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Session 1: Word List

snare

n. a trap or device used to catch animals by means of a noose or wire loop; a type of drum consisting of a head stretched over a hollow shell, usually played with drumsticks

synonym: trap, noose, entanglement

(1) **snare** drum, (2) fall into a **snare**

The thief was caught in a **snare** set by the police.

colleague

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

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

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

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

presentation

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

synonym: exhibition, display, speech

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

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

combination

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

synonym:

blend, hybrid, compounding

(1) genic **combinations**, (2) **combination** number

The **combination** to the safe was a secret.

instrument

n. an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work

synonym : apparatus, tool, device

(1) musical **instruments**, (2) surgical **instruments**

This electronic **instrument** is required to undergo periodic inspections to ensure precision.

aim

v. to try or plan to get or achieve something

synonym : aspire, direct, target

(1) **aim** at a specific target, (2) **aim** to be a nurse

We **aim** for an overseas expansion.

motorbike

n. a lightweight, two-wheeled vehicle with an engine designed for use on roads; also known as a motorcycle

synonym : motorcycle, bike, two-wheeler

(1) **motorbike** ride, (2) stolen **motorbike**

She identified the **motorbike** thief using the CCTV footage.

hop

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

synonym : jump, bounce, skip

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

The rabbit **hopped** over the fence.

dot

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

synonym : drop, dab, fleck

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

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

technique

n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill

synonym: approach, procedure, strategy

(1) a **technique** in martial arts, (2) the **technique** applied to construction

Jockey's superior **technique** brought him victory.

instruction

n. detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something

synonym: education, direction, guidance

(1) individual **instruction**, (2) follow his **instructions**

They needed further **instruction** to perform their duties efficiently.

tempo

n. the speed at which a piece of music is performed

synonym: pace, rhythm, speed

(1) a quick **tempo**, (2) set **tempo**

The **tempo** of the music was slow and soothing.

dynamics

n. the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change

synonym: mechanics, kinetics, kinematics

(1) **dynamics** of group, (2) **dynamics** of economy

The relationship **dynamics** between the two countries were complex and constantly changing.

literally

adv. in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively

synonym: actually, truly, verily

(1) translate **literally**, (2) bite his tongue **literally**

He **literally** jumped out of his chair when he heard the news.

straightforward

adj. easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity

synonym: honest, candid, forthright

(1) **straightforward** manner, (2) make a **straightforward**

dash

The defendant gave a **straightforward** and accurate description of the accident.

stick

v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

synonym : pierce, adhere, stay

(1) **stick** a key in a lock, (2) fire **stick**

You **stick** a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

dynamic

adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

synonym : energetic, active, vital

(1) a **dynamic** market, (2) **dynamic** person

The sprinter has a **dynamic** way of running.

translate

v. to convert or change words into another language

synonym : convert, transcribe, render

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

Translate the text from Italian into English.

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.

explore

v. to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it

synonym : analyze, delve into, examine

(1) **explore** the world, (2) **explore** our options

The management must **explore** strategies to increase office security.

interpretation

n. an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious

synonym: rendering, explanation, understanding

(1) the **interpretation** of history, (2) open to **interpretation**

His **interpretations** of literary works are often unique.

clutch

v. to grasp and hold somebody or something tightly

synonym: grip, hold, grab

(1) **clutch** at any straw, (2) **clutched** her daughter to her breast

The boy **clutched** his mother's hand tightly as they walked in the dark.

profession

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

synonym: occupation, vocation, trade

(1) **profession** choice, (2) healthcare **profession**

Being a doctor is considered a highly respected **profession**.

initial

adj. of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name

synonym: basic, primary, beginning

(1) **initial** velocity, (2) an **initial** letter

They took the **initial** step toward reconciliation.

interpret

v. to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.

synonym: decode, decipher, analyze

(1) **interpret** a graph, (2) **interpret** the question

Different people might **interpret** this news differently.

unbelievable

adj. beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
synonym : unimaginable, incredible, fantastical

(1) **unbelievable** beauty, (2) cause **unbelievable** damage
He drinks an **unbelievable** amount of beer.

shallow

adj. not having much distance from the top to the bottom
synonym : superficial, external, surface

(1) **shallow** people, (2) **shallow** water
Shallow brooks are noisier than deep rivers.

shock

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

synonym : amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**
He got an electric **shock** at work.

detached

adj. no longer connected or joined; showing lack of emotional involvement

synonym : separated, isolated, impersonal

(1) a **detached** palace, (2) **detached** from reality
Their dream is to buy a **detached** house.

tight

adj. fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
synonym : closed, secured, cramped

(1) a **tight** game, (2) student on a **tight** budget
The national election was held amid **tight** security.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym : abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**
Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

percussion

n. the section of an orchestra or band that plays instruments such as drums, cymbals, and tambourines; the action of striking something to produce a sound

synonym : beating, rhythm, strike

(1) **percussion** instrument, (2) chest **percussion**

The **percussion** section is an essential part of the band's sound.

marimba

n. a musical instrument in the percussion family, consisting of wooden bars of varying lengths that are struck with mallets, arranged similarly to a piano keyboard, with resonators or tubes placed beneath them to amplify the sound

synonym : percussion instrument, xylophone

(1) **marimba** band, (2) traditional **marimba** music

I love the sound of the **marimba** in this jazz piece.

timpani

n. a set of kettledrums (= large metal drums) played with soft-headed mallets

synonym : kettle drums, drum

(1) **timpani** drums, (2) **timpani** player

The **timpani** roll during the climax of the symphony was so powerful that it made the entire hall vibrate.

cheek

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

synonym : jaw, mandible, malar

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

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

scalp

n. the skin that covers the top of a person's head, together with the hair growing on it; also, the part of the body that is most vulnerable to an attack

synonym : hair cover, pelt, epidermis

(1) **scalp** massage, (2) **scalp** condition

I have an itchy **scalp** and need to switch to a different shampoo.

tune

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

specific condition or standard

synonym : melody, harmony, (verb) adjust

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

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

kettle

n. a metal container with a lid and handle, used for boiling water or other liquids over a heat source, commonly used for making tea or cooking pasta or soup

synonym : pot, cauldron, timpani

(1) electric **kettle**, (2) whistle **kettle**

The **kettle** on the stove started to whistle, signaling that the water was boiling.

pitch

n. the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something

synonym : angle, gradient, slope

(1) make a **pitch** for a new product, (2) a low- **pitched** sound

Her voice gradually increased in **pitch**.

interval

n. a period between two events or times; a short break or pause

synonym : break, gap, intermission

(1) after an **interval** of pause, (2) at regular **intervals**

For the analysis **interval**, the system remains at a standstill state.

gradual

adj. happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt

synonym : incremental, gradational, piecemeal

(1) a **gradual** process, (2) a **gradual** change

The country experienced a **gradual** increase in population.

amazing

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

synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling
The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

vibration

n. a continuous quick and slight shaking movement

synonym: oscillation, fluctuation, reverberation

(1) protection against **vibration**, (2) sympathetic **vibration**
Vibration displaced part of the mechanism.

broad

adj. very wide; general

synonym: wide, expansive, comprehensive

(1) attract **broad** attention, (2) a **broad** mind

He accumulated wealth across a **broad** spectrum of assets.

amplification

n. the process of increasing the volume or intensity of something; the expansion or elaboration of a concept or idea

synonym: enlargement, expansion, intensification

(1) **amplification** system, (2) sound **amplification**

The political debate was an **amplification** of the candidates' views on key issues.

