembling sculpture (= a three-dimensional work of art); having a three-dimensional quality or appearance

synonym: sculpted, carved, modeled

(1) **sculptural** masterpiece, (2) **sculptural** design

The **sculptural** details on the building's facade were simply stunning.

lumber

n. wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily

synonym: timber, wood, logs

(1) **lumber** industry, (2) rough **lumber**

The **lumber** yard had a wide selection of wood for building and construction.

chapel

n. a place of worship, especially a non-conformist or dissenting place of worship

synonym: sanctuary, church, place of worship

(1) a **chapel** royal, (2) **chapel** bell

The spacious **chapel** was a peaceful sanctuary for the couple to exchange their vows.

mall

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

synonym: shopping center, shopping complex

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

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

fin

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

synonym: flipper, appendage, stabilizer

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

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

railroad

n. metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization

synonym: railway, track, railway system

(1) coast-to-coast **railroad**, (2) **railroad** industry

The town was founded in the 19th century as a stop on the **railroad**, and it grew rapidly as a result.

courthouse

n. a building where courts of law are held, or administrative offices for legal proceedings are located

synonym: court, tribunal, judicature

(1) **courthouse** security, (2) municipal **courthouse**

The verdict was announced at the **courthouse** after a long trial.

axis

n. a real or imaginary straight line through a body or figure around which the object turns; a group of countries in special alliance

synonym: central, core, pole

(1) vertical **axis**, (2) a coordinate **axis**

The earth's **axis** of rotation is tilted 66.5 degrees to the ecliptic plane.

corporate

adj. of or relating to a large company

synonym: business, commercial, organizational

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

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

insure

v. to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage

synonym: protect, guard, safeguard

(1) **insure** my house against fire, (2) **insure** domestic tranquility

I will **insure** my car before I go on a road trip.

collaborate

v. to work with someone else to produce or achieve something

synonym: cooperate, unite, get together

(1) **collaborate** with the police, (2) **collaborate** on a press release

She agreed to **collaborate** with him in creating new artwork.

fasten

v. to secure or attach something firmly or tightly; to make something stay in place or become immovable

synonym: secure, attach, clamp

(1) **fasten** the zip, (2) **fasten** a button

Please **fasten** your seatbelt before the plane takes off.

fancy

v. to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy

synonym: imagine, visualize, (noun) fantasy

(1) **fancy** a cup of coffee, (2) a flight of **fancy**

I don't **fancy** acting in such an important role.

automobile

n. a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods

synonym: car, vehicle, motorcar

(1) driverless **automobile**, (2) **automobile** insurance

The **automobile** industry is a major contributor to air pollution in cities.

pet

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

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

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

peeve

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

synonym: annoy, irritate, bother

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

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

preserve

v. to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

synonym: conserve, care for, maintain

(1) **preserve** my strength, (2) **preserve** a country's heritage
They worked hard to **preserve** the nature of their native lands.

underway

adj. having started and currently in progress

synonym: afoot, ongoing, in motion

(1) just getting **underway**, (2) campaign now **underway**
This project has been **underway** for several years.

high-rise

adj. describing a tall building or structure that has many floors or levels above the ground, often used to describe residential or commercial buildings in urban areas with multiple stories

synonym: tall building, skyscraper, high building

(1) **high-rise** building, (2) **high-rise** office

Living in a **high-rise** apartment offers spectacular views of the city.

property

n. a thing or things that belong to someone

synonym: belongings, possessions, equity

(1) a man of **property**, (2) chemical **property**

He stood to inherit a million-dollar **property**.

pavilion

n. a large, often ornate tent or booth, often used for entertainment or public events; a building or structure, often in a park or other public space, used for meetings, exhibitions, or social gatherings

synonym: gazebo, kiosk, pagoda

(1) garden **pavilion**, (2) beach **pavilion**

The outdoor wedding reception was held in a beautiful **pavilion** overlooking the lake.

courtyard

n. an open space surrounded by buildings or walls, often in the center of a building or group of buildings

synonym : patio, garden, atrium

(1) quiet **courtyard**, (2) spacious **courtyard**

The hotel's beautiful **courtyard** was the perfect spot for a wedding reception.

wealth

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

synonym : affluence, assets, fortunate

(1) majority of his **wealth**, (2) material **wealth**

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

retain

v. to keep or continue to possess or maintain something

synonym : possess, hold, keep on

(1) **retain** information, (2) **retain** a lawyer

Computers help people **retain** specific memories.

zone

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

synonym : area, region, territory

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

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

barge

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

synonym : boat, vessel, flatboat

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

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

landscape

n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

synonym : geography, terrain, topography

(1) a peaceful **landscape**, (2) **landscape** painting

Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political **landscape** in Europe.

grove

n. a small group of trees growing closely together

synonym : copse, thicket, underbrush

(1) a bamboo **grove**, (2) citrus **grove**

They walked through the **grove** of trees and admired the natural beauty.

quarter

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

synonym : fourth, one-fourth

(1) a **quarter** mile, (2) end of the first **quarter**

The unemployment rate in the first **quarter** was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

marble

n. a hard crystalline metamorphic rock that has a pattern of lines going through it and takes a high polish used for sculpture and as building material; a small ball made of stone, especially one used in children's games

synonym : stone, rock, sphere

(1) **marble** statues, (2) artificial **marble**

The floor was made of white and black **marble** arranged in a checkerboard pattern.

stairway

n. a set of stairs that connects two floors or levels of a building, often with a handrail or banister for safety

synonym : staircase, steps

(1) **stairway** railing, (2) narrow **stairway**

The grand entrance hall had a magnificent marble **stairway** that curved gracefully upwards.

foreground

n. the part of a view, picture, etc., that is nearest to the viewer

(1) **foreground** segmentation, (2) **foreground** galaxy

A happy group of friends occupies the **foreground** of the picture.

depth

n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it

synonym: deepness, profoundness, extent

(1) **depth** camera, (2) the **depth** of the water

The pond's **depth** was around five feet.

shallow

adj. not having much distance from the top to the bottom

synonym: superficial, external, surface

(1) **shallow** people, (2) **shallow** water

Shallow brooks are noisier than deep rivers.

intent

n. a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something

synonym: purpose, aim, goal

(1) the **intent** of a question, (2) **intent** gaze

The designer's **intent** was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.

separate

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

synonym: disunite, isolate, ramify

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

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

din

n. a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket

synonym: noise, racket, clamor

(1) **din** of traffic, (2) mighty **din**

The **din** of the city was overwhelming.

accident

n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

synonym: calamity, casualty, chance

(1) cause an **accident**, (2) injury in a car **accident**

The **accident** partially destroyed my vehicle.

eventually

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

synonym: finally, someday, ultimately

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

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

split

v. to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line

synonym: break, divide, break apart

(1) **split** a bill, (2) **split** a reward equally

Companies often **split** their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.

humane

adj. having or showing compassion, kindness, and sympathy toward others, especially toward those who are suffering

synonym: compassionate, kind, merciful

(1) **humane** treatment, (2) **humane** society

We must ensure that all medical testing on animals is conducted in a **humane** way.

hop

v. to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

synonym: jump, bounce, skip

(1) **hop** on one foot, (2) **hop** from one place to another

The rabbit **hopped** over the fence.

picket

n. a pointed wooden or metal stake driven into the ground used as a support or for marking an area or boundary; a group of people, typically strikers or protestors, stationed

or moving around in front of a workplace, government building, or other location, to demonstrate opposition or to pick up supporters

synonym : fence, stake, lookout

(1) **picket** sign, (2) cross the **picket** line

The farmer built a **picket** fence around his garden to keep the animals out.

fence

n. a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property

synonym : barrier, wall, hedge

(1) **fence** post, (2) a brushwood **fence**

She planted a hedge to serve as a natural **fence** around her garden.

struggle

v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

synonym : toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

norm

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

synonym : criterion, mean, standard

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

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

AI

n. (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation

synonym : robot, machine learning, neural network

(1) **AI** expert, (2) apply **AI** technology to art

The evolution of processors has dramatically improved the performance of **AI**.

pragmatic

adj. practical rather than idealistic

synonym : practical, realistic, down-to-earth

(1) **pragmatic** approach, (2) **pragmatic** politics

He was a **pragmatic** leader who made decisions based on what was practical rather than ideal.

slab

n. a flat, rectangular piece of material, such as wood or concrete; often used to describe a large, heavy, or solid object or structure

synonym : slate, tile, paving stone

(1) a **slab** of chocolate, (2) marble **slab**

The construction workers poured a large **slab** of concrete for the foundation of the building.

phase

n. any stage in a series of events, change, or development

synonym : degree, stage, step

(1) enter on the last **phase**, (2) two- **phase** structure

The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial **phase** of history.

facility

n. a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry

synonym : building, structure, installation

(1) a cell phone with an internet **facility**, (2) **facility** design

This company has an entire recycling **facility**, including major reprocessing plants.

villa

n. a large, luxurious country house in ancient Rome or a modern version of such a house

synonym : country house, mansion, manor

(1) a **villa** by the seaside, (2) an imperial **villa**

They rented a **villa** on the Italian coast for their summer vacation.

communal

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

synonym : collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination of funds

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

seine

n. a large fishing net that hangs vertically in the water with floats at the top and weights at the bottom used to enclose and catch fish

synonym : net, fishing net, trawl

(1) haul a **seine**, (2) beach **seine**

The fishermen used a purse **seine** to catch fish in the river.

minister

n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

synonym : bishop, official, ambassador

(1) **Minister** for Education, (2) deputy prime **minister**

The **minister** occasionally preaches at this church.

finance

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

synonym : banking, investment, fund

(1) **finance** act, (2) manage my **finances**

Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in **finance**.

dense

adj. containing a large number of people or something with little space between them

synonym : heavy, thick, idiotic

(1) nutrient- **dense** foods, (2) **dense** forests

The entire mountain is covered in **dense** rainforest.

apartment

n. a self-contained living unit within a larger building or complex, typically consisting of one or more rooms or an open space used for living, cooking, and sleeping

synonym : flat, dwelling, unit

(1) rented **apartment**, (2) furnished **apartment**

I am seeking a spacious **apartment** with a balcony and a parking spot.

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.

screw

v. to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together

synonym : tighten, fix, secure

(1) **screw** the cap, (2) a female **screw**

He had to **screw** the loose knob back onto the cabinet door.

coup

n. a sudden, violent, and illegal seizure of power from a government; an impressive or successful action or achievement

synonym : revolution, overthrow, takeover

(1) **coup** plotters, (2) military **coup**

The prime minister was arrested and charged with treason after he was found to be involved in the **coup**.

organ

n. a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job

synonym : function, structure

(1) **organ** bleeding, (2) damage to internal **organs**

These infections have the potential to impact practically every **organ** system.

awful

adj. causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
synonym : terrible, appalling, horrible

(1) an **awful** error, (2) do **awful** damage

I regretted making an **awful** mistake in my final exam.

commit

v. to do something illegal or wrong

synonym : engage, carry out, execute

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

The military has **committed** an abuse of human rights.

suicide

n. the act of killing yourself intentionally

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

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

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

resolution

n. a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display

synonym : determination, decision, settlement

(1) **resolution** of a conflict, (2) display **resolution**

He made a New Year's **resolution** to exercise more and eat healthier.

elevator

n. a mechanical device used for vertical transportation, typically in multi-story buildings, consisting of a compartmentalized platform that moves between floors

synonym : lift, hoist

(1) **elevator** ride, (2) modern **elevator**

The hotel's **elevator** was out of order, so we had to take the stairs to our room on the fifth floor.

frontal

adj. relating to the front; situated at or directed towards the front; frontal can also refer to a meteorological term for a weather system that is moving from west to east

synonym : anterior, fore, forward

(1) **frontal** assault, (2) **frontal** attack

He suffered a severe **frontal** collision in the car accident.

parallel

adj. being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations

synonym: aligned, side-by-side, similar

(1) a **parallel** case, (2) **parallel** processing

He walked a road **parallel** to the railroad.

twist

v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape

synonym: wrench, turn, twirl

(1) **twist** around to the left, (2) **twist** a wet towel

He **twisted** pieces of rope out of straw.

balcony

n. a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space

synonym: terrace, veranda, deck

(1) **balcony** view, (2) **balcony** seating

They enjoyed a romantic dinner on the **balcony** overlooking the city.

ballerina

n. a female ballet (= a type of performance dance that tells a dramatic story or expresses an idea with music but no talking or singing) dancer

synonym: dancer, danseuse

(1) classical **ballerina**, (2) famous **ballerina**

The **ballerina's** graceful movements were a joy to watch.

lift

v. to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position

synonym: raise, elevate, move up

(1) **lift** sagging skin, (2) **lift** a ban on alcohol

The drought **lifted** the prices of grain globally.

foyer

n. an entrance hall or lobby, usually located at the front of a building or before the main room or area; a space for people to gather or wait before an event

synonym : lobby, entrance hall, vestibule

(1) hotel **foyer**, (2) grand **foyer**

The elegant chandelier in the **foyer** was the centerpiece of the grand entrance.

limestone

n. a sedimentary rock that is composed mainly of calcium carbonate, which is the mineral calcite

synonym : calcareous rock, chalk

(1) sheer **limestone** cliffs, (2) **limestone** pavement

The Great Pyramid of Giza was built using blocks of **limestone**.

mansard

n. a type of roof with two slopes on each of its four sides, the lower slope being steeper and the upper slope being flatter, giving the roof a distinctive appearance

synonym : roof, gambrel, pitched roof

(1) **mansard** renovation, (2) historic **mansard** buildings

The historical building featured a distinctive **mansard** roof, adding charm to its architectural design.

gesture

n. a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning

synonym : motion, expression, gesticulation

(1) **gesture** of goodwill, (2) hand **gesture**

She made a facial **gesture** to express disagreement.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym : specialized, technical

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

Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

glutton

n. a person who eats and drinks excessively

synonym : pig, hog, gourmand

(1) **glutton** appetite, (2) **glutton** for work

He was called a glorified **glutton** because he always ate more food than anyone else at the table.

punishment

n. a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing

synonym : penalty, discipline, retribution

(1) **punishment** for a crime, (2) humiliating **punishment**

The judge gave severe **punishment** to the criminal who committed the heinous crime.

hire

v. to give somebody a job

synonym : employ, engage, lease

(1) **hire** a guide, (2) **hire** a car by the hour

We should always be prepared to **hire** talented recruits.

addict

n. a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful

synonym : devotee, buff, freak

(1) a drug **addict**, (2) Internet **addict**

We have become TV **addicts** due to video streaming services.

euro

n. the official currency of most European Union countries

(1) the value of the **Euro**, (2) **Euro** crises

Some countries may leave the **Euro**.

mar

v. to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something

synonym : damage, deface, disfigure

(1) **mar** a proper relationship, (2) **mar** the reputation

The scratches on the car **marred** its otherwise perfect appearance.

productive

adj. resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value

synonym :

efficient, fruitful, successful

(1) low **productive** capacity, (2) **productive** meeting

The new employee proved extremely **productive**, completing projects ahead of schedule.

kingdom

n. the country ruled by a king or queen

synonym: empire, realm, land

(1) establish his **kingdom**, (2) a subordinate **kingdom**

By remaining neutral, this **kingdom** continued to exist.

rodeo

n. a public exhibition of cowboy skills, particularly in North America, featuring events such as calf-roping, steer wrestling, and bull riding

(1) **rodeo** bull, (2) **rodeo** championship

The bull rider held on tightly during the **rodeo** event.

