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Session 1: Word List

strike

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

synonym: hit, impact, influence

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

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

implicit

adj. suggested but not directly expressed

synonym: implied, unstated, hinted

(1) **implicit** bias, (2) give **implicit** consent

The **implicit** meaning behind his words was clear, even though he did not explicitly say it.

theme

n. a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation

synonym: subject, topic, motif

(1) **theme** park, (2) central **theme**

The **theme** of the novel is the corrupting influence of power.

compassion

n. a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck

synonym: pity, empathy, understanding

(1) feel **compassion** for the poor, (2) have **compassion**

toward the accident

His infinite love and **compassion** for everyone never weary.

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.

demonstration

n. a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others

synonym : manifestation, presentation, show

(1) **demonstration** project, (2) a campus **demonstration**

Thousands of people attended the protest **demonstration** against the proposed policy.

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.

collateral

n. something of value pledged as security against a loan or debt; something that is related or complementary to something else, often as a secondary consequence

synonym : guarantee, security, pledge

(1) **collateral** damage, (2) **collateral** agreement

The loan was secured with **collateral**, requiring the borrower to put up their house as a guarantee.

psychology

n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

assured

adj. confident and sure; having no doubts or worries

synonym: confident, secure, certain

(1) **assured** confidence, (2) an **assured** position

She was **assured** of a bright future after graduation.

scrotum

n. the external pouch of skin and muscle that contains the testicles in males; part of the male reproductive system

synonym: scrotal sac, testicles, balls

(1) **scrotum** swelling, (2) **scrotum** itch

The doctor performed surgery to repair a tear in the **scrotum**.

theological

adj. relating to the study of religion or religious belief; relating to the nature of God or divinity

synonym: religious, divine, spiritual

(1) a **theological** school, (2) **theological** virtue

The seminar will explore the **theological** foundations of the Christian faith.

seminary

n. an educational institution, typically for the training of candidates for the priesthood or ministry; a school for higher learning

synonym: school, academy, college

(1) theological **seminary**, (2) college **seminary**

He enrolled in the **seminary** to study theology and become a minister.

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.

divinity

n. the state or quality of being divine; the state of being a god or goddess; the study of religious beliefs and practices

synonym: godhead, deity, divineness

(1) an indwelling **divinity**, (2) **divinity** degree

The ancient civilization revered the **divinity** of the god.

stud

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

synonym: beam, scantling, framing

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

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

sermon

n. a speech or lecture given by a religious leader, especially a minister or priest, as part of a worship service

synonym: homily, discourse, lecture

(1) lengthy **sermon**, (2) a lay **sermon**

The preacher delivered a powerful **sermon** on the importance of forgiveness.

topic

n. a subject that is being discussed or written about

synonym: subject, theme, issue

(1) a serious **topic**, (2) the **topic** of the book

The **topic** of the discussion was the current state of the economy.

parable

n. a short allegorical story designed to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson

synonym: allegory, fable, tale

(1) **parable** story, (2) biblical **parable**

Jesus quoted **parables** to teach important lessons to his disciples.

random

adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

synonym: incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**

To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

bible

n. the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

synonym : authoritative book, holy book, doctrine

(1) a passage from the **Bible**, (2) believe **Bible** prophecy
Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology **bible**.

passee

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

synonym : outdated, old-fashioned, antique

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

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

moan

v. to make a low, prolonged sound of pain, grief, or sexual pleasure; to complain about something

synonym : groan, sigh, lament

(1) **moan** the current situation, (2) **moan** with pleasure

She **moaned** in pain as the doctor examined her injury.

contemplate

v. to think about a possible future action or to think about something for a long time thoughtfully

synonym : think over, ponder, consider

(1) **contemplate** a marriage, (2) **contemplated** leaving school

I recently **contemplated** dropping out of school and getting a full-time job.

determinant

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

synonym : cause, factor, element

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

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

absorb

v. to take in a fluid or other substance gradually

synonym: consume, soak, ingest

(1) **absorb** energy, (2) **absorb** a shock

The sponge **absorbs** water well.

predicament

n. a difficult, unpleasant, or embarrassing situation

synonym: situation, quandary, plight

(1) tragic **predicament**, (2) **predicament** decision

He was in a **predicament** and didn't know how to escape it.

brain

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

synonym: intellect, mind, encephalon

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

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

neuroscience

n. the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system

(1) the branch of **neuroscience**, (2) a theoretical concept in **neuroscience**

Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral **neuroscience**.

circuit

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

synonym: route, course, rotation

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

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

activate

v. make something start working, more active or dynamic

synonym: mobilize, stimulate, initiate

(1) **activate** a receptor, (2) **activate** a motor

You must **activate** the software with a 16-digit key before you can use it.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

synonym: cooperate, combine, collaborate

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

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

default

v. to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options

synonym: fail, neglect, omit

(1) **default** settings, (2) **default** on the mortgage

If you don't specify a different option, the computer will **default** to its original settings.

attend

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

synonym: go, be present, accompany

(1) **attend** a meeting, (2) **attend** service

We must **attend** to this matter.

automatically

adv. without needing a direct human control

synonym: mechanically, unconsciously, spontaneously

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

Our subscription plan is **automatically** renewed.

