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Session 1: Word List

baseline

n. a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court

synonym : standard, criterion

(1) **baseline** budget, (2) establish a **baseline**

The products they sell are the **baseline** for performance in the industry.

bare

adj. not covered or clothed; lacking embellishment or decoration; mere or basic; undisguised or open; empty or devoid of something

synonym : naked, exposed, uncovered

(1) **bare** minimum, (2) **bare** essentials

She wore a simple dress with a **bare** neckline

urchin

n. a poor and mischievous young child, usually living on the street or in a disadvantaged community; a small, spiny marine animal with a round body and long, pointed spines

synonym : mischief, waif, guttersnipe

(1) **urchin** child, (2) street **urchin**

The young boy was an **urchin** wandering the streets without a home.

algae

n. A simple plant that grows in or near water and lacks typical leaves and roots

(1) **algae** biofuel, (2) blue **algae**

Algae has jammed the inlet to the water turbine.

alien

n. a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere

synonym: foreigner, unfamiliar, unknown

(1) **alien** fungi, (2) resident **aliens**

Alien species have drastically altered the ecosystem in this area.

coral

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

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

She is wearing a **coral** necklace.

reef

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

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

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

unlikely

adj. not probable or likely to happen

synonym: doubtful, questionable, far-fetched

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

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

pristine

adj. new and completely free from dirt or contamination

synonym: chaste, pure, immaculate

(1) **pristine** beach, (2) maintain the **pristine** condition

It is terrific to camp in **pristine** nature.

virgin

n. a person who has never had sex; (adjective) being used or worked for the first time

synonym : virtuous, vestal, beginner

(1) **virgin** material, (2) enter **virgin** territory

Within a few years, no **virgin** forests will remain.

shark

n. a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

synonym : swindler, con artist, crook

(1) a man-eating **shark**, (2) card **shark**

He borrowed money from a loan **shark**.

crocodile

n. a large, carnivorous reptile with powerful jaws and a long, scaly body; native to tropical regions and often found in rivers and freshwater habitats

synonym : alligator, gator, croc

(1) **crocodile** hide, (2) saltwater **crocodile**

The **crocodile** attack left the villagers in a state of shock and fear

probable

adj. likely to happen or likely to be true

synonym : likely, possible, potential

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

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

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym : farthestmost, outermost, fierce

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

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

microbe

n. a tiny living thing that can only be seen with a microscope and that may cause disease

synonym : germ, microorganism, bacterium

(1) pathogenic **microbe**, (2) **microbes** sterilizer

Microbes thrive on the surface of the human skin.

jellyfish

n. a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging

synonym: medusa, sea nettle, moon jelly

(1) spineless **jellyfish**, (2) **jellyfish** sting

The beach was filled with hundreds of **jellyfish**, so swimming was not recommended.

diver

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

synonym: plunger, frogman, loon

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

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

overgrow

v. to grow or thrive over so as to cover with herbage

synonym: overrun, choke, overwhelm

(1) **overgrow** neighboring corals, (2) aquatic plants

overgrow

Weeds **overgrow** throughout the garden.

bacteria

n. single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease

synonym: microorganism, microbe

(1) pathogenic **bacteria**, (2) harmless **bacteria**

Bacteria prevalent in hospitals are often resistant to antibiotics.

marine

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

synonym: sea-dwelling, maritime, aquatic

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

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

modern

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

synonym: contemporary, stylish, current

(1) **modern** poetry, (2) pre- **modern** agricultural society

Their headquarters are in a **modern** skyscraper.

scuba

n. an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving

synonym: diving gear, underwater equipment

(1) **scuba** diving class, (2) **scuba** gear

The **scuba** divers explored the coral reefs to learn more about the ecosystem.

dive

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

synonym: dip, leap, plunge

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

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

degrade

v. to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others

synonym: demean, disgrace, impair

(1) **degrade** his public image, (2) **degrade** environmental quality

You should not **degrade** yourself by allowing them to use you.

ecosystem

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

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

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

conduct

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

synonym: behave, lead, carry on

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

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

nation

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

geography

n. a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth

synonym: landscape, terrain, topography

(1) **geography** class, (2) economic **geography**

She did well on her **geography** exam.

expedition

n. a journey or voyage for a specific purpose

synonym: journey, trip, voyage

(1) **expedition** team, (2) a polar **expedition**

The **expedition** to the Amazon jungle was both exciting and challenging.

archipelago

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

synonym: group of islands, island chain

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

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

belong

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

synonym: fit, be appropriate, be suitable

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

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

span

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

synonym : interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**
He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

equator

n. an line of latitude that separates Earth's northern and southern hemispheres and has a radius of around 40,075 kilometers (24,901 miles)

(1) south of the **equator**, (2) above the **equator**
Ecuador is on the **equator**.

uninhabited

adj. not able to be lived in by humans or animals; devoid of human or animal life

synonym : deserted, abandoned, vacant

(1) **uninhabited** region, (2) **uninhabited** house
The remote island is **uninhabited** and has no permanent residents.

inhabit

v. to live in a specific location; to reside

synonym : settle, occupy, populate

(1) **inhabit** a cave, (2) **inhabit** the stomach
I have no idea what sort of folks **inhabit** the neighborhood.

overgrown

adj. covered in plants that have been allowed to grow naturally and have not been controlled

synonym : leafy, lush, verdant

(1) an **overgrown** garden, (2) **overgrown** child
The wooden gate had been damaged, and the hedge had become **overgrown**.

captain

n. the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft

synonym : boss, director, leader

(1) the **captain** of an opposing team, (2) **captain** of industry

The **captain** ordered the troops to fire.

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**.

abundance

n. a significant amount of something; the situation in which there is too much of something

synonym: plenty, affluence, plentitude

(1) an age of **abundance**, (2) an **abundance** of examples

A healthy farm provides an **abundance** of food.

rudder

n. a flat, vertical blade at the rear of a vessel that can be turned horizontally to steer the vessel by changing its direction of movement; a device used in aircraft to control its yaw (side-to-side movement)

synonym: helm, tiller, steering gear

(1) **rudder** control, (2) **rudder** movement

The small boat's **rudder** was damaged in the storm, making it difficult to steer.

oar

n. a pole with a flat blade at one end used for rowing a boat through the water

synonym: paddle, row, scull

(1) sculling **oar**, (2) wooden **oar**

The rowing team coordinated their **oars** to move through the water smoothly.

ashore

adv. on or towards the land, as opposed to the sea or water

synonym: on the beach, on the shore

(1) bring **ashore**, (2) go **ashore** after sunset

The ship finally came **ashore** after a long voyage.

- dial**
- v.* to adjust or set the controls of a machine or device by turning a controller called dial; (noun) a disc on a telephone that is rotated a fixed distance for each number called
- synonym* : adjust, set, turn
- (1) **dial** up the volume, (2) **dial** down the tension
- He **dialed** the phone number and waited for an answer.
- paradise**
- n.* a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth
- synonym* : heaven, Eden, utopia
- (1) **paradise** island, (2) **paradise** for criminals
- Hawaii is often referred to as an everlasting summer **paradise**.
- sanctuary**
- n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
- synonym* : refuge, safety, haven
- (1) an animal **sanctuary**, (2) violate a **sanctuary**
- The church offered **sanctuary** to refugees fleeing from war-torn countries.
- palm**
- n.* the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves
- synonym* : hand, fist
- (1) the **palm** side of the forearm, (2) coconut **palm** trees
- This high-performance camera is compact enough to fit in the **palm** of your hand.
- atoll**
- n.* a ring-shaped coral reef or a chain of coral islands and reefs surrounding a central lagoon, typically formed by the subsidence of a volcanic island over time, leaving only the coral reefs visible above the water surface
- synonym* : coral reef, islet, cay
- (1) coral **atoll**, (2) lagoon **atoll**
- The tourists were excited to explore the remote **atoll**, which

was uninhabited and untouched.

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

synonym: transition, change, modification

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

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym: completely, utterly, definitely

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

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

gorgeous

adj. wonderful and attractive

synonym: beautiful, stunning, attractive

(1) a **gorgeous** meal, (2) **gorgeous** sunset

She wore a **gorgeous** dress to the party, which everyone admired.

spectacular

adj. striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement

synonym: breathtaking, impressive, grand

(1) **spectacular** view, (2) achieve **spectacular** growth

The **spectacular** fireworks display was the highlight of the festival.

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.

predator

n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
synonym : vulture, bloodsucker

(1) apex **predator**, (2) sexual **predators**

The native South American animals were in danger because of the **predator's** arrival.

conspicuous

adj. visible or observable; likely to draw attention
synonym : apparent, noticeable, evident

(1) a **conspicuous** achievement, (2) **conspicuous** consumption

Her golden hair was **conspicuous** in China.

biomass

n. the total quantity of living matter in a given unit of environment, including plants, animals, and microorganisms

(1) **biomass** energy, (2) fuel **biomass**

The **biomass** in a forest can be measured by collecting and weighing all living plants within a specific area.

pyramid

n. a polyhedron having a polygonal base and triangular sides with a common vertex; a massive monument with a square base and four triangular sides, begun by Cheops around 2700 BC as royal tombs in ancient Egypt

synonym : monument, edifice, tomb

(1) **pyramid** architecture, (2) a truncated **pyramid**

The Egyptian **pyramids** consist of a vast number of blocks.

weigh

v. to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion

synonym : consider, cogitate, count

(1) **weigh** heavily on stock prices, (2) **weigh** a cargo

The baby **weighs** 1 pound 3 oz.

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.

herbivore

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

(1) **herbivore** diet, (2) **herbivore** animals
A giraffe is an **herbivore** that primarily eats leaves and twigs.

parrot

n. a tropical bird with a curved beak and the ability to mimic sounds, often kept as a pet and trained to copy the human voice

synonym: copyist, wannabe

(1) repeat like a **parrot**, (2) a talking **parrot**
She keeps a **parrot** in a birdcage as a pet.

surgeon

n. a doctor who is trained to perform medical operations that involve cutting open a person's body

synonym: sawbones, doctor

(1) an excellent brain **surgeon**, (2) army **surgeon**
He is a skilled **surgeon** that has many years of training and experience.

plankton

n. tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed

(1) **plankton** blooms, (2) **plankton** community
Plankton is generally the foundation of the ocean food chain.

feeder

n. an animal being fattened or suitable for fattening; a device or system that supplies something to a particular recipient or process

synonym: supply, provider, dispenser

(1) **feeder** fish, (2) **feeder** artery
Many different types of birds visited the bird **feeder**.

carnivore

n. an animal that primarily eats meat as opposed to plant matter

synonym: predator, meat-eater, hunter

(1) **carnivore** diet, (2) hungry **carnivore**

A lion is a typical **carnivore**, as they mainly eat meat.

snap

v. to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands

synonym: break, crack, fracture

(1) **snap** a whip, (2) **snap** judgment

She **snapped** a quick picture of the beautiful sunset before it disappeared.

consequence

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

synonym: result, impact, outcome

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

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

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.

upside

n. the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something

synonym: advantage, benefit, top

(1) have no **upside**, (2) market **upside**

Many people see the **upside** of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.

