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Session 1: Word List

applied

adj. of or relating to a subject of study, especially a science, that is used in a practical way

synonym : practical, practiced, used

(1) **applied** research, (2) **applied** physics

Military technology eventually became the foundation for **applied** technology that supported people's lives.

convinced

adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

synonym : confident, positive, indoctrinated

(1) **convinced** of the idea, (2) **convinced** criminal

The public is **convinced** that the prime minister has committed fraud.

sculptor

n. an artist who creates sculptures, three-dimensional objects, or forms

synonym : carver, modeler, artist

(1) **sculptor** studio, (2) renowned **sculptor**

The famous **sculptor** used various tools to carve the marble into the desired shape.

privilege

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

powerful in a society

synonym: benefit, authorization, advantage

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

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

background

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

synonym: ground, experience, backdrop

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

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

wealth

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

synonym: affluence, assets, fortunate

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

The **wealth** inequality was unavoidable.

announce

v. to make something known or officially inform people about something

synonym: disclose, declare, broadcast

(1) **announce** candidacy, (2) **announce** the award winners

The third season of the anime show has been **announced**.

mathematics

n. the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

synonym: arithmetic, calculation, calculus

(1) a good grounding in **mathematics**, (2) **mathematics** competition

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

passion

n. intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction

synonym: fervor, zeal, ardor

(1) **passion** hobby, (2) **passion** drive

Her **passion** for cooking is evident in every dish she prepares.

admission

n. the act of allowing someone to enter or become a member of a group, organization, institution, or place; the act of acknowledging or confessing something, often a truth or a wrongdoing

synonym: entry, entrance, acceptance

(1) **admission** fee, (2) gain **admission**

She received her college **admission** letter in the mail today.

graduate

n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

synonym: alumna, alum, grad

(1) **graduate** degree program, (2) honor **graduate**

Many employers hire **graduate** trainees to train as managers.

undergraduate

n. a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution

synonym: college student, freshman

(1) engineering **undergraduate**, (2) **undergraduate** course

The class was composed of both **undergraduate** and graduate students.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym: directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer **immediately**

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

architecture

n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings

synonym: design, structure, layout

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

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

blend

v. to mix or combine two or more substances

synonym: combine, mix, intermingle

(1) **blend** all the elements, (2) **blend** milk and cream

The toad altered its appearance to better **blend** in with its new environments.

headmaster

n. the chief administrator or principal of a school or educational institution, typically in charge of its daily operation and management

synonym: principal, headmistress, director

(1) **headmaster** position, (2) former **headmaster**

The school's **headmaster** announced the cancellation of classes due to inclement weather.

preparation

n. the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready

synonym: practice, trial, rehearsal

(1) a **preparation** program, (2) the **preparation** of meals

He helped me with the **preparation** of this book.

suit

n. a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

synonym: clothes, lawsuit, (verb) fit

(1) **suit** and tie restaurant, (2) **suit** at law

Six **suits** are awaiting trial or verdict.

pinstripe

n. a thin, usually colored stripe or narrow line pattern, often found on fabric, clothing, or objects, commonly

associated with formal wear, particularly suits

synonym : stripe, line, band

(1) **pinstripe** suit, (2) **pinstripe** shirt

His suit was adorned with a subtle **pinstripe** pattern, adding a touch of elegance to his attire.

turkey

n. (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans

(1) swell like a **turkey**, (2) **turkey** breast meat

They prepared a stuffed **turkey** for Thanksgiving.

studied

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

synonym : thoughtful, deliberate, calculated

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

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

degree

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

synonym : level, qualification, diploma

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

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

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.

equation

n. the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

(1) the **equation** of poverty with ignorance, (2) a chemical

equation

In this class, you will learn how to solve quadratic **equations**.

creative

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

synonym: imaginative, innovative, inventive

(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit

All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.

lab

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

synonym: workshop, laboratory, research chamber

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

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

passe

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

synonym: outdated, old-fashioned, antique

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

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

baton

n. a thin stick or rod used as a conductor's wand, a symbol of authority, or a tool for specific sports or activities; a short, straight, light stick that is passed from runner to runner in a relay race

synonym: staff, stick, wand

(1) conducting **baton**, (2) twirl the **baton**

The police officer used his **baton** to disperse the crowd.

advantage

n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

synonym: benefit, edge, asset

(1) score an **advantage**, (2) take **advantage** of his weak

points

One of the main **advantages** of the new product is its increased efficiency.

executive

n. a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

synonym: administrator, manager, director

(1) **executive** editor at the publishing house, (2) **executive** vice president

As the **executive** director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.

feat

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

synonym: achievement, accomplishment, exploit

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

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

lever

n. a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily

synonym: lifter, crowbar, bar

(1) a gear change **lever**, (2) **lever** for reform

This initiative will be a **lever** for increasing company sales.

sue

v. to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress

synonym: accuse, plead, file

(1) **sue** a company for damages, (2) **sue** my boss for harassment

He planned to **sue** the organization for negligence.

permission

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

synonym : approval, consent, authorization

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

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

folk

n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type

synonym : community, family, person

(1) **folk** art, (2) the **folk** songs of a particular district

Some seaweed was used as **folk** medicine in ancient times.

stack

n. a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated

synonym : accumulation, heap, pile

(1) high **stack**, (2) a large **stack** of paper

The earthquake caused a **stack** of lumber to crumble noisily.

convey

v. to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another

synonym : communicate, transfer, deliver

(1) **convey** a complex idea, (2) **convey** goods by truck

An ironic remark often **conveys** an intended meaning obliquely.

belt

v. to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body

synonym : sing, hit hard, (noun) strap

(1) **belt** him in the face, (2) leather **belt**

The band was **belting** out old songs in response to audience

requests.

flash

n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness

synonym: sparkle, gleam, glimmer

(1) a **flash** of lightning, (2) brilliant **flash**

These heavy rains caused **flash** floods on several islands.

software

n. a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs

synonym: program, system, operating system

(1) **software** architect, (2) copyrighted **software**

The company specializes in both hardware and **software**.

moving

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

synonym: emotional, poignant, touching

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

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

assembly

n. a group of people who have been elected, especially one that meets regularly and makes decisions or laws for a specific region or country

synonym: crowd, gathering, mass

(1) **assembly** line, (2) **assembly** hall

This company's **assembly** plant is an enormous facility.

constant

adj. happening repeatedly or all the time

synonym: ceaseless, stable, unchanging

(1) a **constant** wind, (2) a **constant** temperature

Constant dropping wears away the stone.

loop

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

synonym : circle, curl, spiral

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

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

develop

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

synonym : evolve, progress, advance

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

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

nation

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

synonym : country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

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.

planet

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

synonym : earth, world, globe

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

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

techie

n. a person who is highly skilled or knowledgeable in the field of technology, particularly with computers or electronic devices

synonym : geek, technician, computer expert

(1) gadget **techies**, (2) aspiring **techies**

Our company hired a **techie** consultant to help us improve our website's functionality.

laptop

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

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

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

debug

v. to remove errors or problems from a system or program, often through troubleshooting or testing

synonym : fix, troubleshoot, rectify

(1) **debug** a program, (2) **debug** a website

I had to **debug** the code several times before it would run correctly.

seasoned

adj. experienced, having acquired extensive knowledge or skill in a particular field or activity

synonym : experienced, skilled, knowledgeable

(1) **seasoned** veteran, (2) **seasoned** with spice

The **seasoned** chef knew how to blend the spices to create the perfect dish.

observation

n. the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone

synonym : watching, notice, reflection

(1) class **observation** day, (2) **observation** instrument

In the hospital, she will remain under constant **observation**.

precise

adj. sharply exact or accurate or delimited

synonym : accurate, exact, distinct

(1) **precise** analyses, (2) estimate **precise** costs

The content is **precise** and informative for me.