extraordinary

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

synonym: exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

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

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

personality

n. a person's distinct combination of character, behavioral, temperamental, emotional, and mental traits that define them as an individual and set them apart from others

synonym: character, disposition, temperament

(1) **personality** trait, (2) **personality** test

She had a vibrant **personality** that made everyone feel at ease.

audit

n. an official inspection of the accounting procedures and records of business by a trained accountant or CPA that is independent of the subject; a methodical inspection or review of a specific condition or situation

synonym : review, examination, inspection

(1) **audit** the books, (2) **audit** accounts

Our company will be **audited** by an accountant next week.

royal

adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family

synonym : imperial, noble, aristocratic

(1) a **royal** palace, (2) prince **royal**

She is willing to give up her position in the **royal** family to marry him.

academy

n. a school for special training; a type of official organization that aims to encourage and develop standards in its particular field

synonym : school, institute, college

(1) an **academy** of music, (2) a member of the **Academy**

Her new documentary earned her an **Academy** Award.

clue

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

synonym : hint, indication, inkling

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

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

refuse

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

synonym : turn down, deny, decline

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

My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

opposed

adj. being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something

synonym : anti, averse, hostile

(1) two **opposed** characters, (2) absolutely **opposed** to abortion

I'm strongly **opposed** to that plan.

hurdle

n. a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome

synonym: obstacle, barrier, challenge

(1) overcome **hurdles**, (2) **hurdle** race

The company faced several **hurdles** in the development of its new product.

audition

n. a performance or test given by an actor, musician, or other performers to demonstrate their abilities and suitability for a particular role or position

synonym: tryout, test

(1) music **audition**, (2) dance **audition**

I have an **audition** for a role in a play tomorrow.

institute

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

synonym: academy, university, college

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

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

kingdom

n. the country ruled by a king or queen

synonym: empire, realm, land

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

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

circumstance

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

synonym: condition, context, environment

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

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

whatsoever

adv. not at all; no matter what

synonym : in any way, at all, in any respect

(1) **whatsoever** it be, (2) without impact **whatsoever**

He refused to do anything **whatsoever** to help her.

basis

n. the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

synonym : foundation, base, ground

(1) on an equal **basis**, (2) **basis** for calculation

This evidence will form the **basis** for our discussion.

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.

bunch

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

synonym : group, assemblage, bundle

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

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

stud

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

synonym : beam, scantling, framing

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

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

professional

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

synonym : skilled, competent, accomplished

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

secretary

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

orchestra

n. a large group of musicians who play classical music together, usually with instruments such as strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion

synonym: ensemble, symphony, band

(1) full **orchestra**, (2) **orchestra** conductor

The accomplished **orchestra** will give two more performances this week.

medicinal

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

synonym: curative, therapeutic, healing

(1) **medicinal** chemistry, (2) traditional **medicinal**

The **medicinal** properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

lad

n. a young boy or man, often used in an informal or affectionate way

synonym: boy, youth, youngster

(1) working-class **lad**, (2) local **lad**

The older man gave the young **lad** some helpful life advice.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

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

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

movement

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

synonym: motion, progression, action

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

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

elegant.

deaf

adj. lacking the ability to hear, or having impaired hearing; unresponsive or unaware of certain sounds or signals

synonym: hearing-impaired, unresponsive, insensitive

(1) **deaf** in one ear, (2) **deaf** child

The **deaf** student needed an interpreter to understand the lecture.

blind

adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

synonym: sightless, unseeing, random

(1) **blind** to the beauties, (2) **blind** spot

She was nearly **blind** due to severe diabetes.

underneath

adv. under or below something else

synonym: below, under, beneath

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

The penny fell **underneath** the piano.

incredibly

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

synonym: enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

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

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

organ

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

synonym: function, structure

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

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

resonate

v. to be filled with a deep echoing sound

synonym: echo, reverberate, resound

(1) deeply **resonate** with the consumers, (2) **resonate** in the same frequency

The sound **resonates** well in this theater.

row

n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars

synonym: line, sequence, layer

(1) criminal on death **row**, (2) a **row** of cherry trees

He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front **row**.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

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

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

touching

adj. evoking an emotional response; causing feelings of sympathy, tenderness, or compassion; having a poignant or emotional impact

synonym: moving, poignant, heartwarming

(1) **touching** appeal, (2) **touching** moment

The movie's **touching** storyline left the audience in tears.

sensation

n. a feeling associated with stimulation of a sense organ or with a specific body condition; a general feeling of interest and excitement

synonym: feeling, perception, mania

(1) cause a widespread **sensation**, (2) taste **sensation**

If you apply this ointment, you may feel a mild burning **sensation**.

rustle

v. to make a soft, crackling sound, like the sound caused by the movement of dry leaves or paper; to move quietly

or furtively to avoid being heard or noticed

synonym : swish, whisper, murmur

(1) **rustle** up a meal, (2) **rustle** paper

The leaves **rustled** in the wind, creating a peaceful sound in the forest.

kaleidoscope

n. a toy or optical instrument made up of mirrors and pieces of colored glass or plastic, which produce changing patterns and images when rotated; a constantly changing succession of different things or events

(1) **kaleidoscope** of cultures, (2) **kaleidoscope** pattern

The **kaleidoscope** of colors in the sunset was breathtaking.

entirely

adv. completely

synonym : completely, fully, totally

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

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

forth

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

synonym : forward, onwards, ahead

(1) bring **forth** a beautiful vase, (2) call **forth** demand

I pushed **forth** with my new project, even though it would take much hard work.

gentle

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

synonym : mild, delicate, soft

(1) in a **gentle** voice, (2) **gentle** downward slope

Her **gentle** manner relaxed everyone there.

explosion

n. a violent release induced by a chemical or nuclear reaction

synonym : burst, eruption, outbreak

(1) a lot of **explosions**, (2) site of the **explosion**
A broken gas pipe triggered the **explosion**.

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.

affected

adj. influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially
exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere

synonym: artificial, pretentious, stilted

(1) **affected** way of walking, (2) the **affected** part
Her **affected** accent made it difficult to take her seriously.

therapy

n. the act of caring for someone through medication,
remedial training, etc.

synonym: antidote, medicine, treatment

(1) **therapy** for a patient, (2) field of gene **therapy**
I underwent aversion **therapy** for my addiction to alcohol.

definitely

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

synonym: absolutely, certainly, indeed

(1) **definitely** become a problem, (2) say **definitely**
The paper is **definitely** worth reading thoroughly.

acoustics

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

(1) specialize in **acoustics**, (2) the engineer of **acoustics**
The physicist specializes in **acoustics**.

dare

v. to have the courage to do something

synonym: challenge, risk, attempt

(1) **dare** not go, (2) **dare** to take risks
I wouldn't **dare** to speak to him like that.

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.

cosmetically

adv. in terms of appearance, especially about improving or enhancing the appearance of something; superficially
synonym: aesthetically, superficially, visually

(1) **cosmetically** altered, (2) **cosmetically** pleasing

She underwent a **cosmetically-enhanced** surgery to alter her appearance.

enhance

v. to increase or improve the quality, amount, or strength of someone or something
synonym: improve, enrich, refine

(1) **enhance** value, (2) **enhance** the flavor of the vanilla

The new strategy will **enhance** the profitability of our company.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

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

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

impair

v. to damage something or make it weaker or worse
synonym: degrade, mar, deface

(1) **impair** my health, (2) **impair** insulin sensitivity

The accident made his vision **impaired**.

wheelchair

n. a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk

(1) electric-powered **wheelchair**, (2) **wheelchair** accessibility

This library rents out various types of folding **wheelchairs** for visitors.