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

identify

v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

synonym: determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

neuron

n. a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body

synonym: nerve cell

(1) excite the **neurons**, (2) **neuron** cell body

Our body transfers information along each **neuron** using an electrical impulse.

neurology

n. the branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the nervous system

synonym: brain science, nervous system, neuropathology

(1) cognitive **neurology**, (2) **neurology** department

She is studying clinical **neurology** to become a brain surgeon.

suffer

v. to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

synonym: endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades

The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

argument

n. a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

synonym: debate, discourse, discussion

(1) a blazing **argument**, (2) the **argument** against capital punishment

The **argument** between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.

spectrum

n. an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

synonym: range, scale, spread

(1) a broad **spectrum** of opinion, (2) infrared **spectrum**

This device displayed the speech **spectrum** spectrographically.

absorption

n. a process in which one substance permeates another; a fluid permeates or is dissolved by a liquid or solid

synonym: consumption, digestion, soaking up

(1) the **absorption** of photons, (2) **absorption** energy

Vitamin D is essential to assist the **absorption** of calcium from food.

preoccupied

adj. having one's thoughts or attention absorbed by something; busy

synonym: absorbed, engrossed, occupied

(1) **preoccupied** idea, (2) **preoccupied** with other things

He was **preoccupied** with work and didn't notice me.

subtle

adj. not readily apparent or visible

synonym: slight, nuanced, exquisite

(1) **subtle** changes, (2) a **subtle** poison

A famous artist painted the room in a **subtle** pink hue.

donation

n. a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them

synonym: contribution, gift, subsidy

(1) make a **donation**, (2) political **donation**

He made a generous **donation** to the charity.

epiphany

n. a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus

synonym: revelation, enlightenment, insight

(1) **epiphany** about life, (2) Feast of **Epiphany**

She had an **epiphany** while meditating and realized the answer to her problem.

foundation

n. the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes

synonym: base, support, groundwork

(1) **foundation** course, (2) weak **foundation**

The **foundation** of the building was cracked and needed to be repaired.

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

synonym: luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance

The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

narcissist

n. a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements

synonym: egotist, boaster, braggart

(1) relationship with a **narcissist**, (2) somatic **narcissist**

He thinks she is a high **narcissist** because she always talks about herself and her accomplishments.

cataract

n. a clouding of the lens in the eye that affects vision; a large waterfall

synonym: clouding, blurriness, waterfall

(1) the thunder of a **cataract**, (2) **cataract** lens

The older man had a **cataract** removed from his eye, which improved his vision significantly.

altruistic

adj. showing a selfless and disinterested concern for the happiness and well-being of other people

synonym: selfless, benevolent, philanthropic

(1) **altruistic** behavior, (2) **altruistic** instincts in social

animals

The company tried to build an **altruistic** image.

motivate

v. to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort

synonym: boost, encourage, inspire

(1) **motivate** the students, (2) all ability to **motivate**

The ability to **motivate** people is a priceless asset.

distinction

n. a difference or contrast between similar things or people

synonym: eminence, noteworthiness, excellence

(1) important **distinction**, (2) draw a **distinction**

I can't see any **distinction** between these two concepts.

encourage

v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

synonym: facilitate, persuade, stimulate

(1) **encourage** a sense of affinity, (2) **encourage** antisocial behavior

They **encouraged** customers with a premium for loyal patronage.

gross

adj. being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant

synonym: before tax, total, abhorrent

(1) the **gross** amount, (2) **gross** injustice

The drastic reorganization has significantly increased this company's **gross** profits.

sushi

n. a Japanese dish consisting of vinegared rice, often combined with fish or vegetables and sometimes wrapped in seaweed

synonym: raw fish, sashimi, nigiri

(1) **sushi** bar, (2) **sushi** roll

I love going out for **sushi** with my friends on Friday nights.

overhear

v. to hear what other people are saying without intending to and their knowledge

synonym: catch, eavesdrop

(1) happen to **overhear** a conversation, (2) accidentally **overheard** their talk

She was inside at the time and **overheard** the conversation.

bingo

n. a game of chance in which players match numbers on a card with randomly drawn numbers to be the first to complete a specific pattern or sequence; sudden realization, success, or achievement

synonym: lotto, raffle, sweepstakes

(1) **bingo** game, (2) online **bingo** website

They won big at **bingo** last night, taking home the grand prize.

conversation

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

synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

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

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

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.

sect

n. a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

synonym: group, faction, cult

(1) **sect** beliefs, (2) secret **sect**

The minority **sect** believed in a set of unconventional

religious practices.

apparently

adv. based on what you have heard or read

synonym : evidently, obviously, supposedly

(1) **apparently** simple, (2) **apparently** unrelated

The police **apparently** believed this explanation was plausible.

ace

n. a playing card with a single symbol or mark that is typically the highest in value or rank in a particular card game; a person who is very skilled or successful in a specific activity or field

synonym : expert, master, champion

(1) tennis **ace**, (2) **ace** in the hole

He was an **ace** at playing poker and often won the game.