observe

v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

synonym: watch, monitor, scrutinize

(1) **observe** a tradition, (2) **observe** wildlife

It is important to **observe** safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

fundamental

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

synonym: basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

launch

v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time

synonym: start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

squeak

v. to make a high-pitched, short, sharp noise; to speak or say something in a high-pitched, weak, or timid voice

synonym: squeal, whine, creak

(1) **squeak** out a few words, (2) mice **squeak**

The door **squeaked** when I opened it.

logo

n. a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials

synonym: emblem, symbol, crest

(1) **logo** design, (2) brand **logo**

The company's **logo** was on the side of the building.

intensive

adj. involving a lot of work or activity in a short time

synonym: thorough, comprehensive, in-depth

(1) **intensive** agriculture, (2) **intensive** care

The construction industry is labor **intensive**, although it has been somewhat automated by introducing large machinery.

photograph

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

synonym: photo, picture, snapshot

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

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

spirit

n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

synonym: soul, attitude, enthusiasm

(1) **spirit** and the letter of the law, (2) an indomitable **spirit**

Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great **spirit**.

influence

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

synonym: power, leverage, effect

(1) **influence** a child's future, (2) **influence** the daily life

The former emperor had a particular **influence** even after he abdicated.

pros

n. the advantages, benefits, or positive aspects of something

synonym: advantages, benefits, assets

(1) the **pros** of living in the city, (2) **pros** and cons

The **pros** of using renewable energy far outweigh the initial costs.

nonprofit

adj. not established for commercial profit

synonym : charitable

(1) a **nonprofit** organization, (2) **nonprofit** agency

Our law firm also focuses on **nonprofit** activities.

twofold

adj. consisting of two parts or aspects; doubled in size, quantity, or degree

synonym : doubled, dual, twinned

(1) **twofold** approach, (2) **twofold** difference

The **twofold** increase in sales was unexpected but welcomed by the company.

merit

n. the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward

synonym : worth, excellence, quality

(1) **merit-based**, (2) the order of **merit**

She was promoted based on her **merits** as a hardworking and dedicated employee.

clarity

n. the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity

synonym : clearness, translucence, brightness

(1) lack of **clarity**, (2) sake of **clarity**

The publisher will proofread most of this manuscript for **clarity**.

moral

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

synonym : honest, ethical, conscientious

(1) **moral** hazard, (2) **moral** burden

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

shareholder

n. (also "stockholder") a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company

synonym : stockholder, shareowner, investor

(1) the **shareholder's** meeting, (2) gain **shareholder** approval

Our company is committed to increasing **shareholder** value.

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.

critic

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

synonym: pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

counterintuitive

adj. contrary to what common sense would suggest

synonym: unreasonable, paradoxical, nonsensical

(1) **counterintuitive** results, (2) **counterintuitive** behavior

The **counterintuitive** nature of quantum physics has been a source of confusion for scientists for decades.

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.

firm

adj. resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

synonym: stable, secure, steadfast

(1) **firm** grip, (2) accounting **firm**

The **firm** deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

communicate

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

synonym: convey, share, transmit

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

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

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

afford

v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

(1) **afford** to buy a new car, (2) **afford** a high travel cost

He cannot **afford** a holiday.

hire

v. to give somebody a job

synonym: employ, engage, lease

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

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

salary

n. a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month

synonym: compensation, earnings, pay

(1) a handsome **salary**, (2) **salary** after taxes

What are your annual **salary** expectations?

queue

n. a line of people or vehicles, especially one that forms outside a place of entertainment or a public building, waiting for something to become available

synonym: range, sequence, waiting line

(1) form a **queue**, (2) **queue** system

There was a long **queue** at the popular attraction.

profit

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

synonym : earnings, gain, proceeds

(1) gross **profit**, (2) make a **profit**

This business yields little **profit**.

retrospect

n. a review or analysis of past events, particularly to gain insight or understanding; a consideration of something that has already occurred or been accomplished

synonym : review, hindsight, contemplation

(1) **retrospect** review, (2) with hindsight **retrospect**

In **retrospect**, I wish I had made a different decision.

crank

n. a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person

synonym : eccentric, oddball, kook

(1) **crank** handle, (2) **crank** caller

The fishing reel had a **crank** that made it easy to reel in the catch.

childlike

adj. resembling or characteristic of a child, particularly in being innocent, trusting, or naive

synonym : innocent, naive, trusting

(1) **childlike** charm, (2) **childlike** innocence

She had a **childlike** wonder and curiosity about the world.

spite

n. feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty

synonym : malice, ill will, vindictiveness

(1) bear **spite** against him, (2) die in **spite** of intensive care

He did it out of **spite**, to annoy me.

separate

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

synonym : disunite, isolate, ramify

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

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

adapt

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

synonym: adjust, acclimate, accustom

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

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student

He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

watt

n. a standard unit for measuring electrical power

(1) 30- **watt** light bulb, (2) **watt** per square meter

Several hectares of land are needed to generate more than 1-mega **watt** solar power.

roughly

adv. approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

synonym: approximately, more or less, around

(1) **roughly** explain my idea, (2) **roughly** speaking

Five miles is **roughly** similar to eight kilometers.

generate

v. to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

synonym: create, yield, produce

(1) **generate** more electricity, (2) **generate** \$100 a month

The economic stimulation program would **generate** a lot of new jobs.

display

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

synonym: show, exhibit, present

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

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

sunlight

n. the light emitted by the sun; the rays of the sun

synonym: daylight, rays, sunshine

(1) a glare of **sunlight**, (2) in direct **sunlight**

Radiation from **sunlight** has a different wavelength.

fantastic

adj. extremely good; excellent

synonym: incredible, unbelievable, marvelous

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

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

mesh

n. a material made of a network of wire, plastic, or thread

synonym: netting, weave, lattice

(1) a **mesh** fence, (2) the **mesh** of a basket

The **mesh** fabric was breathable and comfortable to wear.

commonplace

adj. occurring very often; lacking originality or interest

synonym: ordinary, routine, mundane

(1) become a **commonplace** sight, (2) **commonplace** event

Forgetting someone's name is a **commonplace** occurrence.

rugged

adj. having a rough, uneven, or jagged surface or terrain; characterized by a sturdy, strong, or robust nature

synonym: rough, hardened, harsh

(1) **rugged** coastline, (2) **rugged** landscape

The hikers braved the **rugged** terrain to reach the summit of the mountain.

graduated

adj. having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees

synonym: completed, finished, earned

(1) **graduated** taxation, (2) **graduated** flask
She was a **graduated** student of a prestigious university.

inexpensive

adj. costing little; having a low price

synonym: cheap, affordable, economical

(1) **inexpensive** option, (2) an **inexpensive** inn

The restaurant offered delicious food at an **inexpensive** price.

labor

n. productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

synonym: toil, moil, donkeywork

(1) seasonal **labor**, (2) manual **labor**

In several countries, child **labor** is a serious social problem.

component

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

synonym: element, part, factor

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

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

appropriate

adj. suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

synonym: fitting, suitable, proper

(1) **appropriate** behavior, (2) an **appropriate** time

It would be **appropriate** to dress nicely for the wedding.

pejorative

adj. expressing contempt, disapproval, or criticism; derogatory; having a negative connotation or intended to belittle or demean

synonym: derogatory, insulting, disrespectful

(1) **pejorative** language, (2) **pejorative** term

The coach's **pejorative** comments about the team's effort were unhelpful and demotivating.

large-scale

adj. involving many people or things and involving a lot of change or activity

synonym : big, massive, grand

(1) **large-scale** project, (2) **large-scale** agriculture

The company is planning to make a **large-scale** expansion of its factory.

integrate

v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

synonym : mix, merge, combine

(1) **integrate** into the existing system, (2) **integrate** both businesses

He found that it is difficult to **integrate** socially.

advance

v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

synonym : progress, boost, come along

(1) **advance** the technology, (2) **advance** a cooperative relationship

Scientific knowledge will **advance** significantly with the power of AI.

manufacture

v. to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines

synonym : create, fabricate, assemble

(1) **manufacture** an enzyme, (2) **manufacture** a product

The majority of synthetic vitamins are **manufactured** from oil.