invert

v. to turn something upside down, inside out; to reverse the position, order, or relationship of something

synonym: turn upside down, reverse, flip

(1) **invert** a glass, (2) **invert** position

He decided to **invert** his investment portfolio, shifting from stocks to bonds.

addition

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

synonym: accumulation, expansion, addendum

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

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

replenish

v. to fill something that had previously been emptied

synonym: refill, reload, restock

(1) **replenish** a reserve fund, (2) **replenish** my spirit

Please **replenish** my glass with some more wine.

ancient

adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

synonym: archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories

They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

component

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

synonym: element, part, factor

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

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

giant

adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are

synonym: big, gigantic, huge

(1) **giant** trees, (2) **giant** tech company

The **giant** jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.

clam

n. a marine mollusk that burrows and lives on sand or mud, the shell closes with viselike firmness

(1) giant **clam**, (2) shuck a **clam**

The **clam** digs through the sand to a significant depth.

pave

v. to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

synonym: surface, coat, cover

(1) **pave** a new path, (2) **pave** a smoother road

They **paved** the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.

lagoon

n. a shallow stretch of water separated from a larger body of water by sandbanks or coral reefs; a small saltwater lake near a sea or an ocean

synonym: pond, pool, bayou

(1) **lagoon** island, (2) **lagoon** paradise

The mangroves around the **lagoon** provide a habitat for a unique ecosystem

meter

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

synonym: gauge, indicator, rhythm

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

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

disappear

v. to cease to exist or be visible

synonym: fade, evaporate, vanish

(1) **disappear** without a trace, (2) **disappear** after a week

They watched the train **disappear** into the distance.

filter

n. any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light

synonym: strainer

(1) gas **filter**, (2) clogged **filter**

Ozone is a primary **filter** to protect Earth's surface from harmful UV rays.

pathogen

n. a bacterium, virus, or other microorganism that causes disease

synonym: germ, microbe, bacterium

(1) plant **pathogen**, (2) the **pathogen** in the air

mRNA vaccines are approved faster because they do not contain inactivated **pathogens**.

remotely

adv. at a distance; not directly or easily accessible

synonym: slightly, barely, scarcely

(1) **remotely** operate, (2) control **remotely**

The company can **remotely** access its employees' computers for troubleshooting purposes.

bleach

v. to remove color or stains, whiten, or sterilize using a solution of chemicals or other substances, such as bleach

synonym: whiten, lighten, blanch

(1) **bleach** stains, (2) **bleach** hair

I need to **bleach** this shirt to remove the stains.

trim

v. to make neat or tidy by clipping, cutting, or pruning away excess or unwanted parts; to adjust or modify to improve efficiency or performance

synonym: cut, pare, prune

(1) **trim** a dog's nails, (2) **trim** the budget

I must **trim** the bushes in my front yard before they get too overgrown.

recover

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

synonym: come back, convalesce, heal

(1) **recover** a loss, (2) **recover** approval ratings

She is still **recovering** from a shot to her shoulder.

collapse

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

synonym: tumble, spill, bankruptcy

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

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

graze

v. to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping

synonym: nibble, feed, scrape

(1) turn cattle out to **graze**, (2) **graze** the left shoulder

The sheep **graze** on the green grass in the meadow.

turf

n. a layer of grass and soil covering a particular area of land, especially used as a playing surface in sports or as a lawn

synonym: territory, ground, land

(1) artificial **turf**, (2) **turf** battle

The soccer players fought for control of the **turf** during the game.

intact

adj. undamaged and complete

synonym: flawless, unchanged, entire

(1) **intact** brain, (2) **intact** forestland

Despite the scandals, his reputation remained **intact**.

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.

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.

adapt

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

synonym: adjust, acclimate, accustom

(1) **adapt** fully to the environment, (2) **adapt** as needed
I advised him to **adapt** to his new surroundings.

reset

v. to set again or differently; to return to a previous state or condition

synonym: restart, reinitialize, set anew

(1) **reset** password, (2) **reset** my brain
She **reset** the computer to fix the problem.

reserve

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

synonym: keep, hold, preserve

(1) **reserve** the right, (2) **reserve** a concert ticket
You can easily **reserve** seats over the telephone.

diversity

n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

synonym: variety, multiplicity, variousness

(1) the **diversity** policy of the university, (2) lingual **diversity**
He was impressed by the range and **diversity** of the collection.

tropical

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

synonym: equatorial, tropic

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

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

naturally

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

synonym: by nature, inherently, intrinsically

(1) **naturally** arising, (2) **naturally** regenerated forest

He was **naturally** gifted.

aft

adj. (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle

(1) **aft** cabin, (2) **aft** view

The **aft** section of the ship suffered significant damage after the collision with the reef.

laptop

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

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

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

microscopic

adj. tiny; exceedingly precise and detail-oriented; of or used in microscopy

synonym: infinitesimal, tiny, atomic

(1) **microscopic** inquiry, (2) **microscopic** analysis

Inspectors noticed **microscopic** cracks in the submarine's hull.

hectare

n. a unit of area equal to 10,000 square meters

(1) **hectare** land, (2) housing per **hectare**

The farm spans over 100 **hectares** of land.

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**.

economy

n. the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

synonym : finance, trade, business

(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class

The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

represent

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

synonym : depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

revenue

n. the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business

synonym : earnings, payment, remuneration

(1) tax **revenue**, (2) annual **revenue**

This graph indicates the city's tourism **revenue** over five years.

summary

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

synonym : outline, digest, overview

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

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

unprotected

adj. not guarded, covered, or shielded; vulnerable; without protection or defense

synonym : uncovered, defenseless, vulnerable

(1) **unprotected** area, (2) **unprotected** Wi-Fi

It's important never to have **unprotected** sex to prevent the spread of STDs.

substantial

adj. fairly large in size, value, or importance

synonym : significant, notable, actual

(1) a **substantial** amount of capital, (2) have a **substantial** meal

The pandemic was a **substantial** business opportunity for certain companies.

organism

n. a tiny living thing

synonym: being, creature

(1) aerobic **organism**, (2) group of **organisms**

A diversified plant species generally enhances beneficial **organism** populations.

reproduce

v. to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process

synonym: duplicate, breed, imitate

(1) **reproduce** the painting, (2) **reproduce** by myself

By dividing and creating copies of themselves, bacteria **reproduce**.

population

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

synonym: people, inhabitants, folk

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

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

biology

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

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

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

invertebrate

n. a class of animals that do not have a backbone; they include insects, worms, and mollusks

synonym: animal, mollusk, worm

(1) **invertebrate** species, (2) study of **invertebrates**

Many species of marine **invertebrates**, such as corals and

sponges, are important components of ocean ecosystems.

snail

n. a slow-moving mollusk with a spiral shell that it uses to protect its body

synonym: escargot, slug, whelk

(1) **snail** mail, (2) **snail** pace

The gardener found a **snail** slowly making its way through the lettuce patch.

detect

v. to find or recognize something, especially something difficult to see, hear, etc.

synonym: catch, observe, notice

(1) **detect** a bad event, (2) **detect** smuggling across borders

The security camera has **detected** four intruders.

abundant

adj. present in great quantity

synonym: ample, plentiful, generative

(1) live an **abundant** life, (2) an **abundant** supply of water

The country has **abundant** oil and natural gas resources.

larva

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

synonym: caterpillar, grub, maggot

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

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

juvenile

adj. relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature

synonym: youthful, boyish, childlike

(1) exhibit **juvenile** behavior, (2) **juvenile** justice

The detective suspected that the vandalism was the work of **juvenile** delinquents.

spill

v. to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident

synonym: slop, drop, scatter

(1) **spill** a bit of wine, (2) **spill** my heart
He was determined to **spill** everything.

fishery

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

synonym: fishing, piscary, angling

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

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

catching

adj. attracting attention or interest; likely to be noticed or remembered; appealing or compelling

synonym: contagious, alluring, captivating

(1) **catching** fire, (2) **catching** disease

The **catching** scent of freshly baked bread made my mouth water.

boundary

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

synonym: border, frontier, limitation

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

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

habitat

n. the type of natural environment in which an organism or group usually lives or occurs

synonym: dwelling, environment, home ground

(1) a marine **habitat**, (2) threatened **habitat**

The **habitat** of this bird is freshwater areas and saltwater marshes.

debit

n. an entry in a financial account that represents money owed or transferred out of the account; a payment card or other means of withdrawing funds from a bank account

synonym: charge, withdrawal, deduction

(1) **debit** card, (2) **debit** balance

I checked my bank statement and noticed an unexpected **debit** from an unknown source.

withdraw

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

synonym: retract, remove, back out

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

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

deposit

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

synonym: bank, installment, sedimentation

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

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

principal

adj. most important, main, or chief

synonym: main, leading, chief

(1) **principal** actor, (2) **principal** responsible

The **principal** reason for the company's success is its innovative products.

ecology

n. the study of the relationships between living organisms, including humans, and their physical environment

(1) science of **ecology**, (2) the **ecology** of the island

Many companies are now enthusiastically embracing the knowledge of **ecology** for sustainable development.

compound

n. an item composed of two or more distinct elements combined; a chemical formed by the combination of two or more elements

synonym: combination, mixture, blend

(1) aquatic **compound**, (2) harmful **compound**
Common salt is a sodium and chlorine **compound**.

free-for-all

n. a chaotic or uncontrolled situation in which everyone can do as they like without any rules or restrictions; an unregulated or uninhibited competition or fight in which everyone can participate

synonym: melee, brawl, fracas

(1) social media **free-for-all**, (2) **free-for-all** brawl

The yard sale turned into a **free-for-all** as soon as the doors opened.

gear

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

synonym: equipment, tools, apparatus

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

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

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.

aggregate

n. a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items

synonym: total, sum, whole

(1) data **aggregate**, (2) an **aggregate** of people

The **aggregate** amount of money raised for the charity was over a million dollars.

aggregation

n. a collection or assembly of things or individuals; the act of bringing things or individuals together

synonym: collection, cluster, assembly

(1) protein **aggregation**, (2) social media **aggregation**
The **aggregation** of data helped us identify patterns in customer behavior.

deplete

v. to reduce something, especially supplies of energy, money, etc., by a large amount; to use up resources or materials

synonym: exhaust, consume, use up

(1) **deplete** customer confidence, (2) **deplete** glycogen stores

If we continue to **deplete** the Earth's natural resources, we will cause severe damage to the environment.

authorize

v. to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something

synonym: empower, sanction, permit

(1) **authorize** payment, (2) **authorize** access

The government has **authorized** the use of military force in the region to keep the peace.

spawn

v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop

synonym: beget, breed, generate

(1) **spawn** in spring, (2) **spawn** a new concept

The salmon swims upstream to **spawn** in the place they were released.

analyze

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

synonym: explore, examine, investigate

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

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

rocket

n. a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon

synonym : projectile, missile

(1) **rocket** attack against the enemy, (2) **rocket** fuel

The **rocket** launch platform is visible from this hill.

reproductive

adj. connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants

synonym : procreative, generative

(1) **reproductive** ability, (2) during **reproductive** period

This documentary deals with the **reproductive** biology of the buffalo.

extinct

adj. no longer in existence

synonym : dead, obsolete, abolished

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

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

doll

n. a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive

synonym : puppet, dolly, toy

(1) plastic **doll**, (2) rag **doll**

The antique **doll** was worth thousands of dollars.

sustainable

adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time

synonym : continuable, endurable, tolerable

(1) **sustainable** alternative fuel, (2) principles of **sustainable** development

The government should do more to support environmentally **sustainable** agriculture.

no-brainer

n. a decision or a problem that requires little or no thought because it is obvious what you should do

(1) **no-brainer** product, (2) look like a **no-brainer**

The first question in the test was a complete **no-brainer**.

fraction

n. a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers

synonym: piece, part, fragment

(1) a **fractional** share of the vote, (2) a numerator in a **fraction**

He spent only a **fraction** of his earnings.