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.

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.

daydreaming

n. the act of thinking about something that you would prefer to be doing or have happened to you

synonym : reverie, cloud-castle, imagination

(1) stimulate **daydreaming**, (2) the mental process of **daydreaming**

I often waste a lot of time **daydreaming**.

whip

v. to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a

punishment, discipline, etc.

synonym : thrash, flog, scourge

(1) **whip** egg whites, (2) **whip** into shape

The jockey **whipped** the horse hard to take first place.

puzzled

adj. confused or uncertain because you do not understand something

synonym : confused, perplexed, bewildered

(1) **puzzled** expression, (2) **puzzled** by the question

She was **puzzled** by the strange behavior of her cat.

combination

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

synonym : blend, hybrid, compounding

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

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

apt

adj. having a natural talent, inclination, or tendency for a particular activity, skill, or trait; appropriate or fitting for a specific situation or purpose

synonym : capable, suitable, adept

(1) **apt** example, (2) **apt** wording

She has an **apt** sense of humor and always knows how to make people laugh.

tune

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

synonym : melody, harmony, (verb) adjust

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

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

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.

sociopath

n. a person who exhibits a disregard for other people's rights, feelings, and safety; someone who lacks empathy or the ability to understand and share the feelings of others; sometimes used interchangeably with the term "psychopath"

synonym: psychopath, antisocial

(1) psychopathic **sociopath**, (2) narcissistic **sociopath**

The psychiatrist recognized signs of **sociopathy** in his patient's behavior.

in-law

n. a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law

synonym: relative by marriage, family connection, affinal

(1) future **in-law**, (2) meeting **in-laws**

My sister- **in-law** is a pediatrician who works in a children's hospital.

horror

n. intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying

synonym: fear, terror, dread

(1) **horror** movie, (2) **horror-struck** look

The stories of war crimes filled her with **horror**.

terror

n. intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm

synonym: fear, alarm, horror

(1) **terror** attack, (2) **terror** group

The bomb blast spread **terror** among the people.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym: critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life

Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

scholar

n. professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

synonym : professor, pupil, learner

(1) **scholar** in international politics, (2) noted **scholar**

You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a **scholar**.

affected

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

synonym : artificial, pretentious, stilted

(1) **affected** way of walking, (2) the **affected** part

Her **affected** accent made it difficult to take her seriously.

serial

adj. consisting of or occurring in a series or sequence; relating to or involving a series or sequence of events, stories, or incidents

synonym : consecutive, sequential, successive

(1) **serial** killer, (2) **serial** number

The company is launching a new line of **serial** products aimed at young adults.

vicinity

n. the area or region surrounding or in the general vicinity of a particular place or location; a nearby or neighboring region

synonym : proximity, nearness, locality

(1) immediate **vicinity**, (2) city and its **vicinity**

The area in the **vicinity** of the mall is known for its heavy traffic congestion.

strangle

v. to choke or suffocate someone by compressing their neck; to inhibit or suppress something, such as a movement or idea

synonym : choke, suffocate, throttle

(1) **strangle** a cry, (2) **strangle** economic growth

The killer used his hands to **strangle** his victim.

arrest

v. to take into custody

synonym : capture, detain, imprison

(1) **arrest** the thief, (2) **arrest** the progress
A police officer has the authority to **arrest** a criminal.

murder

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally
synonym: slaying, killing

(1) **murder** in the second degree, (2) attempted **murder**
This intriguing **murder** mystery remains unsolved.

grandparent

n. a parent of one's father or mother

(1) great- **grandparent**, (2) person of **grandparent** age
She was close to her paternal **grandparents** and often spent summers with them.

coed

n. (a shortened form of "coeducational") a female student attending a coeducational institution (= an educational establishment where both males and females are taught together in the same environment or classrooms) alongside male students

(1) **coed** dormitory, (2) **coed** sports team
I joined a **coed** soccer league to meet new people and improve my skills.