chemical

adj. relating to or connected with chemistry;

synonym : chemic, synthetic

(1) toxic **chemicals**, (2) a **chemical** compound

The firm has grown into a large **chemical** manufacturing.

spew

v. to eject forcefully and abundantly; to flow out rapidly and in large amounts

synonym : vomit, spout, discharge

(1) **spew** carbon dioxide, (2) **spew** insults

The volcano started to **spew** lava and ash, causing panic among residents.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym: apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

slide

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

synonym: glide, drift, drop

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

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

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym: approach, procedure, scenario

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

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

cute

adj. attractive, especially in a childlike or youthful way

synonym: attractive, charming, adorable

(1) act **cute**, (2) super **cute** dress

The baby's chubby cheeks and big eyes made her look so **cute**.

device

n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

synonym: gadget, instrument, tool

(1) electronic **device**, (2) tracking **device**

I always carry a backup **device** in case my phone runs out of battery.

poorest

adj. having the least wealth or resources

synonym : impecunious, penniless, least

(1) **poorest** of the poor, (2) **poorest** area

The **poorest** countries in the world often have the highest rates of malnutrition.

satellite

n. an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.

synonym : orbiter, asteroid, moon

(1) a GPS **satellite**, (2) a meteorological **satellite**

Launching an artificial **satellite** contributed to the technological development of our country.

generator

n. a machine that produces electricity

synonym : dynamo, alternator, creator

(1) random number **generator**, (2) major revenue **generator**

Most data centers have emergency **generators** on standby at all times.

desert

n. arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

(1) **desert** basin, (2) oasis in the **desert**

This region is predominantly **desert**.

jungle

n. an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly

synonym : wilderness, forest

(1) middle of the **jungle**, (2) **jungle** exploration

This village is still in a dense **jungle**.

meter

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

synonym : gauge, indicator, rhythm

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

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

grid

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

synonym : gridiron, battery grid, power system

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

Grid pattern roads often appear in urban areas.

nail

n. a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes

synonym : pin, tack, fastener

(1) rusty **nail**, (2) **nail** clipper

He used a hammer and round **nail** to fix the loose board on the fence.

sprint

v. to run at full speed over a short distance or period of time

synonym : dash, bolt, race

(1) **sprint** for a bus, (2) **sprint** towards the finish line

Top athletes can **sprint** 100 meters in less than 10 seconds.

interface

n. (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things

synonym : junction, surface, UI

(1) **interface** between gas and liquid, (2) the user **interface**

Detergent weakens the surface tension at the **interface** of two liquids.

keyboard

n. device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work

synonym : console, piano

(1) numeric **keyboard**, (2) **keyboard** instruments
Please strike the "enter" on the **keyboard**.

minority

n. the smaller part of a group, especially a number or part representing less than half of the whole; a period before adult legal age

synonym: adolescence, nonage, juvenility

(1) a **minority** position, (2) number of **minority** students
Some ethnic **minority** groups experienced discrimination in society.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym: comparative, proximate, congeneric

(1) a remote **relative**, (2) **relative** factors
Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close **relatives**.

suspect

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

synonym: assume, distrust, surmise

(1) **suspect** a plot, (2) **suspect** that he is sick
The cops **suspected** him of being the killer.

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.

piggyback

n. a ride on someone's back or shoulders, or the act of carrying or supporting something on someone's back or shoulders; (verb) to carry or transport someone or something on one's back or shoulders, or to attach or mount one thing onto another thing for transportation or support

(1) **piggyback** on her success, (2) **piggyback** equipment

The little girl wanted a **piggyback** ride on her father's shoulders.

minister

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

synonym: bishop, official, ambassador

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

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

envy

v. to experience a feeling of jealousy or resentment towards someone because of their possessions, qualities, or achievements; to desire to have something that someone else has; (noun) a feeling of resentment or jealousy towards someone else's perceived advantage or success

synonym: covet, resent, grudge

(1) **envy** his success, (2) feeling **envy** toward him

I can't help but **envy** my friend's ability to stay calm in stressful situations.

camel

n. a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions

(1) **camel** hair, (2) ride a **camel**

A **camel** has a hump on its back.

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.

opportune

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

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

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

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

release

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

synonym: free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

bless

v. to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify

synonym: sanctify, consecrate, hallow

(1) **bless** him in my heart, (2) **bless** you

The priest **blessed** the couple as they knelt before him.

president

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym: leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

tender

adj. gentle and delicate; showing care and consideration for others; easily injured or hurt; offering a bid or proposal in the process of negotiation

synonym: soft, delicate, gentle

(1) **tender** age, (2) **tender** touch

The newborn baby was swaddled in a soft and **tender** blanket.

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.

specific

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

synonym: particular, definite, distinct

(1) **specific** instructions, (2) industry- **specific** regulations

The scientist conducted a study that provided **specific** details about the species' behavior.

vanilla

n. a tropical climbing orchid of the genus *Vanilla*, particularly *vanilla planifolia* native to Mexico and Central America; a flavor derived from the vanilla bean, often used as a sweetening agent or condiment in desserts and beverages

(1) **vanilla** extract, (2) **vanilla** flavor

I love the taste of **vanilla** ice cream.

proposal

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

synonym: offer, suggestion, proposition

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

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

boom

n. a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound

synonym: roaring, prosperity, boost

(1) **boom** in sales, (2) a sonic **boom**

The high-technology industry is enjoying a **boom**.

domino

n. a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events

synonym: tile, block, ivory

(1) **domino** chain, (2) **domino** effect

We knocked over a stack of **dominoes** and watched them fall one by one.

steppe

n. a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America

synonym: prairie, savannah, grassland

(1) **steppe** climate, (2) barren **steppe**

The nomadic tribes set up camp on the vast **steppe**.

statistics

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

initiative

n. the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need

synonym: enterprise, drive, ambition

(1) a peace **initiative**, (2) take **initiative**

The teacher's **initiative** to start a school garden project was met with enthusiasm from the students.

extended

adj. longer than usual or anticipated

synonym: extensive, prolonged, elongated

(1) **extended** vacation, (2) **extended** payment

The **extended** airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

doll

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

synonym: puppet, dolly, toy

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

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

invite

v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place

synonym : ask, request, summon

(1) **invite** guests, (2) **invite** criticism

We want to **invite** you to our annual charity event.

viral

adj. relating to or caused by a virus

(1) fight **viral** infections, (2) detect a **viral** code

This device can more accurately detect **viral** pathogens.

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.

dwell

v. to live or reside in a particular place; to think, speak, or write at length on a particular subject; to linger or remain as if unwilling to leave

synonym : reside, inhabit, occupy

(1) **dwell** on a problem, (2) **dwell** on the past

I love to **dwell** in nature and feel its calming effects on me.

pledge

v. to make a formal promise to give or do something

synonym : promise, assure, guarantee

(1) **pledge** my fidelity, (2) **pledge** military assistance

At this ceremony, We will **pledge** allegiance to the country's flag.

combine

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

synonym : coalesce, cohere, blend

(1) **combine** chemically with another substance,

(2) **combine** augmented reality

Hydrogen and oxygen **combine** to form water.

standing

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

synonym :

upright, vertical, (noun) position

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

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

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.

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.