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym: guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

aspect

n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

synonym: characteristic, element, factor

(1) nontechnical **aspects** of the job, (2) **aspects** of social, political, and economic life

His professional experience includes all **aspects** of media production.

chamber

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

synonym: association, cabin, legislature

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

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

judgment

n. the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

synonym: conclusion, decision, determination

(1) an emotional **judgment**, (2) deliver a **judgment**

Her **judgments** are consistently rational and sensible.

chemistry

n. the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and

reactions

(1) professor of **chemistry**, (2) the **chemistry** of soil
He is familiar with **chemistry** and biology.

fluid

n. a substance that can flow and is not solid
synonym: liquid, aqua, sap

(1) plenty of **fluids**, (2) **fluid** assets
She was diagnosed with a **fluid** buildup in her lungs.

clap

v. to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
synonym: applaud, spat, acclaim

(1) **clap** my hands, (2) **clap** a book shut
We **clapped** along with the singer's song.

thunder

n. the loud, deep sound made by air expanding along the path of a bolt of lightning; a deep, prolonged loud noise
synonym: detonation, rumble, roar

(1) **thunder** cloud, (2) deafening **thunder** of applause
The roaring **thunder** was so loud that it woke me from sleep.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind
synonym: fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy
Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

jewelry

n. decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches
synonym: accessories, ornaments, adornments

(1) **jewelry** designer, (2) precious **jewelry**
I received a beautiful piece of **jewelry** from my partner for our anniversary.

slightly

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

synonym : barely, narrowly, scarcely

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

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

straight

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

synonym : linear, honest, consecutive

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

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

rigid

adj. extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending

synonym : strict, inflexible, stringent

(1) **rigid** rules, (2) **rigid** structure

He was unpopular because of his **rigid** adherence to the rules.

strike

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

synonym : hit, impact, influence

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

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

heaven

n. (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty

synonym : paradise, nirvana, utopia

(1) ascend to **heaven**, (2) **heaven** on earth

He felt like **heaven** when he tasted the delicious chocolate cake.

lug

v. to carry or drag something with effort; to pull something along with a sudden or jerky motion

synonym : carry, haul, transport

(1) **lug** a hose, (2) **lug** my son into a room
He had to **lug** the heavy suitcase up the stairs.

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.

experiment

n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

synonym: experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

shell

n. hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals

synonym: ammunition, armor, cover

(1) an egg **shell**, (2) a mollusk **shell**

The outermost electron **shell** determines the chemical properties of an atom.

bruise

n. a mark caused by a blow, typically one that is purple or black on the skin

synonym: contusion, injury, wound

(1) livid **bruise**, (2) earlier emotional **bruise**

She had a **bruise** on her arm from where she fell on the playground.

nevertheless

adv. in spite of that; yet

synonym: nonetheless, yet, still

(1) keep working **nevertheless**, (2) **nevertheless**, she persevered

She was tired and hungry, but **nevertheless**, she persevered.

stroke

n. a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.

synonym : blow

(1) suffer **stroke**, (2) a **stroke** of the putter

This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat **stroke** cases.

roll

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

synonym : spin, swirl, wheel

(1) **roll** a ball, (2) **roll** down his cheeks

He was exhausted and **rolled** into bed as soon as he got home.

constantly

adv. all the time

synonym : continuously, always, frequently

(1) a **constantly** innovative enterprise, (2) a **constantly** varying mind

The mobile application industry is **constantly** changing.

relate

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

synonym : connect, link, associate

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

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

responsible

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

synonym : accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym : affecting, impactful, impressive

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

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

baggage

n. the personal belongings that a person carries with them, particularly when traveling; any emotional or psychological issues or problems that a person carries with them

synonym : luggage, suitcases, belongings

(1) emotional **baggage**, (2) **baggage** cart

I always pack light when traveling to avoid excessive **baggage** fees.

determinant

n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result

synonym : cause, factor, element

(1) environmental **determinant**, (2) a **determinant** of crop yields

One **determinant** of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.

sorrow

n. a feeling of deep sadness, grief, or regret, especially for something lost or ending

synonym : grief, heartache, melancholy

(1) deep **sorrow**, (2) **sorrow** for sin

The death of her best friend filled her with **sorrow**.

exhilarate

v. to make someone feel very happy, animated, or excited; to fill with energy or a sense of euphoria

synonym : excite, stimulate, invigorate

(1) **exhilarate** the crowd, (2) **exhilarate** the audience

The sense of accomplishment from completing a challenging hike can **exhilarate** those who love the great outdoors

necessarily

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

synonym : inevitable, certainly, automatically

(1) not **necessarily** a problem, (2) **necessarily** true

This accident was something that happened **necessarily**.

concert

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

synonym : gig, musical, show

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

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

performer

n. a person who entertains an audience or group by presenting artistic or theatrical acts, such as an actor, musician, dancer, or singer

synonym : artist, entertainer, actor

(1) circus **performer**, (2) professional **performer**

The talented **performer** captivated the audience with his impressive magic tricks.

mallet

n. a tool used to strike or tap an object, typically with a wooden, rubber, or plastic head; a percussion instrument consisting of a handle and a head, often used in orchestral percussion and marimba

synonym : hammer, stick, beater

(1) percussion **mallet**, (2) lucky **mallet**

The percussionist switched from sticks to **mallets** for a softer sound.

bow

v. to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows

synonym : bend, curve, arch

(1) **bow** and greet, (2) a **bow** wave

She **bowed** to the audience after her performance.

string

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

synonym : line, wire, rope

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

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

breath

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

synonym : air, puff, whiff

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

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

brass

n. a metal alloy of copper and zinc; a yellowish color; a group of wind instruments made of brass

synonym : metal, alloy, copper

(1) **brass** section, (2) **brass** instruments

The **brass** band was performing at the parade.

purity

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

synonym : sinlessness, innocence, cleanliness

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

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

confer

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

synonym : consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

progression

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

synonym : advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease

The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.