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.

grid

n. a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

synonym: gridiron, battery grid, power system

(1) a **grid** design, (2) a wire **grid**

Grid pattern roads often appear in urban areas.

perpendicular

adj. forming, situated at, or being at a right angle to a given line or plane; upright or vertical; at right angles to the horizon

synonym: vertical, upright, standing

(1) **perpendicular** angles, (2) **perpendicular** walls

The two lines were perfectly **perpendicular** to each other.

nick

n. a small cut, notch, or indentation in a surface or an edge
synonym: incision, dent, indentation

(1) a **nick** on the fender of a car, (2) **nick** on my hand
The interviewer arrived in a **nick** of time.

relation

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

synonym: association, linkage, connection

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

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

urbanist

n. a person who studies or is an expert in the design, planning, and development of urban areas, especially in improving the quality of life for the people who live and work there

synonym: urban planner, city planner, city designer

(1) famous **urbanist**, (2) **urbanist** philosophy

The transportation board accepted the **urbanist's** proposal for a bus rapid transit system.

accrue

v. (of a benefit or sum of money) to increase or accumulate in number or amount over a period of time

synonym: increase, accumulate, amass

(1) **accrue** to the general treasury, (2) benefits **accrue** to the community

Two-percent interest will **accrue** on your savings account.

plaster

n. a substance made of lime that becomes hard as it dries and is used for the protective or decorative coating of walls and ceilings and for molding and casting decorative elements

synonym: cement, adhesive, mortar

(1) daub the ceiling with **plaster**, (2) cracks in the **plaster**

Patience is the **plaster** of all sores.

zinc

n. a metallic element that is found in small amounts in the earth's crust and is used in the manufacture of brass and alloys, and is required to maintain human's health

synonym : Zn

(1) good source of **zinc**, (2) **zinc** deficiency

Zinc supplements are often recommended for people who are deficient in this mineral.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym : insane, absurd, bizarre

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

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

cunning

adj. clever or skillful in achieving a goal, especially deceptively or secretly; shrewd or wily

synonym : sly, crafty, tricky

(1) **cunning** plan, (2) **cunning** thief

The **cunning** fox managed to elude the hunters and escape with his prey.

scream

v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

synonym : cry, shout, yell

(1) **scream** a profanity, (2) **scream** at him to be quiet

She kept **screaming** for an ambulance.

skylight

n. a window or opening in a roof or ceiling that allows natural light to enter a room or space from above

synonym : roof window, light well

(1) **skylight** window, (2) dome **skylight**

The **skylight** in the room added natural light and a beautiful view of the stars at night.

iceberg

n. a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier

synonym : glacier, ice mass, floe

(1) hit an **iceberg**, (2) **iceberg** melting

The ship encountered a series of **icebergs** and had to change its course.

concert

n. a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers

synonym: gig, musical, show

(1) have a **concert** again, (2) a benefit **concert**

This artist always packs the **concert** halls.

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.

chamber

n. a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament

synonym: association, cabin, legislature

(1) a gas **chamber**, (2) the lower **chamber**

The surgeon made an incision in the **chambers** of the patient's heart.

optimist

n. a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future

synonym: positive thinker, dreamer, idealist

(1) **optimist** by nature, (2) excessive **optimist**

She is a confident **optimist** who always looks on the bright side.

composition

n. the different parts of something's elements or ingredients; the way in which the different components are organized; a piece of music written by someone

synonym: creating, formatting, arrangement

(1) age **composition** of the population, (2) the piano

passages in the **composition**

Their innovative concepts were consistent across their bodies of **composition**.

strengthen

v. to become stronger or more effective; to make someone or something stronger or more effective

synonym: reinforce, harden, boost

(1) **strengthen** the immune system, (2) **strengthen** a border patrol

Difficulties **strengthen** the mind, as labor does the body.

commerce

n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale

synonym: trade, transaction, dealings

(1) interstate **commerce**, (2) the local chamber of **commerce**

This company has invested heavily in Internet **commerce**.

elevation

n. the height of something above sea level or above the ground; the event of something being raised upward

synonym: height, altitude, rise

(1) at an **elevation** of 1000 feet, (2) **elevation** in rank

The **elevation** of the mountain made it difficult to breathe.

acoustics

n. a branch of physics that deals with the study of mechanical waves in gases, liquids, and solids, including topics such as vibration, sound, ultrasound, and infrasound

(1) specialize in **acoustics**, (2) the engineer of **acoustics**

The physicist specializes in **acoustics**.

criteria

n. (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided

synonym: bars, benchmarks, standards

(1) **criteria** for action, (2) consistency **criteria**

He didn't meet all the **criteria**, but he was hired anyway.

compartment

n. a separate section or part of a larger enclosed space, such as a train carriage or a ship's cabin

synonym: section, part, subdivision

(1) **compartment** door, (2) a watertight **compartment**

The train's **compartment** was small but comfortable.

scheme

n. an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something

synonym: strategy, blueprint, plan

(1) a pilot **scheme**, (2) draw out a **scheme**

They carefully executed the well-planned **scheme** they had prepared over the years.

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.

surround

v. to be all around something or somebody

synonym: encircle, encompass, envelop

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

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

settle

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

synonym: inhabit, occupy, decide

(1) **settle** a dispute, (2) **settle** down in the town

I don't want to **settle** for second best.

sloping

adj. having a gradually or sharply angled surface or gradient; inclined or tilted in a particular direction or manner

synonym: inclining, slanted, tilted

(1) **sloping** driveway, (2) **sloping** roof

The **sloping** hill made for a difficult hike but provided a stunning view.

crucial

adj. extremely vital or necessary

synonym : essential, pivotal, vital

(1) **crucial** information, (2) a **crucial** issue for women

The revitalization of technology companies is **crucial** to the country's growth.

carriage

n. a wheeled vehicle used for transportation, typically pulled by horses or an engine; a part of a train that carries passengers; the act or process of transporting or conveying someone or something

synonym : coach, wagon, chariot

(1) horse-drawn **carriage**, (2) **carriage** driver

The royal **carriage** arrived at the palace with the king and queen.

column

n. one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument

synonym : line, pillar, cue

(1) the spinal **column**, (2) a **column** of water

The newspaper devoted several **columns** to the affair.

structural

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

synonym : architectural, basic, anatomical

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

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

introduction

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

synonym : initiation, preamble, prologue

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

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

proscenium

n. the part of a theater stage that is framed by an arch and is in front of the curtain

synonym : stage, platform, apron

(1) **proscenium** arch, (2) **proscenium** stage

The **proscenium** opening was the part of the stage in front of the curtain.

intimacy

n. close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person

synonym : closeness, familiarity, nearness

(1) on terms of **intimacy**, (2) build **intimacy**

They were looking for **intimacy** in their relationship and wanted to be close to each other.

literally

adv. in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively

synonym : actually, truly, verily

(1) translate **literally**, (2) bite his tongue **literally**

He **literally** jumped out of his chair when he heard the news.

bounce

v. to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back

synonym : bound, leap, spring

(1) **bounce** across the floor, (2) **bounce** back from failure

They will **bounce** between various emotional states.

sect

n. a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

synonym : group, faction, cult

(1) **sect** beliefs, (2) secret **sect**

The minority **sect** believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

crank

n. a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable

person

synonym : eccentric, oddball, kook

(1) **crank** handle, (2) **crank** caller

The fishing reel had a **crank** that made it easy to reel in the catch.

teapot

n. a small, usually handleless pot with a spout used for boiling or brewing tea; it often has a lid to prevent heat loss during steeping and is typically made of ceramic or metal

synonym : kettle, pot, pitcher

(1) antique **teapot**, (2) porcelain **teapot**

The ceramic **teapot** shattered on the kitchen floor when I accidentally dropped it.

stick

v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

synonym : pierce, adhere, stay

(1) **stick** a key in a lock, (2) fire **stick**

You **stick** a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

interstate

adj. between or involving different states (= the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation)

synonym : cross-state, between states

(1) **interstate** disputes, (2) **interstate** travel

The **interstate** highway connects the major cities of the state.

exposed

adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

synonym : endangered, revealed, disclosed

(1) **exposed** to radiation, (2) an **exposed** rock

Tech companies often employ **exposed** ducts and other

materials in their office interiors.

steel

n. a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure

synonym: iron

(1) magnetic **steel**, (2) **steel** beam

This bridge is the third largest **steel** bridge in the world.

proof

n. a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists

synonym: testimony, evidence, assurance

(1) documentary **proof**, (2) a geometric **proof**

Proof is better than argument.

pervert

v. to change the inherent purpose or function of something; to influence somebody to behave in morally unacceptable ways; to corrupt or lead astray; (noun) a person who engages in sexual behavior or has sexual interests that are considered abnormal or deviant by society

synonym: distort, corrupt, twist

(1) **pervert** justice, (2) **pervert** young men

The teacher warned the students not to **pervert** the story's meaning by twisting the facts.

contraption

n. a machine or device that is made up of a combination of interconnected parts and often appears complicated or unusual

synonym: device, gadget, machinery

(1) farming **contraption**, (2) complicated **contraption**

The inventor created a **contraption** that could turn salt water into drinking water.

harbor

n. an area of water next to the coast where ships and boats are protected from rough water by piers, jetties, and other artificial structures; (verb) keep in one's possession

synonym : port, dock, pier

(1) a sheltered **harbor**, (2) **harbor** a resentment

The tsunami swamped every boat in the **harbor**.

depart

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

synonym : go away, leave, vacate

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

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

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym : root, source, ancestor

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

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

loose

adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

synonym : relaxed, unconsolidated, open

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

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

terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym : unnerve, scare, horrify

(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him

It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.

studio

n. a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

synonym : workshop, atelier, room

(1) a photo **studio**, (2) music **studio**

She works at a recording **studio** in Los Angeles.

fast-food

n. a type of restaurant or food establishment that specializes in quickly prepared and served meals, often in a drive-thru or takeout format

(1) **fast-food** industry, (2) **fast-food** chain

The **fast-food** restaurant on the corner is always busy during lunchtime.

cashier

n. an employee responsible for handling transactions, such as payments or returns, in a store or other business

synonym: teller, clerk

(1) **cashier** position, (2) bank **cashier**

After working as a **cashier** for a few years, she was promoted to a managerial position within the grocery store.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. co_____e molding | <i>n.</i> a decorative, horizontal molding that crowns a building or furniture; a ledge or shelf along the top of a wall |
| 2. enter on the last ph__e | <i>n.</i> any stage in a series of events, change, or development |
| 3. an ear ca__l | <i>n.</i> a long and narrow strip of water made artificially either for boats and ships to travel along or for irrigation |
| 4. famous ba_____na | <i>n.</i> a female ballet (= a type of performance dance that tells a dramatic story or expresses an idea with music but no talking or singing) dancer |
| 5. just getting un_____ay | <i>adj.</i> having started and currently in progress |
| 6. tec_____cal policy | <i>adj.</i> based on scientific and industrial progress |
| 7. create sc_____re | <i>n.</i> the art of creating three-dimensional objects or forms, typically by carving, modeling, or casting in a variety of materials such as stone, wood, metal, or clay |
| 8. a sl__e of the company's revenue | <i>n.</i> a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting |
| 9. a ma__c spell | <i>n.</i> beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers |

ANSWERS: 1. cornice, 2. phase, 3. canal, 4. ballerina, 5. underway, 6. technological, 7. sculpture, 8. slice, 9. magic

10. play a pr_____nt role *adj.* important, well-known, or noticeable
11. co_____e head-on *v.* to hit something violently when moving
12. take the ga__e of a situation *n.* an instrument for measuring and displaying the amount, level, or contents of something; (verb) to judge tentatively or form an estimate of something
13. pre_____ry agreement *adj.* serving as a preparation for something more important or extensive; introductory; taking place before the main event or decision
14. a g__d design *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
15. r_d the body of waste products *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
16. classical ba_____na *n.* a female ballet (= a type of performance dance that tells a dramatic story or expresses an idea with music but no talking or singing) dancer
17. str_____al reorganization *adj.* associated with the way on construction or organization of anything
18. sk_____ht window *n.* a window or opening in a roof or ceiling that allows natural light to enter a room or space from above
19. h_p from one place to another *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

ANSWERS: 10. prominent, 11. collide, 12. gauge, 13. preliminary, 14. grid, 15. rid, 16. ballerina, 17. structural, 18. skylight, 19. hop

20. a benefit co____t *n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
21. pe____t justice *v.* to change the inherent purpose or function of something; to influence somebody to behave in morally unacceptable ways; to corrupt or lead astray; (noun) a person who engages in sexual behavior or has sexual interests that are considered abnormal or deviant by society
22. st____ay railing *n.* a set of stairs that connects two floors or levels of a building, often with a handrail or banister for safety
23. ba____b drain *n.* a large container, typically made of porcelain or acrylic, for holding water in which a person can bathe
24. cause an ac____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
25. famous ur____st *n.* a person who studies or is an expert in the design, planning, and development of urban areas, especially in improving the quality of life for the people who live and work there
26. lo____l reasoning *adj.* characterized by clear and sound reasoning; following a rational and systematic approach; based on or in accordance with logic or reason
27. cost of solar pa__ls *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

ANSWERS: 20. concert, 21. pervert, 22. stairway, 23. bathtub, 24. accident, 25. urbanist, 26. logical, 27. panel

28. de__e forests *adj.* containing a large number of people or something with little space between them
29. the st_____re of a machine *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
30. d__l sight *adj.* not interesting or exciting; not bright, vivid, or shiny; not active, brisk, or sharp
31. ma___e statues *n.* a hard crystalline metamorphic rock that has a pattern of lines going through it and takes a high polish used for sculpture and as building material; a small ball made of stone, especially one used in children's games
32. administrative hea_____er *n.* the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
33. time z__e *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
34. h__e a car by the hour *v.* to give somebody a job
35. an irrigation ca__l *n.* a long and narrow strip of water made artificially either for boats and ships to travel along or for irrigation
36. a p_t bird *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
37. aut_____le insurance *n.* a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods
38. a bu__h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

ANSWERS: 28. dense, 29. structure, 30. dull, 31. marble, 32. headquarter, 33. zone, 34. hire, 35. canal, 36. pet, 37. automobile, 38. bunch

39. co___r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
40. hit an ic_____g *n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
41. back f_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
42. municipal cou_____se *n.* a building where courts of law are held, or administrative offices for legal proceedings are located
43. cr__k handle *n.* a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person
44. violent por_____hy *n.* materials such as films, photographs, or written descriptions that depict or describe sexual activity graphically or explicitly, often intended to be sexually arousing
45. ro__o bull *n.* a public exhibition of cowboy skills, particularly in North America, featuring events such as calf-roping, steer wrestling, and bull riding
46. ur_____st philosophy *n.* a person who studies or is an expert in the design, planning, and development of urban areas, especially in improving the quality of life for the people who live and work there
47. manage my fi_____es *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

ANSWERS: 39. confer, 40. iceberg, 41. fin, 42. courthouse, 43. crank, 44. pornography, 45. rodeo, 46. urbanist, 47. finance

48. employment co____ct *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
49. m_r the reputation *v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
50. satellite im____y *n.* the use of words or pictures in books, photographs, paintings, etc., that produces pictures in the minds of people; the ability to form mental images of things or events
51. a gas ch____r *n.* a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament
52. a cell phone with an internet
fa____ty *n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry
53. cr__t arts of Japan *n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
54. cr____l information *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
55. ca____r diagnosis *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells
56. a cr__y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
57. a scientific di____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 48. contract, 49. mar, 50. imagery, 51. chamber, 52. facility, 53. craft, 54. crucial, 55. cancer, 56. crazy, 57. discovery