Session 2: Spelling

1. pr____le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
2. the order of me__t *n.* the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward
3. a fl__h of lightning *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness
4. gadget te____es *n.* a person who is highly skilled or knowledgeable in the field of technology, particularly with computers or electronic devices
5. obs____on instrument *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
6. su____t a plot *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
7. a breach of pr____ge *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
8. aspiring te____es *n.* a person who is highly skilled or knowledgeable in the field of technology, particularly with computers or electronic devices
9. as____ly hall *n.* a group of people who have been elected, especially one that meets regularly and makes decisions or laws for a specific region or country

ANSWERS: 1. probable, 2. merit, 3. flash, 4. techie, 5. observation, 6. suspect, 7. privilege, 8. techie, 9. assembly

10. classic arc_____ure *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
11. di_____y artwork *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
12. accounting f__m *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
13. sp_____ic instructions *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
14. as_____ly line *n.* a group of people who have been elected, especially one that meets regularly and makes decisions or laws for a specific region or country
15. lack of cl_____y *n.* the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity
16. in_____te into the existing system *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
17. ru___d landscape *adj.* having a rough, uneven, or jagged surface or terrain; characterized by a sturdy, strong, or robust nature
18. a g__d design *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

ANSWERS: 10. architecture, 11. display, 12. firm, 13. specific, 14. assembly, 15. clarity, 16. integrate, 17. rugged, 18. grid

19. e__y his success *v.* to experience a feeling of jealousy or resentment towards someone because of their possessions, qualities, or achievements; to desire to have something that someone else has; (noun) a feeling of resentment or jealousy towards someone else's perceived advantage or success
20. severe cr___c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
21. form a qu__e *n.* a line of people or vehicles, especially one that forms outside a place of entertainment or a public building, waiting for something to become available
22. ap____d research *adj.* of or relating to a subject of study, especially a science, that is used in a practical way
23. a co____nt temperature *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
24. ex____ed vacation *adj.* longer than usual or anticipated
25. renowned sc____or *n.* an artist who creates sculptures, three-dimensional objects, or forms
26. well-st____d decision *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
27. op____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
28. fun____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

ANSWERS: 19. envy, 20. critic, 21. queue, 22. applied, 23. constant, 24. extended, 25. sculptor, 26. studied, 27. opportune, 28. fundamental

29. re____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
30. grant per_____on *n.* consent or authorization given by someone in authority or by the owner of something, allowing someone to do something or allowing something to occur
31. gain ad_____on *n.* the act of allowing someone to enter or become a member of a group, organization, institution, or place; the act of acknowledging or confessing something, often a truth or a wrongdoing
32. man_____re a product *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
33. 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.
34. a m__h fence *n.* a material made of a network of wire, plastic, or thread
35. a co_____nt wind *adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
36. medical l_b *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
37. tw_____d difference *adj.* consisting of two parts or aspects; doubled in size, quantity, or degree
38. absolutely fa_____ic event *adj.* extremely good; excellent
39. the m__h of a basket *n.* a material made of a network of wire, plastic, or thread

ANSWERS: 29. release, 30. permission, 31. admission, 32. manufacture, 33. hop, 34. mesh, 35. constant, 36. lab, 37. twofold, 38. fantastic, 39. mesh

40. tw____d approach *adj.* consisting of two parts or aspects; doubled in size, quantity, or degree
41. electronic de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
42. the f__k songs of a particular district *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
43. pl___e my fidelity *v.* to make a formal promise to give or do something
44. a chemical eq____on *n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
45. r__l down his cheeks *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side
46. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
47. mat_____cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
48. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
49. cr_____ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

ANSWERS: 40. twofold, 41. device, 42. folk, 43. pledge, 44. equation, 45. roll, 46. president, 47. mathematics, 48. separate, 49. creative

50. oasis in the de___t *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
51. score an ad_____ge *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
52. b__t him in the face *v.* to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body
53. the user in_____ce *n.* (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things
54. com_____ce event *adj.* occurring very often; lacking originality or interest
55. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
56. cou_____ive results *adj.* contrary to what common sense would suggest
57. deputy prime mi_____er *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
58. f__m grip *adj.* resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

ANSWERS: 50. desert, 51. advantage, 52. belt, 53. interface, 54. commonplace, 55. develop, 56. counterintuitive, 57. minister, 58. firm

59. f__t accomplishment *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
60. h__e a guide *v.* to give somebody a job
61. se_____ed veteran *adj.* experienced, having acquired extensive knowledge or skill in a particular field or activity
62. co___y goods by truck *v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another
63. a pre_____on program *n.* the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready
64. ob_____e a tradition *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
65. former hea_____er *n.* the chief administrator or principal of a school or educational institution, typically in charge of its daily operation and management
66. pa__e trend *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
67. s__t and tie restaurant *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

ANSWERS: 59. feat, 60. hire, 61. seasoned, 62. convey, 63. preparation, 64. observe, 65. headmaster, 66. passe, 67. suit

68. ro____y speaking *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
69. majority of his we____h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
70. thin-and-light la____p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
71. pr____le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
72. an____ce the award winners *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
73. w__t per square meter *n.* a standard unit for measuring electrical power
74. become a com____ce sight *adj.* occurring very often; lacking originality or interest
75. va____a flavor *n.* a tropical climbing orchid of the genus *Vanilla*, particularly *vanilla planifolia* native to Mexico and Central America; a flavor derived from the vanilla bean, often used as a sweetening agent or condiment in desserts and beverages
76. cause unb____ble damage *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
77. sp____t for a bus *v.* to run at full speed over a short distance or period of time
78. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

ANSWERS: 68. roughly, 69. wealth, 70. laptop, 71. probable, 72. announce, 73. watt, 74. commonplace, 75. vanilla, 76. unbelievable, 77. sprint, 78. nation

79. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
80. a glare of su_____ht *n.* the light emitted by the sun; the rays of the sun
81. pho_____ph memories *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
82. l__o design *n.* a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials
83. do____o chain *n.* a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events
84. engineering und_____ate *n.* a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution
85. ro_____y explain my idea *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
86. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
87. ob_____e wildlife *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

ANSWERS: 79. communicate, 80. sunlight, 81. photograph, 82. logo, 83. domino, 84. undergraduate, 85. roughly, 86. statistics, 87. observe

88. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
89. brand l__o *n.* a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials
90. vice-pr_____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
91. number of mi_____ty students *n.* the smaller part of a group, especially a number or part representing less than half of the whole; a period before adult legal age
92. ine_____ve option *adj.* costing little; having a low price
93. an_____ce candidacy *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
94. major revenue ge_____or *n.* a machine that produces electricity
95. pej_____ve language *adj.* expressing contempt, disapproval, or criticism; derogatory; having a negative connotation or intended to belittle or demean
96. feeling e__y toward him *v.* to experience a feeling of jealousy or resentment towards someone because of their possessions, qualities, or achievements; to desire to have something that someone else has; (noun) a feeling of resentment or jealousy towards someone else's perceived advantage or success

ANSWERS: 88. communicate, 89. logo, 90. president, 91. minority, 92. inexpensive, 93. announce, 94. generator, 95. pejorative, 96. envy

97. ch_____ke innocence *adj.* resembling or characteristic of a child, particularly in being innocent, trusting, or naive
98. 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.
99. arc_____ure design *n.* the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
100. the eq_____on of poverty with ignorance *n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
101. a criminal bac_____nd *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
102. ju___e exploration *n.* an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly
103. s__w carbon dioxide *v.* to eject forcefully and abundantly; to flow out rapidly and in large amounts
104. manual la__r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
105. a no_____it organization *adj.* not established for commercial profit

ANSWERS: 97. childlike, 98. hop, 99. architecture, 100. equation, 101. background, 102. jungle, 103. spew, 104. labor, 105. nonprofit

106. man_____re an enzyme *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
107. ex_____ve editor at the publishing house *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
108. high st__k *n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
109. positive feedback l__p *n.* a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself
110. 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
111. a large st__k of paper *n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
112. seasonal la__r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

ANSWERS: 106. manufacture, 107. executive, 108. stack, 109. loop, 110. breath, 111. stack, 112. labor

113. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
114. in_____ce the daily life *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
115. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
116. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
117. po_____t area *adj.* having the least wealth or resources
118. co_____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
119. pr_____e analyses *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
120. di_____y merchandise *v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
121. a meteorological sa_____te *n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
122. develop a st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
123. detect a vi__l code *adj.* relating to or caused by a virus
124. co_____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group

ANSWERS: 113. industrious, 114. influence, 115. nation, 116. opportune, 117. poorest, 118. combine, 119. precise, 120. display, 121. satellite, 122. strategy, 123. viral, 124. combine