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.

terrifying

adj. very frightening or intimidating
synonym: frightening, intimidating, alarming

(1) **terrifying** experience, (2) **terrifying** events
Large earthquakes often generate **terrifying** tsunamis.

scary

adj. causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating
synonym: terrifying, frightening, alarming

(1) **scary** dream, (2) **scary** story

The horror movie was so **scary** that I couldn't watch it alone.

certify

v. to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true

synonym: accredit, approve, authorize

(1) **certify** product quality, (2) **certify** the authenticity of the painting

As a witness, I can **certify** his innocence.

genius

n. someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality

synonym: brilliance, brainiac, acumen

(1) a person of **genius**, (2) a **genius** for music

Mozart was a musical **genius**.

correlation

n. a statistical relationship between two variables in which one variable is affected by the other; a reciprocal relation between two or more facts, numbers, etc.

synonym: relationship, connection, association

(1) ecological **correlation**, (2) **correlation** coefficient

There is a strong **correlation** between education level and income.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym: affecting, impactful, impressive

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

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

courage

n. the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

synonym: bravery, valor, fearlessness

(1) mental **courage**, (2) inspire **courage**

It takes a lot of **courage** to stand up for what you believe is right.

pity *n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
synonym : sympathy, compassion, mercy
(1) allow self- **pity**, (2) **pity** speech
It is a **pity** that the concert had to be canceled due to the storm.

victim *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
synonym : prey, target, sufferer
(1) **victim** support, (2) **victim** compensation
The **victim** of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

intimate *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
synonym : close, tight, friendly
(1) my **intimate** affairs, (2) **intimate** relationship
He has an **intimate** knowledge of American history.

matter-of-factly *adv.* in a manner that is straightforward, without emotion or enthusiasm, simply stating facts or information without speculation or elaboration
synonym : straightforwardly, bluntly
(1) speak **matter-of-factly**, (2) act **matter-of-factly**
He answered the question **matter-of-factly**, without any hesitation or emotion.

distress *n.* a feeling of great worry, sadness, pain, or discomfort
synonym : discomfort, despair, misery
(1) a signal of **distress**, (2) emotional **distress**
She has been in great **distress** since she was heartbroken.

troubling *adj.* causing distress, anxiety, worry, or concern; disturbing; causing problems or difficulties
synonym : disturbing, unsettling, concerning

(1) **troubling** anecdotes, (2) a **troubling** trend
The news of the pandemic's spread is **troubling** and concerning.

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true
synonym: chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically increase.

compassionate

adj. feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others

synonym: empathetic, sympathetic, merciful

(1) a **compassionate** heart, (2) **compassionate** leave

My father has a serious and **compassionate** personality.

consumerism

n. a cultural and economic ideology that places a high value on the consumption and acquisition of goods and services, often associating personal identity or success with material possessions

synonym: consumer culture, materialism

(1) anti- **consumerism** movement, (2) global **consumerism**

The rise of **consumerism** has led to an increase in wastefulness and environmental damage.

consequence

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

synonym: result, impact, outcome

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

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

unwitting

adj. without purpose or intent

synonym: unknowledgeable, inadvertent, unintended

(1) **unwitting** victims, (2) an **unwitting** mistake
His rudeness was **unwitting**, not intentional.

collective

adj. done or shared by every member of a group of people
synonym: composite, concerted, cumulative

(1) right to **collective** bargaining, (2) **collective** ownership
Product development is a **collective** effort.

blind

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

synonym: sightless, unseeing, random

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

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

spot

n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

synonym: dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

toxic

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

synonym: poisonous, harmful, contaminated

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

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

molecule

n. a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds

synonym: particle, element, atom

(1) small **molecules**, (2) **molecule** behavior

The shape of the DNA **molecule** is a double helix.

emit

v. to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.

synonym: give off, radiate, expel

(1) **emit** a gamma ray, (2) **emit** air pollution

During the unloading, the container box **emits** a clicking

sound.

fabric

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

synonym : cloth, material, goods

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

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

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym : specialized, technical

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

Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

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.

nutrient

n. any substance that is essential for the maintenance and growth of living things

synonym : food, vitamin

(1) **nutrient** medicine, (2) a **nutrient** for hair

They used fast-acting **nutrients** on the flowers in the flower beds.

reuse

v. to use something again or more than once

synonym : reprocess, recycle, rehash

(1) **reuse** the materials, (2) **reuse** existing knowledge

The supermarket encourages shoppers to **reuse** plastic bags.

landfill

n. a site for the disposal of waste materials

synonym : dump, trash-yard, waste-yard

(1) disposal in a **landfill**, (2) **landfill** sites

This country faces problems in finding enough suitable **landfill** sites.

oblivious

adj. not aware of something, especially what is happening around you; forgetful

synonym: forgetful, clueless, unaware

(1) **oblivious** of his promise, (2) **oblivious** to our response
She was so engrossed in her work that she was **oblivious** to her surroundings.

ecology

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

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

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

economy

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

synonym: finance, trade, business

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

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

justice

n. the quality of being fair and reasonable and treating people equally according to their due

synonym: fairness, equity, impartiality

(1) criminal **justice**, (2) **justice** of Heaven

The judge's ruling was based on the principles of **justice** and fairness.

cotton

n. a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing

(1) **cotton** cloth, (2) culture of **cotton**

The price of raw **cotton** continued to rise.