58. ex_____nt performance *adj.* full of energy, enthusiasm, or excitement; lively, animated, or unrestrained in behavior or expression; characterized by abundant growth or profuse production
59. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
60. ca_____ge driver *n.* a wheeled vehicle used for transportation, typically pulled by horses or an engine; a part of a train that carries passengers; the act or process of transporting or conveying someone or something
61. de__h camera *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
62. student on a ti__t budget *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
63. fa___y accurate *adv.* to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
64. gl_____n for work *n.* a person who eats and drinks excessively
65. Platonic di_____ues *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
66. ce_____g board *n.* a room's top interior surface
67. consistency cr_____ia *n.* (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided
68. the cr_____or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

ANSWERS: 58. exuberant, 59. participate, 60. carriage, 61. depth, 62. tight, 63. fairly, 64. glutton, 65. dialogue, 66. ceiling, 67. criteria, 68. creditor

69. a watertight com_____nt *n.* a separate section or part of a larger enclosed space, such as a train carriage or a ship's cabin
70. co_____ed citizen *adj.* feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention
71. music st___o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
72. the major pr_____e *n.* a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn
73. hand ge_____e *n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
74. western phi_____hy *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
75. blue j_y *n.* a type of bird that belongs to the crow family and is known for its brightly colored feathers and loud, raucous call
76. ex_____d to radiation *adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
77. commit su_____e *n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
78. have a fa___y clear view *adv.* to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
79. co___t mistakes *v.* to do something illegal or wrong

ANSWERS: 69. compartment, 70. concerned, 71. studio, 72. premise, 73. gesture, 74. philosophy, 75. jay, 76. exposed, 77. suicide, 78. fairly, 79. commit

80. creep dow_____rs *adv.* on or to a lower or ground floor of a building
81. the root problem of her dep_____on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
82. pr_____ic politics *adj.* practical rather than idealistic
83. su_____nd a town *v.* to be all around something or somebody
84. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
85. secret s__t *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
86. state of de___l *n.* a statement that something is not true or does not exist
87. material we___h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
88. gu_____ne for clinical trial *n.* a general rule or principle that provides guidance to appropriate behavior; a piece of advice or instructions that tell you how something should be done or what something should be
89. fu__y logic *adj.* having a soft and indistinct outline or covered with fine, soft, and hairlike fibers

ANSWERS: 80. downstairs, 81. depression, 82. pragmatic, 83. surround, 84. opportune, 85. sect, 86. denial, 87. wealth, 88. guideline, 89. fuzzy

90. la_____pe painting *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
91. nutrient-de___e foods *adj.* containing a large number of people or something with little space between them
92. co_____ce her to go with us *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
93. an av___e to success *n.* a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach
94. ch___n reaction *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
95. dome sk_____ht *n.* a window or opening in a roof or ceiling that allows natural light to enter a room or space from above
96. visual im_____y *n.* the use of words or pictures in books, photographs, paintings, etc., that produces pictures in the minds of people; the ability to form mental images of things or events
97. sl_____g driveway *adj.* having a gradually or sharply angled surface or gradient; inclined or tilted in a particular direction or manner
98. hi_____ht an important difference *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
99. dr_____g for design *n.* the act of making a picture with a pencil, pen, or other instruments on paper, cardboard, or other material

ANSWERS: 90. landscape, 91. dense, 92. convince, 93. avenue, 94. chain, 95. skylight, 96. imagery, 97. sloping, 98. highlight, 99. drawing

100. do_____wn traffic *adv.* in or towards the central area of a town or city
101. muscular st_____th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
102. ba_____b curve *n.* a large container, typically made of porcelain or acrylic, for holding water in which a person can bathe
103. plastics f__m material *n.* a mass of small air bubbles formed on the surface of a liquid; a substance that forms a lather when mixed with water
104. fa_____n a button *v.* to secure or attach something firmly or tightly; to make something stay in place or become immovable
105. ex_____t a bad attitude *v.* to show something in public for people to enjoy or to provide them with information
106. an aw__l error *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
107. for the s__e of argument *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
108. pro_____um arch *n.* the part of a theater stage that is framed by an arch and is in front of the curtain
109. re_____nd a hospitalization *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
110. the piano passages in the com_____on *n.* the different parts of something's elements or ingredients; the way in which the different components are organized; a piece of music written by someone

ANSWERS: 100. downtown, 101. strength, 102. bathtub, 103. foam, 104. fasten, 105. exhibit, 106. awful, 107. sake, 108. proscenium, 109. recommend, 110. composition

111. l_b instrument *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
112. the f__m on a beer *n.* a mass of small air bubbles formed on the surface of a liquid; a substance that forms a lather when mixed with water
113. assume the de_____ve *adj.* used or intended to protect someone or something against attack or aggression
114. bring fo__h a beautiful vase *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
115. st_____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
116. ins_____tal music *adj.* of, relating to, or performed on musical instruments; useful or important in achieving a purpose
117. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
118. the value of the E__o *n.* the official currency of most European Union countries
119. cu_____g thief *adj.* clever or skillful in achieving a goal, especially deceptively or secretly; shrewd or wily
120. largest electronic m__l *n.* a large, enclosed shopping center that typically contains many stores, restaurants, and other businesses

ANSWERS: 111. lab, 112. foam, 113. defensive, 114. forth, 115. struggle, 116. instrumental, 117. decide, 118. euro, 119. cunning, 120. mall

121. in___t gaze *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
122. vertical a__s *n.* a real or imaginary straight line through a body or figure around which the object turns; a group of countries in special alliance
123. m_r a proper relationship *v.* to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something
124. an administrative sub_____on *n.* a smaller part of something that is divided into such parts
125. marble s__b *n.* a flat, rectangular piece of material, such as wood or concrete; often used to describe a large, heavy, or solid object or structure
126. for_____ss of liabilities *n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion
127. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
128. gets m_d easily *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
129. mighty d_n *n.* a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket
130. ch_____y available *adv.* in a stingy or inexpensive manner

ANSWERS: 121. intent, 122. axis, 123. mar, 124. subdivision, 125. slab, 126. forgiveness, 127. movement, 128. mad, 129. din, 130. cheaply

131. co____ce an opponent *v.* to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
132. ac___e to the general treasury *v.* (of a benefit or sum of money) to increase or accumulate in number or amount over a period of time
133. adamantly d__y killing *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
134. as____nt professor *n.* someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job
135. st____d analysis *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
136. precious me__l *n.* a solid material that is typically hard, shiny, malleable, fusible, and ductile, with good electrical and thermal conductivity, and often used as a structural material, a conductor of heat or electricity, or for decorative purposes
137. pos____rn anthropology *adj.* relating to or characterized by a rejection of objective truth and global cultural narratives and instead emphasizing the role of personal interpretation
138. tr__e joke *adj.* lacking originality or freshness; overused, common, or clichéd; lacking in depth or significance due to being overly familiar or predictable
139. a man of pr____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
140. rented ap____nt *n.* a self-contained living unit within a larger building or complex, typically consisting of one or more rooms or an open space used for living, cooking, and sleeping

ANSWERS: 131. convince, 132. accrue, 133. deny, 134. assistant, 135. studied, 136. metal, 137. postmodern, 138. trite, 139. property, 140. apartment

141. a subtle cr_____an *n.* a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials
142. sub_____on of cells *n.* a smaller part of something that is divided into such parts
143. pr_____ve my strength *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
144. arrive and de____t on time *v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
145. co____r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
146. driverless aut_____le *n.* a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods
147. the influence of mec_____al action *adj.* operated by a machine, relating to or concerned with machinery or tools
148. h__e a guide *v.* to give somebody a job
149. col_____te on a press release *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
150. fe_____g equipment *n.* the art or practice of fighting with swords, especially with foils, épées, or sabers, according to certain rules
151. temporary acc_____ion *n.* a place to live, work, or stay, particularly for a temporary or short-term period; adjustment or adaptation to meet various needs or circumstances

ANSWERS: 141. craftsman, 142. subdivision, 143. preserve, 144. depart, 145. confer, 146. automobile, 147. mechanical, 148. hire, 149. collaborate, 150. fencing, 151. accommodation

152. d_m-building program *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
153. j_y feather *n.* a type of bird that belongs to the crow family and is known for its brightly colored feathers and loud, raucous call
154. su____e attack *n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
155. lo____l conclusion *adj.* characterized by clear and sound reasoning; following a rational and systematic approach; based on or in accordance with logic or reason
156. to__c molecule *adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
157. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
158. pre-ado_____nt children *n.* a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult
159. va___y bottom *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
160. basin-shaped va___y *n.* a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
161. de__y a flight three hours *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
162. fa_____ty design *n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry

ANSWERS: 152. dam, 153. jay, 154. suicide, 155. logical, 156. toxic, 157. construct, 158. adolescent, 159. valley, 160. valley, 161. delay, 162. facility

163. age com_____on of the population
n. the different parts of something's elements or ingredients; the way in which the different components are organized; a piece of music written by someone
164. ga_____ze the country
v. to stimulate or shock someone into taking action; to cover metal containing zinc to protect it from rust
165. persons co_____ed
adj. feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention
166. re_____nt population
adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
167. grand fo__r
n. an entrance hall or lobby, usually located at the front of a building or before the main room or area; a space for people to gather or wait before an event
168. tr_____te a document into English
v. to convert or change words into another language
169. an ab_____ct noun
adj. based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
170. a sal_____on in a store
n. a person whose job is to sell goods in a shop or directly to customers
171. pe_____al sink
n. a base or support on which something, typically a statue, column, etc., is placed
172. call fo__h demand
adv. forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open

ANSWERS: 163. composition, 164. galvanize, 165. concerned, 166. resilient, 167. foyer, 168. translate, 169. abstract, 170. salesperson, 171. pedestal, 172. forth

181. lab_____ry accident *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
182. sc___m at him to be quiet *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
183. antique te___t *n.* a small, usually handleless pot with a spout used for boiling or brewing tea; it often has a lid to prevent heat loss during steeping and is typically made of ceramic or metal
184. half qu_____ty *n.* the amount or number of something; magnitude
185. fi_____e act *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
186. sc___m a profanity *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
187. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
188. pe_____t young men *v.* to change the inherent purpose or function of something; to influence somebody to behave in morally unacceptable ways; to corrupt or lead astray; (noun) a person who engages in sexual behavior or has sexual interests that are considered abnormal or deviant by society

ANSWERS: 181. laboratory, 182. scream, 183. teapot, 184. quantity, 185. finance, 186. scream, 187. decide, 188. pervert

189. participation aw__d *n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
190. cr__k caller *n.* a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person
191. in____ve eating *adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof
192. become increasingly com____ed *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
193. the great di____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
194. com____nt door *n.* a separate section or part of a larger enclosed space, such as a train carriage or a ship's cabin
195. a geometric pr__f *n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists
196. beach se__e *n.* a large fishing net that hangs vertically in the water with floats at the top and weights at the bottom used to enclose and catch fish
197. pos____rn art *adj.* relating to or characterized by a rejection of objective truth and global cultural narratives and instead emphasizing the role of personal interpretation

ANSWERS: 189. award, 190. crank, 191. intuitive, 192. complicated, 193. discovery, 194. compartment, 195. proof, 196. seine, 197. postmodern

198. n__k on my hand *n.* a small cut, notch, or indentation in a surface or an edge
199. a mec_____al style of writing *adj.* operated by a machine, relating to or concerned with machinery or tools
200. ca_____r position *n.* an employee responsible for handling transactions, such as payments or returns, in a store or other business
201. in_____ct with one another *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
202. a sheltered ha____r *n.* an area of water next to the coast where ships and boats are protected from rough water by piers, jetties, and other artificial structures; (verb) keep in one's possession
203. int_____on among human beings *n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
204. hu____e society *adj.* having or showing compassion, kindness, and sympathy toward others, especially toward those who are suffering
205. rea_____on of a concept *n.* the act or process of understanding or becoming aware of something; the act of achieving or completing something that was planned or desired; the act of making something real or tangible
206. tw__t around to the left *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
207. the state of being we__d *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

ANSWERS: 198. nick, 199. mechanical, 200. cashier, 201. interact, 202. harbor, 203. interaction, 204. humane, 205. realization, 206. twist, 207. weird

208. draw out a sc___e *n.* an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something
209. la__r printer *n.* a device that emits powerful and narrow light that can be used as a tool to cut metal through a process of optical amplification
210. porcelain te___t *n.* a small, usually handleless pot with a spout used for boiling or brewing tea; it often has a lid to prevent heat loss during steeping and is typically made of ceramic or metal
211. fa___c of creation *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
212. two-ph__e structure *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
213. by a strange coi_____ce *n.* an occasion when two or more similar things happen at the same time by chance, in a surprising way
214. pr_____nt figure *adj.* important, well-known, or noticeable
215. el_____or ride *n.* a mechanical device used for vertical transportation, typically in multi-story buildings, consisting of a compartmentalized platform that moves between floors
216. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
217. pro_____ve meeting *adj.* resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value

ANSWERS: 208. scheme, 209. laser, 210. teapot, 211. fabric, 212. phase, 213. coincidence, 214. prominent, 215. elevator, 216. eventually, 217. productive

218. ap_____e a measures *v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.
219. bi_____ars for birdwatching *n.* (often used in plural form) a device or instrument designed for use with both eyes simultaneously, enabling a viewer to see objects in a three-dimensional perspective and with greater depth perception; (adjective) relating to or involving both eyes, especially when viewing through a device such as a pair of binoculars; involving or requiring the use of both eyes
220. do aw___l damage *adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant
221. co_____e my thoughts *v.* to write music, poetry, or formal writing; to constitute or make up a whole, or a specified part of it
222. a lo___e tongue *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
223. in_____e domestic tranquility *v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
224. fe_____g club *n.* the art or practice of fighting with swords, especially with foils, épées, or sabers, according to certain rules
225. a c___e to the diagnosis *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery

ANSWERS: 218. approve, 219. binocular, 220. awful, 221. compose, 222. loose, 223. insure, 224. fencing, 225. clue

226. a peaceful la_____pe *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
227. horse s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
228. acc_____al death *adj.* happening or existing by chance or unintentionally
229. on terms of in_____cy *n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person
230. col_____te with the police *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
231. go_____h bird-eating spider *n.* a biblical figure and legendary giant warrior whom the young shepherd David defeated; a symbol of great strength or size
232. h__l broke loose *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place
233. harsh rea_____on *n.* the act or process of understanding or becoming aware of something; the act of achieving or completing something that was planned or desired; the act of making something real or tangible

ANSWERS: 226. landscape, 227. stud, 228. accidental, 229. intimacy, 230. collaborate, 231. goliath, 232. hell, 233. realization

234. the bl__e of a turbine *n.* the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting
235. learning cu__e *n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
236. fru_____on level *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
237. a we__d dress *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
238. come out of no____e *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
239. bo___e back from failure *v.* to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back
240. int_____te disputes *adj.* between or involving different states (= the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation)
241. co_____e in midair *v.* to hit something violently when moving
242. t_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
243. cr_____ia for action *n.* (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided
244. lu___r industry *n.* wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily

ANSWERS: 234. blade, 235. curve, 236. frustration, 237. weird, 238. nowhere, 239. bounce, 240. interstate, 241. collide, 242. tap, 243. criteria, 244. lumber