125. twirl the ba__n *n.* a thin stick or rod used as a conductor's wand, a symbol of authority, or a tool for specific sports or activities; a short, straight, light stick that is passed from runner to runner in a relay race
126. sc____or studio *n.* an artist who creates sculptures, three-dimensional objects, or forms
127. abs____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
128. sake of cl____y *n.* the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity
129. de__g a website *v.* to remove errors or problems from a system or program, often through troubleshooting or testing
130. spare co____nts for cars *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
131. ext____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
132. ke____rd instruments *n.* device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work
133. act c__e *adj.* attractive, especially in a childlike or youthful way
134. pa__e entertainment *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
135. re____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement

ANSWERS: 125. baton, 126. sculptor, 127. absolutely, 128. clarity, 129. debug, 130. component, 131. extraordinary, 132. keyboard, 133. cute, 134. passe, 135. release

136. 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
137. mo__l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
138. h__e a car by the hour *v.* to give somebody a job
139. ad_____e the technology *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
140. fight vi__l infections *adj.* relating to or caused by a virus
141. a good grounding in mat_____cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
142. 30-w__t light bulb *n.* a standard unit for measuring electrical power
143. in direct su_____ht *n.* the light emitted by the sun; the rays of the sun
144. f__k art *n.* people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
145. lar_____le project *adj.* involving many people or things and involving a lot of change or activity
146. in_____ce between gas and liquid *n.* (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things
147. l_b instrument *n.* a workplace for the conduct of scientific research; a laboratory
148. 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

ANSWERS: 136. breath, 137. moral, 138. hire, 139. advance, 140. viral, 141. mathematics, 142. watt, 143. sunlight, 144. folk, 145. large-scale, 146. interface, 147. lab, 148. relate

149. sp___t and the letter of the law *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
150. co_____ed of the idea *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
151. bear sp__e against him *n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty
152. gr_____te degree program *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
153. s__t at law *n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
154. dw__l on a problem *v.* to live or reside in a particular place; to think, speak, or write at length on a particular subject; to linger or remain as if unwilling to leave
155. ap_____d physics *adj.* of or relating to a subject of study, especially a science, that is used in a practical way

ANSWERS: 149. spirit, 150. convinced, 151. spite, 152. graduate, 153. suit, 154. dwell, 155. applied

156. pej_____ve term *adj.* expressing contempt, disapproval, or criticism; derogatory; having a negative connotation or intended to belittle or demean
157. save the pl____t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
158. a fa_____ic dress *adj.* extremely good; excellent
159. a gas me__r *n.* a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse
160. sp____t towards the finish line *v.* to run at full speed over a short distance or period of time
161. a peace ini_____ve *n.* the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need
162. his social st_____ng *adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
163. art cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
164. co_____ed criminal *adj.* completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion
165. va_____a extract *n.* a tropical climbing orchid of the genus *Vanilla*, particularly *vanilla planifolia* native to Mexico and Central America; a flavor derived from the vanilla bean, often used as a sweetening agent or condiment in desserts and beverages

ANSWERS: 156. pejorative, 157. planet, 158. fantastic, 159. meter, 160. sprint, 161. initiative, 162. standing, 163. critic, 164. convinced, 165. vanilla

166. a remote re____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
167. pi_____pe suit *n.* a thin, usually colored stripe or narrow line pattern, often found on fabric, clothing, or objects, commonly associated with formal wear, particularly suits
168. st_____ng water *adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation
169. military st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
170. leather b__t *v.* to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body
171. p__s and cons *n.* the advantages, benefits, or positive aspects of something
172. ret_____ct review *n.* a review or analysis of past events, particularly to gain insight or understanding; a consideration of something that has already occurred or been accomplished
173. bring my la____p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
174. certified pro_____nal secretary *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
175. brilliant fl__h *n.* a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness

ANSWERS: 166. relative, 167. pinstripe, 168. standing, 169. strategy, 170. belt, 171. pros, 172. retrospect, 173. laptop, 174. professional, 175. flash

176. random number ge_____or *n.* a machine that produces electricity
177. super c__e dress *adj.* attractive, especially in a childlike or youthful way
178. de___t basin *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
179. plastic d__l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
180. pr_____ge of membership *n.* a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
181. a GPS sa_____te *n.* an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
182. ad_____on fee *n.* the act of allowing someone to enter or become a member of a group, organization, institution, or place; the act of acknowledging or confessing something, often a truth or a wrongdoing
183. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
184. mice sq___k *v.* to make a high-pitched, short, sharp noise; to speak or say something in a high-pitched, weak, or timid voice

ANSWERS: 176. generator, 177. cute, 178. desert, 179. doll, 180. privilege, 181. satellite, 182. admission, 183. decide, 184. squeak

185. die in sp__e of intensive care *n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty
186. take ini____ve *n.* the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need
187. gr____ed flask *adj.* having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
188. ride a ca__l *n.* a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions
189. le__r for reform *n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
190. re____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
191. rusty n__l *n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes
192. an indomitable sp____t *n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

ANSWERS: 185. spite, 186. initiative, 187. graduated, 188. camel, 189. lever, 190. relative, 191. nail, 192. spirit

193. bachelor's de___e *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
194. with hindsight ret_____ct *n.* a review or analysis of past events, particularly to gain insight or understanding; a consideration of something that has already occurred or been accomplished
195. su_____t that he is sick *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
196. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
197. a mi_____ty position *n.* the smaller part of a group, especially a number or part representing less than half of the whole; a period before adult legal age
198. conducting ba___n *n.* a thin stick or rod used as a conductor's wand, a symbol of authority, or a tool for specific sports or activities; a short, straight, light stick that is passed from runner to runner in a relay race
199. tracking de___e *n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
200. copyrighted so_____re *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs

ANSWERS: 193. degree, 194. retrospect, 195. suspect, 196. fundamental, 197. minority, 198. baton, 199. device, 200. software

201. ge_____te more electricity *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
202. without impact wha_____er *adv.* not at all; no matter what
203. ex_____ve vice president *n.* a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations
204. hea_____er position *n.* the chief administrator or principal of a school or educational institution, typically in charge of its daily operation and management
205. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
206. cr__k handle *n.* a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person
207. me__t-based *n.* the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward
208. pi_____ck on her success *n.* a ride on someone's back or shoulders, or the act of carrying or supporting something on someone's back or shoulders; (verb) to carry or transport someone or something on one's back or shoulders, or to attach or mount one thing onto another thing for transportation or support

ANSWERS: 201. generate, 202. whatsoever, 203. executive, 204. headmaster, 205. obvious, 206. crank, 207. merit, 208. piggyback

209. bl__d milk and cream	<i>v.</i>	to mix or combine two or more substances
210. pho_____ph album	<i>n.</i>	a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
211. gross pr___t	<i>n.</i>	money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
212. ad_____e a cooperative relationship	<i>v.</i>	to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
213. class obs_____on day	<i>n.</i>	the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
214. po_____t of the poor	<i>adj.</i>	having the least wealth or resources
215. b__m in sales	<i>n.</i>	a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
216. pl___e military assistance	<i>v.</i>	to make a formal promise to give or do something
217. an app_____te time	<i>adj.</i>	suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
218. no_____it agency	<i>adj.</i>	not established for commercial profit
219. tu___y breast meat	<i>n.</i>	(of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans

ANSWERS: 209. blend, 210. photograph, 211. profit, 212. advance, 213. observation, 214. poorest, 215. boom, 216. pledge, 217. appropriate, 218. nonprofit, 219. turkey

220. the p__s of living in the city *n.* the advantages, benefits, or positive aspects of something
221. n__l clipper *n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes
222. bl__d all the elements *v.* to mix or combine two or more substances
223. a ch____al compound *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
224. swell like a tu__y *n.* (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans
225. in_____te both businesses *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
226. pi_____ck equipment *n.* a ride on someone's back or shoulders, or the act of carrying or supporting something on someone's back or shoulders; (verb) to carry or transport someone or something on one's back or shoulders, or to attach or mount one thing onto another thing for transportation or support
227. st___e climate *n.* a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America

ANSWERS: 220. pros, 221. nail, 222. blend, 223. chemical, 224. turkey, 225. integrate, 226. piggyback, 227. steppe