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.

estimate

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

synonym: calculate, gauge, evaluate

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

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

biodiversity

n. the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment

(1) **biodiversity** conservation, (2) loss of **biodiversity**

The country was instrumental in promoting the **biodiversity** treaty.

enhancement

n. the act of improving or making something better

synonym: improvement, boost, upgrading

(1) cosmetic **enhancements**, (2) genetic **enhancements**

The software update included several **enhancements** to the user interface.

subsidize

v. to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially

synonym : finance, endow, sponsor

(1) **subsidize** the project, (2) **subsidize** the cost

Governments **subsidize** renewable energy generation in various ways.

subsidy

n. money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen

synonym : allowance, grant, sponsorship

(1) inefficient fossil fuel **subsidy**, (2) a **subsidy** for research

The government provided a considerable **subsidy** to the company.

destructive

adj. causing or able to cause tremendous and irreparable damage

synonym : destroying, harmful, disastrous

(1) lead to **destructive** behavior, (2) a habit **destructive** to health

It was the most **destructive** storm in decades.

government

n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state

synonym : administration, regime, state

(1) **government** bureaucracy, (2) **government** funding

The federal **government** is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.

employ

v. to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of

synonym : hire, engage, use

(1) **employ** job seekers, (2) **employ** a new method

When making arrests, police officers frequently **employ** excessive force.

secondary

adj. of a lower rank, status, or importance about something else; not primary or central; derived from or caused by another source

synonym : subordinate, ancillary, lesser

(1) **secondary** education, (2) **secondary** sources
The **secondary** camera on my phone takes high-quality photos.

environment

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**
Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

trivial

adj. of little value or importance
synonym: insignificant, minor, unimportant

(1) a **trivial** man, (2) for **trivial** reasons
The problem seemed **trivial** initially, but it became a significant issue.

conflict

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
synonym: clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**
He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also in ideology.

organization

n. a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
synonym: association, institution, community

(1) **organization** chart, (2) agricultural **organization**
She is the president of a large international **organization**.

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.

regulate

v. to control something, especially by means of rules or laws

synonym : control, restrain, handle

(1) **regulate** blood sugar levels, (2) **regulate** our conduct

We must manage to **regulate** our expenditure.

governance

n. the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes

synonym : administration, management, direction

(1) good **governance**, (2) corporate **governance**

The United Nations assists countries in building strong **governance** frameworks and institutions.

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.

monitor

v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time

synonym : proctor, check, observe

(1) **monitor** an exam, (2) **monitor** the data carefully

They used a special receiver to **monitor** police radio channels.

enforce

v. to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation

synonym : execute, implement, administer

(1) **enforce** the law, (2) **enforce** a contract

Governments make rules, and police **enforce** them.

hierarchy

n. a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest

synonym : ranking, order, scale

(1) top of the **hierarchy**, (2) **hierarchy** of folders

She has taken a step up in the organizational **hierarchy**.

agent

n. a person who represents and negotiates on behalf of someone else, such as a literary agent or talent agent; (of chemistry and medicine) a substance that brings about a chemical or physical effect; (of computer science) a piece of software that performs a task autonomously

synonym : representative, delegate, envoy

(1) **agent** system, (2) antidiarrheal **agent**

The FBI **agent** went undercover to infiltrate the criminal organization.

conservation

n. the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity

synonym : preservation, protection, saving

(1) soil **conservation**, (2) the **conservation** law of physics

The forest was recently designated a **conservation** area.

sink

v. to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

synonym : descend, drop, plummet

(1) **sink** a lot of capital, (2) **sink** a buzzer-beater

The abandoned ship slowly began to **sink** into the murky waters of the harbor.

philanthropic

adj. characterized by a desire to promote the welfare of others, especially by donating money or providing charitable aid; of or relating to the practice of philanthropy

synonym : charitable, benevolent, generous

(1) **philanthropic** donation, (2) **philanthropic** mission

The **philanthropic** organization donated millions of dollars to fund medical research.

develop

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

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

awareness

n. the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important

synonym: understanding, cognition, knowledge

(1) **awareness** of my ignorance, (2) raise public **awareness**

There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental **awareness**.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

redesign

v. to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again

synonym: revamp, rework, remodel

(1) **redesign** project, (2) **redesign** of lifestyle

The company is planning to **redesign** its website.

decentralize

v. to move the power, control, or authority of an organization, government, or system from a single place

to several smaller ones

synonym: deconcentrate, disperse, distribute

(1) **decentralize** authority, (2) **decentralize** organizational structure

We need to **decentralize** our data to recover quickly from a disaster.

agency

n. an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action

synonym: organization, bureau, institution

(1) real estate **agency**, (2) intelligence **agency**

The government **agency** regulated the country's food and drug safety standards.

philanthropy

n. the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money

synonym: altruism, benevolence, generosity

(1) **philanthropy** organization, (2) private **philanthropy**

Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on **philanthropy**.

invest

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

synonym: fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

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.

partnership

n. the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business

synonym: alliance, participation, cooperation

(1) **partnership** across the Atlantic, (2) establish a **partnership**

The military **partnership** between the two countries created tension in the international community.

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.

complement

v. to improve or make something more appealing by adding or contributing extra features to it

synonym: complete, integrate

(1) **complement** existing rules, (2) **complement** each other

Our application aims to **complement** the feature of web browsers.

substitute

n. a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one

synonym: alternate, replacement, reserve

(1) **substitute** coffee, (2) **substitute** teacher

I **substitute** skim milk for regular milk because we are on a strict diet.

stake

n. a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something

synonym: share, interest, post

(1) execution by burning at a **stake**, (2) buy the company's

stake

The **stake** of the company is too high nowadays.

mast

n. a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails

(1) **mast** height, (2) built-up **mast**

The main cabin is located in front of the **mast**.

survive

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

synonym: endure, persist, stay

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

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

moving

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

synonym: emotional, poignant, touching

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

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

metabolism

n. the set of chemical reactions in cells or organisms that are necessary for life-sustaining

(1) **metabolism** enzyme, (2) hemoglobin **metabolism**

Better sleep leads to increased **metabolism**.

maintain

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

synonym: preserve, uphold, sustain

(1) **maintain** order, (2) **maintain** good health

I need to **maintain** my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

surplus

n. an amount of something more than what is needed or required; excess or extra supply

synonym: excess, surplusage, remainder

(1) budget **surplus**, (2) **surplus** of exports

The food **surplus** at the end of the event was donated to a local homeless shelter.

capacitor

n. a device that is placed inside electronic equipment such as televisions and radios and that stores electrical charge

synonym : condenser

(1) **capacitor** load, (2) AC **capacitor**

Hundreds of ceramic **capacitors** are used in a single smartphone.

fascinating

adj. extremely interesting

synonym : alluring, intriguing, captivating

(1) **fascinating** story, (2) completely **fascinating** to me

The museum houses a **fascinating** collection of Celtic artifacts.

equivalent

n. having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.

synonym : equal, counterpart, match

(1) **equivalent** amounts, (2) **equivalent** in meaning

The European Central Bank is Europe's **equivalent** of the Federal Reserve.

wildebeest

n. (also "gnu") a large African antelope with a broad muzzle and curved horns, known for its annual migration

synonym : gnu

(1) grazing **wildebeest**, (2) **wildebeest** herd

The migration of **wildebeest** across the Serengeti is an awe-inspiring natural phenomenon.

universal

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

synonym : common, broad, worldwide

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

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

numb

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

synonym : dazed, insensitive, emotionless

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

My left arm became **numb**.

astonishing

adj. surprising or shocking; difficult to believe

synonym : surprising, shocking, astounding

(1) **astonishing** achievement, (2) make **astonishing** gains

The news of her sudden death was **astonishing** to everyone who knew her.

negative

adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

synonym : minus, adverse, pessimistic

(1) have a **negative** effect, (2) a **negative** number

The movie has received almost universally **negative** criticism.

shifting

adj. constantly changing or moving

synonym : unfirm, shifty, fluctuating

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

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

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.

degradation

n. the condition or process of changing to a lower state, or a less respected state

synonym : depravity, degeneration, deterioration

(1) **degradation** by heat, (2) live in **degradation**

Many researchers are monitoring environmental **degradation** in real-time through satellites.

depress

v. to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active

synonym: sadden, discourage, deflate

(1) **depress** their spirits, (2) **depress** crop prices

The economic recession **depressed** the housing market.

spiritual

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

synonym: otherworldly, ethereal, transcendental

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

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

biophilia

n. a deeply ingrained human affinity or love for the natural world and living organisms coined by biologist E.O. Wilson, which refers to the innate connection and attraction humans have toward nature

synonym: love of nature, affinity for living organisms

(1) **biophilia** in healthcare, (2) natural **biophilia**

The **biophilia** hypothesis suggests that humans have an innate love for nature and a desire to connect with other living systems.

humming

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

synonym: buzzing, droning, vibrating

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

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

awe

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

synonym: wonder, amazement, reverence

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

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

untamed

adj. wild, unruly, or not domesticated; not controlled or constrained; free-spirited or untethered

synonym: wild, uncultivated, unruly

(1) **untamed** wilderness, (2) **untamed** spirit

The explorers were the first to set foot on the island's **untamed** shores.