245. gu_____il installation *n.* a sturdy metal or wooden railing or barrier placed beside a road, bridge, or other dangerous areas to prevent vehicles or people from going over the edge; a protective barrier or railing used to prevent falls or accidents
246. so_____ir shop *n.* an object, often a small item, that is kept as a reminder or memento of a person, place, or event; a keepsake
247. fr_____l assault *adj.* relating to the front; situated at or directed towards the front; frontal can also refer to a meteorological term for a weather system that is moving from west to east
248. automotive go_____h *n.* a biblical figure and legendary giant warrior whom the young shepherd David defeated; a symbol of great strength or size
249. co_____ct law *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
250. a zi_____g line *adj.* having short sharp turns or angles
251. r__o a project *v.* to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable
252. spacious co_____rd *n.* an open space surrounded by buildings or walls, often in the center of a building or group of buildings

ANSWERS: 245. guardrail, 246. souvenir, 247. frontal, 248. goliath, 249. contract, 250. zigzag, 251. redo, 252. courtyard

253. supply ch__n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
254. so__d ally *adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality
255. ha___r a resentment *n.* an area of water next to the coast where ships and boats are protected from rough water by piers, jetties, and other artificial structures; (verb) keep in one's possession
256. international film fe____al *n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works
257. tr_____te the emotion to a movement *v.* to convert or change words into another language
258. per_____lar walls *adj.* forming, situated at, or being at a right angle to a given line or plane; upright or vertical; at right angles to the horizon
259. bu___e shoe *v.* to bend out of shape, as under pressure or from heat; (noun) a device used for fastening two loose ends of a belt or strap
260. ca__e my name on the plate *v.* to create something by cutting wood or stone; to turn sharply
261. in_____ve judgment *adj.* obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof
262. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

ANSWERS: 253. chain, 254. solid, 255. harbor, 256. festival, 257. translate, 258. perpendicular, 259. buckle, 260. carve, 261. intuitive, 262. relation

263. pressure ga__e *n.* an instrument for measuring and displaying the amount, level, or contents of something; (verb) to judge tentatively or form an estimate of something
264. ga___e repair *n.* a building or part of a building used to store a vehicle or vehicles, typically a car
265. a drug ad___t *n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
266. the spinal co___n *n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument
267. for_____nd segmentation *n.* the part of a view, picture, etc., that is nearest to the viewer
268. well-st_____d decision *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
269. pe__e me off when people talk loudly *v.* to annoy or irritate someone; to be a source of annoyance or irritation to someone; (noun) something that irritates or annoys you; a source of annoyance or irritation
270. co___r belt *n.* a chemical element that is a soft, malleable, and ductile metal with very high thermal and electrical conductivity
271. ja___r gemstone *n.* a dense, opaque variety of quartz that is typically red, brown, or yellow in color and often used as a gemstone or in decorative objects

ANSWERS: 263. gauge, 264. garage, 265. addict, 266. column, 267. foreground, 268. studied, 269. peeve, 270. copper, 271. jasper

272. exposure to to__c chemicals *adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
273. bank and credit un__ns *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
274. the form of a di____ue *n.* a conversation in a book, play, or film
275. intraspecific com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
276. ca_____rd cutout *n.* a stiff, thick material made from compressed paper pulp used to make boxes and other packaging materials
277. a co__c hat *adj.* funny and making you laugh
278. sl__e a tomato thin *n.* a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting
279. a f_n of a plane *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
280. classic arc_____ure *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
281. pa__l discussion *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

ANSWERS: 272. toxic, 273. union, 274. dialogue, 275. competition, 276. cardboard, 277. comic, 278. slice, 279. fin, 280. architecture, 281. panel

282. fa_____te the young *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
283. first design sk____hes *n.* a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something
284. re_____on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
285. bu____e down to study *v.* to bend out of shape, as under pressure or from heat; (noun) a device used for fastening two loose ends of a belt or strap
286. chemical pr_____ty *n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
287. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
288. direct pro_____on *n.* a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole
289. achieve no_____ty *n.* the state of being widely known, especially for something negative or notorious; a negative reputation or fame
290. remove lo__e hair *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
291. st_____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

ANSWERS: 282. fascinate, 283. sketch, 284. relation, 285. buckle, 286. property, 287. opportune, 288. proportion, 289. notoriety, 290. loose, 291. struggle

292. a d__l pain *adj.* not interesting or exciting; not bright, vivid, or shiny; not active, brisk, or sharp
293. se___e landscape *adj.* calm, peaceful, and untroubled; free from disturbances or worries
294. c__p fishing *n.* a type of freshwater fish found in many parts of the world, typically with a scaleless body, barbels around the mouth, and erect fins; (verb) to complain or find fault with something repeatedly
295. an unwilling as_____nt *n.* someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job
296. r__o a kitchen *v.* to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable
297. cross the pi___t line *n.* a pointed wooden or metal stake driven into the ground used as a support or for marking an area or boundary; a group of people, typically strikers or protestors, stationed or moving around in front of a workplace, government building, or other location, to demonstrate opposition or to pick up supporters
298. damage to internal or__ns *n.* a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job
299. up the a__e *n.* a mandatory bet or contribution made by all players in a game of cards or gambling as a prerequisite for participation; any initial or essential action or investment required for a particular endeavor

ANSWERS: 292. dull, 293. serene, 294. carp, 295. assistant, 296. redo, 297. picket, 298. organ, 299. ante

300. co___r alloy *n.* a chemical element that is a soft, malleable, and ductile metal with very high thermal and electrical conductivity
301. a s__b of chocolate *n.* a flat, rectangular piece of material, such as wood or concrete; often used to describe a large, heavy, or solid object or structure
302. cracks in the pl_____r *n.* a substance made of lime that becomes hard as it dries and is used for the protective or decorative coating of walls and ceilings and for molding and casting decorative elements
303. electrical ga___e door *n.* a building or part of a building used to store a vehicle or vehicles, typically a car
304. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
305. sp__t a reward equally *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line
306. beach pa_____on *n.* a large, often ornate tent or booth, often used for entertainment or public events; a building or structure, often in a park or other public space, used for meetings, exhibitions, or social gatherings
307. specialize in ac_____cs *n.* a branch of physics that deals with the study of mechanical waves in gases, liquids, and solids, including topics such as vibration, sound, ultrasound, and infrasound

ANSWERS: 300. copper, 301. slab, 302. plaster, 303. garage, 304. norm, 305. split, 306. pavilion, 307. acoustics

308. ex_____t a great talent *v.* to show something in public for people to enjoy or to provide them with information
309. vassal ho____e *n.* a show of respect or honor, often by performing an act of reverence or by paying tribute
310. fo_____nd galaxy *n.* the part of a view, picture, etc., that is nearest to the viewer
311. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
312. a pilot sc____e *n.* an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something
313. ro__h and tough *adj.* not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface
314. residual qu____ty *n.* the amount or number of something; magnitude
315. water mi____r *n.* a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill
316. build in____cy *n.* close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person
317. de_____ve weapons *adj.* used or intended to protect someone or something against attack or aggression
318. sc__w the cap *v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together

ANSWERS: 308. exhibit, 309. homage, 310. foreground, 311. construct, 312. scheme, 313. rough, 314. quantity, 315. miller, 316. intimacy, 317. defensive, 318. screw

319. the first round of the com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
320. establish his ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
321. an exit r__p *n.* a sloping surface connecting two levels or inclines, typically used for the movement of people, vehicles, or goods
322. fe__e post *n.* a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property
323. se__e the day *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
324. cr__t manufacture *n.* an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
325. the painting's wor_____ip *n.* the quality or skill with which something, especially a crafted item or construction, has been made or done; the level of artistry and craftsmanship displayed in a particular piece of work
326. the to__r on a cliff *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
327. ro__o championship *n.* a public exhibition of cowboy skills, particularly in North America, featuring events such as calf-roping, steer wrestling, and bull riding

ANSWERS: 319. competition, 320. kingdom, 321. ramp, 322. fence, 323. seize, 324. craft, 325. workmanship, 326. tower, 327. rodeo

328. a circular mo____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
329. ins_____tal in solving the crime *adj.* of, relating to, or performed on musical instruments; useful or important in achieving a purpose
330. modern el____or *n.* a mechanical device used for vertical transportation, typically in multi-story buildings, consisting of a compartmentalized platform that moves between floors
331. arc_____ure design *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
332. artificial ma____e *n.* a hard crystalline metamorphic rock that has a pattern of lines going through it and takes a high polish used for sculpture and as building material; a small ball made of stone, especially one used in children's games
333. h_p on one foot *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
334. int_____te travel *adj.* between or involving different states (= the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation)
335. racial or____n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something

ANSWERS: 328. movement, 329. instrumental, 330. elevator, 331. architecture, 332. marble, 333. hop, 334. interstate, 335. origin

336. a se___e atmosphere *adj.* calm, peaceful, and untroubled; free from disturbances or worries
337. chicken-and-egg di_____a *n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones
338. a wire g__d *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
339. d_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
340. l__t sagging skin *v.* to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
341. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
342. ro__h estimation *adj.* not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface
343. a stone pe_____al *n.* a base or support on which something, typically a statue, column, etc., is placed
344. citrus gr__e *n.* a small group of trees growing closely together
345. historic ma_____d buildings *n.* a type of roof with two slopes on each of its four sides, the lower slope being steeper and the upper slope being flatter, giving the roof a distinctive appearance

ANSWERS: 336. serene, 337. dilemma, 338. grid, 339. dam, 340. lift, 341. context, 342. rough, 343. pedestal, 344. grove, 345. mansard

346. the local chamber of co____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
347. u__o changes *v.* to reverse the effect of an action or event, typically one that is recent or specific
348. sh____w water *adj.* not having much distance from the top to the bottom
349. or____n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
350. st____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
351. ja____r bracelet *n.* a dense, opaque variety of quartz that is typically red, brown, or yellow in color and often used as a gemstone or in decorative objects
352. cover acc____al damage *adj.* happening or existing by chance or unintentionally
353. ma____d renovation *n.* a type of roof with two slopes on each of its four sides, the lower slope being steeper and the upper slope being flatter, giving the roof a distinctive appearance
354. benefits ac____e to the community *v.* (of a benefit or sum of money) to increase or accumulate in number or amount over a period of time
355. exterior co____e *n.* a decorative, horizontal molding that crowns a building or furniture; a ledge or shelf along the top of a wall
356. a pa____el case *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations

ANSWERS: 346. commerce, 347. undo, 348. shallow, 349. origin, 350. strength, 351. jasper, 352. accidental, 353. mansard, 354. accrue, 355. cornice, 356. parallel

357. retie the st___g and make it strong *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
358. historical co____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
359. bi____rd advertising *n.* a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads
360. a photo st___o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
361. z__e defense *n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
362. horse-drawn ca____ge *n.* a wheeled vehicle used for transportation, typically pulled by horses or an engine; a part of a train that carries passengers; the act or process of transporting or conveying someone or something
363. op____st by nature *n.* a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future
364. translate li____ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
365. inc____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous

ANSWERS: 357. string, 358. context, 359. billboard, 360. studio, 361. zone, 362. carriage, 363. optimist, 364. literally, 365. incredible

366. the threats te_____y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
367. personal pe__e *v.* to annoy or irritate someone; to be a source of annoyance or irritation to someone; (noun) something that irritates or annoys you; a source of annoyance or irritation
368. art co_____or *n.* a person who collects or gathers objects as a hobby or for personal interest; someone who accumulates or acquires a specific type of item
369. the st___m of time *n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
370. bo___e across the floor *v.* to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back
371. hi_____ht a string in red *v.* to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
372. daub the ceiling with pl_____r *n.* a substance made of lime that becomes hard as it dries and is used for the protective or decorative coating of walls and ceilings and for molding and casting decorative elements
373. a vi__a by the seaside *n.* a large, luxurious country house in ancient Rome or a modern version of such a house
374. furnished ap_____nt *n.* a self-contained living unit within a larger building or complex, typically consisting of one or more rooms or an open space used for living, cooking, and sleeping

ANSWERS: 366. terrify, 367. peeve, 368. collector, 369. stream, 370. bounce, 371. highlight, 372. plaster, 373. villa, 374. apartment

375. zi___g sewing machine *adj.* having short sharp turns or angles
376. re___n a lawyer *v.* to keep or continue to possess or maintain something
377. move up____e *v.* to distract attention from someone or something else, often intentionally; to move upstage in a theater, away from the audience, thus taking a more prominent position on the stage; (adverb) at or toward the rear of the stage
378. get into a m___s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
379. se_____ty analyst *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
380. pr_____ic approach *adj.* practical rather than idealistic
381. an endless st___m of cars *n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
382. the in___t of a question *n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
383. tr___e melody *adj.* lacking originality or freshness; overused, common, or clichéd; lacking in depth or significance due to being overly familiar or predictable

ANSWERS: 375. zigzag, 376. retain, 377. upstage, 378. mess, 379. security, 380. pragmatic, 381. stream, 382. intent, 383. trite

384. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
385. d__e structure *n.* a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base
386. the Great Dep_____on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
387. t_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
388. z__c deficiency *n.* a metallic element that is found in small amounts in the earth's crust and is used in the manufacture of brass and alloys, and is required to maintain human's health
389. display res_____on *n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display
390. an imperial vi__a *n.* a large, luxurious country house in ancient Rome or a modern version of such a house

ANSWERS: 384. introduction, 385. dome, 386. depression, 387. tap, 388. zinc, 389. resolution, 390. villa

391. ca__e a statue *v.* to create something by cutting wood or stone; to turn sharply
392. fr____l attack *adj.* relating to the front; situated at or directed towards the front; frontal can also refer to a meteorological term for a weather system that is moving from west to east
393. expanded fr____y *n.* a major highway designed for high-speed traffic, with no stoplights or grade crossings and having interchanges or access roads to other highways
394. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
395. se___e a dispute *v.* to reach an agreement of disagreement
396. pro_____um stage *n.* the part of a theater stage that is framed by an arch and is in front of the curtain
397. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
398. mi___r flour *n.* a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill
399. twisty ca___n road *n.* a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river
400. el_____on in rank *n.* the height of something above sea level or above the ground; the event of something being raised upward

ANSWERS: 391. carve, 392. frontal, 393. freeway, 394. magic, 395. settle, 396. proscenium, 397. separate, 398. miller, 399. canyon, 400. elevation

401. pr____ve a country's heritage *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
402. have a whole m__s *n.* a state of confusion, dirtiness, or untidiness; (verb) to fail to do something or to make something dirty or untidy
403. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
404. ch___l bell *n.* a place of worship, especially a non-conformist or dissenting place of worship
405. an innovative pr____al *n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
406. ae_____ic value *adj.* connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty
407. garden pa_____on *n.* a large, often ornate tent or booth, often used for entertainment or public events; a building or structure, often in a park or other public space, used for meetings, exhibitions, or social gatherings
408. d__y the allegations *v.* to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something
409. a qu_____r mile *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
410. st_____re and function of the brain *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

ANSWERS: 401. preserve, 402. mess, 403. eventually, 404. chapel, 405. proposal, 406. aesthetic, 407. pavilion, 408. deny, 409. quarter, 410. structure

411. por_____hy addiction *n.* materials such as films, photographs, or written descriptions that depict or describe sexual activity graphically or explicitly, often intended to be sexually arousing
412. abstract sc_____re *n.* the art of creating three-dimensional objects or forms, typically by carving, modeling, or casting in a variety of materials such as stone, wood, metal, or clay
413. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
414. ba_____y view *n.* a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space
415. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
416. do_____wn building *adv.* in or towards the central area of a town or city
417. high wor_____ip standards *n.* the quality or skill with which something, especially a crafted item or construction, has been made or done; the level of artistry and craftsmanship displayed in a particular piece of work
418. ex_____nt personality *adj.* full of energy, enthusiasm, or excitement; lively, animated, or unrestrained in behavior or expression; characterized by abundant growth or profuse production