228. bl__s him in my heart *v.* to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify
229. intellectual f__t *n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
230. barren st___e *n.* a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America
231. so_____re architect *n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
232. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
233. co___y a complex idea *v.* to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another
234. se_____ed with spice *adj.* experienced, having acquired extensive knowledge or skill in a particular field or activity
235. la___h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
236. r__l a ball *v.* to move in a particular direction by turning over and over or from side to side

ANSWERS: 228. bless, 229. feat, 230. steppe, 231. software, 232. separate, 233. convey, 234. seasoned, 235. launch, 236. roll

237. material we___h *n.* a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
238. te___r age *adj.* gentle and delicate; showing care and consideration for others; easily injured or hurt; offering a bid or proposal in the process of negotiation
239. pl___t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
240. middle of the ju___e *n.* an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly
241. ex____ed payment *adj.* longer than usual or anticipated
242. an ine____ve inn *adj.* costing little; having a low price
243. ext____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
244. sa___y after taxes *n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
245. exit from a l__p *n.* a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself
246. an innovative pr____al *n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
247. ch____ke charm *adj.* resembling or characteristic of a child, particularly in being innocent, trusting, or naive

ANSWERS: 237. wealth, 238. tender, 239. planet, 240. jungle, 241. extended, 242. inexpensive, 243. extraordinary, 244. salary, 245. loop, 246. proposal, 247. childlike

248. mo___g experience *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
249. ru___d coastline *adj.* having a rough, uneven, or jagged surface or terrain; characterized by a sturdy, strong, or robust nature
250. sl___e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
251. te___r touch *adj.* gentle and delicate; showing care and consideration for others; easily injured or hurt; offering a bid or proposal in the process of negotiation
252. rag d___l *n.* a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
253. per_____on for permanent residence *n.* consent or authorization given by someone in authority or by the owner of something, allowing someone to do something or allowing something to occur
254. Mi_____er for Education *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
255. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
256. take ad_____ge of his weak points *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

ANSWERS: 248. moving, 249. rugged, 250. slide, 251. tender, 252. doll, 253. permission, 254. minister, 255. develop, 256. advantage

257. cou_____ive behavior *adj.* contrary to what common sense would suggest
258. und_____ate course *n.* a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution
259. qu__e system *n.* a line of people or vehicles, especially one that forms outside a place of entertainment or a public building, waiting for something to become available
260. make a pr___t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
261. in___e criticism *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
262. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
263. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
264. mo___g ceremony *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
265. gr_____ed taxation *adj.* having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees
266. the sha_____er's meeting *n.* (also "stockholder") a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company

ANSWERS: 257. counterintuitive, 258. undergraduate, 259. queue, 260. profit, 261. invite, 262. background, 263. obvious, 264. moving, 265. graduated, 266. shareholder

267. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
268. pa_____n drive *n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction
269. ad__t as needed *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
270. toxic ch_____als *adj.* relating to or connected with chemistry;
271. de__g a program *v.* to remove errors or problems from a system or program, often through troubleshooting or testing
272. s_e a company for damages *v.* to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress
273. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
274. gain sha_____er approval *n.* (also "stockholder") a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company
275. pro_____nal athlete *adj.* having or showing the skill appropriate to a particular job; competent or skillful
276. key co_____nt *n.* one of several parts that combines with others to form something bigger
277. unb_____ble beauty *adj.* beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
278. a handsome sa___y *n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month

ANSWERS: 267. statistics, 268. passion, 269. adapt, 270. chemical, 271. debug, 272. sue, 273. slide, 274. shareholder, 275. professional, 276. component, 277. unbelievable, 278. salary

279. imm_____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
280. pa_____n hobby *n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction
281. in_____ve agriculture *adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time
282. s__w insults *v.* to eject forcefully and abundantly; to flow out rapidly and in large amounts
283. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
284. ad__t fully to the environment *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
285. industry-sp_____ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
286. estimate pr_____e costs *adj.* sharply exact or accurate or delimited
287. la___h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
288. lar_____le agriculture *adj.* involving many people or things and involving a lot of change or activity
289. numeric ke_____rd *n.* device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work
290. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

ANSWERS: 279. immediately, 280. passion, 281. intensive, 282. spew, 283. decide, 284. adapt, 285. specific, 286. precise, 287. launch, 288. large-scale, 289. keyboard, 290. industrious

291. in___e guests *v.* to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
292. st____d analysis *adj.* deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned
293. bl__s you *v.* to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify
294. wha____er it be *adv.* not at all; no matter what
295. dw__l on the past *v.* to live or reside in a particular place; to think, speak, or write at length on a particular subject; to linger or remain as if unwilling to leave
296. ca__l hair *n.* a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions
297. abs____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
298. a gear change le__r *n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
299. mo__l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
300. pi____pe shirt *n.* a thin, usually colored stripe or narrow line pattern, often found on fabric, clothing, or objects, commonly associated with formal wear, particularly suits
301. app____te behavior *adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting

ANSWERS: 291. invite, 292. studied, 293. bless, 294. whatsoever, 295. dwell, 296. camel, 297. absolutely, 298. lever, 299. moral, 300. pinstripe, 301. appropriate

302. a sonic b__m *n.* a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound
303. the pre_____on of meals *n.* the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready
304. barren of cr_____ve spirit *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
305. ge_____te \$100 a month *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
306. do___o effect *n.* a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events
307. sq___k out a few words *v.* to make a high-pitched, short, sharp noise; to speak or say something in a high-pitched, weak, or timid voice
308. in_____ve care *adj.* involving a lot of work or activity in a short time
309. in_____ce a child's future *n.* the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
310. poetic me__r *n.* a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse

ANSWERS: 302. boom, 303. preparation, 304. creative, 305. generate, 306. domino, 307. squeak, 308. intensive, 309. influence, 310. meter

311. 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
312. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
313. cr__k caller *n.* a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person
314. s_e my boss for harassment *v.* to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress
315. honor gr_____te *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
316. a wire g__d *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
317. af___d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
318. af___d to buy a new car *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
319. details of his pr_____al *n.* a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one
320. de___e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

ANSWERS: 311. relate, 312. immediately, 313. crank, 314. sue, 315. graduate, 316. grid, 317. afford, 318. afford, 319. proposal, 320. degree

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Our skeleton outline of the _____ met with much opposition.
n. a formal suggestion or offer, sometimes a written one

2. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.
v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

3. In _____ I wish I had made a different decision.
n. a review or analysis of past events, particularly to gain insight or understanding; a consideration of something that has already occurred or been accomplished

4. Our company hired a _____ consultant to help us improve our website's functionality.
n. a person who is highly skilled or knowledgeable in the field of technology, particularly with computers or electronic devices

5. These heavy rains caused _____ floods on several islands.
n. a sudden intense burst of radiant energy; a momentary brightness

6. He has a flair for _____.
n. the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

7. As the _____ director of the non-profit, it's her responsibility to make sure they're meeting their mission goals.
n. a person or group of people with top-level management responsibility in a business or other organization; the branch that is responsible for implementing, administering, and enforcing laws, as well as running the day-to-day operations

ANSWERS: 1. proposal, 2. separate, 3. retrospect, 4. techie, 5. flash, 6. mathematics, 7. executive

8. The construction industry is labor _____ although it has been somewhat automated by introducing large machinery.
adj. involving a lot of work or activity in a short time
9. I love the taste of _____ ice cream.
n. a tropical climbing orchid of the genus *Vanilla*, particularly *vanilla planifolia* native to Mexico and Central America; a flavor derived from the vanilla bean, often used as a sweetening agent or condiment in desserts and beverages
10. The majority of synthetic vitamins are _____ from oil.
v. to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
11. The city is known for its impressive _____ and beautiful old buildings.
n. the art and science of designing and constructing buildings
12. _____ pattern roads often appear in urban areas.
n. a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
13. Most data centers have emergency _____ on standby at all times.
n. a machine that produces electricity
14. Some seaweed was used as _____ medicine in ancient times.
n. people in general, especially those of a particular group or type
15. I can't help but _____ my friend's ability to stay calm in stressful situations.
v. to experience a feeling of jealousy or resentment towards someone because of their possessions, qualities, or achievements; to desire to have something that someone else has; (noun) a feeling of resentment or jealousy towards someone else's perceived advantage or success