Session 2: Spelling

1. the most am_____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
2. surgical ins_____nts *n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work
3. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
4. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
5. ba_____e cart *n.* the personal belongings that a person carries with them, particularly when traveling; any emotional or psychological issues or problems that a person carries with them
6. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
7. the lower ch_____r *n.* a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament
8. per_____ty test *n.* a person's distinct combination of character, behavioral, temperamental, emotional, and mental traits that define them as an individual and set them apart from others

ANSWERS: 1. amazing, 2. instrument, 3. responsible, 4. communal, 5. baggage, 6. straight, 7. chamber, 8. personality

9. the ch_____ry of soil *n.* the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions
10. au__t accounts *n.* an official inspection of the accounting procedures and records of business by a trained accountant or CPA that is independent of the subject; a methodical inspection or review of a specific condition or situation
11. re_____te in the same frequency *v.* to be filled with a deep echoing sound
12. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
13. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
14. a member of the Ac_____y *n.* a school for special training; a type of official organization that aims to encourage and develop standards in its particular field
15. retie the st___g and make it strong *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
16. a c__e about the crime *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
17. pro_____on choice *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training

ANSWERS: 9. chemistry, 10. audit, 11. resonate, 12. assume, 13. absolutely, 14. academy, 15. string, 16. clue, 17. profession

18. im___r my health *v.* to damage something or make it weaker or worse
19. death from sh__k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
20. stolen mo_____ke *n.* a lightweight, two-wheeled vehicle with an engine designed for use on roads; also known as a motorcycle
21. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
22. bite his tongue li_____ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
23. absolutely op_____d to abortion *adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
24. und_____th the laughter *adv.* under or below something else
25. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
26. nontechnical as___ts of the job *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
27. the degree of pu___y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature

ANSWERS: 18. impair, 19. shock, 20. motorbike, 21. determinant, 22. literally, 23. opposed, 24. underneath, 25. movement, 26. aspect, 27. purity

28. je_____y designer *n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches
29. a lot of ex_____ons *n.* a violent release induced by a chemical or nuclear reaction
30. exp_____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
31. sc__p condition *n.* the skin that covers the top of a person's head, together with the hair growing on it; also, the part of the body that is most vulnerable to an attack
32. musical ins_____nts *n.* an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work
33. livid br___e *n.* a mark caused by a blow, typically one that is purple or black on the skin
34. a gr_____l change *adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
35. a subordinate ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
36. horse s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

ANSWERS: 28. jewelry, 29. explosion, 30. experiment, 31. scalp, 32. instrument, 33. bruise, 34. gradual, 35. kingdom, 36. stud

37. th____y for a patient *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
38. per_____on instrument *n.* the section of an orchestra or band that plays instruments such as drums, cymbals, and tambourines; the action of striking something to produce a sound
39. connecting the d_ts *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
40. a st___e of the putter *n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
41. tense piano st___gs *n.* long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
42. d_t blot method *n.* a very small circular mark, especially one that is printed
43. ch__k bone *n.* either side of the face below the eye and between the nose and the jaw
44. healthcare pro_____on *n.* an occupation or vocation requiring advanced education or specialized training
45. a dy____c market *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)
46. student on a ti__t budget *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely

ANSWERS: 37. therapy, 38. percussion, 39. dot, 40. stroke, 41. string, 42. dot, 43. cheek, 44. profession, 45. dynamic, 46. tight

47. hollowed-out ch__k *n.* either side of the face below the eye and between the nose and the jaw
48. attract br__d attention *adj.* very wide; general
49. st__k a key in a lock *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
50. pr____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
51. br____h of wind *n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs
52. die su____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
53. a br__d mind *adj.* very wide; general
54. b_w and greet *v.* to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows
55. market up____e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
56. two op____d characters *adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
57. em____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
58. deafening th____r of applause *n.* the loud, deep sound made by air expanding along the path of a bolt of lightning; a deep, prolonged loud noise

ANSWERS: 47. cheek, 48. broad, 49. stick, 50. probable, 51. breath, 52. suddenly, 53. broad, 54. bow, 55. upside, 56. opposed, 57. emotional, 58. thunder

59. a quick te__o *n.* the speed at which a piece of music is performed
60. specialize in ac____cs *n.* a branch of physics that deals with the study of mechanical waves in gases, liquids, and solids, including topics such as vibration, sound, ultrasound, and infrasound
61. re___e a request *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
62. prince ro__l *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
63. pre____ion slides *n.* the act of formally introducing or displaying something to others; the manner in which something is presented or given visually, verbally, or otherwise
64. fire st__k *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
65. as__ts of social, political, and economic life *n.* one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.
66. def____ly become a problem *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
67. tr____te a document into English *v.* to convert or change words into another language
68. an ac____y of music *n.* a school for special training; a type of official organization that aims to encourage and develop standards in its particular field

ANSWERS: 59. tempo, 60. acoustics, 61. refuse, 62. royal, 63. presentation, 64. stick, 65. aspect, 66. definitely, 67. translate, 68. academy

69. h_p from one place to another *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.
70. dy_____cs of group *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
71. protection against vi_____on *n.* a continuous quick and slight shaking movement
72. per_____ty trait *n.* a person's distinct combination of character, behavioral, temperamental, emotional, and mental traits that define them as an individual and set them apart from others
73. ex_____e the world *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
74. to_____ng moment *adj.* evoking an emotional response; causing feelings of sympathy, tenderness, or compassion; having a poignant or emotional impact
75. electric ke_____e *n.* a metal container with a lid and handle, used for boiling water or other liquids over a heat source, commonly used for making tea or cooking pasta or soup
76. dance au_____on *n.* a performance or test given by an actor, musician, or other performers to demonstrate their abilities and suitability for a particular role or position

ANSWERS: 69. hop, 70. dynamics, 71. vibration, 72. personality, 73. explore, 74. touching, 75. kettle, 76. audition

77. deliver a ju_____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
78. pr_____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
79. en_____e the flavor of the vanilla *v.* to increase or improve the quality, amount, or strength of someone or something
80. in_____et a graph *v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
81. bl__d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
82. exh_____te the crowd *v.* to make someone feel very happy, animated, or excited; to fill with energy or a sense of euphoria
83. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
84. the t__e of a song *n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
85. a_m at a specific target *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
86. st___e up a conversation *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
87. whistle ke___e *n.* a metal container with a lid and handle, used for boiling water or other liquids over a heat source, commonly used for making tea or cooking pasta or soup

ANSWERS: 77. judgment, 78. probable, 79. enhance, 80. interpret, 81. blind, 82. exhilarate, 83. imaginary, 84. tune, 85. aim, 86. strike, 87. kettle

88. str_____ard manner *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
89. a con_____ly innovative enterprise *adv.* all the time
90. earlier emotional br____e *n.* a mark caused by a blow, typically one that is purple or black on the skin
91. a con_____ly varying mind *adv.* all the time
92. a det_____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
93. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
94. full or_____ra *n.* a large group of musicians who play classical music together, usually with instruments such as strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion
95. or__n bleeding *n.* a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job
96. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
97. he____n on earth *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
98. d__e to take risks *v.* to have the courage to do something

ANSWERS: 88. straightforward, 89. constantly, 90. bruise, 91. constantly, 92. determinant, 93. absolutely, 94. orchestra, 95. organ, 96. amazing, 97. heaven, 98. dare

99. sn__e drum *n.* a trap or device used to catch animals by means of a noose or wire loop; a type of drum consisting of a head stretched over a hollow shell, usually played with drumsticks
100. sympathetic vi____on *n.* a continuous quick and slight shaking movement
101. ex____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
102. the int_____ion of history *n.* an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious
103. re____e the company *v.* to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
104. amp_____ion system *n.* the process of increasing the volume or intensity of something; the expansion or elaboration of a concept or idea
105. high pu____y *n.* the state of being undiluted or unmixed with anything else; the state of being free from immorality, especially of a sexual nature
106. damage to internal or__ns *n.* a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job
107. cos_____ly pleasing *adv.* in terms of appearance, especially about improving or enhancing the appearance of something; superficially
108. plenty of fl__ds *n.* a substance that can flow and is not solid
109. in_____et the question *v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.