Session 2: Spelling

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|-------------------------------------|---|
| 1. assume the de_____ve | <i>adj.</i> used or intended to protect someone or something against attack or aggression |
| 2. the ca_____n of an opposing team | <i>n.</i> the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft |
| 3. pre-Christian an_____t | <i>adj.</i> relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old |
| 4. re_____sh my spirit | <i>v.</i> to fill something that had previously been emptied |
| 5. unp_____ed area | <i>adj.</i> not guarded, covered, or shielded; vulnerable; without protection or defense |
| 6. su_____ze the project | <i>v.</i> to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially |
| 7. de_____e his public image | <i>v.</i> to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others |
| 8. budget su_____s | <i>n.</i> an amount of something more than what is needed or required; excess or extra supply |
| 9. su_____ze the cost | <i>v.</i> to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially |

ANSWERS: 1. defensive, 2. captain, 3. ancient, 4. replenish, 5. unprotected, 6. subsidize, 7. degrade, 8. surplus, 9. subsidize

10. an animal sa_____ry *n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
11. hemoglobin met_____sm *n.* the set of chemical reactions in cells or organisms that are necessary for life-sustaining
12. em____y a new method *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
13. live in deg_____on *n.* the condition or process of changing to a lower state, or a less respected state
14. tropical arc_____go *n.* a group of islands, often located in a specific area or region
15. t__f battle *n.* a layer of grass and soil covering a particular area of land, especially used as a playing surface in sports or as a lawn
16. pa_____se island *n.* a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth
17. d__l down the tension *v.* to adjust or set the controls of a machine or device by turning a controller called dial; (noun) a disc on a telephone that is rotated a fixed distance for each number called
18. mo____n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
19. deg_____on by heat *n.* the condition or process of changing to a lower state, or a less respected state
20. re_____e the right *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

ANSWERS: 10. sanctuary, 11. metabolism, 12. employ, 13. degradation, 14. archipelago, 15. turf, 16. paradise, 17. dial, 18. modern, 19. degradation, 20. reserve

21. a su_____y for research *n.* money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen
22. ca_____re diet *n.* an animal that primarily eats meat as opposed to plant matter
23. lead to des_____ve behavior *adj.* causing or able to cause tremendous and irreparable damage
24. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
25. en_____e the law *v.* to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation
26. the value of the E__o *n.* the official currency of most European Union countries
27. n__b with cold *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
28. a polar exp_____on *n.* a journey or voyage for a specific purpose
29. un_____ly event *adj.* not probable or likely to happen
30. ex_____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
31. a numerator in a fr_____on *n.* a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers

ANSWERS: 21. subsidy, 22. carnivore, 23. destructive, 24. develop, 25. enforce, 26. euro, 27. numb, 28. expedition, 29. unlikely, 30. extreme, 31. fraction

32. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
33. un_____d wilderness *adj.* wild, unruly, or not domesticated; not controlled or constrained; free-spirited or untethered
34. ro____t fuel *n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very first by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
35. se_____ry education *adj.* of a lower rank, status, or importance about something else; not primary or central; derived from or caused by another source
36. turn cattle out to gr__e *v.* to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping
37. pr_____al responsible *adj.* most important, main, or chief
38. go as___e after sunset *adv.* on or towards the land, as opposed to the sea or water
39. the s__n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
40. a hard and re_____nt steel *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
41. de_____t money *n.* a sum of money or materials placed or kept in a bank, safety deposit box, or other secure places for safekeeping; a layer of rock, sand, or other material left behind by a flowing liquid or eroding force

ANSWERS: 32. complexity, 33. untamed, 34. rocket, 35. secondary, 36. graze, 37. principal, 38. ashore, 39. span, 40. resilient, 41. deposit

42. a g__r change lever *n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
43. shuck a c__m *n.* a marine mollusk that burrows and lives on sand or mud, the shell closes with viselike firmness
44. de_____e environmental quality *v.* to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
45. pathogenic ba_____ia *n.* single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease
46. wooden o_r *n.* a pole with a flat blade at one end used for rowing a boat through the water
47. bring my la____p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
48. pathogenic mi_____e *n.* a tiny living thing that can only be seen with a microscope and that may cause disease
49. harmless ba_____ia *n.* single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease

ANSWERS: 42. gear, 43. clam, 44. degrade, 45. bacteria, 46. oar, 47. laptop, 48. microbe, 49. bacteria

50. a gas me__r *n.* a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse
51. st____d analysis *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
52. re____r approval ratings *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
53. market up___e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
54. volcanic arc____go *n.* a group of islands, often located in a specific area or region
55. card sh__k *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
56. d__e into anime communities *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
57. the con____ion law of physics *n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
58. p__e a smoother road *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
59. rep____ive ability *adj.* connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants

ANSWERS: 50. meter, 51. studied, 52. recover, 53. upside, 54. archipelago, 55. shark, 56. dive, 57. conservation, 58. pave, 59. reproductive

60. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
61. sh_____ng balance *adj.* constantly changing or moving
62. mo___g experience *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
63. 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
64. we__h a cargo *v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
65. coconut p__m trees *n.* the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves
66. inefficient fossil fuel su_____y *n.* money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen
67. antidiarrheal ag__t *n.* a person who represents and negotiates on behalf of someone else, such as a literary agent or talent agent; (of chemistry and medicine) a substance that brings about a chemical or physical effect; (of computer science) a piece of software that performs a task autonomously

ANSWERS: 60. nation, 61. shifting, 62. moving, 63. seine, 64. weigh, 65. palm, 66. subsidy, 67. agent

68. private phi_____opy *n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
69. ex_____t by human activity *adj.* no longer in existence
70. above the eq_____r *n.* an line of latitude that separates Earth's northern and southern hemispheres and has a radius of around 40,075 kilometers (24,901 miles)
71. exhibit ju_____le behavior *adj.* relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature
72. social media fre_____all *n.* a chaotic or uncontrolled situation in which everyone can do as they like without any rules or restrictions; an unregulated or uninhibited competition or fight in which everyone can participate
73. m__t height *n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails
74. sexual pr_____ors *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
75. an ab_____ce of examples *n.* a significant amount of something; the situation in which there is too much of something
76. a con_____us achievement *adj.* visible or observable; likely to draw attention
77. aerobic or_____sm *n.* a tiny living thing
78. supply ch__n *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle

ANSWERS: 68. philanthropy, 69. extinct, 70. equator, 71. juvenile, 72. free-for-all, 73. mast, 74. predator, 75. abundance, 76. conspicuous, 77. organism, 78. chain

79. bring as___e *adv.* on or towards the land, as opposed to the sea or water
80. the first round of the com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
81. real estate ag___y *n.* an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action
82. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
83. fuel bi_____s *n.* the total quantity of living matter in a given unit of environment, including plants, animals, and microorganisms
84. plastic d___l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
85. su_____s of exports *n.* an amount of something more than what is needed or required; excess or extra supply
86. 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
87. marine ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

ANSWERS: 79. ashore, 80. competition, 81. agency, 82. complexity, 83. biomass, 84. doll, 85. surplus, 86. structure, 87. ecosystem

88. aquatic plants ov_____ow *v.* to grow or thrive over so as to cover with herbage
89. execution by burning at a st___e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
90. the stock market co_____sed *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
91. the longstanding co_____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
92. pa_____se for criminals *n.* a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth
93. col_____te with the police *v.* to work with someone else to produce or achieve something
94. un_____d spirit *adj.* wild, unruly, or not domesticated; not controlled or constrained; free-spirited or untethered
95. artificial t___f *n.* a layer of grass and soil covering a particular area of land, especially used as a playing surface in sports or as a lawn
96. lingual di_____ty *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
97. re_____te blood sugar levels *v.* to control something, especially by means of rules or laws
98. mic_____ic inquiry *adj.* tiny; exceedingly precise and detail-oriented; of or used in microscopy

ANSWERS: 88. overgrow, 89. stake, 90. collapse, 91. conflict, 92. paradise, 93. collaborate, 94. untamed, 95. turf, 96. diversity, 97. regulate, 98. microscopic

99. su____e a plane crash *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
100. ov____ow neighboring corals *v.* to grow or thrive over so as to cover with herbage
101. economic ge____hy *n.* a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth
102. al__e biofuel *n.* A simple plant that grows in or near water and lacks typical leaves and roots
103. maintain the pr____ne condition *adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination
104. built-up m__t *n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails
105. tr____al cyclones *adj.* originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics
106. coral r__fs *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface
107. de____e customer confidence *v.* to reduce something, especially supplies of energy, money, etc., by a large amount; to use up resources or materials
108. an age of ab____ce *n.* a significant amount of something; the situation in which there is too much of something
109. de__t card *n.* an entry in a financial account that represents money owed or transferred out of the account; a payment card or other means of withdrawing funds from a bank account

ANSWERS: 99. survive, 100. overgrow, 101. geography, 102. algae, 103. pristine, 104. mast, 105. tropical, 106. reef, 107. deplete, 108. abundance, 109. debit

110. gi__t trees *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
111. a su____y of the conclusions *n.* a brief statement that provides the critical aspects of something without going into depth
112. mi____es sterilizer *n.* a tiny living thing that can only be seen with a microscope and that may cause disease
113. de____s crop prices *v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
114. aw____ss of my ignorance *n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
115. army su____n *n.* a doctor who is trained to perform medical operations that involve cutting open a person's body
116. di____ar without a trace *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
117. a fr____onal share of the vote *n.* a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers
118. de____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
119. dec____ize authority *v.* to move the power, control, or authority of an organization, government, or system from a single place to several smaller ones

ANSWERS: 110. giant, 111. summary, 112. microbe, 113. depress, 114. awareness, 115. surgeon, 116. disappear, 117. fraction, 118. develop, 119. decentralize

120. top of the hi_____hy *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
121. repeat like a pa____t *n.* a tropical bird with a curved beak and the ability to mimic sounds, often kept as a pet and trained to copy the human voice
122. hu_____g sound *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
123. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
124. re_____nt population *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
125. ur____n child *n.* a poor and mischievous young child, usually living on the street or in a disadvantaged community; a small, spiny marine animal with a round body and long, pointed spines
126. cr_____le hide *n.* a large, carnivorous reptile with powerful jaws and a long, scaly body; native to tropical regions and often found in rivers and freshwater habitats
127. an excellent brain su_____n *n.* a doctor who is trained to perform medical operations that involve cutting open a person's body
128. spineless je_____sh *n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
129. tr_____al islands *adj.* originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics

ANSWERS: 120. hierarchy, 121. parrot, 122. humming, 123. consequence, 124. resilient, 125. urchin, 126. crocodile, 127. surgeon, 128. jellyfish, 129. tropical

130. bio_____ity conservation *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
131. group of or_____sms *n.* a tiny living thing
132. pop_____on change *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
133. be____g to a group *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
134. in____t a glass *v.* to turn something upside down, inside out; to reverse the position, order, or relationship of something
135. wi_____aw \$500 from my account *v.* to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something
136. con_____us consumption *adj.* visible or observable; likely to draw attention
137. pr_____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
138. lagoon at__l *n.* a ring-shaped coral reef or a chain of coral islands and reefs surrounding a central lagoon, typically formed by the subsidence of a volcanic island over time, leaving only the coral reefs visible above the water surface
139. control re_____ly *adv.* at a distance; not directly or easily accessible
140. poetic me__r *n.* a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse

ANSWERS: 130. biodiversity, 131. organism, 132. population, 133. belong, 134. invert, 135. withdraw, 136. conspicuous, 137. probable, 138. atoll, 139. remotely, 140. meter

141. sp__l a bit of wine *v.* to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident
142. fre_____all brawl *n.* a chaotic or uncontrolled situation in which everyone can do as they like without any rules or restrictions; an unregulated or uninhibited competition or fight in which everyone can participate
143. hungry ca_____re *n.* an animal that primarily eats meat as opposed to plant matter
144. spare co_____nts for cars *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
145. a sub_____al amount of capital *adj.* fairly large in size, value, or importance
146. intraspecific com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
147. su_____e a blizzard *v.* to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
148. clogged fi____r *n.* any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light
149. the di_____ty policy of the university *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
150. com_____nt each other *v.* to improve or make something more appealing by adding or contributing extra features to it

ANSWERS: 141. spill, 142. free-for-all, 143. carnivore, 144. component, 145. substantial, 146. competition, 147. survive, 148. filter, 149. diversity, 150. complement

151. re_____gn of lifestyle *v.* to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
152. re_____ce by myself *v.* to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process
153. data ag_____te *n.* a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items
154. establish a par_____ip *n.* the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business
155. south of the eq_____r *n.* an line of latitude that separates Earth's northern and southern hemispheres and has a radius of around 40,075 kilometers (24,901 miles)
156. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
157. 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
158. violate a sa_____ry *n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse
159. de_____s their spirits *v.* to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active