fertilizer

n. a natural or chemical substance added to soil to make plants grow more successfully

synonym: manure

(1) a chemical **fertilizer**, (2) nonsynthetic **fertilizer**

Nitrogen fixation by the Haber-Bosch method leads to the mass production of **fertilizers**.

soil

n. the top layer of Earth in which plants grow

synonym: earth, ground, mud

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

Soil moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

synonym: reference, allude, cite

(1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report

I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

instance

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

synonym: example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**

These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

resistant

adj. not affected by something, especially changes or new ideas; of or relating to immunity to disease or infection

synonym: unsusceptible, immune, invulnerable

(1) penicillin- **resistant** bacteria, (2) **resistant** to persuasion

Insects in urban areas are becoming **resistant** to insecticides.

textile

n. any type of cloth made by weaving or felting or knitting

synonym: cloth, material, fabric

(1) **textile** production, (2) tissue **textiles**

China's **textile** industry has developed rapidly with the input of foreign capital.

dye

v. to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance

synonym: color, tint, stain

(1) **dye** a T-shirt red, (2) **dye** patterns

She **dyed** her hair purple for a change.

wastewater

n. water that contains waste substances from homes, farms, factories, etc.

synonym: drainage, sewerage

(1) **wastewater** disposal equipment, (2) biological **wastewater**

As that country developed its industry, it began to invest more in **wastewater** treatment technology.

epidemiology

n. the study of the distribution and determinants of health-related states or events, including diseases, in specified populations, and the application of this study to the control of health problems

synonym: public health, disease control

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

The **epidemiology** of influenza has been well studied over the years, leading to the development of effective vaccines and treatment strategies.

leukemia

n. a type of cancer that affects the blood and bone marrow, in which abnormal white blood cells are produced and grow uncontrollably

synonym: blood cancer

(1) childhood **leukemia**, (2) acute **leukemia**

The symptoms of **leukemia** may include fatigue, weakness, and fever.

polo

n. a sport played on horseback in which two teams try to hit a ball through a goal using long-handled mallets

(1) **polo** shirt, (2) **polo** championship

I watched a thrilling **polo** match at the club over the weekend.

joint

adj. shared, held, or made between two or more people;
(noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton

synonym : collaborative, cooperative, combined

(1) a **joint** venture, (2) the bone of a **joint**

After the summit meeting, the prime ministers issued a **joint** statement.

venture

n. a business project or activity that is risky or daring

synonym : enterprise, undertaking, adventure

(1) **venture** capital, (2) a joint **venture**

The **venture** into the new market was risky, but it paid off.

prop

n. a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

synonym : support, buttress, column

(1) emotional **prop**, (2) **prop** stick

We have finally lost our last **prop**.

groundwater

n. water that is present beneath the surface of the ground, especially in soil or in pores and crevices in rock

synonym : aquifer, well water, underground water

(1) **groundwater** supply, (2) contaminated **groundwater**

The town's main source of water is natural **groundwater**.

virtue

n. high moral standards in behavior or attitudes

synonym : integrity, probity, goodness

(1) **virtue** of frugality, (2) acquire a **virtue**

She had many good **virtues** and few faults.

electronics

n. the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems

synonym : technology, gadgets, circuitry

(1) **electronics** industry, (2) **electronics** store

The company specializes in manufacturing and selling cutting-edge **electronics**.

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym : procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

label

n. a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

synonym : tag, mark, identifier

(1) a mailing **label**, (2) **label** a bag with my name

The **label** on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

scan

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

synonym : look over, scrutinize, browse

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

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

palm

n. the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves

synonym : hand, fist

(1) the **palm** side of the forearm, (2) coconut **palm** trees
This high-performance camera is compact enough to fit in the **palm** of your hand.

barcode

n. a series of parallel lines of varying width and spacing printed on a product or package, which can be read by a barcode scanner to quickly and accurately identify the product and its price

synonym : scan, QR code

(1) **barcode** reader, (2) product **barcode**

The cashier scanned the **barcode** on the packaging to ring up the price.

allergy

n. a hypersensitivity disorder of the immune system, characterized by an exaggerated response to certain allergens, such as pollens, foods, and drugs

synonym : hypersensitivity, reaction

(1) food **allergy**, (2) **allergy** treatment

The **allergy** test helped to determine the cause of her symptoms.

peanut

n. a type of legume that grows underground and is widely cultivated and consumed as a food source

synonym : nut, groundnut, earthnut

(1) **peanut** butter, (2) the seed of a **peanut**

Some people have severe allergies to **peanuts** and must avoid them completely.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym : highest, maximum, foremost

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

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

homeless

adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets

synonym : destitute, displaced, transient

(1) **homeless** shelter, (2) a **homeless** cat
He became **homeless** after losing his job.

agency

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

synonym: organization, bureau, institution

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

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

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.