ANSWERS: 411. pornography, 412. sculpture, 413. relate, 414. balcony, 415. extraordinary, 416. downtown, 417. workmanship, 418. exuberant

419. the r__p of a chasm *n.* a sloping surface connecting two levels or inclines, typically used for the movement of people, vehicles, or goods
420. wall s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
421. pho_____ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
422. anthropology lab_____ry *n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab
423. ba_____y seating *n.* a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space
424. study arc_____ral engineering *adj.* of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures
425. a co___n of water *n.* one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument

ANSWERS: 419. ramp, 420. stud, 421. photograph, 422. laboratory, 423. balcony, 424. architectural, 425. column

426. in____or decoration *n.* the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
427. sheer li_____ne cliffs *n.* a sedimentary rock that is composed mainly of calcium carbonate, which is the mineral calcite
428. a bl__e of grass *n.* the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting
429. co__c books *adj.* funny and making you laugh
430. de___t from the faith *v.* to go away or leave, especially to start a journey
431. a female sc__w *v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together
432. breast d__t *n.* a tube, pipe, or channel for conveying air, water, or other substances
433. st___t compliance regime *adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.
434. cr_____an skill *n.* a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials
435. bankrupt cr____or *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
436. st__k a key in a lock *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

ANSWERS: 426. interior, 427. limestone, 428. blade, 429. comic, 430. depart, 431. screw, 432. duct, 433. strict, 434. craftsman, 435. creditor, 436. stick

437. cu____g plan *adj.* clever or skillful in achieving a goal, especially deceptively or secretly; shrewd or wily
438. Internet ad____t *n.* a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
439. an education gu_____ne *n.* a general rule or principle that provides guidance to appropriate behavior; a piece of advice or instructions that tell you how something should be done or what something should be
440. custom me_____rk *n.* the art or craft of working with metals, particularly in a decorative or functional context; objects produced through metalworking techniques
441. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
442. injury in a car ac____nt *n.* an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury
443. an emergency hea_____er *n.* the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
444. re____e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
445. ca____r research *n.* abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

ANSWERS: 437. cunning, 438. addict, 439. guideline, 440. metalwork, 441. complexity, 442. accident, 443. headquarter, 444. relate, 445. cancer

446. have a co_____t again *n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
447. j__k mail *n.* discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition
448. snow d__e *n.* a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base
449. hunk of j__k *n.* discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition
450. narrow st_____ay *n.* a set of stairs that connects two floors or levels of a building, often with a handrail or banister for safety
451. ca_____ia lunch *n.* a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.
452. a hard and re_____nt steel *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
453. magnetic st__l *n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure
454. technical dr_____g *n.* the act of making a picture with a pencil, pen, or other instruments on paper, cardboard, or other material

ANSWERS: 446. concert, 447. junk, 448. dome, 449. junk, 450. stairway, 451. cafeteria, 452. resilient, 453. steel, 454. drawing

455. ab___b energy *v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
456. ge_____e of goodwill *n.* a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
457. in_____ct directly with customers *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
458. no_____e else to go *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
459. an av___e of poplars *n.* a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach
460. re___n information *v.* to keep or continue to possess or maintain something
461. cr__y about cars and racing *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
462. apply AI technology to art *n.* (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation
463. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
464. at an el_____on of 1000 feet *n.* the height of something above sea level or above the ground; the event of something being raised upward
465. a penciled sk___h *n.* a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something

ANSWERS: 455. absorb, 456. gesture, 457. interact, 458. nowhere, 459. avenue, 460. retain, 461. crazy, 462. AI, 463. separate, 464. elevation, 465. sketch

466. beautiful arc_____ral landmarks *adj.* of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures
467. a craft un__n *n.* a group of employees who have banded together to advocate for their rights and better their working conditions; the act or the state of joining together or being joined together
468. a building of vast pro_____ons *n.* a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole
469. bite his tongue li_____ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
470. not no_____ly drink much *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
471. be in a di_____a *n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones
472. ornamental me_____rk *n.* the art or craft of working with metals, particularly in a decorative or functional context; objects produced through metalworking techniques
473. the ul_____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
474. express fru_____on *n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
475. ca_____rd box *n.* a stiff, thick material made from compressed paper pulp used to make boxes and other packaging materials

ANSWERS: 466. architectural, 467. union, 468. proportion, 469. literally, 470. normally, 471. dilemma, 472. metalwork, 473. ultimate, 474. frustration, 475. cardboard

476. in st___t secrecy *adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.
477. ab_____ct science *adj.* based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
478. ba__e through the crowded hallway *n.* a large flat-bottomed boat with a wide, flat deck used for transporting goods on rivers and canals, which can be pushed or towed by a tugboat; (verb) to move forcefully or abruptly, often in a clumsy or rude manner
479. d_n of traffic *n.* a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket
480. a bell to__r *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
481. hi_____se building *adj.* describing a tall building or structure that has many floors or levels above the ground, often used to describe residential or commercial buildings in urban areas with multiple stories
482. scu_____al masterpiece *adj.* relating to or resembling sculpture (= a three-dimensional work of art); having a three-dimensional quality or appearance
483. hotel fo__r *n.* an entrance hall or lobby, usually located at the front of a building or before the main room or area; a space for people to gather or wait before an event

ANSWERS: 476. strict, 477. abstract, 478. barge, 479. din, 480. tower, 481. high-rise, 482. sculptural, 483. foyer

484. wa___r far from home *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
485. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
486. sh_____w people *adj.* not having much distance from the top to the bottom
487. str_____al analyses *adj.* associated with the way on construction or organization of anything
488. pulse la__r *n.* a device that emits powerful and narrow light that can be used as a tool to cut metal through a process of optical amplification
489. details of his pr_____al *n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
490. fa___n the zip *v.* to secure or attach something firmly or tightly; to make something stay in place or become immovable
491. the lower ch_____r *n.* a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament
492. wa___r alone in a strange country *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
493. ic_____g melting *n.* a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
494. ho_____wn memory *n.* the town or city where one was born or grew up
495. d__g a chair over *v.* to pull or haul with force

ANSWERS: 484. wander, 485. complexity, 486. shallow, 487. structural, 488. laser, 489. proposal, 490. fasten, 491. chamber, 492. wander, 493. iceberg, 494. hometown, 495. drag

496. tense piano st___gs *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
497. an apprentice ca_____er *n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
498. landscape ar_____ct *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
499. a short ca_____er nail *n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
500. per_____lar angles *adj.* forming, situated at, or being at a right angle to a given line or plane; upright or vertical; at right angles to the horizon
501. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
502. str_____en a border patrol *v.* to become stronger or more effective; to make someone or something stronger or more effective
503. phi_____hy of education *n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
504. a fully in_____ve price *adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
505. run like h__l *n.* the place thought to be where bad people go and are punished after death, often depicted as being located beneath the earth; an extraordinarily unpleasant or difficult place

ANSWERS: 496. string, 497. carpenter, 498. architect, 499. carpenter, 500. perpendicular, 501. incredible, 502. strengthen, 503. philosophy, 504. inclusive, 505. hell

506. se__e a person's property *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
507. ga_____ze steel *v.* to stimulate or shock someone into taking action; to cover metal containing zinc to protect it from rust
508. campaign now un_____ay *adj.* having started and currently in progress
509. pun_____nt for a crime *n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
510. a bamboo gr__e *n.* a small group of trees growing closely together
511. a ch___l royal *n.* a place of worship, especially a non-conformist or dissenting place of worship
512. buy stock ch_____y *adv.* in a stingy or inexpensive manner
513. in___e my house against fire *v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
514. pre_____ry investigation *adj.* serving as a preparation for something more important or extensive; introductory; taking place before the main event or decision
515. a hand-loomed fa___c *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
516. ado_____nt girl *n.* a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult

ANSWERS: 506. seize, 507. galvanize, 508. underway, 509. punishment, 510. grove, 511. chapel, 512. cheaply, 513. insure, 514. preliminary, 515. fabric, 516. adolescent

517. re_____nd reading *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
518. cou_____se security *n.* a building where courts of law are held, or administrative offices for legal proceedings are located
519. hi_____se office *adj.* describing a tall building or structure that has many floors or levels above the ground, often used to describe residential or commercial buildings in urban areas with multiple stories
520. exit from a l__p *n.* a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself
521. st__l beam *n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure
522. low pro_____ve capacity *adj.* resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value
523. sl___y writing *adj.* characterized by a lack of order or neatness; careless, disorganized, or careless in appearance or performance
524. res_____on of a conflict *n.* a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display

ANSWERS: 517. recommend, 518. courthouse, 519. high-rise, 520. loop, 521. steel, 522. productive, 523. sloppy, 524. resolution

525. c__p at the issue *n.* a type of freshwater fish found in many parts of the world, typically with a scaleless body, barbels around the mouth, and erect fins; (verb) to complain or find fault with something repeatedly
526. co_____te environment *adj.* of or relating to a large company
527. a drapery sal_____on *n.* a person whose job is to sell goods in a shop or directly to customers
528. co_____te right *adj.* of or relating to a large company
529. fr_____y exit *n.* a major highway designed for high-speed traffic, with no stoplights or grade crossings and having interchanges or access roads to other highways
530. a n__k on the fender of a car *n.* a small cut, notch, or indentation in a surface or an edge
531. me_____or for death *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
532. fe_____al attendee *n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works
533. a teacher's p_t *n.* an animal that you have at home as a companion and treated kindly
534. a te_____ry permit *adj.* not lasting or be used for a very long

ANSWERS: 525. carp, 526. corporate, 527. salesperson, 528. corporate, 529. freeway, 530. nick, 531. metaphor, 532. festival, 533. pet, 534. temporary

535. te_____ry housing *adj.* not lasting or be used for a very long
536. sch_____nia treatment *n.* a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior
537. paper na____n *n.* a small piece of cloth or paper used for wiping one's mouth and hands while eating; a decorative cloth placed on a table for formal occasions
538. v__t tube *n.* a small opening to escape or release gas, air, liquid, etc.; activity or process that frees or expresses strong creative energy or emotion
539. sl____y appearance *adj.* characterized by a lack of order or neatness; careless, disorganized, or careless in appearance or performance
540. for your own s__e *n.* purpose; reason for wanting something done
541. ca____n of skyscrapers *n.* a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river
542. deputy prime mi_____er *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
543. ab____b a shock *v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
544. sp__t a bill *v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line

ANSWERS: 535. temporary, 536. schizophrenia, 537. napkin, 538. vent, 539. sloppy, 540. sake, 541. canyon, 542. minister, 543. absorb, 544. split

545. a m_d person *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
546. a flight of fa__y *v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
547. a st____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
548. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
549. digital bi____rd *n.* a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads
550. in_____ve education *adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
551. interstate co____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
552. a bu__h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
553. coast-to-coast ra____ad *n.* metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization
554. d__g a team down *v.* to pull or haul with force
555. the engineer of ac____cs *n.* a branch of physics that deals with the study of mechanical waves in gases, liquids, and solids, including topics such as vibration, sound, ultrasound, and infrasound

ANSWERS: 545. mad, 546. fancy, 547. straight, 548. extraordinary, 549. billboard, 550. inclusive, 551. commerce, 552. bunch, 553. railroad, 554. drag, 555. acoustics

556. ce_____g light	<i>n.</i>	a room's top interior surface
557. the per_____ve of the battle	<i>n.</i>	a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
558. ar_____ct of the peace accord	<i>n.</i>	a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
559. plenty of in_____or space	<i>n.</i>	the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
560. me__l fabrication	<i>n.</i>	a solid material that is typically hard, shiny, malleable, fusible, and ductile, with good electrical and thermal conductivity, and often used as a structural material, a conductor of heat or electricity, or for decorative purposes
561. a per_____ve view	<i>n.</i>	a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
562. majority of his we____h	<i>n.</i>	a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
563. office ca_____ia	<i>n.</i>	a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.
564. se____e down in the town	<i>v.</i>	to reach an agreement of disagreement
565. m__l crawler	<i>n.</i>	a large, enclosed shopping center that typically contains many stores, restaurants, and other businesses

ANSWERS: 556. ceiling, 557. perspective, 558. architect, 559. interior, 560. metal, 561. perspective, 562. wealth, 563. cafeteria, 564. settle, 565. mall

566. penny-a__e trade *n.* a mandatory bet or contribution made by all players in a game of cards or gambling as a prerequisite for participation; any initial or essential action or investment required for a particular endeavor
567. de__y the new project *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
568. fu__y memory *adj.* having a soft and indistinct outline or covered with fine, soft, and hairlike fibers
569. beg for for_____ss *n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion
570. national se_____ty *n.* the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
571. make a pr_____e *n.* a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn
572. pho_____ph memories *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

ANSWERS: 566. ante, 567. delay, 568. fuzzy, 569. forgiveness, 570. security, 571. premise, 572. photograph

573. a coordinate a__s *n.* a real or imaginary straight line through a body or figure around which the object turns; a group of countries in special alliance
574. ch__e a dream *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
575. excessive op_____st *n.* a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future
576. violent no_____ty *n.* the state of being widely known, especially for something negative or notorious; a negative reputation or fame
577. li_____ne pavement *n.* a sedimentary rock that is composed mainly of calcium carbonate, which is the mineral calcite
578. or__n bleeding *n.* a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job
579. real es___e transaction *n.* a large piece of land with an impressive house on it, often owned by a wealthy family; all of a person's possessions and assets at the time of their death; an area of land considered as a unit in terms of ownership, use or taxation
580. E__o crises *n.* the official currency of most European Union countries

ANSWERS: 573. axis, 574. chase, 575. optimist, 576. notoriety, 577. limestone, 578. organ, 579. estate, 580. euro

581. gl_____n appetite *n.* a person who eats and drinks excessively
582. the coi_____ce of an opinion *n.* an occasion when two or more similar things happen at the same time by chance, in a surprising way
583. pro_____ng object *adj.* sticking out or projecting from a surface; extending beyond a boundary or limit
584. unanimously ap_____e a resolution *v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.
585. fa_____te the public *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
586. a c__e about the crime *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
587. a ti__t game *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
588. eq__p an army *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
589. the ul_____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
590. city so_____ir *n.* an object, often a small item, that is kept as a reminder or memento of a person, place, or event; a keepsake
591. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

ANSWERS: 581. glutton, 582. coincidence, 583. protruding, 584. approve, 585. fascinate, 586. clue, 587. tight, 588. equip, 589. ultimate, 590. souvenir, 591. straight

592. rough lu___r *n.* wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily
593. the de__h of the water *n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
594. pa_____el processing *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
595. wild goose ch__e *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
596. co_____e an essay *v.* to write music, poetry, or formal writing; to constitute or make up a whole, or a specified part of it
597. s__n a document into PDF *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
598. end of the first qu_____r *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
599. a cr_____l issue for women *adj.* extremely vital or necessary
600. an ex_____d rock *adj.* having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

ANSWERS: 592. lumber, 593. depth, 594. parallel, 595. chase, 596. compose, 597. scan, 598. quarter, 599. crucial, 600. exposed

601. a brushwood fe__e *n.* a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property
602. scu_____al design *adj.* relating to or resembling sculpture (= a three-dimensional work of art); having a three-dimensional quality or appearance
603. a com_____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
604. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
605. medical l_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
606. complete no_____ly *adv.* usually; under normal conditions
607. ra_____ad industry *n.* metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization
608. s__t beliefs *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
609. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
610. eq__p our children with some special skills *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