ANSWERS: 99. snare, 100. vibration, 101. extreme, 102. interpretation, 103. refuse, 104. amplification, 105. purity, 106. organ, 107. cosmetically, 108. fluid, 109. interpret

110. taste se_____on *n.* a feeling associated with stimulation of a sense organ or with a specific body condition; a general feeling of interest and excitement
111. ti_____i player *n.* a set of kettledrums (= large metal drums) played with soft-headed mallets
112. a benefit co_____t *n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
113. local l_d *n.* a young boy or man, often used in an informal or affectionate way
114. a r_w of cherry trees *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
115. sc__p massage *n.* the skin that covers the top of a person's head, together with the hair growing on it; also, the part of the body that is most vulnerable to an attack
116. nec_____ly true *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
117. traditional me_____al *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
118. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
119. make a pi__h for a new product *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
120. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

ANSWERS: 110. sensation, 111. timpani, 112. concert, 113. lad, 114. row, 115. scalp, 116. necessarily, 117. medicinal, 118. incredibly, 119. pitch, 120. extraordinary

121. hold your br___h *n.* the air that is taken into and expelled from your lungs; the process of taking into and expelling air from your lungs
122. make a str_____ard dash *adj.* easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
123. re___e a story *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
124. st___e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
125. traditional ma_____a music *n.* a musical instrument in the percussion family, consisting of wooden bars of varying lengths that are struck with mallets, arranged similarly to a piano keyboard, with resonators or tubes placed beneath them to amplify the sound
126. ex_____e our options *v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
127. genic com_____ons *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
128. en_____e value *v.* to increase or improve the quality, amount, or strength of someone or something

ANSWERS: 121. breath, 122. straightforward, 123. relate, 124. strike, 125. marimba, 126. explore, 127. combination, 128. enhance

129. have a co_____t again *n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
130. after an in_____al of pause *n.* a period between two events or times; a short break or pause
131. ti_____i drums *n.* a set of kettledrums (= large metal drums) played with soft-headed mallets
132. increase sl_____ly *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
133. circus pe_____er *n.* a person who entertains an audience or group by presenting artistic or theatrical acts, such as an actor, musician, dancer, or singer
134. follow his ins_____ons *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
135. the af_____ed part *adj.* influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
136. certified pro_____nal secretary *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
137. establish his ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
138. br__s section *n.* a metal alloy of copper and zinc; a yellowish color; a group of wind instruments made of brass
139. im____r insulin sensitivity *v.* to damage something or make it weaker or worse
140. as____e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 129. concert, 130. interval, 131. timpani, 132. slightly, 133. performer, 134. instruction, 135. affected, 136. professional, 137. kingdom, 138. brass, 139. impair, 140. assume

141. br__s instruments *n.* a metal alloy of copper and zinc; a yellowish color; a group of wind instruments made of brass
142. whe_____ir accessibility *n.* a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk
143. unb_____ble beauty *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
144. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
145. collaborate with co_____ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
146. working-class l_d *n.* a young boy or man, often used in an informal or affectionate way
147. bring fo__h a beautiful vase *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
148. bl__d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
149. the te_____ue applied to construction *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
150. ge___e downward slope *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
151. c__p my hands *v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise

ANSWERS: 141. brass, 142. wheelchair, 143. unbelievable, 144. movement, 145. colleague, 146. lad, 147. forth, 148. blind, 149. technique, 150. gentle, 151. clap

152. have no up___e *n.* the positive aspect or potential of something; the upper side of something
153. co___r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
154. keep working nev_____ess *adv.* in spite of that; yet
155. set te__o *n.* the speed at which a piece of music is performed
156. fl__d assets *n.* a substance that can flow and is not solid
157. cl___hed her daughter to her breast *v.* to grasp and hold somebody or something tightly
158. suffer st___e *n.* a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
159. a gas ch____r *n.* a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament
160. criminal on death r_w *n.* an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
161. or_____ra conductor *n.* a large group of musicians who play classical music together, usually with instruments such as strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion
162. cause a widespread se_____on *n.* a feeling associated with stimulation of a sense organ or with a specific body condition; a general feeling of interest and excitement

ANSWERS: 152. upside, 153. confer, 154. nevertheless, 155. tempo, 156. fluid, 157. clutch, 158. stroke, 159. chamber, 160. row, 161. orchestra, 162. sensation

163. mo_____ke ride *n.* a lightweight, two-wheeled vehicle with an engine designed for use on roads; also known as a motorcycle
164. pro_____on of disease *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
165. electric-powered whe_____ir *n.* a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk
166. professional pe_____er *n.* a person who entertains an audience or group by presenting artistic or theatrical acts, such as an actor, musician, dancer, or singer
167. a b_w wave *v.* to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows
168. ru___e up a meal *v.* to make a soft, crackling sound, like the sound caused by the movement of dry leaves or paper; to move quietly or furtively to avoid being heard or noticed
169. ba__s for calculation *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
170. kal_____ope of cultures *n.* a toy or optical instrument made up of mirrors and pieces of colored glass or plastic, which produce changing patterns and images when rotated; a constantly changing succession of different things or events

ANSWERS: 163. motorbike, 164. progression, 165. wheelchair, 166. performer, 167. bow, 168. rustle, 169. basis, 170. kaleidoscope

171. kal_____ope pattern *n.* a toy or optical instrument made up of mirrors and pieces of colored glass or plastic, which produce changing patterns and images when rotated; a constantly changing succession of different things or events
172. a st_____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
173. on an equal ba__s *n.* the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged
174. cause unb_____ble damage *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
175. a gr_____l process *adj.* happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt
176. sh__k-resistant *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
177. to_____ng appeal *adj.* evoking an emotional response; causing feelings of sympathy, tenderness, or compassion; having a poignant or emotional impact
178. ri__d structure *adj.* extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending
179. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous

ANSWERS: 171. kaleidoscope, 172. straight, 173. basis, 174. unbelievable, 175. gradual, 176. shock, 177. touching, 178. rigid, 179. incredible

180. emotional ba____e *n.* the personal belongings that a person carries with them, particularly when traveling; any emotional or psychological issues or problems that a person carries with them
181. the engineer of ac____cs *n.* a branch of physics that deals with the study of mechanical waves in gases, liquids, and solids, including topics such as vibration, sound, ultrasound, and infrasound
182. res____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
183. a ro__l palace *adj.* relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
184. call fo__h demand *adv.* forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
185. ma____a band *n.* a musical instrument in the percussion family, consisting of wooden bars of varying lengths that are struck with mallets, arranged similarly to a piano keyboard, with resonators or tubes placed beneath them to amplify the sound
186. in a ge___e voice *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
187. h_p on one foot *v.* to jump lightly and quickly on one foot or both feet; to move rapidly from one place to another; to travel using an aircraft, bus, etc.