ANSWERS: 151. redesign, 152. reproduce, 153. aggregate, 154. partnership, 155. equator, 156. consequence, 157. seine, 158. sanctuary, 159. depress

160. hu____g bird *adj.* producing a continuous, low, vibrating sound like that of the bee
161. al__n fungi *n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere
162. have a ne____ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
163. gi__t tech company *adj.* enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
164. a habit des____ve to health *adj.* causing or able to cause tremendous and irreparable damage
165. achieve spe____ar growth *adj.* striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement
166. ec____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
167. co____t research *v.* to organize and carry out a particular activity
168. principles of un____al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
169. t__m the budget *v.* to make neat or tidy by clipping, cutting, or pruning away excess or unwanted parts; to adjust or modify to improve efficiency or performance

ANSWERS: 160. humming, 161. alien, 162. negative, 163. giant, 164. destructive, 165. spectacular, 166. economy, 167. conduct, 168. universal, 169. trim

170. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
171. unprotect_____ed Wi-Fi *adj.* not guarded, covered, or shielded; vulnerable; without protection or defense
172. herbivore_____ animals *n.* an animal that eats only plants, such as a cow or a deer
173. cell and molecular biology_____ *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
174. live an abundant_____ life *adj.* present in great quantity
175. spawn_____ in spring *v.* to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
176. equivalent_____ in meaning *n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
177. pyramidal_____ architecture *n.* a polyhedron having a polygonal base and triangular sides with a common vertex; a massive monument with a square base and four triangular sides, begun by Cheops around 2700 BC as royal tombs in ancient Egypt
178. hectare_____ land *n.* a unit of area equal to 10,000 square meters
179. virgin_____ material *n.* a person who has never had sex; (adjective) being used or worked for the first time
180. genetic enhancement_____ *n.* the act of improving or making something better
181. grazing wildebeest_____ *n.* (also "gnu") a large African antelope with a broad muzzle and curved horns, known for its annual migration

ANSWERS: 170. absolutely, 171. unprotected, 172. herbivore, 173. biology, 174. abundant, 175. spawn, 176. equivalent, 177. pyramid, 178. hectare, 179. virgin, 180. enhancement, 181. wildebeest

182. an____t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
183. sp__n a new concept *v.* to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
184. key co_____nt *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
185. an_____e a chemical compound *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
186. 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
187. a su_____y execution *n.* a brief statement that provides the critical aspects of something without going into depth
188. completely fas_____ng to me *adj.* extremely interesting
189. en_____e a contract *v.* to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation
190. ge_____hy class *n.* a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth
191. sn__l pace *n.* a slow-moving mollusk with a spiral shell that it uses to protect its body
192. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
193. ad_____on of vectors *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers

ANSWERS: 182. ancient, 183. spawn, 184. component, 185. analyze, 186. structure, 187. summary, 188. fascinating, 189. enforce, 190. geography, 191. snail, 192. inspire, 193. addition

194. a ne____ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
195. we__h heavily on stock prices *v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
196. evolutionary bi____y *n.* the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
197. de____t accumulation *n.* a sum of money or materials placed or kept in a bank, safety deposit box, or other secure places for safekeeping; a layer of rock, sand, or other material left behind by a flowing liquid or eroding force
198. inv____ate species *n.* a class of animals that do not have a backbone; they include insects, worms, and mollusks
199. re____te our conduct *v.* to control something, especially by means of rules or laws
200. b__e minimum *adj.* not covered or clothed; lacking embellishment or decoration; mere or basic; undisguised or open; empty or devoid of something
201. a man-eating sh__k *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
202. fe____r artery *n.* an animal being fattened or suitable for fattening; a device or system that supplies something to a particular recipient or process

ANSWERS: 194. negative, 195. weigh, 196. biology, 197. deposit, 198. invertebrate, 199. regulate, 200. bare, 201. shark, 202. feeder

203. de_____e glycogen stores *v.* to reduce something, especially supplies of energy, money, etc., by a large amount; to use up resources or materials
204. pr_____ne beach *adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination
205. sc__a diving class *n.* an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
206. variety of ma_____e life *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
207. tax re_____e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
208. geographical bo_____ry *n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
209. au_____ze access *v.* to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something
210. be____g to different species *v.* to be the property of someone or something; to be a member or part of a group; to be in the proper or appropriate place
211. dec_____ize organizational structure *v.* to move the power, control, or authority of an organization, government, or system from a single place to several smaller ones
212. ba_____ne budget *n.* a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court

ANSWERS: 203. deplete, 204. pristine, 205. scuba, 206. marine, 207. revenue, 208. boundary, 209. authorize, 210. belong, 211. decentralize, 212. baseline

213. make ast_____ng gains	<i>adj.</i> surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
214. study of inv_____ates	<i>n.</i> a class of animals that do not have a backbone; they include insects, worms, and mollusks
215. mic_____ic analysis	<i>adj.</i> tiny; exceedingly precise and detail-oriented; of or used in microscopy
216. for tr_____l reasons	<i>adj.</i> of little value or importance
217. ma_____in order	<i>v.</i> to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
218. the great di_____ry of the century	<i>n.</i> the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
219. par_____ip across the Atlantic	<i>n.</i> the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business
220. co_____t a background check	<i>v.</i> to organize and carry out a particular activity
221. re_____gn project	<i>v.</i> to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again
222. na_____ly arising	<i>adv.</i> as might be expected; by natural manners
223. de____t smuggling across borders	<i>v.</i> to find or recognize something, especially something difficult to see, hear, etc.

ANSWERS: 213. astonishing, 214. invertebrate, 215. microscopic, 216. trivial, 217. maintain, 218. discovery, 219. partnership, 220. conduct, 221. redesign, 222. naturally, 223. detect

224. bi____s energy *n.* the total quantity of living matter in a given unit of environment, including plants, animals, and microorganisms
225. ec____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
226. labor pop_____on *n.* the total number of people in a country, region, or location
227. re____r a loss *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
228. a n__b mind *adj.* unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
229. re_____nd reading *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
230. re__t password *v.* to set again or differently; to return to a previous state or condition
231. re__t my brain *v.* to set again or differently; to return to a previous state or condition
232. re_____nd a hospitalization *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
233. co____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 224. biomass, 225. economy, 226. population, 227. recover, 228. numb, 229. recommend, 230. reset, 231. reset, 232. recommend, 233. communal

234. phi_____opy organization *n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
235. in_____t the stomach *v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
236. sn__l mail *n.* a slow-moving mollusk with a spiral shell that it uses to protect its body
237. pl_____on community *n.* tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed
238. d__e off a cliff *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
239. cosmetic enh_____nts *n.* the act of improving or making something better
240. the ec_____y of the island *n.* the study of the relationships between living organisms, including humans, and their physical environment
241. the p__m side of the forearm *n.* the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves
242. annual re_____e *n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
243. soil con_____ion *n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
244. gets m_d easily *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry

ANSWERS: 234. philanthropy, 235. inhabit, 236. snail, 237. plankton, 238. dive, 239. enhancement, 240. ecology, 241. palm, 242. revenue, 243. conservation, 244. mad

245. s__k a lot of capital *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
246. raise public aw_____ss *n.* the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
247. in___t position *v.* to turn something upside down, inside out; to reverse the position, order, or relationship of something
248. ca_____ng fire *adj.* attracting attention or interest; likely to be noticed or remembered; appealing or compelling
249. constant sp_____al striving *adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
250. na_____ly regenerated forest *adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners
251. in___t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
252. loss of bio_____ity *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
253. go_____us sunset *adj.* wonderful and attractive
254. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
255. un_____al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

ANSWERS: 245. sink, 246. awareness, 247. invert, 248. catching, 249. spiritual, 250. naturally, 251. invest, 252. biodiversity, 253. gorgeous, 254. government, 255. universal

256. in___t brain *adj.* undamaged and complete
257. an ov_____wn garden *adj.* covered in plants that have been allowed to grow naturally and have not been controlled
258. ch___n reaction *n.* a series of connected links or objects; a system or group of interconnected elements; a restraint or shackle
259. look like a no-_____er *n.* a decision or a problem that requires little or no thought because it is obvious what you should do
260. pre-mo___n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
261. AC ca_____or *n.* a device that is placed inside electronic equipment such as televisions and radios and that stores electrical charge
262. harmful co_____nd *n.* an item composed of two or more distinct elements combined; a chemical formed by the combination of two or more elements
263. during rep_____ive period *adj.* connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants
264. la___n paradise *n.* a shallow stretch of water separated from a larger body of water by sandbanks or coral reefs; a small saltwater lake near a sea or an ocean
265. d___l up the volume *v.* to adjust or set the controls of a machine or device by turning a controller called dial; (noun) a disc on a telephone that is rotated a fixed distance for each number called

ANSWERS: 256. intact, 257. overgrown, 258. chain, 259. no-brainer, 260. modern, 261. capacitor, 262. compound, 263. reproductive, 264. lagoon, 265. dial

266. exp_____on team *n.* a journey or voyage for a specific purpose
267. je_____sh sting *n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
268. enter vi____n territory *n.* a person who has never had sex; (adjective) being used or worked for the first time
269. bl____h stains *v.* to remove color or stains, whiten, or sterilize using a solution of chemicals or other substances, such as bleach
270. ready to co_____se *v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
271. de_____ve weapons *adj.* used or intended to protect someone or something against attack or aggression
272. principles of sus_____le development *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
273. a go_____us meal *adj.* wonderful and attractive
274. sus_____le alternative fuel *adj.* able to continue or be continued for a long time
275. an_____e your real motives *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
276. a moth la__a *n.* the immature free-living form of insect or an animal, which at hatching from the egg, is fundamentally unlike its parent and must metamorphose
277. sub_____te teacher *n.* a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one

ANSWERS: 266. expedition, 267. jellyfish, 268. virgin, 269. bleach, 270. collapse, 271. defensive, 272. sustainable, 273. gorgeous, 274. sustainable, 275. analyze, 276. larva, 277. substitute

278. aquatic co____nd *n.* an item composed of two or more distinct elements combined; a chemical formed by the combination of two or more elements
279. pr____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
280. blue al__e *n.* A simple plant that grows in or near water and lacks typical leaves and roots
281. corporate gov____ce *n.* the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes
282. hi____hy of folders *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
283. threatened ha____t *n.* the type of natural environment in which an organism or group usually lives or occurs
284. s__p a whip *v.* to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands
285. fe____r fish *n.* an animal being fattened or suitable for fattening; a device or system that supplies something to a particular recipient or process
286. s__k a buzzer-beater *v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else

ANSWERS: 278. compound, 279. probable, 280. algae, 281. governance, 282. hierarchy, 283. habitat, 284. snap, 285. feeder, 286. sink

287. rag d__l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
288. have no up___e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
289. a feeling of a_e *n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
290. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
291. no-_____er product *n.* a decision or a problem that requires little or no thought because it is obvious what you should do
292. an ab_____nt supply of water *adj.* present in great quantity
293. change the ec_____em *n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
294. la__a of a butterfly *n.* the immature free-living form of insect or an animal, which at hatching from the egg, is fundamentally unlike its parent and must metamorphose
295. ca_____ng disease *adj.* attracting attention or interest; likely to be noticed or remembered; appealing or compelling
296. intelligence ag___y *n.* an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action