psychiatric

adj. of or relating to the treatment or study of mental illness or disorders

synonym: mental, psychological, psychotherapeutic

(1) people with **psychiatric** disorders, (2) **psychiatric** hospital

The **psychiatric** evaluation revealed that the patient had been suffering from anxiety.

patient

n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic

synonym: client, recipient, subject

(1) **patient** in the hospital, (2) **patient** with weight loss

The doctor carefully examined the **patient's** medical history.

nowhere

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

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

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

diagnose

v. to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis

synonym: identify, analyze, interpret

(1) **diagnose** the problem, (2) **diagnose** with CT scans

This device is used to **diagnose** brain cancer and other tumors.

urban

adj. relating to or located in a town or city

synonym: metropolitan, civic

(1) **urban** planning, (2) **urban** property owners

Only a small number of **urban** utilities offer sanitation services.

trance

n. a state of altered consciousness in which a person may seem to be asleep or unconscious but, in reality, is highly responsive to suggestion; a state of being deeply absorbed in thought or feeling, often characterized by a heightened awareness of one's surroundings and emotions

synonym: stupor, hypnosis, daydreaming

(1) **trance** state, (2) meditative **trance**

The rhythmic beat of the drums kept the audience in a **trance**.

periphery

n. the outer edge or margin of something, especially a geographical area or a group of people

synonym: edge, border, margin

(1) around the **periphery**, (2) **periphery** countries

The factory was located on the city's **periphery**, away from residential areas.

vision

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

synonym: sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

subway

n. an underground railway system, typically in a city
synonym: underground, metro, tube

(1) **subway** train, (2) rapid transit **subway**

He took the **subway** to work every day to avoid traffic congestion.

stream

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

synonym: flow, current, brook

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

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

slump

v. to fall or sink suddenly, often due to loss of support or stability; to decline or decrease abruptly, as in business or economic conditions; to become despondent or dispirited; (noun) a sudden or prolonged decline or drop in value, price, or quality

synonym: drop, sink, sag

(1) **slump** against pillows, (2) economic **slump**

Sales of the product **slumped** after the negative reviews were published.

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**.

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**.

wander

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

synonym : ramble, roam, stroll

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

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

starve

v. to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance

synonym : famish, hunger

(1) **starve** for a victory, (2) **starve** to death

If you don't eat soon, you're going to **starve**.

faint

adj. not strong, clear, or vigorous; slight or weak

synonym : slight, vague, soft

(1) **faint** memory, (2) **faint** aroma of roses

She heard a **faint**, nearly invisible scream.

hunger

n. a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition

synonym : appetite, craving, starvation

(1) **hunger** pangs, (2) chronic **hunger**

Many people in the world suffer from **hunger** and malnourishment every day.

optimistic

adj. hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful

synonym : hopeful, auspicious, cheery

(1) he is **optimistic**, (2) **optimistic** outlook

Most executives were **optimistic** about future business

conditions.

Session 2: Spelling

1. the seed of a pe___t
n. a type of legume that grows underground and is widely cultivated and consumed as a food source
2. br_____nt idea
adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
3. en_____ge a sense of affinity
v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
4. t__e a piano
n. a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
5. re__e existing knowledge
v. to use something again or more than once
6. ep_____ny about life
n. a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus
7. draw a dis_____on
n. a difference or contrast between similar things or people
8. fa__t memory
adj. not strong, clear, or vigorous; slight or weak
9. come out of no_____e
adv. not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
10. the abs_____on of photons
n. a process in which one substance permeates another; a fluid permeates or is dissolved by a liquid or solid

ANSWERS: 1. peanut, 2. brilliant, 3. encourage, 4. tune, 5. reuse, 6. epiphany, 7. distinction, 8. faint, 9. nowhere, 10. absorption

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| 11. a passage from the Bi__e | <i>n.</i> the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field |
| 12. ho___r movie | <i>n.</i> intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying |
| 13. telescopic vi___n | <i>n.</i> the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see |
| 14. ca_____ct lens | <i>n.</i> a clouding of the lens in the eye that affects vision; a large waterfall |
| 15. give im_____it consent | <i>adj.</i> suggested but not directly expressed |
| 16. great-gra_____nt | <i>n.</i> a parent of one's father or mother |
| 17. p__o championship | <i>n.</i> a sport played on horseback in which two teams try to hit a ball through a goal using long-handled mallets |
| 18. the gr__s amount | <i>adj.</i> being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant |
| 19. a hand-loomed fa___c | <i>n.</i> cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc. |
| 20. gro_____er supply | <i>n.</i> water that is present beneath the surface of the ground, especially in soil or in pores and crevices in rock |
| 21. speak mat_____tly | <i>adv.</i> in a manner that is straightforward, without emotion or enthusiasm, simply stating facts or information without speculation or elaboration |

ANSWERS: 11. bible, 12. horror, 13. vision, 14. cataract, 15. implicit, 16. grandparent, 17. polo, 18. gross, 19. fabric, 20. groundwater, 21. matter-of-factly