ANSWERS: 180. baggage, 181. acoustics, 182. responsible, 183. royal, 184. forth, 185. marimba, 186. gentle, 187. hop

188. cir_____nce of birth *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
189. chest per_____on *n.* the section of an orchestra or band that plays instruments such as drums, cymbals, and tambourines; the action of striking something to produce a sound
190. me_____al chemistry *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease
191. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
192. a bu__h of schoolgirls *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
193. com_____on number *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
194. say def_____ly *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
195. not nec_____ly a problem *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
196. cir_____nce of injury *n.* the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
197. hu___e race *n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
198. so___w for sin *n.* a feeling of deep sadness, grief, or regret, especially for something lost or ending
199. deep so___w *n.* a feeling of deep sadness, grief, or regret, especially for something lost or ending

ANSWERS: 188. circumstance, 189. percussion, 190. medicinal, 191. incredibly, 192. bunch, 193. combination, 194. definitely, 195. necessarily, 196. circumstance, 197. hurdle, 198. sorrow, 199. sorrow

200. re___e a message *v.* to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
201. d__f child *adj.* lacking the ability to hear, or having impaired hearing; unresponsive or unaware of certain sounds or signals
202. de____ed from reality *adj.* no longer connected or joined; showing lack of emotional involvement
203. at regular in____als *n.* a period between two events or times; a short break or pause
204. without impact wha____er *adv.* not at all; no matter what
205. d__e not go *v.* to have the courage to do something
206. dy____cs of economy *n.* the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change
207. deeply re____te with the consumers *v.* to be filled with a deep echoing sound
208. cl____h at any straw *v.* to grasp and hold somebody or something tightly
209. ex____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
210. exh____te the audience *v.* to make someone feel very happy, animated, or excited; to fill with energy or a sense of euphoria

ANSWERS: 200. relate, 201. deaf, 202. detached, 203. interval, 204. whatsoever, 205. dare, 206. dynamics, 207. resonate, 208. clutch, 209. extreme, 210. exhilarate

211. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
212. translate li_____ly *adv.* in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
213. a ti__t game *adj.* fixed, fastened, or kept together firmly or closely
214. sound amp_____ion *n.* the process of increasing the volume or intensity of something; the expansion or elaboration of a concept or idea
215. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
216. und_____th the surface of the water *adv.* under or below something else
217. an emotional ju_____nt *n.* the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions
218. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
219. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
220. em_____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
221. co___r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
222. in_____te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

ANSWERS: 211. extraordinary, 212. literally, 213. tight, 214. amplification, 215. imaginary, 216. underneath, 217. judgment, 218. conversation, 219. participate, 220. emotional, 221. confer, 222. institute

223. ru___e paper *v.* to make a soft, crackling sound, like the sound caused by the movement of dry leaves or paper; to move quietly or furtively to avoid being heard or noticed
224. open to int_____ion *n.* an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious
225. former co_____ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
226. t__e a piano *n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
227. professor of ch_____ry *n.* the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions
228. a_m to be a nurse *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
229. a de_____ed palace *adj.* no longer connected or joined; showing lack of emotional involvement
230. wall s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
231. sl_____ly alkaline soils *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little

ANSWERS: 223. rustle, 224. interpretation, 225. colleague, 226. tune, 227. chemistry, 228. aim, 229. detached, 230. stud, 231. slightly

232. site of the ex_____on *n.* a violent release induced by a chemical or nuclear reaction
233. an egg sh__l *n.* hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals
234. research in_____tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
235. ascend to he___n *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
236. field of gene th_____y *n.* the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
237. fall into a sn__e *n.* a trap or device used to catch animals by means of a noose or wire loop; a type of drum consisting of a head stretched over a hollow shell, usually played with drumsticks
238. cos_____lly altered *adv.* in terms of appearance, especially about improving or enhancing the appearance of something; superficially
239. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
240. d__f in one ear *adj.* lacking the ability to hear, or having impaired hearing; unresponsive or unaware of certain sounds or signals

ANSWERS: 232. explosion, 233. shell, 234. institute, 235. heaven, 236. therapy, 237. snare, 238. cosmetically, 239. conversation, 240. deaf

241. a c__e to the diagnosis *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
242. tr_____te the emotion to a movement *v.* to convert or change words into another language
243. pro_____on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
244. percussion ma___t *n.* a tool used to strike or tap an object, typically with a wooden, rubber, or plastic head; a percussion instrument consisting of a handle and a head, often used in orchestral percussion and marimba
245. a mollusk sh__l *n.* hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals
246. an in_____l letter *adj.* of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name
247. lucky ma___t *n.* a tool used to strike or tap an object, typically with a wooden, rubber, or plastic head; a percussion instrument consisting of a handle and a head, often used in orchestral percussion and marimba
248. in_____l velocity *adj.* of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name
249. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use

ANSWERS: 241. clue, 242. translate, 243. progression, 244. mallet, 245. shell, 246. initial, 247. mallet, 248. initial, 249. communal

250. a low-pi__hed sound *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
251. au__t the books *n.* an official inspection of the accounting procedures and records of business by a trained accountant or CPA that is independent of the subject; a methodical inspection or review of a specific condition or situation
252. precious je____y *n.* decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches
253. ri__d rules *adj.* extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending
254. par____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
255. pre____ion skills *n.* the act of formally introducing or displaying something to others; the manner in which something is presented or given visually, verbally, or otherwise
256. en____ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely
257. he was en____ly to blame *adv.* completely
258. music au____on *n.* a performance or test given by an actor, musician, or other performers to demonstrate their abilities and suitability for a particular role or position

ANSWERS: 250. pitch, 251. audit, 252. jewelry, 253. rigid, 254. participate, 255. presentation, 256. entirely, 257. entirely, 258. audition

259. I_g my son into a room *v.* to carry or drag something with effort; to pull something along with a sudden or jerky motion
260. th____r cloud *n.* the loud, deep sound made by air expanding along the path of a bolt of lightning; a deep, prolonged loud noise
261. r__l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
262. su____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
263. r__l down his cheeks *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
264. af____ed way of walking *adj.* influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
265. overcome hu____es *n.* a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
266. a bu__h of trees *n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
267. nev____ess, she persevered *adv.* in spite of that; yet
268. series of exp____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
269. dy____c person *adj.* having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

ANSWERS: 259. lug, 260. thunder, 261. roll, 262. suddenly, 263. roll, 264. affected, 265. hurdle, 266. bunch, 267. nevertheless, 268. experiment, 269. dynamic

270. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
271. sh_____w people *adj.* not having much distance from the top to the bottom
272. c__p a book shut *v.* to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
273. a te_____ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
274. sh_____w water *adj.* not having much distance from the top to the bottom
275. individual ins_____on *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
276. l_g a hose *v.* to carry or drag something with effort; to pull something along with a sudden or jerky motion
277. wha_____er it be *adv.* not at all; no matter what
278. pro_____nal athlete *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful

ANSWERS: 270. incredible, 271. shallow, 272. clap, 273. technique, 274. shallow, 275. instruction, 276. lug, 277. whatsoever, 278. professional

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Her _____ accent made it difficult to take her seriously.
adj. influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
2. She had a _____ on her arm from where she fell on the playground.
n. a mark caused by a blow, typically one that is purple or black on the skin
3. Jockey's superior _____ brought him victory.
n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
4. She is willing to give up her position in the _____ family to marry him.
adj. relating to or belonging to the king or queen or a member of their family
5. He tried to _____ his experience to the group, but they couldn't understand.
v. to establish a connection or association between two or more things; to narrate or tell about an event, experience, or relationship; to empathize or feel sympathy with someone or something
6. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.
n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
7. The band played a beautiful _____ on their instruments.
n. a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
8. She explained the _____ surrounding the accident.
n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

ANSWERS: 1. affected, 2. bruise, 3. technique, 4. royal, 5. relate, 6. colleague, 7. tune, 8. circumstances

9. He was sick for five _____ days.

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

10. The thief was caught in a _____ set by the police.

n. a trap or device used to catch animals by means of a noose or wire loop; a type of drum consisting of a head stretched over a hollow shell, usually played with drumsticks

11. Our company will be _____ by an accountant next week.

n. an official inspection of the accounting procedures and records of business by a trained accountant or CPA that is independent of the subject; a methodical inspection or review of a specific condition or situation

12. The company has made great strides in its _____ toward sustainability.

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

13. Who answers _____ knows little.

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

14. The national election was held amid _____ security.

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

15. He had to _____ the heavy suitcase up the stairs.

v. to carry or drag something with effort; to pull something along with a sudden or jerky motion

16. If you apply this ointment, you may feel a mild burning _____.

n. a feeling associated with stimulation of a sense organ or with a specific body condition; a general feeling of interest and excitement

ANSWERS: 9. straight, 10. snare, 11. audited, 12. progression, 13. suddenly, 14. tight, 15. lug, 16. sensation

17. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.