ANSWERS: 287. doll, 288. upside, 289. awe, 290. extreme, 291. no-brainer, 292. abundant, 293. ecosystem, 294. larva, 295. catching, 296. agency

297. sub_____te coffee *n.* a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one
298. he_____re diet *n.* an animal that eats only plants, such as a cow or a deer
299. re_____ce the painting *v.* to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process
300. s__p judgment *v.* to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands
301. have a sub_____al meal *adj.* fairly large in size, value, or importance
302. ca_____n of industry *n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft
303. de___t a bad event *v.* to find or recognize something, especially something difficult to see, hear, etc.
304. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
305. ca_____or load *n.* a device that is placed inside electronic equipment such as televisions and radios and that stores electrical charge
306. buy the company's st___e *n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something

ANSWERS: 297. substitute, 298. herbivore, 299. reproduce, 300. snap, 301. substantial, 302. captain, 303. detect, 304. inspire, 305. capacitor, 306. stake

307. re_____sh a reserve fund *v.* to fill something that had previously been emptied
308. deep-sea di__r *n.* a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey
309. E__o crises *n.* the official currency of most European Union countries
310. uni_____ed region *adj.* not able to be lived in by humans or animals; devoid of human or animal life
311. ast_____ng achievement *adj.* surprising or shocking; difficult to believe
312. commercial fi_____y *n.* an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish
313. ma_____in good health *v.* to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
314. science of ec_____y *n.* the study of the relationships between living organisms, including humans, and their physical environment
315. social media agg_____on *n.* a collection or assembly of things or individuals; the act of bringing things or individuals together
316. co__l island *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
317. the bo_____ry between reality and fantasy *n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places

ANSWERS: 307. replenish, 308. diver, 309. euro, 310. uninhabited, 311. astonishing, 312. fishery, 313. maintain, 314. ecology, 315. aggregation, 316. coral, 317. boundary

318. b__e essentials *adj.* not covered or clothed; lacking embellishment or decoration; mere or basic; undisguised or open; empty or devoid of something
319. in____t a cave *v.* to live in a specific location; to reside
320. em____y job seekers *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
321. ag__t system *n.* a person who represents and negotiates on behalf of someone else, such as a literary agent or talent agent; (of chemistry and medicine) a substance that brings about a chemical or physical effect; (of computer science) a piece of software that performs a task autonomously
322. co__l ornament *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
323. protein agg_____on *n.* a collection or assembly of things or individuals; the act of bringing things or individuals together
324. the average life s__n *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
325. establish a ba_____ne *n.* a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court
326. sc__a gear *n.* an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving

ANSWERS: 318. bare, 319. inhabit, 320. employ, 321. agent, 322. coral, 323. aggregation, 324. span, 325. baseline, 326. scuba

327. the pa_____en in the air *n.* a bacterium, virus, or other microorganism that causes disease
328. com_____nt existing rules *v.* to improve or make something more appealing by adding or contributing extra features to it
329. ru____r movement *n.* a flat, vertical blade at the rear of a vessel that can be turned horizontally to steer the vessel by changing its direction of movement; a device used in aircraft to control its yaw (side-to-side movement)
330. re_____nt by a diagram *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
331. de__t balance *n.* an entry in a financial account that represents money owed or transferred out of the account; a payment card or other means of withdrawing funds from a bank account
332. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
333. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
334. sp_____al leader *adj.* relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
335. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 327. pathogen, 328. complement, 329. rudder, 330. represent, 331. debit, 332. environment, 333. government, 334. spiritual, 335. communal

336. se_____ry sources *adj.* of a lower rank, status, or importance about something else; not primary or central; derived from or caused by another source
337. la___n island *n.* a shallow stretch of water separated from a larger body of water by sandbanks or coral reefs; a small saltwater lake near a sea or an ocean
338. wi_____aw from public life *v.* to remove or take back something; to stop participating in something
339. org_____ion chart *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
340. saltwater cr_____le *n.* a large, carnivorous reptile with powerful jaws and a long, scaly body; native to tropical regions and often found in rivers and freshwater habitats
341. bi_____ia in healthcare *n.* a deeply ingrained human affinity or love for the natural world and living organisms coined by biologist E.O. Wilson, which refers to the innate connection and attraction humans have toward nature
342. ju_____le justice *adj.* relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature
343. a talking pa____t *n.* a tropical bird with a curved beak and the ability to mimic sounds, often kept as a pet and trained to copy the human voice
344. sp__l my heart *v.* to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident

ANSWERS: 336. secondary, 337. lagoon, 338. withdraw, 339. organization, 340. crocodile, 341. biophilia, 342. juvenile, 343. parrot, 344. spill

345. coral at__l *n.* a ring-shaped coral reef or a chain of coral islands and reefs surrounding a central lagoon, typically formed by the subsidence of a volcanic island over time, leaving only the coral reefs visible above the water surface
346. ad__t as needed *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
347. mo___g ceremony *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
348. street ur___n *n.* a poor and mischievous young child, usually living on the street or in a disadvantaged community; a small, spiny marine animal with a round body and long, pointed spines
349. es_____te this chicken to weigh three pounds *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
350. in a_e of the situation *n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
351. ro___t attack against the enemy *n.* a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon
352. a truncated py____d *n.* a polyhedron having a polygonal base and triangular sides with a common vertex; a massive monument with a square base and four triangular sides, begun by Cheops around 2700 BC as royal tombs in ancient Egypt

ANSWERS: 345. atoll, 346. adapt, 347. moving, 348. urchin, 349. estimate, 350. awe, 351. rocket, 352. pyramid

353. pr_____al actor *adj.* most important, main, or chief
354. a tr_____l man *adj.* of little value or importance
355. spe_____ar view *adj.* striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement
356. professional di__r *n.* a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey
357. an ag_____te of people *n.* a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items
358. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
359. chemical ad_____on *n.* the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
360. continuously sh_____ng landscape *adj.* constantly changing or moving
361. t__m a dog's nails *v.* to make neat or tidy by clipping, cutting, or pruning away excess or unwanted parts; to adjust or modify to improve efficiency or performance
362. barrier r__f *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface
363. di_____ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
364. a_t cabin *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle

ANSWERS: 353. principal, 354. trivial, 355. spectacular, 356. diver, 357. aggregate, 358. absolutely, 359. addition, 360. shifting, 361. trim, 362. reef, 363. disappear, 364. aft

365. long-ex_____t volcano *adj.* no longer in existence
366. re_____ly operate *adv.* at a distance; not directly or easily accessible
367. phi_____pic donation *adj.* characterized by a desire to promote the welfare of others, especially by donating money or providing charitable aid; of or relating to the practice of philanthropy
368. it is un_____ly that he would win the game *adj.* not probable or likely to happen
369. uni_____ed house *adj.* not able to be lived in by humans or animals; devoid of human or animal life
370. good gov_____ce *n.* the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes
371. thin-and-light la____p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
372. phi_____pic mission *adj.* characterized by a desire to promote the welfare of others, especially by donating money or providing charitable aid; of or relating to the practice of philanthropy
373. re_____e a concert ticket *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
374. resident al____ns *n.* a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere

ANSWERS: 365. extinct, 366. remotely, 367. philanthropic, 368. unlikely, 369. uninhabited, 370. governance, 371. laptop, 372. philanthropic, 373. reserve, 374. alien

385. Doppler sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
386. a marine ha____t *n.* the type of natural environment in which an organism or group usually lives or occurs
387. mo____r the data carefully *v.* to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
388. gr__e the left shoulder *v.* to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping
389. ov____wn child *adj.* covered in plants that have been allowed to grow naturally and have not been controlled
390. a m_d person *adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
391. in____t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
392. giant c__m *n.* a marine mollusk that burrows and lives on sand or mud, the shell closes with viselike firmness
393. met____sm enzyme *n.* the set of chemical reactions in cells or organisms that are necessary for life-sustaining
394. es____te a fair value *v.* to guess or calculate the cost, size, value, etc. of something
395. plant pa____en *n.* a bacterium, virus, or other microorganism that causes disease

ANSWERS: 385. shift, 386. habitat, 387. monitor, 388. graze, 389. overgrown, 390. mad, 391. invest, 392. clam, 393. metabolism, 394. estimate, 395. pathogen

396. ad__t fully to the environment *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
397. pl_____on blooms *n.* tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed
398. agricultural org_____ion *n.* a group of people who work together for a shared purpose
399. fas_____ng story *adj.* extremely interesting
400. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
401. a_t view *adj.* (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
402. housing per he_____e *n.* a unit of area equal to 10,000 square meters
403. in___t forestland *adj.* undamaged and complete
404. wil_____st herd *n.* (also "gnu") a large African antelope with a broad muzzle and curved horns, known for its annual migration
405. au_____ze payment *v.* to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something
406. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
407. sports g__r *n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 396. adapt, 397. plankton, 398. organization, 399. fascinating, 400. nation, 401. aft, 402. hectare, 403. intact, 404. wildebeest, 405. authorize, 406. shift, 407. gear

408. apex pr____or *n.* an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others
409. ru____r control *n.* a flat, vertical blade at the rear of a vessel that can be turned horizontally to steer the vessel by changing its direction of movement; a device used in aircraft to control its yaw (side-to-side movement)
410. gas fi____r *n.* any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light
411. 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
412. the co____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
413. chaotic env____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
414. well-st____d decision *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned

ANSWERS: 408. predator, 409. rudder, 410. filter, 411. discovery, 412. conflict, 413. environment, 414. studied

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The salmon swims upstream to _____ in the place they were released.
v. to lay eggs or to produce offspring; to cause something to develop
2. It was the most _____ storm in decades.
adj. causing or able to cause tremendous and irreparable damage
3. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
4. You should not _____ yourself by allowing them to use you.
v. to make something worse, especially in quality; to show or treat someone in a way that makes them seem no value and do not have the respect or reasonable opinion of others
5. His speech was carefully crafted and delivered with _____ confidence.
adj. deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
6. He wandered the _____ between life and death by gunfire.
n. a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
7. The government has _____ the use of military force in the region to keep the peace.
v. to give official permission or approval for something to happen; to empower or give authority to someone or something

ANSWERS: 1. spawn, 2. destructive, 3. develop, 4. degrade, 5. studied, 6. boundary, 7. authorized

8. Governments _____ renewable energy generation in various ways.
v. to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially
9. There has been a gradual but steady rise in environmental _____.
n. the fact or state of knowing something exists and is important
10. She _____ the computer to fix the problem.
v. to set again or differently; to return to a previous state or condition
11. The search and rescue team sent a team of _____ to search for the missing plane wreckage.
n. a person who dives, especially one who does so professionally or as a sport; a bird that dives into the water to catch fish or other prey
12. The migration of _____ across the Serengeti is an awe-inspiring natural phenomenon.
n. (also "gnu") a large African antelope with a broad muzzle and curved horns, known for its annual migration
13. The _____ jets gradually dominate the world's airlines.
adj. enormous; much bigger or more important than similar items usually are
14. The _____ of this bird is freshwater areas and saltwater marshes.
n. the type of natural environment in which an organism or group usually lives or occurs
15. _____ species have drastically altered the ecosystem in this area.
n. a person who comes from a different country, race, or group; a form of life assumed to exist outside the Earth or its atmosphere