22. aut_____lly adjusted *adv.* without needing a direct human control
23. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
24. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
25. s__n the face of the man *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
26. tissue te_____es *n.* any type of cloth made by weaving or felting or knitting
27. chronic hu____r *n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition
28. the bone of a jo__t *adj.* shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton
29. childhood le_____ia *n.* a type of cancer that affects the blood and bone marrow, in which abnormal white blood cells are produced and grow uncontrollably
30. a chemical fer_____er *n.* a natural or chemical substance added to soil to make plants grow more successfully
31. genic com_____ons *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

ANSWERS: 22. automatically, 23. conversation, 24. absolutely, 25. scan, 26. textile, 27. hunger, 28. joint, 29. leukemia, 30. fertilizer, 31. combination

32. con_____ted leaving school *v.* to think about a possible future action or to think about something for a long time thoughtfully
33. sc__y dream *adj.* causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating
34. ec_____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
35. fa__t aroma of roses *adj.* not strong, clear, or vigorous; slight or weak
36. ho_____ss shelter *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
37. di_____se with CT scans *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
38. st___e up a conversation *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
39. bl__d spot *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
40. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
41. people with psy_____ic disorders *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or study of mental illness or disorders

ANSWERS: 32. contemplate, 33. scary, 34. economy, 35. faint, 36. homeless, 37. diagnose, 38. strike, 39. blind, 40. separate, 41. psychiatric

42. a s__t on his honor *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
43. a person of ge___s *n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
44. pe_____ry countries *n.* the outer edge or margin of something, especially a geographical area or a group of people
45. lengthy se___n *n.* a speech or lecture given by a religious leader, especially a minister or priest, as part of a worship service
46. ve_____e capital *n.* a business project or activity that is risky or daring
47. ter_____ng events *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
48. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
49. ele_____cs industry *n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems
50. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
51. ab___b energy *v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
52. psy_____ic hospital *adj.* of or relating to the treatment or study of mental illness or disorders
53. inspire co_____e *n.* the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

ANSWERS: 42. spot, 43. genius, 44. periphery, 45. sermon, 46. venture, 47. terrifying, 48. fundamental, 49. electronics, 50. mention, 51. absorb, 52. psychiatric, 53. courage

54. pa__e trend *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
55. theological se____ry *n.* an educational institution, typically for the training of candidates for the priesthood or ministry; a school for higher learning
56. m__n the current situation *v.* to make a low, prolonged sound of pain, grief, or sexual pleasure; to complain about something
57. the thunder of a ca____ct *n.* a clouding of the lens in the eye that affects vision; a large waterfall
58. at____d a meeting *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
59. disposal in a la____ll *n.* a site for the disposal of waste materials
60. mo____g ceremony *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
61. di____se the problem *v.* to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
62. alt____ic instincts in social animals *adj.* showing a selfless and disinterested concern for the happiness and well-being of other people
63. in____te relationship *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
64. em____al health *adj.* relating to people's feelings
65. have com____on toward the accident *n.* a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck

ANSWERS: 54. passe, 55. seminary, 56. moan, 57. cataract, 58. attend, 59. landfill, 60. moving, 61. diagnose, 62. altruistic, 63. intimate, 64. emotional, 65. compassion

66. accidentally ov____ard their talk *v.* to hear what other people are saying without intending to and their knowledge
67. pre_____ed with other things *adj.* having one's thoughts or attention absorbed by something; busy
68. st___e to death *v.* to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance
69. an endless st___m of cars *n.* a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
70. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
71. s__t beliefs *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
72. the af_____ed part *adj.* influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
73. a_t wording *adj.* having a natural talent, inclination, or tendency for a particular activity, skill, or trait; appropriate or fitting for a specific situation or purpose
74. bi__o game *n.* a game of chance in which players match numbers on a card with randomly drawn numbers to be the first to complete a specific pattern or sequence; sudden realization, success, or achievement

ANSWERS: 66. overhear, 67. preoccupied, 68. starve, 69. stream, 70. opportune, 71. sect, 72. affected, 73. apt, 74. bingo

75. te___r group *n.* intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
76. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
77. penicillin-re_____nt bacteria *adj.* not affected by something, especially changes or new ideas; of or relating to immunity to disease or infection
78. in_____ct with one another *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
79. coconut p__m trees *n.* the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves
80. biblical pa_____e *n.* a short allegorical story designed to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson
81. bl__d to the beauties *adj.* unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something
82. al_____y treatment *n.* a hypersensitivity disorder of the immune system, characterized by an exaggerated response to certain allergens, such as pollens, foods, and drugs
83. ju_____e of Heaven *n.* the quality of being fair and reasonable and treating people equally according to their due
84. man_____re an enzyme *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
85. id_____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

ANSWERS: 75. terror, 76. immediately, 77. resistant, 78. interact, 79. palm, 80. parable, 81. blind, 82. allergy, 83. justice, 84. manufacture, 85. identify