ANSWERS: 601. fence, 602. sculptural, 603. complicated, 604. communal, 605. lab, 606. normally, 607. railroad, 608. sect, 609. slide, 610. equip

611. linen na___n *n.* a small piece of cloth or paper used for wiping one's mouth and hands while eating; a decorative cloth placed on a table for formal occasions
612. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
613. aw__d ceremony *n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
614. hu___e treatment *adj.* having or showing compassion, kindness, and sympathy toward others, especially toward those who are suffering
615. sch_____nia spectrum disorder *n.* a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior
616. complicated con_____on *n.* a machine or device that is made up of a combination of interconnected parts and often appears complicated or unusual
617. damaged gu_____il *n.* a sturdy metal or wooden railing or barrier placed beside a road, bridge, or other dangerous areas to prevent vehicles or people from going over the edge; a protective barrier or railing used to prevent falls or accidents
618. fa_____od chain *n.* a type of restaurant or food establishment that specializes in quickly prepared and served meals, often in a drive-thru or takeout format

ANSWERS: 611. napkin, 612. norm, 613. award, 614. humane, 615. schizophrenia, 616. contraption, 617. guardrail, 618. fast-food

619. humiliating pun_____nt *n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
620. for your acc_____ion *n.* a place to live, work, or stay, particularly for a temporary or short-term period; adjustment or adaptation to meet various needs or circumstances
621. fa__y a cup of coffee *v.* to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy
622. paying ho___e to tradition *n.* a show of respect or honor, often by performing an act of reverence or by paying tribute
623. volcanic v__t *n.* a small opening to escape or release gas, air, liquid, etc.; activity or process that frees or expresses strong creative energy or emotion
624. a subordinate ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
625. antique ca__o *n.* a small, raised, typically oval, carving or portrait, usually made of a contrasting material (such as shell or stone) and often set in a larger piece of jewelry or decorative item; a brief appearance or performance by a well-known person in a film, play, or other medium
626. a stone wall su_____nds the palace *v.* to be all around something or somebody

ANSWERS: 619. punishment, 620. accommodation, 621. fancy, 622. homage, 623. vent, 624. kingdom, 625. cameo, 626. surround

627. sl____g roof *adj.* having a gradually or sharply angled surface or gradient; inclined or tilted in a particular direction or manner
628. up____e a co-star *v.* to distract attention from someone or something else, often intentionally; to move upstage in a theater, away from the audience, thus taking a more prominent position on the stage; (adverb) at or toward the rear of the stage
629. Mi____er for Education *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
630. good source of z__c *n.* a metallic element that is found in small amounts in the earth's crust and is used in the manufacture of brass and alloys, and is required to maintain human's health
631. ho____wn celebrity *n.* the town or city where one was born or grew up
632. get r_d of the rats *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
633. visual me____or *n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity
634. AI expert *n.* (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation

ANSWERS: 627. sloping, 628. upstage, 629. minister, 630. zinc, 631. hometown, 632. rid, 633. metaphor, 634. AI

635. ae_____ic feeling *adj.* connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty
636. farming con_____on *n.* a machine or device that is made up of a combination of interconnected parts and often appears complicated or unusual
637. u__o a belt *v.* to reverse the effect of an action or event, typically one that is recent or specific
638. an absolute de___l *n.* a statement that something is not true or does not exist
639. self-int_____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
640. canal ba___e *n.* a large flat-bottomed boat with a wide, flat deck used for transporting goods on rivers and canals, which can be pushed or towed by a tugboat; (verb) to move forcefully or abruptly, often in a clumsy or rude manner
641. c__p plotters *n.* a sudden, violent, and illegal seizure of power from a government; an impressive or successful action or achievement
642. coin co_____or *n.* a person who collects or gathers objects as a hobby or for personal interest; someone who accumulates or acquires a specific type of item

ANSWERS: 635. aesthetic, 636. contraption, 637. undo, 638. denial, 639. introduction, 640. barge, 641. coup, 642. collector

643. co___t suicide *v.* to do something illegal or wrong
644. tw__t a wet towel *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
645. quiet co_____rd *n.* an open space surrounded by buildings or walls, often in the center of a building or group of buildings
646. es___e agent *n.* a large piece of land with an impressive house on it, often owned by a wealthy family; all of a person's possessions and assets at the time of their death; an area of land considered as a unit in terms of ownership, use or taxation
647. powerful bi_____ars *n.* (often used in plural form) a device or instrument designed for use with both eyes simultaneously, enabling a viewer to see objects in a three-dimensional perspective and with greater depth perception; (adjective) relating to or involving both eyes, especially when viewing through a device such as a pair of binoculars; involving or requiring the use of both eyes
648. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
649. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
650. te_____y people *v.* to frighten someone very much
651. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

ANSWERS: 643. commit, 644. twist, 645. courtyard, 646. estate, 647. binocular, 648. communal, 649. participate, 650. terrify, 651. slide

652. s__n the face of the man *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
653. tec_____cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
654. yield cu__e *n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
655. ca__o appearance *n.* a small, raised, typically oval, carving or portrait, usually made of a contrasting material (such as shell or stone) and often set in a larger piece of jewelry or decorative item; a brief appearance or performance by a well-known person in a film, play, or other medium
656. escort him dow_____rs *adv.* on or to a lower or ground floor of a building
657. haul a se__e *n.* a large fishing net that hangs vertically in the water with floats at the top and weights at the bottom used to enclose and catch fish
658. military c__p *n.* a sudden, violent, and illegal seizure of power from a government; an impressive or successful action or achievement
659. d__t tape *n.* a tube, pipe, or channel for conveying air, water, or other substances
660. documentary pr__f *n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists

ANSWERS: 652. scan, 653. technological, 654. curve, 655. cameo, 656. downstairs, 657. seine, 658. coup, 659. duct, 660. proof

661. ex____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
662. bank ca____r *n.* an employee responsible for handling transactions, such as payments or returns, in a store or other business
663. fa____od industry *n.* a type of restaurant or food establishment that specializes in quickly prepared and served meals, often in a drive-thru or takeout format
664. so__d employment measures *adj.* hard or firm; characterized by good substantial quality

ANSWERS: 661. exciting, 662. cashier, 663. fast-food, 664. solid

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The building's _____ system includes cameras, alarms, and security guards.
n. the state of being free from danger, risk, or harm; measures taken to protect against threats or attacks; a financial asset, such as a stock or bond that derives value exclusively from the ownership interest or claim to a particular underlying asset or obligation
2. The young couple's _____ energy was infectious, and everyone around them was smiling.
adj. full of energy, enthusiasm, or excitement; lively, animated, or unrestrained in behavior or expression; characterized by abundant growth or profuse production
3. The cathedral _____ soared high above, its stained-glass windows casting colorful light on the altar below.
n. a rounded vault forming the roof of a building or structure, typically with a circular base
4. She wore a _____ of pearls around her neck.
n. long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
5. The prime minister was arrested and charged with treason after he was found to be involved in the _____.
n. a sudden, violent, and illegal seizure of power from a government; an impressive or successful action or achievement
6. I had an _____ feeling that I might be pregnant.
adj. obtained through feelings rather than facts or proof

ANSWERS: 1. security, 2. exuberant, 3. dome, 4. string, 5. coup, 6. intuitive

7. I always keep a stack of _____ on my desk while I eat to prevent any messes.
n. a small piece of cloth or paper used for wiping one's mouth and hands while eating; a decorative cloth placed on a table for formal occasions
8. I am considering what I should do to _____ him.
v. to persuade someone or make someone believe that something is true
9. She made a facial _____ to express disagreement.
n. a movement of the hands, head, or face that express a particular meaning
10. This bridge is the third largest _____ bridge in the world.
n. a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure
11. The book's _____ is that the main character must save the world from an impending disaster.
n. a statement or proposition that is held to be true or from which a conclusion can be drawn
12. He walked a road _____ to the railroad.
adj. being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
13. Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political _____ in Europe.
n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
14. The _____ fox managed to elude the hunters and escape with his prey.
adj. clever or skillful in achieving a goal, especially deceptively or secretly; shrewd or wily

ANSWERS: 7. napkins, 8. convince, 9. gesture, 10. steel, 11. premise, 12. parallel, 13. landscape, 14. cunning

15. I made a _____ box to store my winter clothes in.

- n.* a stiff, thick material made from compressed paper pulp used to make boxes and other packaging materials

16. The _____ industry is a major contributor to air pollution in cities.

- n.* a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods

17. We must ____ ourselves of pollution.

- v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

18. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.

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

19. I regretted making an _____ mistake in my final exam.

- adj.* causing fear, dread, or terror; very bad or unpleasant

20. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.

- v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

21. Their innovative concepts were consistent across their bodies of _____.

- n.* the different parts of something's elements or ingredients; the way in which the different components are organized; a piece of music written by someone

22. We need to raise the _____ to win this poker game.

- n.* a mandatory bet or contribution made by all players in a game of cards or gambling as a prerequisite for participation; any initial or essential action or investment required for a particular endeavor

ANSWERS: 15. cardboard, 16. automobile, 17. rid, 18. introduction, 19. awful, 20. confer, 21. composition, 22. ante

23. The university's _____ was busy with students and staff grabbing a quick lunch.
- n.* a restaurant where customers serve themselves from a counter and pay for what they have taken, often found in factories, colleges, hospitals, etc.
24. Before starting the project, we need to go through some _____ research and planning.
- adj.* serving as a preparation for something more important or extensive; introductory; taking place before the main event or decision
25. This company has invested heavily in Internet _____.
- n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
26. She works at a recording _____ in Los Angeles.
- n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
27. In an economically prosperous country, most male _____ is due to child support problems.
- n.* the act of killing yourself intentionally
28. He gained debt _____.
- n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion
29. The _____ in the road was so sharp that I had to slow down to navigate it safely.
- n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
30. The _____ of the city was overwhelming.
- n.* a loud, confused noise; a loud, persistent racket

ANSWERS: 23. cafeteria, 24. preliminary, 25. commerce, 26. studio, 27. suicide, 28. forgiveness, 29. curve, 30. din

31. By remaining neutral, this _____ continued to exist.
n. the country ruled by a king or queen
32. The surgeon made an incision in the _____ of the patient's heart.
n. a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament
33. I often hear a _____ loud and distinctive call while hiking in the woods.
n. a type of bird that belongs to the crow family and is known for its brightly colored feathers and loud, raucous call
34. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.
n. the first existence or beginning of something
35. She is a _____ of strength for our team in trouble.
n. a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
36. He got a new job for the _____ of his family.
n. purpose; reason for wanting something done
37. These infections have the potential to impact practically every _____ system.
n. a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job
38. The intricate details and flawless craftsmanship in the furniture demonstrate exquisite _____.
n. the quality or skill with which something, especially a crafted item or construction, has been made or done; the level of artistry and craftsmanship displayed in a particular piece of work

ANSWERS: 31. kingdom, 32. chambers, 33. jay's, 34. origin, 35. tower, 36. sake, 37. organ, 38. workmanship

39. The designer's _____ was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.
- n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
40. The ceramic _____ shattered on the kitchen floor when I accidentally dropped it.
- n.* a small, usually handleless pot with a spout used for boiling or brewing tea; it often has a lid to prevent heat loss during steeping and is typically made of ceramic or metal
41. The city is known for its impressive _____ and beautiful old buildings.
- n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
42. Her sudden _____ of her mistake caused her great regret.
- n.* the act or process of understanding or becoming aware of something; the act of achieving or completing something that was planned or desired; the act of making something real or tangible
43. This chemical compound is a thousand-fold more _____.
- adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
44. After working as a _____ for a few years, she was promoted to a managerial position within the grocery store.
- n.* an employee responsible for handling transactions, such as payments or returns, in a store or other business
45. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
- n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

ANSWERS: 39. intent, 40. teapot, 41. architecture, 42. realization, 43. toxic, 44. cashier, 45. norms

46. 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

47. The minority _____ believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

n. a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

48. He bought a new _____ to attach the strap to his watch.

n. a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

49. We _____ before the temperature fell below zero.

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

50. The military has _____ an abuse of human rights.

v. to do something illegal or wrong

51. They enjoyed a romantic dinner on the _____ overlooking the city.

n. a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a railing, providing an outdoor space

52. The transportation board accepted the _____ proposal for a bus rapid transit system.

n. a person who studies or is an expert in the design, planning, and development of urban areas, especially in improving the quality of life for the people who live and work there

ANSWERS: 46. complicated, 47. sect, 48. stud, 49. departed, 50. committed, 51. balcony, 52. urbanist's

53. 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.
54. He has the superpower to _____ a business opportunity.
- v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
55. He felt a deep _____ as he realized the project would not be completed on time.
- n.* the feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something
56. The interests of the two countries _____.
- v.* to hit something violently when moving
57. The new _____ on the highway promotes a popular vacation destination.
- n.* a large outdoor sign or display that is used for advertising, marketing, or public information, typically located along highways or main roads
58. This project has been _____ for several years.
- adj.* having started and currently in progress
59. We use various precision _____ in the manufacturing process of machinery.
- n.* an instrument for measuring and displaying the amount, level, or contents of something; (verb) to judge tentatively or form an estimate of something
60. The painter focused on the moody _____ of abandoned buildings in his work.
- n.* the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building

ANSWERS: 53. streams, 54. seize, 55. frustration, 56. collide, 57. billboard, 58. underway, 59. gauges, 60. interiors

61. The young entrepreneur took down the _____ corporation with her innovative idea.
- n.* a biblical figure and legendary giant warrior whom the young shepherd David defeated; a symbol of great strength or size
62. The city is divided into several smaller _____.
- n.* a smaller part of something that is divided into such parts
63. He stood to inherit a million-dollar _____.
- n.* a thing or things that belong to someone
64. The farmer built a _____ fence around his garden to keep the animals out.
- n.* a pointed wooden or metal stake driven into the ground used as a support or for marking an area or boundary; a group of people, typically strikers or protestors, stationed or moving around in front of a workplace, government building, or other location, to demonstrate opposition or to pick up supporters
65. The music _____ attracts visitors from all over the world.
- n.* a celebration or event, usually marking a particular religious or cultural occasion, often involving processions, music, dancing, and the performance of plays or other artistic works
66. He could not _____ against temptation.
- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
67. The crowd gave a standing ovation as a sign of _____ to the retiring athlete.
- n.* a show of respect or honor, often by performing an act of reverence or by paying tribute

ANSWERS: 61. goliath, 62. subdivisions, 63. property, 64. picket, 65. festival, 66. struggle, 67. homage

68. The royal _____ arrived at the palace with the king and queen.

n. a wheeled vehicle used for transportation, typically pulled by horses or an engine; a part of a train that carries passengers; the act or process of transporting or conveying someone or something

69. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

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

70. I don't _____ take a vacation in the middle of summer.

adv. usually; under normal conditions

71. I don't _____ acting in such an important role.

v. to want to do or have something; (noun) something that many people believe but that is false, or that does not exist; imagination or fantasy

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

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

73. We had to go through a _____ course.

adj. having short sharp turns or angles

74. I had to _____ my entire presentation because the formatting was off.

v. to do again, usually to correct or improve upon a previous attempt; to renovate or redesign something to make it better or more suitable

75. I have a parrot as a _____.

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

ANSWERS: 68. carriage, 69. eventually, 70. normally, 71. fancy, 72. perspective, 73. zigzag, 74. redo, 75. pet

76. My boss wouldn't _____ of the plan.

- v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.

77. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

- adj.* unbelievable; enormous

78. _____ is better than argument.

- n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists

79. The entire mountain is covered in _____ rainforest.

- adj.* containing a large number of people or something with little space between them

80. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.