ANSWERS: 8. subsidize, 9. awareness, 10. reset, 11. divers, 12. wildebeest, 13. giant, 14. habitat, 15. Alien

16. Many different types of birds visited the bird _____.
- n.* an animal being fattened or suitable for fattening; a device or system that supplies something to a particular recipient or process
17. The military _____ between the two countries created tension in the international community.
- n.* the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business
18. The _____ of the company is too high nowadays.
- n.* a share or financial investment in something such as a business; a wooden or metal post set up to mark something
19. The remote island is _____ and has no permanent residents.
- adj.* not able to be lived in by humans or animals; devoid of human or animal life
20. He was impressed by the range and _____ of the collection.
- n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
21. It's important never to have _____ sex to prevent the spread of STDs.
- adj.* not guarded, covered, or shielded; vulnerable; without protection or defense
22. The farm spans over 100 _____ of land.
- n.* a unit of area equal to 10,000 square meters
23. The church offered _____ to refugees fleeing from war-torn countries.
- n.* a place of refuge or safety, especially for victims of persecution or abuse

ANSWERS: 16. feeder, 17. partnership, 18. stake, 19. uninhabited, 20. diversity, 21. unprotected, 22. hectares, 23. sanctuary

24. Seals and whales are _____ animals beloved by the people.
adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
25. The government provided a considerable _____ to the company.
n. money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen
26. The teacher attempted to _____ the root cause of our mistake.
v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
27. He spent only a _____ of his earnings.
n. a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers
28. Ozone is a primary _____ to protect Earth's surface from harmful UV rays.
n. any of several types of equipment or systems used to separate particles from liquids or gases or to remove specific forms of light
29. When making arrests, police officers frequently _____ excessive force.
v. to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
30. In junior high school, we had to dissect a frog in _____ class.
n. the scientific study of life and the natural processes of living things
31. Some countries may leave the _____.
n. the official currency of most European Union countries
32. The movie has received almost universally _____ criticism.
adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

ANSWERS: 24. marine, 25. subsidy, 26. analyze, 27. fraction, 28. filter, 29. employ, 30. biology, 31. Euro, 32. negative

33. The vessel ran aground on a _____.

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

34. The main cabin is located in front of the _____.

n. a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails

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

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

36. The native South American animals were in danger because of the _____ arrival.

n. an animal whose natural behavior is to prey on others

37. The wooden gate had been damaged, and the hedge had become _____.

adj. covered in plants that have been allowed to grow naturally and have not been controlled

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

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

39. Hawaii is often referred to as an everlasting summer _____.

n. a place or state of perfect happiness; a heaven on earth

40. Despite the scandals, his reputation remained _____.

adj. undamaged and complete

ANSWERS: 33. reef, 34. mast, 35. spiritual, 36. predator's, 37. overgrown, 38. moving, 39. paradise, 40. intact

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

adj. constantly changing or moving

42. The _____ launch platform is visible from this hill.

n. a large tube-shaped object that moves very fast by a stream of gases let out behind it, used for space travel or as a weapon

43. Our application aims to _____ the feature of web browsers.

v. to improve or make something more appealing by adding or contributing extra features to it

44. Within a few years, no _____ forests will remain.

n. a person who has never had sex; (adjective) being used or worked for the first time

45. 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

46. We need to _____ our data to recover quickly from a disaster.

v. to move the power, control, or authority of an organization, government, or system from a single place to several smaller ones

47. _____ prevalent in hospitals are often resistant to antibiotics.

n. single-celled or noncellular spherical or spiral or rod-shaped organisms that exist in large numbers in the air, water, and soil, and also in living and dead creatures and plants, and are often a cause of disease

48. She agreed to _____ with him in creating new artwork.

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

ANSWERS: 41. shifting, 42. rocket, 43. complement, 44. virgin, 45. chain, 46. decentralize, 47. Bacteria, 48. collaborate

49. Hundreds of ceramic _____ are used in a single smartphone.
- n.* a device that is placed inside electronic equipment such as televisions and radios and that stores electrical charge
50. _____ thrive on the surface of the human skin.
- n.* a tiny living thing that can only be seen with a microscope and that may cause disease
51. The country was instrumental in promoting the _____ treaty.
- n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
52. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
53. He was ____ with joy to see the results.
- adj.* insane, especially due to a mental illness; very angry
54. She checked her _____ before embarking on the hike.
- n.* a toothed wheel that engages another toothed mechanism to change the speed or direction of transmitted motion; a set of tools, equipment, or other items for a particular purpose
55. The small boat's _____ was damaged in the storm, making it difficult to steer.
- n.* a flat, vertical blade at the rear of a vessel that can be turned horizontally to steer the vessel by changing its direction of movement; a device used in aircraft to control its yaw (side-to-side movement)
56. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state

ANSWERS: 49. capacitors, 50. Microbes, 51. biodiversity, 52. nation, 53. mad, 54. gear, 55. rudder, 56. government

57. They watched the train _____ into the distance.

v. to cease to exist or be visible

58. The _____ amount of money raised for the charity was over a million dollars.

n. a collection or sum of different things often used to describe a total or combination of items

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

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

60. The butterfly emerged from its _____ stage.

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

61. I made a _____ at the bank to add money to my account.

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

62. A lion is a typical _____ as they mainly eat meat.

n. an animal that primarily eats meat as opposed to plant matter

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

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

64. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

ANSWERS: 57. disappear, 58. aggregate, 59. belong, 60. larva, 61. deposit, 62. carnivore, 63. absolutely, 64. invest

65. The _____ divers explored the coral reefs to learn more about the ecosystem.
n. an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
66. The security camera has _____ four intruders.
v. to find or recognize something, especially something difficult to see, hear, etc.
67. Many researchers are monitoring environmental _____ in real-time through satellites.
n. the condition or process of changing to a lower state, or a less respected state
68. It seems _____ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.
adj. likely to happen or likely to be true
69. The Egyptian _____ consist of a vast number of blocks.
n. a polyhedron having a polygonal base and triangular sides with a common vertex; a massive monument with a square base and four triangular sides, begun by Cheops around 2700 BC as royal tombs in ancient Egypt
70. This high-performance camera is compact enough to fit in the _____ of your hand.
n. the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves
71. The economic recession _____ the housing market.
v. to make someone feel sad, low in spirits, or without hope; to make markets, businesses, etc., less active
72. The _____ scent of freshly baked bread made my mouth water.
adj. attracting attention or interest; likely to be noticed or remembered; appealing or compelling

ANSWERS: 65. scuba, 66. detected, 67. degradation, 68. probable, 69. pyramids, 70. palm, 71. depressed, 72. catching

73. The yard sale turned into a _____ as soon as the doors opened.
- n.* a chaotic or uncontrolled situation in which everyone can do as they like without any rules or restrictions; an unregulated or uninhibited competition or fight in which everyone can participate
74. The tourists were excited to explore the remote _____ which was uninhabited and untouched.
- n.* a ring-shaped coral reef or a chain of coral islands and reefs surrounding a central lagoon, typically formed by the subsidence of a volcanic island over time, leaving only the coral reefs visible above the water surface
75. The _____ mountains dominate the landscape.
- n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
76. The sperm whale can _____ to 1,000 meters.
- v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
77. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
- n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
78. The forest was recently designated a _____ area.
- n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
79. I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my _____ all day.
- n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap

ANSWERS: 73. free-for-all, 74. atoll, 75. awe-inspiring, 76. dive, 77. economy, 78. conservation, 79. laptop

80. Tech billionaires often spend the majority of their time on _____.
- n.* the practice of voluntarily helping the poor, especially by giving money
81. The abandoned ship slowly began to _____ into the murky waters of the harbor.
- v.* to submerge or go down below the surface of a liquid or substance; to decline or deteriorate; to cause something to go down into a liquid substance or sink into something else
82. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
83. She wore a simple dress with a _____ neckline
- adj.* not covered or clothed; lacking embellishment or decoration; mere or basic; undisguised or open; empty or devoid of something
84. The Philippines is an _____ made up of over 7,000 islands.
- n.* a group of islands, often located in a specific area or region
85. The _____ fireworks display was the highlight of the festival.
- adj.* striking or impressive to look at or in performance or achievement
86. The young boy was an _____ wandering the streets without a home.
- n.* a poor and mischievous young child, usually living on the street or in a disadvantaged community; a small, spiny marine animal with a round body and long, pointed spines
87. He _____ the phone number and waited for an answer.
- v.* to adjust or set the controls of a machine or device by turning a controller called dial; (noun) a disc on a telephone that is rotated a fixed distance for each number called

ANSWERS: 80. philanthropy, 81. sink, 82. Communal, 83. bare, 84. archipelago, 85. spectacular, 86. urchin, 87. dialed

88. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.

adj. very great in amount or degree

89. I need to _____ my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

90. The _____ on the wall showed that the room was three meters long.

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

91. The company decided to _____ its proposal due to public opposition.

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

92. 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

93. The _____ of data helped us identify patterns in customer behavior.

n. a collection or assembly of things or individuals; the act of bringing things or individuals together

94. He slightly modified the _____ of training because it was just before a match.

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

95. Could you help me _____ some furniture?

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

ANSWERS: 88. extreme, 89. maintain, 90. meter, 91. withdraw, 92. structure, 93. aggregation, 94. span, 95. shift

96. The United Nations assists countries in building strong _____ frameworks and institutions.
- n.* the act or process of governing or managing a political, social, or economic entity; the systems or principles that guide such processes
97. The ship finally came _____ after a long voyage.
- adv.* on or towards the land, as opposed to the sea or water
98. The soccer players fought for control of the _____ during the game.
- n.* a layer of grass and soil covering a particular area of land, especially used as a playing surface in sports or as a lawn
99. The European Central Bank is Europe's _____ of the Federal Reserve.
- n.* having the same value, quality, meaning, purpose, etc.
100. The beach was filled with hundreds of _____ so swimming was not recommended.
- n.* a marine creature with a soft, jelly-like body and tentacles for stinging
101. The government _____ regulated the country's food and drug safety standards.
- n.* an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action
102. The _____ hypothesis suggests that humans have an innate love for nature and a desire to connect with other living systems.
- n.* a deeply ingrained human affinity or love for the natural world and living organisms coined by biologist E.O. Wilson, which refers to the innate connection and attraction humans have toward nature

ANSWERS: 96. governance, 97. ashore, 98. turf, 99. equivalent, 100. jellyfish, 101. agency, 102. biophilia

103. The government should do more to support environmentally _____ agriculture.

adj. able to continue or be continued for a long time

104. Many companies are now enthusiastically embracing the knowledge of _____ for sustainable development.

n. the study of the relationships between living organisms, including humans, and their physical environment

105. You can easily _____ seats over the telephone.

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

106. I must _____ the bushes in my front yard before they get too overgrown.

v. to make neat or tidy by clipping, cutting, or pruning away excess or unwanted parts; to adjust or modify to improve efficiency or performance

107. I advised him to _____ to his new surroundings.

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

108. A healthy farm provides an _____ of food.

n. a significant amount of something; the situation in which there is too much of something

109. She is wearing a _____ necklace.

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

110. By dividing and creating copies of themselves, bacteria _____.

v. to make a copy of something such as a picture, piece of text, music, etc.; to produce offspring through a sexual or asexual process

ANSWERS: 103. sustainable, 104. ecology, 105. reserve, 106. trim, 107. adapt, 108. abundance, 109. coral, 110. reproduce

111. Ecuador is on the _____.

- n.* an line of latitude that separates Earth's northern and southern hemispheres and has a radius of around 40,075 kilometers (24,901 miles)

112. The gardener found a _____ slowly making its way through the lettuce patch.

- n.* a slow-moving mollusk with a spiral shell that it uses to protect its body

113. He was determined to _____ everything.

- v.* to cause or allow liquid to run or flow over the edge of its container by accident

114. Many species of marine _____ such as corals and sponges, are important components of ocean ecosystems.

- n.* a class of animals that do not have a backbone; they include insects, worms, and mollusks

115. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.