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

18. I love the sound of the _____ in this jazz piece.

n. a musical instrument in the percussion family, consisting of wooden bars of varying lengths that are struck with mallets, arranged similarly to a piano keyboard, with resonators or tubes placed beneath them to amplify the sound

19. I have an _____ for a role in a play tomorrow.

n. a performance or test given by an actor, musician, or other performers to demonstrate their abilities and suitability for a particular role or position

20. His professional experience includes all _____ of media production.

n. one part or feature of a situation, problem, subject, etc.

21. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

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

22. The sprinter has a _____ way of running.

adj. having a lot of energy, ideas, and enthusiasm, and a strong personality; of or relating to dynamics (= the branch of physics and engineering concerned with the forces that cause motions of bodies)

23. The physicist specializes in _____.

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

ANSWERS: 17. incredibly, 18. marimba, 19. audition, 20. aspects, 21. movement, 22. dynamic, 23. acoustics

24. I pushed _____ with my new project, even though it would take much hard work.
adv. forward, outward, or onward in location, direction, or progress; into view or consideration; with confidence, boldness, or in the open
25. Their dream is to buy a _____ house.
adj. no longer connected or joined; showing lack of emotional involvement
26. The defendant gave a _____ and accurate description of the accident.
adj. easy to do or understand, or simple; free from ambiguity
27. He was the leader of the demonstrators and spoke out against the war in the front _____.
n. an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line; (verb) to propel a boat through the water using oars
28. This year's extreme heat has resulted in many heat _____ cases.
n. a medical condition in which poor blood flow to the brain causes cell death; the act of swinging or striking at a ball with a club, racket, etc.
29. For the analysis _____ the system remains at a standstill state.
n. a period between two events or times; a short break or pause
30. I underwent aversion _____ for my addiction to alcohol.
n. the act of caring for someone through medication, remedial training, etc.
31. She was nearly _____ due to severe diabetes.
adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

ANSWERS: 24. forth, 25. detached, 26. straightforward, 27. row, 28. stroke, 29. interval, 30. therapy, 31. blind

32. The _____ student needed an interpreter to understand the lecture.

adj. lacking the ability to hear, or having impaired hearing; unresponsive or unaware of certain sounds or signals

33. Her _____ are consistently rational and sensible.

n. the ability to form valuable opinions and make reasonable decisions

34. The sound _____ well in this theater.

v. to be filled with a deep echoing sound

35. The relationship _____ between the two countries were complex and constantly changing.

n. the branch of mechanics that deals with the motion of bodies under the action of forces, including the particular case in which a body remains at rest; forces that produce or stimulate movement, growth, or change

36. Being a doctor is considered a highly respected _____.

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

37. I wouldn't _____ to speak to him like that.

v. to have the courage to do something

38. The police couldn't find a _____ to her whereabouts.

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

39. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

ANSWERS: 32. deaf, 33. judgments, 34. resonates, 35. dynamics, 36. profession, 37. dare, 38. clue, 39. Communal

40. The company faced several _____ in the development of its new product.
n. a barrier or obstacle that must be overcome
41. The surgeon made an incision in the _____ of the patient's heart.
n. a large room used for a formal, public, or particular purpose; one of the parts of a parliament
42. 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
43. The new strategy will _____ the profitability of our company.
v. to increase or improve the quality, amount, or strength of someone or something
44. She wore a _____ of pearls around her neck.
n. long, thin material used for tying things together, composed of several twisted threads
45. Different people might _____ this news differently.
v. to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
46. The penny fell _____ the piano.
adv. under or below something else
47. We _____ for an overseas expansion.
v. to try or plan to get or achieve something
48. This region has many _____ offering higher education.
n. an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

ANSWERS: 40. hurdles, 41. chambers, 42. upside, 43. enhance, 44. string, 45. interpret, 46. underneath, 47. aim, 48. institutes

49. The _____ of the music was slow and soothing.

n. the speed at which a piece of music is performed

50. _____ brooks are noisier than deep rivers.

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

51. The _____ properties of this herb have been known to help with various ailments.

adj. of or relating to the treatment or cure of disease

52. The percussionist switched from sticks to _____ for a softer sound.

n. a tool used to strike or tap an object, typically with a wooden, rubber, or plastic head; a percussion instrument consisting of a handle and a head, often used in orchestral percussion and marimba

53. He got an electric _____ at work.

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

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

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

55. The movie's _____ storyline left the audience in tears.

adj. evoking an emotional response; causing feelings of sympathy, tenderness, or compassion; having a poignant or emotional impact

56. She was diagnosed with a _____ buildup in her lungs.

n. a substance that can flow and is not solid

ANSWERS: 49. tempo, 50. Shallow, 51. medicinal, 52. mallets, 53. shock, 54. cheek, 55. touching, 56. fluid

57. The country experienced a _____ increase in population.

adj. happening slowly over a long period of time or distance; not steep or abrupt

58. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.

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

59. The accident made his vision _____.

v. to damage something or make it weaker or worse

60. The rabbit _____ over the fence.

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

61. Her voice gradually increased in _____.

n. the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something

62. Little children tend to have _____ friends.

adj. existing only in someone's mind

63. Higher _____ requires additional equipment and energy.

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

64. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

65. This accident was something that happened _____.

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

ANSWERS: 57. gradual, 58. extraordinary, 59. impaired, 60. hopped, 61. pitch, 62. imaginary, 63. purity, 64. amazing, 65. necessarily

66. You _____ a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

- v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

67. The talented _____ captivated the audience with his impressive magic tricks.

- n.* a person who entertains an audience or group by presenting artistic or theatrical acts, such as an actor, musician, dancer, or singer

68. The _____ of colors in the sunset was breathtaking.

- n.* a toy or optical instrument made up of mirrors and pieces of colored glass or plastic, which produce changing patterns and images when rotated; a constantly changing succession of different things or events

69. The mobile application industry is _____ changing.

- adv.* all the time

70. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.