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

81. The shark's powerful _____ allowed it to swim at high speeds.

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

82. We _____ taking media training every six months.

- v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role

83. 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

ANSWERS: 76. approve, 77. incredible, 78. Proof, 79. dense, 80. slide, 81. fins, 82. recommend, 83. dull

84. The construction worker used a _____ saw to cut through the stubborn sheet metal.
- n.* a solid material that is typically hard, shiny, malleable, fusible, and ductile, with good electrical and thermal conductivity, and often used as a structural material, a conductor of heat or electricity, or for decorative purposes
85. The rise of digital technology has made the sharing of _____ easier than ever before.
- n.* materials such as films, photographs, or written descriptions that depict or describe sexual activity graphically or explicitly, often intended to be sexually arousing
86. Some countries may leave the _____.
- n.* the official currency of most European Union countries
87. The floor was made of white and black _____ arranged in a checkerboard pattern.
- n.* a hard crystalline metamorphic rock that has a pattern of lines going through it and takes a high polish used for sculpture and as building material; a small ball made of stone, especially one used in children's games
88. Ethics is a branch of _____.
- n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
89. On three sides, mountains _____ the settlement.
- v.* to be all around something or somebody
90. They walked through the _____ of trees and admired the natural beauty.
- n.* a small group of trees growing closely together

ANSWERS: 84. metal, 85. pornography, 86. Euro, 87. marble, 88. philosophy, 89. surround, 90. grove

91. I always look forward to going back to my _____ during the holidays.

n. the town or city where one was born or grew up

92. The _____ architecture of the building was a contrast to the traditional designs in the neighborhood.

adj. relating to or characterized by a rejection of objective truth and global cultural narratives and instead emphasizing the role of personal interpretation

93. The magic tricks _____ the children.

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

94. The _____ partially destroyed my vehicle.

n. an unfortunate event, especially one causing damage or injury

95. The grand entrance hall had a magnificent marble _____ that curved gracefully upwards.

n. a set of stairs that connects two floors or levels of a building, often with a handrail or banister for safety

96. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

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

adj. not lasting or be used for a very long

98. He is still _____ stealing the money from the cash register.

v. to state that one refuses to admit the existence or truth of something

ANSWERS: 91. hometown, 92. postmodern, 93. fascinated, 94. accident, 95. stairway, 96. opportune, 97. temporary, 98. denying

99. The _____ role of technology in modern society cannot be overstated.
adj. of, relating to, or performed on musical instruments; useful or important in achieving a purpose
100. We _____ the payment because of an incorrect invoice.
v. to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
101. I filled the _____ with hot water and a bubble bath for a relaxing soak.
n. a large container, typically made of porcelain or acrylic, for holding water in which a person can bathe
102. The two lines were perfectly _____ to each other.
adj. forming, situated at, or being at a right angle to a given line or plane; upright or vertical; at right angles to the horizon
103. The _____ details on the building's facade were simply stunning.
adj. relating to or resembling sculpture (= a three-dimensional work of art); having a three-dimensional quality or appearance
104. You _____ a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.
v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
105. The drought _____ the prices of grain globally.
v. to raise something to a higher position or level; to pick up something or somebody and move them to a different position
106. It was a pure _____ that we met her in the library.
n. an occasion when two or more similar things happen at the same time by chance, in a surprising way

ANSWERS: 99. instrumental, 100. delayed, 101. bathtub, 102. perpendicular, 103. sculptural, 104. stick, 105. lifted, 106. coincidence

107. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.

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

108. The earthquake resulted in significant _____ destruction.

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

109. Difficulties _____ the mind, as labor does the body.

- v.* to become stronger or more effective; to make someone or something stronger or more effective

110. The _____ of water is called ice.

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

111. The tsunami swamped every boat in the _____.

- n.* an area of water next to the coast where ships and boats are protected from rough water by piers, jetties, and other artificial structures; (verb) keep in one's possession

112. The organizational _____ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

- n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

113. The musician's incredible solo momentarily _____ the lead singer.

- v.* to distract attention from someone or something else, often intentionally; to move upstage in a theater, away from the audience, thus taking a more prominent position on the stage; (adverb) at or toward the rear of the stage

114. The hotel's _____ was out of order, so we had to take the stairs to our room on the fifth floor.

- n.* a mechanical device used for vertical transportation, typically in multi-story buildings, consisting of a compartmentalized platform that moves between floors

ANSWERS: 107. wealth, 108. structural, 109. strengthen, 110. solid-state, 111. harbor, 112. structure, 113. upstaged, 114. elevator

115. He made a frightful _____ in his room.

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

116. He _____ pieces of rope out of straw.

- v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape

117. There was a crack in the _____ that I found.

- n.* a room's top interior surface

118. The elegant chandelier in the _____ was the centerpiece of the grand entrance.

- n.* an entrance hall or lobby, usually located at the front of a building or before the main room or area; a space for people to gather or wait before an event

119. The _____ highway connects the major cities of the state.

- adj.* between or involving different states (= the territory occupied by one of the constituent administrative districts of a nation)

120. The construction worker wore a hard hat to protect his head from _____ beams or wires.

- adj.* sticking out or projecting from a surface; extending beyond a boundary or limit

121. 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

122. The construction company _____ the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

- v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

ANSWERS: 115. mess, 116. twisted, 117. ceiling, 118. foyer, 119. interstate, 120. protruding, 121. clue, 122. equipped

123. The judge gave severe _____ to the criminal who committed the heinous crime.
- n.* a penalty or consequence inflicted for wrongdoing or offense; a means of enforcing discipline or preventing further wrongdoing
124. The hotel offers comfortable _____ for both business and leisure travelers.
- n.* a place to live, work, or stay, particularly for a temporary or short-term period; adjustment or adaptation to meet various needs or circumstances
125. The stargazing enthusiasts used their high-powered _____ to study the constellations in the night sky.
- n.* (often used in plural form) a device or instrument designed for use with both eyes simultaneously, enabling a viewer to see objects in a three-dimensional perspective and with greater depth perception; (adjective) relating to or involving both eyes, especially when viewing through a device such as a pair of binoculars; involving or requiring the use of both eyes
126. The town was founded in the 19th century as a stop on the _____ and it grew rapidly as a result.
- n.* metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization
127. They will _____ between various emotional states.
- v.* to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back
128. He was ___ with joy to see the results.
- adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
129. The actress wore a stunning _____ pendant around her neck.
- n.* a small, raised, typically oval, carving or portrait, usually made of a contrasting material (such as shell or stone) and often set in a larger piece of jewelry or decorative item; a brief appearance or performance by a well-known person in a film, play, or other medium

ANSWERS: 123. punishment, 124. accommodations, 125. binoculars, 126. railroad, 127. bounce, 128. mad, 129. cameo

130. The waves crashed against the rocks, creating white _____.
n. a mass of small air bubbles formed on the surface of a liquid; a substance that forms a lather when mixed with water
131. The introduction _____ the speaker's distinguished career as a consultant
v. to make something prominent, mainly so that people give it more attention
132. The ancient Greek _____ are known for their realism and attention to detail.
n. the art of creating three-dimensional objects or forms, typically by carving, modeling, or casting in a variety of materials such as stone, wood, metal, or clay
133. The _____ style of the building was a mix of modern and traditional.
adj. of or relating to the design and construction of buildings and other structures and the features and style of such structures
134. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
135. The inspector discovered _____ bolts under the fuel rods.
adj. not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
136. The ship encountered a series of _____ and had to change its course.
n. a large piece of ice floating in the sea, detached from a glacier
137. This movie is famous for its romantic _____.
n. the use of words or pictures in books, photographs, paintings, etc., that produces pictures in the minds of people; the ability to form mental images of things or events

ANSWERS: 130. foam, 131. highlighted, 132. sculptures, 133. architectural, 134. complexity, 135. loose, 136. icebergs, 137. imagery

138. These synthetic _____ are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.
- n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
139. The company decided to move its _____ to New York City.
- n.* the central office or location from which a business or organization is managed
140. He was sick for five _____ days.
- adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
141. Too _____ a regulation for the private sector will stifle innovation.
- adj.* strongly limiting someone's freedom; allowing no deviation from a standard, rule, belief, etc.
142. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
- v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
143. The _____ patient was experiencing severe auditory hallucinations.
- n.* a severe mental disorder in which a person has a distorted view of reality and may experience hallucinations, delusions, and disordered thinking and behavior
144. The unemployment rate in the first _____ was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.
- n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
145. She expressed her thought in an artful choice of _____.
- n.* a figure of speech in which an expression is used to refer to something that it does not denote to suggest a similarity

ANSWERS: 138. fabrics, 139. headquarters, 140. straight, 141. strict, 142. constructs, 143. schizophrenia, 144. quarter, 145. metaphors

146. She looked _____ in her wrinkled shirt and mismatched socks.

adj. characterized by a lack of order or neatness; careless, disorganized, or careless in appearance or performance

147. Breast _____ is the most common type of cancer in women.

n. abnormal growth of cells that can invade and destroy surrounding tissues and organs; a disease characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells

148. The spacious _____ was a peaceful sanctuary for the couple to exchange their VOWS.

n. a place of worship, especially a non-conformist or dissenting place of worship

149. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

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

150. He made a New Year's _____ to exercise more and eat healthier.

n. a firm decision or determination to do or not do something; the action of solving a problem, dispute, or conflict; the quality of being resolved or determined; the clarity and sharpness of an image or display

151. She stood on the podium and _____ an audience.

v. to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information

152. I am seeking a spacious _____ with a balcony and a parking spot.

n. a self-contained living unit within a larger building or complex, typically consisting of one or more rooms or an open space used for living, cooking, and sleeping

ANSWERS: 146. sloppy, 147. cancer, 148. chapel, 149. decide, 150. resolution, 151. scanned, 152. apartment

153. The speaker's speech was full of _____ phrases and platitudes.

adj. lacking originality or freshness; overused, common, or clichéd; lacking in depth or significance due to being overly familiar or predictable

154. The motivational speech _____ the team and gave them the drive to succeed.

v. to stimulate or shock someone into taking action; to cover metal containing zinc to protect it from rust

155. The company signed a _____ with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

n. a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

156. This statue is _____ from a single tree trunk.

v. to create something by cutting wood or stone; to turn sharply

157. My _____ standards are quite different from hers.

adj. connected with the enjoyment or study of beauty

158. In southward, the average annual water _____ increases.

n. the amount or number of something; magnitude

159. They worked hard to _____ the nature of their native lands.

v. to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

160. The _____ occasionally preaches at this church.

n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

ANSWERS: 153. trite, 154. galvanized, 155. contract, 156. carved, 157. aesthetic, 158. quantity, 159. preserve, 160. minister

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

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

162. She gave us a categorical _____ of the scandal.

- n.* a statement that something is not true or does not exist

163. He gave ____ to his anger by playing the guitar.

- n.* a small opening to escape or release gas, air, liquid, etc.; activity or process that frees or expresses strong creative energy or emotion

164. The structure is _____ of three main components.

- v.* to write music, poetry, or formal writing; to constitute or make up a whole, or a specified part of it

165. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.

- n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

166. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

- n.* the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

167. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.

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

168. The rabbit _____ over the fence.

- v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

ANSWERS: 161. tap, 162. denial, 163. vent, 164. composed, 165. strength, 166. interaction, 167. relate, 168. hopped

169. The mathematical equation had a _____ solution that was easy to follow.
adj. characterized by clear and sound reasoning; following a rational and systematic approach; based on or in accordance with logic or reason
170. She planted a hedge to serve as a natural _____ around her garden.
n. a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property
171. His hometown was where he first acquired the _____ of wood carving.
n. an activity that requires a particular skill in making things with one's hands
172. I need to clear out some of the _____ in my garage.
n. discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition
173. This system prevents _____ deletion of data.
adj. happening or existing by chance or unintentionally
174. I found an old _____ of my grandparents from their wedding day.
n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
175. A _____ engineer is still in demand in many companies.
adj. operated by a machine, relating to or concerned with machinery or tools
176. The Great Pyramid of Giza was built using blocks of _____.
n. a sedimentary rock that is composed mainly of calcium carbonate, which is the mineral calcite

ANSWERS: 169. logical, 170. fence, 171. craft, 172. junk, 173. accidental, 174. photograph, 175. mechanical, 176. limestone

177. The interviewer arrived in a _____ of time.

n. a small cut, notch, or indentation in a surface or an edge

178. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.

v. to frighten someone very much

179. The newspaper devoted several _____ to the affair.

n. one of the vertical blocks that split content on a page or screen from top to bottom; an upright pillar that often supports an arch, entablature, or other structure or stands alone as a monument

180. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

n. a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

181. The evolution of processors has dramatically improved the performance of ____.

n. (abbreviation for artificial intelligence) the theory and development of computer systems capable of doing activities that would ordinarily need human intelligence, such as object recognition, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation

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

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

183. We got stuck in a traffic jam on the _____ for over an hour.

n. a major highway designed for high-speed traffic, with no stoplights or grade crossings and having interchanges or access roads to other highways

ANSWERS: 177. nick, 178. terrify, 179. columns, 180. movement, 181. AI, 182. barge, 183. freeway

184. Tech companies often employ _____ ducts and other materials in their office interiors.

adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

185. Please get the desk _____.

adv. on or to a lower or ground floor of a building

186. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets

187. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

188. The construction workers poured a large _____ of concrete for the foundation of the building.

n. a flat, rectangular piece of material, such as wood or concrete; often used to describe a large, heavy, or solid object or structure

189. The _____ along the highway prevents vehicles from going off the road's edge.

n. a sturdy metal or wooden railing or barrier placed beside a road, bridge, or other dangerous areas to prevent vehicles or people from going over the edge; a protective barrier or railing used to prevent falls or accidents

190. I've been thinking all day and getting _____.

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

ANSWERS: 184. exposed, 185. downstairs, 186. finance, 187. Technological, 188. slab, 189. guardrail, 190. nowhere

191. Please _____ your seatbelt before the plane takes off.

- v.* to secure or attach something firmly or tightly; to make something stay in place or become immovable

192. The break in the ____ threatened the valley.

- n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

193. I will _____ my car before I go on a road trip.

- v.* to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage

194. Other technology industries _____ similarly explosive growth.

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

195. This artist always packs the _____ halls.

- n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers

196. She adorned her necklace with a beautiful _____ pendant.

- n.* a dense, opaque variety of quartz that is typically red, brown, or yellow in color and often used as a gemstone or in decorative objects

197. This book will be a practical _____ when coding.

- n.* a general rule or principle that provides guidance to appropriate behavior; a piece of advice or instructions that tell you how something should be done or what something should be

198. My grandfather is an avid stamp _____ and he has a collection of rare stamps from all over the world.

- n.* a person who collects or gathers objects as a hobby or for personal interest; someone who accumulates or acquires a specific type of item

ANSWERS: 191. fasten, 192. dam, 193. insure, 194. exhibit, 195. concert, 196. jasper, 197. guideline, 198. collector,

199. Yesterday, I created a rough _____ of the plan.

- n.* a simple, quickly-made picture that does not have many details; a short descriptive summary of something

200. They rented a _____ on the Italian coast for their summer vacation.

- n.* a large, luxurious country house in ancient Rome or a modern version of such a house

201. The _____ of the mountain made it difficult to breathe.

- n.* the height of something above sea level or above the ground; the event of something being raised upward

202. Animal protection groups call for an end to animal testing in a _____.

- n.* a workplace for doing scientific research or teaching science; a lab

203. The police officer _____ the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.

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

204. The _____ opening was the part of the stage in front of the curtain.

- n.* the part of a theater stage that is framed by an arch and is in front of the curtain