- v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

116. She is a _____ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

- adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

117. The first question in the test was a complete _____.

- n.* a decision or a problem that requires little or no thought because it is obvious what you should do

118. The museum houses a _____ collection of Celtic artifacts.

- adj.* extremely interesting

ANSWERS: 111. equator, 112. snail, 113. spill, 114. invertebrates, 115. represent, 116. resilient, 117. no-brainer, 118. fascinating

119. _____ storm Marco is making his way along the coast of Florida.
adj. originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics
120. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.
n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
121. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.
n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
122. They used a special receiver to _____ police radio channels.
v. to observe, check, and track the progress or quality of something over a period of time
123. I need to _____ this shirt to remove the stains.
v. to remove color or stains, whiten, or sterilize using a solution of chemicals or other substances, such as bleach
124. The food _____ at the end of the event was donated to a local homeless shelter.
n. an amount of something more than what is needed or required; excess or extra supply
125. 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
126. They have been living near water since _____ times.
adj. relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old

ANSWERS: 119. Tropical, 120. conflicts, 121. consequences, 122. monitor, 123. bleach, 124. surplus, 125. seine, 126. ancient

127. The products they sell are the _____ for performance in the industry.
n. a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court
128. She did well on her _____ exam.
n. a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth
129. Common salt is a sodium and chlorine _____.
n. an item composed of two or more distinct elements combined; a chemical formed by the combination of two or more elements
130. The _____ in a forest can be measured by collecting and weighing all living plants within a specific area.
n. the total quantity of living matter in a given unit of environment, including plants, animals, and microorganisms
131. She wore a _____ dress to the party, which everyone admired.
adj. wonderful and attractive
132. 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
133. He borrowed money from a loan _____.
n. a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
134. Please _____ my glass with some more wine.
v. to fill something that had previously been emptied

ANSWERS: 127. baseline, 128. geography, 129. compound, 130. biomass, 131. gorgeous, 132. complexity, 133. shark, 134. replenish

135. The passage of the bill is _____.

adj. not probable or likely to happen

136. Weeds _____ throughout the garden.

v. to grow or thrive over so as to cover with herbage

137. I _____ skim milk for regular milk because we are on a strict diet.

n. a person or thing acting or serving instead of another one; (verb) to act as a something or someone instead of another one

138. Police will _____ random breath testing for drunk driving.

v. to organize and carry out a particular activity

139. The company is planning to _____ its website.

v. to design something again, especially in a different or modified form; (noun) the process of designing something again

140. The _____ ordered the troops to fire.

n. the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft

141. The problem seemed _____ initially, but it became a significant issue.

adj. of little value or importance

142. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

143. The _____ of the bees filled the air as she walked through the garden.

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

ANSWERS: 135. unlikely, 136. overgrow, 137. substitute, 138. conduct, 139. redesign, 140. captain, 141. trivial, 142. inspired, 143. humming

144. If we continue to _____ the Earth's natural resources, we will cause severe damage to the environment.
- v.* to reduce something, especially supplies of energy, money, etc., by a large amount; to use up resources or materials
145. A _____ is at the end of the book.
- n.* a brief statement that provides the critical aspects of something without going into depth
146. The roof finally _____ after three days and three nights of heavy snowfall.
- v.* to fall down or give way suddenly, often after breaking apart
147. The _____ to the Amazon jungle was both exciting and challenging.
- n.* a journey or voyage for a specific purpose
148. This documentary deals with the _____ biology of the buffalo.
- adj.* connected with the process of reproduction; relating to reproducing babies, young animals, or plants
149. The sheep _____ on the green grass in the meadow.
- v.* to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping
150. The software update included several _____ to the user interface.
- n.* the act of improving or making something better
151. A giraffe is an _____ that primarily eats leaves and twigs.
- n.* an animal that eats only plants, such as a cow or a deer

ANSWERS: 144. deplete, 145. summary, 146. collapsed, 147. expedition, 148. reproductive, 149. graze, 150. enhancements, 151. herbivore

152. Better sleep leads to increased _____.

- n.* the set of chemical reactions in cells or organisms that are necessary for life-sustaining

153. The pandemic was a _____ business opportunity for certain companies.

- adj.* fairly large in size, value, or importance

154. We _____ the season's total trade deficit at \$50 billion.

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

155. The mangroves around the _____ provide a habitat for a unique ecosystem

- n.* a shallow stretch of water separated from a larger body of water by sandbanks or coral reefs; a small saltwater lake near a sea or an ocean

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

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

157. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the _____.

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

158. The baby _____ 1 pound 3 oz.

- v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion

159. Many people see the _____ of traveling as an opportunity to experience new cultures and broaden their horizons.

- n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something

ANSWERS: 152. metabolism, 153. substantial, 154. estimated, 155. lagoon, 156. population, 157. ecosystem, 158. weighs, 159. upside

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

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

161. He was _____ gifted.

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

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

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

163. The _____ organization donated millions of dollars to fund medical research.

adj. characterized by a desire to promote the welfare of others, especially by donating money or providing charitable aid; of or relating to the practice of philanthropy

164. The _____ reason for the company's success is its innovative products.

adj. most important, main, or chief

165. The antique _____ was worth thousands of dollars.

n. a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive

166. She _____ a quick picture of the beautiful sunset before it disappeared.

v. to record on photographic film; to make a sudden, sharp sound; (noun) the act of catching an object with the hands

167. He decided to _____ his investment portfolio, shifting from stocks to bonds.

v. to turn something upside down, inside out; to reverse the position, order, or relationship of something

ANSWERS: 160. universal, 161. naturally, 162. fishery, 163. philanthropic, 164. principal, 165. doll, 166. snapped, 167. invert

168. The researchers try to discover a common _____ in all types of successful organizations.

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

169. The company can _____ access its employees' computers for troubleshooting purposes.

adv. at a distance; not directly or easily accessible

170. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

171. Global _____ is rising in virtually every industry.

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

172. The detective suspected that the vandalism was the work of _____ delinquents.

adj. relating to or characteristic of youth or young people; immature

173. Many species have become _____ due to habitat destruction and other human activities.

adj. no longer in existence

174. She keeps a _____ in a birdcage as a pet.

n. a tropical bird with a curved beak and the ability to mimic sounds, often kept as a pet and trained to copy the human voice

175. _____ is generally the foundation of the ocean food chain.

n. tiny forms of plant and animal life that live in water or air on which other animals feed

ANSWERS: 168. component, 169. remotely, 170. modern, 171. competition, 172. juvenile, 173. extinct, 174. parrot, 175. Plankton

176. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.

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

177. I checked my bank statement and noticed an unexpected _____ from an unknown source.

n. an entry in a financial account that represents money owed or transferred out of the account; a payment card or other means of withdrawing funds from a bank account

178. Inspectors noticed _____ cracks in the submarine's hull.

adj. tiny; exceedingly precise and detail-oriented; of or used in microscopy

179. I have no idea what sort of folks _____ the neighborhood.

v. to live in a specific location; to reside

180. The rowing team coordinated their _____ to move through the water smoothly.

n. a pole with a flat blade at one end used for rowing a boat through the water

181. The country has _____ oil and natural gas resources.

adj. present in great quantity

182. She is the president of a large international _____.

n. a group of people who work together for a shared purpose

183. 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

184. Boxing fans often criticize his _____ stance.

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

ANSWERS: 176. survive, 177. debit, 178. microscopic, 179. inhabit, 180. oars, 181. abundant, 182. organization, 183. recommend, 184. defensive

185. The ____ digs through the sand to a significant depth.

n. a marine mollusk that burrows and lives on sand or mud, the shell closes with viselike firmness

186. This graph indicates the city's tourism _____ over five years.

n. the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business

187. The ____ section of the ship suffered significant damage after the collision with the reef.

adj. (the opposite of "forward") located at or towards the rear or back of a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle

188. Governments make rules, and police _____ them.

v. to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation

189. He is a skilled _____ that has many years of training and experience.

n. a doctor who is trained to perform medical operations that involve cutting open a person's body

190. 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

191. _____ has jammed the inlet to the water turbine.

n. A simple plant that grows in or near water and lacks typical leaves and roots

192. It is terrific to camp in _____ nature.

adj. new and completely free from dirt or contamination

ANSWERS: 185. clam, 186. revenue, 187. aft, 188. enforce, 189. surgeon, 190. discovery, 191. Algae, 192. pristine

193. They _____ the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.
v. to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
194. My left arm became _____.
adj. unable to feel physical sensation and movement; not showing human feeling or sensitivity
195. Her golden hair was _____ in China.
adj. visible or observable; likely to draw attention
196. The FBI _____ went undercover to infiltrate the criminal organization.
n. a person who represents and negotiates on behalf of someone else, such as a literary agent or talent agent; (of chemistry and medicine) a substance that brings about a chemical or physical effect; (of computer science) a piece of software that performs a task autonomously
197. She has taken a step up in the organizational _____.
n. a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
198. The _____ camera on my phone takes high-quality photos.
adj. of a lower rank, status, or importance about something else; not primary or central; derived from or caused by another source
199. In _____ private corporations provide healthcare services.
n. the act or process of adding something to something else; the process of adding numbers
200. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

ANSWERS: 193. paved, 194. numb, 195. conspicuous, 196. agent, 197. hierarchy, 198. secondary, 199. addition, 200. environment

201. A diversified plant species generally enhances beneficial _____ populations.
n. a tiny living thing
202. The _____ attack left the villagers in a state of shock and fear
n. a large, carnivorous reptile with powerful jaws and a long, scaly body; native to tropical regions and often found in rivers and freshwater habitats
203. She is still _____ from a shot to her shoulder.
v. to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
204. We must manage to _____ our expenditure.
v. to control something, especially by means of rules or laws
205. mRNA vaccines are approved faster because they do not contain inactivated _____.
n. a bacterium, virus, or other microorganism that causes disease
206. The explorers were the first to set foot on the island's _____ shores.
adj. wild, unruly, or not domesticated; not controlled or constrained; free-spirited or untethered
207. The news of her sudden death was _____ to everyone who knew her.
adj. surprising or shocking; difficult to believe

ANSWERS: 201. organism, 202. crocodile, 203. recovering, 204. regulate, 205. pathogens, 206. untamed, 207. astonishing