ANSWERS: 8. intensive, 9. vanilla, 10. manufactured, 11. architecture, 12. Grid, 13. generators, 14. folk, 15. envy

16. I asked my boss for _____ to leave early for a doctor's appointment.
n. consent or authorization given by someone in authority or by the owner of something, allowing someone to do something or allowing something to occur
17. He drinks an _____ amount of beer.
adj. beyond belief or understanding and extremely surprising
18. In several countries, child _____ is a serious social problem.
n. productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
19. Detergent weakens the surface tension at the _____ of two liquids.
n. (computer science) a program that controls a display for the user and that allows the user to interact with the system; (chemistry) a surface forming a common boundary between two things
20. 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
21. At this ceremony, We will _____ allegiance to the country's flag.
v. to make a formal promise to give or do something
22. 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.
23. This village is still in a dense _____.
n. an area of tropical forest where in which trees and plants grow very thickly

ANSWERS: 16. permission, 17. unbelievable, 18. labor, 19. interface, 20. relate, 21. pledge, 22. hopped, 23. jungle

24. Several hectares of land are needed to generate more than 1-mega_____ solar power.
n. a standard unit for measuring electrical power
25. His _____ speech about his struggles with addiction brought tears to the audience's eyes.
adj. causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
26. The economic stimulation program would _____ a lot of new jobs.
v. to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
27. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
28. One of the main _____ of the new product is its increased efficiency.
n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
29. The _____ inequality was unavoidable.
n. a large amount of money, property, or other things that someone or an organization owns
30. The door _____ when I opened it.
v. to make a high-pitched, short, sharp noise; to speak or say something in a high-pitched, weak, or timid voice
31. His speech was carefully crafted and delivered with _____ confidence.
adj. deliberately considered or scrutinized; carefully thought out or planned

ANSWERS: 24. watt, 25. moving, 26. generate, 27. statistics, 28. advantages, 29. wealth, 30. squeaked, 31. studied

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

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

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

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

34. Her _____ for cooking is evident in every dish she prepares.

- n.* intense, driving, or overpowering feeling or conviction

35. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.

- adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

36. The little girl wanted a _____ ride on her father's shoulders.

- n.* a ride on someone's back or shoulders, or the act of carrying or supporting something on someone's back or shoulders; (verb) to carry or transport someone or something on one's back or shoulders, or to attach or mount one thing onto another thing for transportation or support

37. I had to _____ the code several times before it would run correctly.

- v.* to remove errors or problems from a system or program, often through troubleshooting or testing

38. This device can more accurately detect _____ pathogens.

- adj.* relating to or caused by a virus

ANSWERS: 32. develop, 33. passe, 34. passion, 35. creative, 36. piggyback, 37. debug, 38. viral

39. We need to _____ our products in an attractive way to attract customers.
- v.* to exhibit or show something to others, often to attract attention or demonstrate its features, properties, or value
40. The police officer used his _____ to disperse the crowd.
- n.* a thin stick or rod used as a conductor's wand, a symbol of authority, or a tool for specific sports or activities; a short, straight, light stick that is passed from runner to runner in a relay race
41. In this class, you will learn how to solve quadratic _____.
- n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
42. Many people in this city use the _____ railway for transportation.
- n.* a shape like a curve or a circle made by something long and thin, such as a piece of string, that bends round and crosses itself
43. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
- v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
44. They prepared a stuffed _____ for Thanksgiving.
- n.* (of an animal) a large bird with a fan-shaped tail native to North America, widely grown for food; (of a country) a Eurasian republic in Asia Minor and the Balkans
45. It would be _____ to dress nicely for the wedding.
- adj.* suitable or proper in the circumstances; fitting
46. He planned to _____ the organization for negligence.
- v.* to claim a person or organization, especially by filing a legal claim for money or redress

ANSWERS: 39. display, 40. baton, 41. equations, 42. loop, 43. decide, 44. turkey, 45. appropriate, 46. sue

47. She was promoted based on her _____ as a hardworking and dedicated employee.
- n.* the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially to deserve praise or reward
48. In the hospital, she will remain under constant _____.
- n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
49. I always carry a backup _____ in case my phone runs out of battery.
- n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
50. This initiative will be a _____ for increasing company sales.
- n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
51. The school's _____ announced the cancellation of classes due to inclement weather.
- n.* the chief administrator or principal of a school or educational institution, typically in charge of its daily operation and management
52. The nomadic tribes set up camp on the vast _____.
- n.* a vast, wide, and usually treeless plain, typically found in semi-arid or arid regions, characterized by fertile soil and grassy vegetation, often used for grazing livestock; an expansive and open grassland ecosystem found in Eurasia and North America
53. The _____ concert was packed with fans.
- adj.* existing or remaining upright; having a vertical position; (noun) social, financial, or professional status or reputation

ANSWERS: 47. merits, 48. observation, 49. device, 50. lever, 51. headmaster, 52. steppe, 53. standing

54. The cops _____ him of being the killer.

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

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

adj. likely to happen or likely to be true

56. She was a _____ student of a prestigious university.

adj. having received a degree from a school, college, or university; marked with or divided into levels or degrees

57. He helped me with the _____ of this book.

n. the activity of getting ready for something or making something ready

58. This region is predominantly _____.

n. arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

59. The firm has grown into a large _____ manufacturing.

adj. relating to or connected with chemistry;

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

adj. extremely good; excellent

61. The _____ increase in sales was unexpected but welcomed by the company.

adj. consisting of two parts or aspects; doubled in size, quantity, or degree

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

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

ANSWERS: 54. suspected, 55. probable, 56. graduated, 57. preparation, 58. desert, 59. chemical, 60. fantastic, 61. twofold, 62. feat

63. The company specializes in both hardware and _____.
- n.* a set of computer programs and associated documentation and data for doing particular computational jobs
64. This company's _____ plant is an enormous facility.
- n.* a group of people who have been elected, especially one that meets regularly and makes decisions or laws for a specific region or country
65. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great _____.
- n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
66. Radiation from _____ has a different wavelength.
- n.* the light emitted by the sun; the rays of the sun
67. The publisher will proofread most of this manuscript for _____.
- n.* the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity
68. The earthquake caused a _____ of lumber to crumble noisily.
- n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
69. _____ dropping wears away the stone.
- adj.* happening repeatedly or all the time
70. He cannot _____ a holiday.
- v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

ANSWERS: 63. software, 64. assembly, 65. spirit, 66. sunlight, 67. clarity, 68. stack, 69. Constant, 70. afford

71. She received her college _____ letter in the mail today.

n. the act of allowing someone to enter or become a member of a group, organization, institution, or place; the act of acknowledging or confessing something, often a truth or a wrongdoing

72. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.

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

73. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

74. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

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

75. The former emperor had a particular _____ even after he abdicated.

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

76. She had a _____ wonder and curiosity about the world.

adj. resembling or characteristic of a child, particularly in being innocent, trusting, or naive

77. The baby's chubby cheeks and big eyes made her look so _____.

adj. attractive, especially in a childlike or youthful way

78. Our law firm also focuses on _____ activities.

adj. not established for commercial profit

ANSWERS: 71. admission, 72. slide, 73. moral, 74. nation, 75. influence, 76. childlike, 77. cute, 78. nonprofit

79. The _____ airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

adj. longer than usual or anticipated

80. Five miles is _____ similar to eight kilometers.

adv. approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

81. Many employers hire _____ trainees to train as managers.

n. a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

82. This business yields little _____.

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

83. The _____ occasionally preaches at this church.

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

84. What are your annual _____ expectations?

n. a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month

85. The _____ chef knew how to blend the spices to create the perfect dish.

adj. experienced, having acquired extensive knowledge or skill in a particular field or activity

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

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

ANSWERS: 79. extended, 80. roughly, 81. graduate, 82. profit, 83. minister, 84. salary, 85. seasoned, 86. component

87. Military technology eventually became the foundation for _____ technology that supported people's lives.
adj. of or relating to a subject of study, especially a science, that is used in a practical way
88. The coach's _____ comments about the team's effort were unhelpful and demotivating.
adj. expressing contempt, disapproval, or criticism; derogatory; having a negative connotation or intended to belittle or demean
89. Scientific knowledge will _____ significantly with the power of AI.
v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
90. The club _____ does not have absolute power.
n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
91. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
92. The _____ fabric was breathable and comfortable to wear.
n. a material made of a network of wire, plastic, or thread
93. Forgetting someone's name is a _____ occurrence.
adj. occurring very often; lacking originality or interest
94. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.
adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

ANSWERS: 87. applied, 88. pejorative, 89. advance, 90. president, 91. opportune, 92. mesh, 93. commonplace, 94. absolutely

95. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

96. He used a hammer and round _____ to fix the loose board on the fence.

n. a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes

97. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.