- adj.* very great in amount or degree

71. The political debate was an _____ of the candidates' views on key issues.

- n.* the process of increasing the volume or intensity of something; the expansion or elaboration of a concept or idea

72. The _____ roll during the climax of the symphony was so powerful that it made the entire hall vibrate.

- n.* a set of kettledrums (= large metal drums) played with soft-headed mallets

ANSWERS: 66. stick, 67. performer, 68. kaleidoscope, 69. constantly, 70. extreme, 71. amplification, 72. timpani

73. She gave a fantastic _____ at the conference and received a standing ovation.
- n.* the act of formally introducing or displaying something to others; the manner in which something is presented or given visually, verbally, or otherwise
74. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.
- adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
75. He felt like _____ when he tasted the delicious chocolate cake.
- n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
76. The accomplished _____ will give two more performances this week.
- n.* a large group of musicians who play classical music together, usually with instruments such as strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion
77. The death of her best friend filled her with _____.
- n.* a feeling of deep sadness, grief, or regret, especially for something lost or ending
78. This library rents out various types of folding _____ for visitors.
- n.* a chair fitted with large wheels for use as a means of transport by a person who is unable to walk
79. The _____ section is an essential part of the band's sound.
- n.* the section of an orchestra or band that plays instruments such as drums, cymbals, and tambourines; the action of striking something to produce a sound

ANSWERS: 73. presentation, 74. responsible, 75. heaven, 76. orchestra, 77. sorrow, 78. wheelchairs, 79. percussion

80. A broken gas pipe triggered the _____.

n. a violent release induced by a chemical or nuclear reaction

81. The paper is _____ worth reading thoroughly.

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

82. He refused to do anything _____ to help her.

adv. not at all; no matter what

83. They took the _____ step toward reconciliation.

adj. of or happening at the beginning; (noun) the first letter of a word, especially a person's name

84. My initial reaction was to _____.

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

85. It seems _____ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.

adj. likely to happen or likely to be true

86. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

87. The _____ to the safe was a secret.

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

88. He is familiar with _____ and biology.

n. the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions

ANSWERS: 80. explosion, 81. definitely, 82. whatsoever, 83. initial, 84. refuse, 85. probable, 86. conversation, 87. combination, 88. chemistry

89. The management must _____ strategies to increase office security.
- v.* to travel to or penetrate an area or a country to learn about it; to thoroughly examine a subject or a possibility to learn more about it
90. This artist always packs the _____ halls.
- n.* a musical performance given in public by one or more players or singers
91. I always pack light when traveling to avoid excessive _____ fees.
- n.* the personal belongings that a person carries with them, particularly when traveling; any emotional or psychological issues or problems that a person carries with them
92. We _____ to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.
- v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
93. These infections have the potential to impact practically every _____ system.
- n.* a part of the body of an animal or plant that has a particular purpose and performs a specific job
94. The _____ band was performing at the parade.
- n.* a metal alloy of copper and zinc; a yellowish color; a group of wind instruments made of brass
95. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
- v.* to take part in something
96. His _____ showed highly positive results.
- n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

ANSWERS: 89. explore, 90. concert, 91. baggage, 92. strike, 93. organ, 94. brass, 95. participated, 96. experiments

97. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

adj. unbelievable; enormous

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

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

99. By remaining neutral, this _____ continued to exist.

n. the country ruled by a king or queen

100. Her _____ manner relaxed everyone there.

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

101. _____ the text from Italian into English.

v. to convert or change words into another language

102. The older man gave the young _____ some helpful life advice.

n. a young boy or man, often used in an informal or affectionate way

103. I received a beautiful piece of _____ from my partner for our anniversary.

n. decorative ornaments made of precious metals, gemstones, or other materials, worn as personal adornment, which can include items such as necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, and brooches

104. He moved his body _____ to the left.

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

105. They needed further _____ to perform their duties efficiently.

n. detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something

ANSWERS: 97. incredible, 98. dots, 99. kingdom, 100. gentle, 101. Translate, 102. lad, 103. jewelry, 104. slightly, 105. instruction

106. The leaders of the two countries met to _____ on the issue.

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

107. She had a vibrant _____ that made everyone feel at ease.

n. a person's distinct combination of character, behavioral, temperamental, emotional, and mental traits that define them as an individual and set them apart from others

108. The roaring _____ was so loud that it woke me from sleep.

n. the loud, deep sound made by air expanding along the path of a bolt of lightning; a deep, prolonged loud noise

109. She was tired and hungry, but _____ she persevered.

adv. in spite of that; yet

110. He was unpopular because of his _____ adherence to the rules.

adj. extremely strict and difficult to change or adapt; incapable of or resistant to bending

111. He bated his _____ when talking about this affair.

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

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

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

113. Later, his claim was found to be _____ false.

adv. completely

ANSWERS: 106. confer, 107. personality, 108. thunder, 109. nevertheless, 110. rigid, 111. breath, 112. rolled, 113. entirely

114. This evidence will form the _____ for our discussion.

n. the most important facts, ideas, or events from which something is developed; the way how things are organized or arranged

115. The outermost electron _____ determines the chemical properties of an atom.

n. hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals

116. I have an itchy _____ and need to switch to a different shampoo.

n. the skin that covers the top of a person's head, together with the hair growing on it; also, the part of the body that is most vulnerable to an attack

117. _____ displaced part of the mechanism.

n. a continuous quick and slight shaking movement

118. He has a _____ demeanor and always presents himself in a polished manner.

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

119. He bought a new _____ to attach the strap to his watch.

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

120. Her new documentary earned her an _____ Award.

n. a school for special training; a type of official organization that aims to encourage and develop standards in its particular field

121. She underwent a _____ surgery to alter her appearance.

adv. in terms of appearance, especially about improving or enhancing the appearance of something; superficially

ANSWERS: 114. basis, 115. shell, 116. scalp, 117. Vibration, 118. professional, 119. stud, 120. Academy, 121. cosmetically-enhanced

122. The _____ on the stove started to whistle, signaling that the water was boiling.
n. a metal container with a lid and handle, used for boiling water or other liquids over a heat source, commonly used for making tea or cooking pasta or soup
123. The leaves _____ in the wind, creating a peaceful sound in the forest.
v. to make a soft, crackling sound, like the sound caused by the movement of dry leaves or paper; to move quietly or furtively to avoid being heard or noticed
124. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.
n. a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
125. We _____ along with the singer's song.
v. to hit your hands together and make a short and loud noise, mainly to show your approval or praise
126. He _____ jumped out of his chair when he heard the news.
adv. in the real or original meaning of a word or phrase; in a literal sense or way; not figuratively
127. He drinks an _____ amount of beer.
adj. beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
128. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.
adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
129. This electronic _____ is required to undergo periodic inspections to ensure precision.
n. an object used to make musical sounds, such as a piano, guitar, or drum; a tool or device used for a specific activity, particularly in specialist or scientific work

ANSWERS: 122. kettle, 123. rustled, 124. determinant, 125. clapped, 126. literally, 127. unbelievable, 128. absolutely, 129. instrument

130. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
131. She _____ to the audience after her performance.
- v.* to bend your knee or body, or lower your head; (noun) a weapon made of a curved piece of wood or other flexible material, strung with a cord and used to shoot arrows
132. The sense of accomplishment from completing a challenging hike can _____ those who love the great outdoors
- v.* to make someone feel very happy, animated, or excited; to fill with energy or a sense of euphoria
133. I'm strongly _____ to that plan.
- adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
134. He accumulated wealth across a _____ spectrum of assets.
- adj.* very wide; general
135. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.
- n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
136. His _____ of literary works are often unique.
- n.* an explanation or opinion of something, especially that is not immediately obvious
137. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
- adj.* relating to people's feelings

ANSWERS: 130. assumes, 131. bowed, 132. exhilarate, 133. opposed, 134. broad, 135. bunch, 136. interpretations, 137. emotional

138. The boy _____ his mother's hand tightly as they walked in the dark.

v. to grasp and hold somebody or something tightly

139. She identified the _____ thief using the CCTV footage.

n. a lightweight, two-wheeled vehicle with an engine designed for use on roads; also known as a motorcycle

ANSWERS: 138. clutched, 139. motorbike