205. Living in a _____ apartment offers spectacular views of the city.

- adj.* describing a tall building or structure that has many floors or levels above the ground, often used to describe residential or commercial buildings in urban areas with multiple stories

206. Our skeleton outline of the _____ met with much opposition.

- n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one

ANSWERS: 199. sketch, 200. villa, 201. elevation, 202. laboratory, 203. chased, 204. proscenium, 205. high-rise, 206. proposal

207. They were looking for _____ in their relationship and wanted to be close to each other.

n. close familiarity or friendship; a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person

208. The inventor created a _____ that could turn salt water into drinking water.

n. a machine or device that is made up of a combination of interconnected parts and often appears complicated or unusual

209. The bull rider held on tightly during the _____ event.

n. a public exhibition of cowboy skills, particularly in North America, featuring events such as calf-roping, steer wrestling, and bull riding

210. He decided to take a walk _____ area to explore the city.

adv. in or towards the central area of a town or city

211. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

212. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

213. The adept _____ carefully carved the wooden figurine with precision and skill.

n. a skilled worker who creates handmade objects, especially one who works with wood, metal, or other materials

214. She is a _____ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

ANSWERS: 207. intimacy, 208. contraption, 209. rodeo, 210. downtown, 211. Communal, 212. bunch, 213. craftsman, 214. resilient

215. The _____ sunset over the ocean was a peaceful sight to behold.
adj. calm, peaceful, and untroubled; free from disturbances or worries
216. The wealthy businessman left his entire _____ to his children when he died.
n. a large piece of land with an impressive house on it, often owned by a wealthy family; all of a person's possessions and assets at the time of their death; an area of land considered as a unit in terms of ownership, use or taxation
217. I am _____ about the safety of the children playing in the park.
adj. feeling worry or interest about something; showing interest or attention
218. The outdoor wedding reception was held in a beautiful _____ overlooking the lake.
n. a large, often ornate tent or booth, often used for entertainment or public events; a building or structure, often in a park or other public space, used for meetings, exhibitions, or social gatherings
219. The _____ yard had a wide selection of wood for building and construction.
n. wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily
220. The pond's _____ was around five feet.
n. the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
221. The _____ graceful movements were a joy to watch.
n. a female ballet (= a type of performance dance that tells a dramatic story or expresses an idea with music but no talking or singing) dancer
222. He should _____ more with his colleagues.
v. to communicate or react with somebody

ANSWERS: 215. serene, 216. estate, 217. concerned, 218. pavilion, 219. lumber, 220. depth, 221. ballerina's, 222. interact

223. We should always be prepared to _____ talented recruits.
v. to give somebody a job
224. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.
adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
225. _____ symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.
n. a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
226. The _____ restaurant on the corner is always busy during lunchtime.
n. a type of restaurant or food establishment that specializes in quickly prepared and served meals, often in a drive-thru or takeout format
227. The teacher warned the students not to _____ the story's meaning by twisting the facts.
v. to change the inherent purpose or function of something; to influence somebody to behave in morally unacceptable ways; to corrupt or lead astray; (noun) a person who engages in sexual behavior or has sexual interests that are considered abnormal or deviant by society
228. We have become TV _____ due to video streaming services.
n. a person who cannot stop using or doing something as a habit, especially something harmful
229. He was a _____ leader who made decisions based on what was practical rather than ideal.
adj. practical rather than idealistic
230. He won the _____ for best actor at the film festival.
n. a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement

ANSWERS: 223. hire, 224. extraordinary, 225. Depression, 226. fast-food, 227. pervert, 228. addicts, 229. pragmatic, 230. award

231. The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial _____ of history.

n. any stage in a series of events, change, or development

232. Global _____ is rising in virtually every industry.

n. a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

233. Boxing fans often criticize his _____ stance.

adj. used or intended to protect someone or something against attack or aggression

234. _____ supplements are often recommended for people who are deficient in this mineral.

n. a metallic element that is found in small amounts in the earth's crust and is used in the manufacture of brass and alloys, and is required to maintain human's health

235. He made the old _____ coins shine.

n. a chemical element that is a soft, malleable, and ductile metal with very high thermal and electrical conductivity

236. The children complained because one _____ of cake was slightly larger than the other.

n. a flat, often thin, piece of bread, meat, cheese, etc., that has been cut from a larger piece; a wound made by cutting

237. An executive _____ director administers each branch.

n. someone who helps or supports someone else to do a job

238. The _____ had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

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

ANSWERS: 231. phase, 232. competition, 233. defensive, 234. Zinc, 235. copper, 236. slice, 237. assistant, 238. valley

239. The statue was placed on a _____ in the center of the park.

- n.* a base or support on which something, typically a statue, column, etc., is placed

240. The Grand _____ has an awe-inspiring sight.

- n.* a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river

241. This company has an entire recycling _____ including major reprocessing plants.

- n.* a building or place that provides a particular service or is used for a particular industry

242. Two-percent interest will _____ on your savings account.

- v.* (of a benefit or sum of money) to increase or accumulate in number or amount over a period of time

243. He had to _____ the loose knob back onto the cabinet door.

- v.* to turn something, such as a bolt, with a driver or wrench to tighten or loosen it; (noun) a cylindrical rod with a helical ridge used to fasten things together

244. 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

245. They carefully executed the well-planned _____ they had prepared over the years.

- n.* an organized and often large-scale plan or arrangement for doing something

246. The famous gangster's _____ grew with each daring heist and narrow escape.

- n.* the state of being widely known, especially for something negative or notorious; a negative reputation or fame

ANSWERS: 239. pedestal, 240. Canyon, 241. facility, 242. accrue, 243. screw, 244. wander, 245. scheme, 246. notoriety

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

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

248. The national election was held amid _____ security.

adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

249. The fisherman showed off his biggest _____ catch of the day.

n. a type of freshwater fish found in many parts of the world, typically with a scaleless body, barbels around the mouth, and erect fins; (verb) to complain or find fault with something repeatedly

250. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

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

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

252. The _____ office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

adj. of or relating to a large company

253. He didn't meet all the _____ but he was hired anyway.

n. (plural of criterion) standards or conditions by which something may be judged or decided

254. The fishing reel had a _____ that made it easy to reel in the catch.

n. a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person

ANSWERS: 247. forth, 248. tight, 249. carp, 250. exciting, 251. separate, 252. corporate, 253. criteria, 254. crank

255. The building _____ tried to build the house above the tree.

n. a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

256. Patience is the _____ of all sores.

n. a substance made of lime that becomes hard as it dries and is used for the protective or decorative coating of walls and ceilings and for molding and casting decorative elements

257. The _____ hill made for a difficult hike but provided a stunning view.

adj. having a gradually or sharply angled surface or gradient; inclined or tilted in a particular direction or manner

258. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.

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

259. _____ brooks are noisier than deep rivers.

adj. not having much distance from the top to the bottom

260. I don't want to _____ for second best.

v. to reach an agreement of disagreement

261. She is a confident _____ who always looks on the bright side.

n. a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future

262. He _____ the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.

v. to pull or haul with force

ANSWERS: 255. architect, 256. plaster, 257. sloping, 258. context, 259. Shallow, 260. settle, 261. optimist, 262. dragged

263. The new employee proved extremely _____ completing projects ahead of schedule.

adj. resulting in or making a lot or a significant amount of something, especially something of value

264. He was reluctant to leave his comfort _____ and try something new.

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

265. Computers help people _____ specific memories.

v. to keep or continue to possess or maintain something

266. Timely education about birth control might help reduce _____ pregnancies.

n. a young person who is in the process of developing from a child into an adult

267. I asked the lawyer to initiate _____ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

268. The battlefield became _____ on earth.

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

269. Our container ship went through the Panama _____.

n. a long and narrow strip of water made artificially either for boats and ships to travel along or for irrigation

270. The _____ of the katana itself is still in excellent condition.

n. the flat part of a knife, weapon, or machine with a very thin edge used for cutting

ANSWERS: 263. productive, 264. zone, 265. retain, 266. adolescent, 267. creditor, 268. hell, 269. Canal, 270. blade

271. The media frequently interviewed _____ scientists.

adj. important, well-known, or noticeable

272. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

273. The company holds patents on core components of _____ jet printers.

n. a device that emits powerful and narrow light that can be used as a tool to cut metal through a process of optical amplification

274. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

275. The physicist specializes in _____.

n. a branch of physics that deals with the study of mechanical waves in gases, liquids, and solids, including topics such as vibration, sound, ultrasound, and infrasound

276. Her research team made an important _____.

n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

277. She agreed to _____ with him in creating new artwork.

v. to work with someone else to produce or achieve something

278. 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

ANSWERS: 271. prominent, 272. magic, 273. laser, 274. crazy, 275. acoustics, 276. discovery, 277. collaborate, 278. chain

279. The wheelchair user needed a _____ to access the building's entrance.
- n.* a sloping surface connecting two levels or inclines, typically used for the movement of people, vehicles, or goods
280. Many people go to the shopping _____ to socialize and spend time with friends.
- n.* a large, enclosed shopping center that typically contains many stores, restaurants, and other businesses
281. The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its _____ policy.
- adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
282. The _____ in the room added natural light and a beautiful view of the stars at night.
- n.* a window or opening in a roof or ceiling that allows natural light to enter a room or space from above
283. The hotel's beautiful _____ was the perfect spot for a wedding reception.
- n.* an open space surrounded by buildings or walls, often in the center of a building or group of buildings
284. Many people in this city use the _____ railway for transportation.
- n.* a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself
285. I accidentally deleted the file, so can you _____ that action?
- v.* to reverse the effect of an action or event, typically one that is recent or specific
286. The industrial _____ laws were passed with little to no alteration.
- n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

ANSWERS: 279. ramp, 280. mall, 281. inclusive, 282. skylight, 283. courtyard, 284. loop, 285. undo, 286. relations

287. The _____ work was a vital component of the local economy, providing flour to the bakeries and farmers in the area.
- n.* a person who operates a mill (= a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing), especially a grain mill
288. She kept _____ for an ambulance.
- v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
289. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.
- adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
290. _____ bees are boring holes into the wall.
- n.* a woodworker whose job is to make or repair wooden objects
291. He parked his car in the private _____.
- n.* a building or part of a building used to store a vehicle or vehicles, typically a car
292. He received the title of the best _____ in all our branches worldwide.
- n.* a person whose job is to sell goods in a shop or directly to customers
293. He practiced his _____ techniques with a partner.
- n.* the art or practice of fighting with swords, especially with foils, épées, or sabers, according to certain rules
294. His speech was carefully crafted and delivered with _____ confidence.
- adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
295. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's ____.
- n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory

ANSWERS: 287. miller's, 288. screaming, 289. ultimate, 290. Carpenter, 291. garage, 292. salesperson, 293. fencing, 294. studied, 295. lab

296. A happy group of friends occupies the _____ of the picture.
n. the part of a view, picture, etc., that is nearest to the viewer
297. The fishermen used a purse _____ to catch fish in the river.
n. a large fishing net that hangs vertically in the water with floats at the top and weights at the bottom used to enclose and catch fish
298. The revitalization of technology companies is _____ to the country's growth.
adj. extremely vital or necessary
299. The severe heat wave _____ railway tracks.
v. to bend out of shape, as under pressure or from heat; (noun) a device used for fastening two loose ends of a belt or strap
300. He deals _____ with his employees.
adv. to a certain extent or degree; without favoring one party in an evenhanded manner
301. The air _____ in the building needed to be cleaned to improve the air quality.
n. a tube, pipe, or channel for conveying air, water, or other substances
302. The invention of the camera triggered the development of _____ painting.
adj. based on general ideas, feelings, or qualities and not on any a physical or concrete existence
303. The novel is _____ and tragic.
adj. funny and making you laugh
304. They explored every _____ they could think of.
n. a wide road in a town or city, especially with trees or tall buildings on both sides; a line of approach

ANSWERS: 296. foreground, 297. seine, 298. crucial, 299. buckled, 300. fairly, 301. ducts, 302. abstract, 303. comic, 304. avenue

305. _____ the text from Italian into English.

v. to convert or change words into another language

306. You can live very _____ in Southeast Asia.

adv. in a stingy or inexpensive manner

307. The picture was _____ because it was taken with an old camera.

adj. having a soft and indistinct outline or covered with fine, soft, and hairlike fibers

308. A _____ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

309. The train's _____ was small but comfortable.

n. a separate section or part of a larger enclosed space, such as a train carriage or a ship's cabin

310. Nothing _____ me more than being lied to.

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

311. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.

v. to take part in something

312. The scratches on the car _____ its otherwise perfect appearance.

v. to damage or spoil the appearance or surface of something

ANSWERS: 305. Translate, 306. cheaply, 307. fuzzy, 308. panel, 309. compartment, 310. peeves, 311. participated, 312. marred

313. The trade _____ remained adamant about its demands.

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

314. Companies often _____ their shares to lower the stock price and encourage investors to buy.

- v.* to divide, or to make something divide into two or more parts, especially along a particular line

315. The _____ of the old building added to its architectural charm.

- n.* a decorative, horizontal molding that crowns a building or furniture; a ledge or shelf along the top of a wall

316. The verdict was announced at the _____ after a long trial.

- n.* a building where courts of law are held, or administrative offices for legal proceedings are located

317. She is talented at _____ and has won several awards for her artwork.

- n.* the act of making a picture with a pencil, pen, or other instruments on paper, cardboard, or other material

318. We must ensure that all medical testing on animals is conducted in a _____ way.

- adj.* having or showing compassion, kindness, and sympathy toward others, especially toward those who are suffering

319. The historical building featured a distinctive _____ roof, adding charm to its architectural design.

- n.* a type of roof with two slopes on each of its four sides, the lower slope being steeper and the upper slope being flatter, giving the roof a distinctive appearance

ANSWERS: 313. union, 314. split, 315. cornice, 316. courthouse, 317. drawing, 318. humane, 319. mansard

320. The vehicle bounced along the _____ mountain road.

adj. not quite exact or correct; having or caused by an irregular surface

321. He recorded the _____ at the time of the incident.

n. a conversation in a book, play, or film

322. The artist's _____ sculptures were on display at the museum.

n. the art or craft of working with metals, particularly in a decorative or functional context; objects produced through metalworking techniques

323. I bought my sister a miniature Eiffel Tower _____ when I visited Paris.

n. an object, often a small item, that is kept as a reminder or memento of a person, place, or event; a keepsake

324. The choice between bureaucracy and adhococracy represents a common _____.

n. a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones

325. The earth's _____ of rotation is tilted 66.5 degrees to the ecliptic plane.

n. a real or imaginary straight line through a body or figure around which the object turns; a group of countries in special alliance

326. My computer has been acting _____ recently.

adj. extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

327. He was called a glorified _____ because he always ate more food than anyone else at the table.

n. a person who eats and drinks excessively

ANSWERS: 320. rough, 321. dialogue, 322. metalwork, 323. souvenir, 324. dilemma, 325. axis, 326. weird, 327. glutton

328. The sponge _____ water well.

v. to take in a fluid or other substance gradually

329. He is more concerned about the _____ of his body fat than usual because of an upcoming bodybuilding competition.

n. a part, share, or amount of something considered in comparative relation to a whole

330. He _____ jumped out of his chair when he heard the news.

adv. in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively

331. _____ pattern roads often appear in urban areas.

n. a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

332. He suffered a severe _____ collision in the car accident.

adj. relating to the front; situated at or directed towards the front; frontal can also refer to a meteorological term for a weather system that is moving from west to east

ANSWERS: 328. absorbs, 329. proportion, 330. literally, 331. Grid, 332. frontal