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

98. An ironic remark often _____ an intended meaning obliquely.

v. to express ideas, feelings, etc. so that it is known or understood by other people; to carry something from one place to another

99. I found an old _____ of my grandparents from their wedding day.

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

100. Six _____ are awaiting trial or verdict.

n. a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

101. Top athletes can _____ 100 meters in less than 10 seconds.

v. to run at full speed over a short distance or period of time

102. We knocked over a stack of _____ and watched them fall one by one.

n. a small, flat, rectangular block used in a game that has pairs of dots on one or both sides; a consequence of an event that sets off a chain reaction of similar events

ANSWERS: 95. combine, 96. nail, 97. extraordinary, 98. conveys, 99. photograph, 100. suits, 101. sprint, 102. dominoes

103. 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

104. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.

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

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

- adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

106. The third season of the anime show has been _____.

- v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something

107. The high-technology industry is enjoying a _____.

- n.* a sudden increase in economic activity, or a sudden happening that brings good fortune; a deep, loud, and prolonged sound

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

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

109. The priest _____ the couple as they knelt before him.

- v.* to make or pronounce holy; to hallow; to consecrate; to sanctify

110. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.

- n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

111. The _____ of using renewable energy far outweigh the initial costs.

- n.* the advantages, benefits, or positive aspects of something

ANSWERS: 103. breath, 104. planet, 105. obvious, 106. announced, 107. boom, 108. adapt, 109. blessed, 110. critics, 111. pros

112. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.
adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
113. 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
114. The restaurant offered delicious food at an _____ price.
adj. costing little; having a low price
115. The volcano started to _____ lava and ash, causing panic among residents.
v. to eject forcefully and abundantly; to flow out rapidly and in large amounts
116. Launching an artificial _____ contributed to the technological development of our country.
n. an electronic device that is sent up into space and moves around the Earth or another planet, used for gathering information or communicating by radio, television, etc.
117. The _____ nature of quantum physics has been a source of confusion for scientists for decades.
adj. contrary to what common sense would suggest
118. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.
v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement
119. A _____ has a hump on its back.
n. a cud-chewing mammal used as a draft or saddle animal in desert regions
120. The toad altered its appearance to better _____ in with its new environments.
v. to mix or combine two or more substances

ANSWERS: 112. relatives, 113. rolled, 114. inexpensive, 115. spew, 116. satellite, 117. counterintuitive, 118. release, 119. camel, 120. blend

121. The public is _____ that the prime minister has committed fraud.

adj. completely certain about something; having a strong belief or conviction in a particular religion

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

adv. not at all; no matter what

123. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's _____.

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

124. The scientist conducted a study that provided _____ details about the species' behavior.

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

125. It is important to _____ safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

v. to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

126. The company is planning to make a _____ expansion of its factory.

adj. involving many people or things and involving a lot of change or activity

127. Please strike the "enter" on the _____.

n. device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work

ANSWERS: 121. convinced, 122. whatsoever, 123. background, 124. specific, 125. observe, 126. large-scale, 127. keyboard

128. The famous _____ used various tools to carve the marble into the desired shape.
- n.* an artist who creates sculptures, three-dimensional objects, or forms
129. 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
130. There was a long _____ at the popular attraction.
- n.* a line of people or vehicles, especially one that forms outside a place of entertainment or a public building, waiting for something to become available
131. Our company is committed to increasing _____ value.
- n.* (also "stockholder") a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company
132. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.
- n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
133. I love to _____ in nature and feel its calming effects on me.
- v.* to live or reside in a particular place; to think, speak, or write at length on a particular subject; to linger or remain as if unwilling to leave
134. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.
- v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
135. The hikers braved the _____ terrain to reach the summit of the mountain.
- adj.* having a rough, uneven, or jagged surface or terrain; characterized by a sturdy, strong, or robust nature

ANSWERS: 128. sculptor, 129. professional, 130. queue, 131. shareholder, 132. strategy, 133. dwell, 134. launch, 135. rugged

136. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.

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

137. The band was _____ out old songs in response to audience requests.

- v.* to sing loudly and forcefully; to hit someone or something hard; (noun) a strip of leather or other material worn to tie or buckle something around the body

138. We should always be prepared to _____ talented recruits.

- v.* to give somebody a job

139. He did it out of _____ to annoy me.

- n.* feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty

140. The company's _____ was on the side of the building.

- n.* a symbol or design that represents a company, organization, or product used on packaging, advertisements, and other materials

141. His suit was adorned with a subtle _____ pattern, adding a touch of elegance to his attire.

- n.* a thin, usually colored stripe or narrow line pattern, often found on fabric, clothing, or objects, commonly associated with formal wear, particularly suits

142. The Prime Minister will pay a courtesy visit to the Nobel laureate's _____.

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

143. He found that it is difficult to _____ socially.

- v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

ANSWERS: 136. degree, 137. belting, 138. hire, 139. spite, 140. logo, 141. pinstripe, 142. lab, 143. integrate

144. Some ethnic _____ groups experienced discrimination in society.
n. the smaller part of a group, especially a number or part representing less than half of the whole; a period before adult legal age
145. The fishing reel had a _____ that made it easy to reel in the catch.
n. a mechanical device that converts rotary motion into linear motion or vice versa; an eccentric or unpredictable person
146. The class was composed of both _____ and graduate students.
n. a student who is studying for their first degree at a university or other higher education institution
147. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.
v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
148. The _____ on the wall showed that the room was three meters long.
n. a device used to measure the amount of a particular substance or attribute, such as length, volume, or time; (prosody) the accent in a metrical foot of verse
149. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.
adv. now or without delay
150. The _____ deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.
adj. resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
151. The newborn baby was swaddled in a soft and _____ blanket.
adj. gentle and delicate; showing care and consideration for others; easily injured or hurt; offering a bid or proposal in the process of negotiation

ANSWERS: 144. minority, 145. crank, 146. undergraduate, 147. communicate, 148. meter, 149. immediately, 150. firm, 151. tender

152. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
153. We want to _____ you to our annual charity event.
v. to ask someone to come or join; to offer an opportunity or possibility for something to happen or take place
154. In the Middle Ages, the right to hunt in the wild was the _____ of royalty and nobility.
n. a special right or advantage that only one person or group of people has, usually because they are rich and powerful in a society
155. The _____ countries in the world often have the highest rates of malnutrition.
adj. having the least wealth or resources
156. The content is _____ and informative for me.
adj. sharply exact or accurate or delimited
157. The antique _____ was worth thousands of dollars.
n. a child's toy that typically represents a human figure, especially a young girl; an attractive woman; a woman who is subservient or passive
158. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.
adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
159. I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my _____ all day.
n. a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap

ANSWERS: 152. industrious, 153. invite, 154. privilege, 155. poorest, 156. precise, 157. doll, 158. fundamental, 159. laptop

160. The teacher's _____ to start a school garden project was met with enthusiasm from the students.

- n.* the ability to act or make decisions independently and with confidence; a plan or action proposed or taken to address a problem or need

ANSWERS: 160. initiative