86. a prodigious vi___n
n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
87. science of ec____y
n. the study of the relationships between living organisms, including humans, and their physical environment
88. food al____y
n. a hypersensitivity disorder of the immune system, characterized by an exaggerated response to certain allergens, such as pollens, foods, and drugs
89. the st___m of time
n. a small, narrow river; a continuous flow of something, such as liquid, gas, people, vehicles, etc.
90. im____it bias
adj. suggested but not directly expressed
91. pa____t with weight loss
n. a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
92. app____ly unrelated
adv. based on what you have heard or read
93. federal ci____t courts
n. (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
94. pe___t butter
n. a type of legume that grows underground and is widely cultivated and consumed as a food source
95. mental co____e
n. the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

ANSWERS: 86. vision, 87. ecology, 88. allergy, 89. stream, 90. implicit, 91. patient, 92. apparently, 93. circuit, 94. peanut, 95. courage

96. ac____te a motor *v.* make something start working, more active or dynamic
97. culture of co____n *n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing
98. ur__n property owners *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
99. s__ls retentive of moisture *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
100. ar____t the progress *v.* to take into custody
101. a jo__t venture *adj.* shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton
102. excite the ne____ns *n.* a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body
103. my in_____te affairs *adj.* having a very close friendship, personal
104. co____n cloth *n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing
105. a joint ve_____e *n.* a business project or activity that is risky or daring
106. se____l killer *adj.* consisting of or occurring in a series or sequence; relating to or involving a series or sequence of events, stories, or incidents

ANSWERS: 96. activate, 97. cotton, 98. urban, 99. soil, 100. arrest, 101. joint, 102. neuron, 103. intimate, 104. cotton, 105. venture, 106. serial

107. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
108. thin-and-light la___p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
109. the ar_____nt against capital punishment *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
110. was_____er disposal equipment *n.* water that contains waste substances from homes, farms, factories, etc.
111. ho___r-struck look *n.* intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
112. 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
113. sl___p against pillows *v.* to fall or sink suddenly, often due to loss of support or stability; to decline or decrease abruptly, as in business or economic conditions; to become despondent or dispirited; (noun) a sudden or prolonged decline or drop in value, price, or quality
114. the mental process of day_____ng *n.* the act of thinking about something that you would prefer to be doing or have happened to you
115. su___i roll *n.* a Japanese dish consisting of vinegared rice, often combined with fish or vegetables and sometimes wrapped in seaweed

ANSWERS: 107. absolutely, 108. laptop, 109. argument, 110. wastewater, 111. horror, 112. decide, 113. slump, 114. daydreaming, 115. sushi

116. city and its vi_____ty *n.* the area or region surrounding or in the general vicinity of a particular place or location; a nearby or neighboring region
117. the ul_____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
118. a serious to__c *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
119. en_____ge antisocial behavior *v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
120. man_____re a product *v.* to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
121. st___e for a victory *v.* to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance
122. a_t example *adj.* having a natural talent, inclination, or tendency for a particular activity, skill, or trait; appropriate or fitting for a specific situation or purpose
123. intelligence ag___y *n.* an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action

ANSWERS: 116. vicinity, 117. ultimate, 118. topic, 119. encourage, 120. manufacture, 121. starve, 122. apt, 123. agency

124. app_____ly simple *adv.* based on what you have heard or read
125. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
126. a broad sp_____um of opinion *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
127. ele_____cs store *n.* the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems
128. a com_____ate heart *adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
129. ba_____e reader *n.* a series of parallel lines of varying width and spacing printed on a product or package, which can be read by a barcode scanner to quickly and accurately identify the product and its price
130. sc_____m swelling *n.* the external pouch of skin and muscle that contains the testicles in males; part of the male reproductive system
131. ob_____us of his promise *adj.* not aware of something, especially what is happening around you; forgetful
132. su_____y train *n.* an underground railway system, typically in a city
133. political do_____on *n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them
134. fou_____on course *n.* the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes

ANSWERS: 124. apparently, 125. possibility, 126. spectrum, 127. electronics, 128.

compassionate, 129. barcode, 130. scrotum, 131. oblivious, 132. subway, 133. donation, 134. foundation

135. br_____nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
136. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
137. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
138. tennis a_e *n.* a playing card with a single symbol or mark that is typically the highest in value or rank in a particular card game; a person who is very skilled or successful in a specific activity or field
139. a ra_____m choice *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
140. w__p egg whites *v.* to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.
141. re__e the materials *v.* to use something again or more than once
142. e__t air pollution *v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
143. ur__n planning *adj.* relating to or located in a town or city
144. th__e park *n.* a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation

ANSWERS: 135. brilliant, 136. economy, 137. separate, 138. ace, 139. random, 140. whip, 141. reuse, 142. emit, 143. urban, 144. theme

145. a su___e poison *adj.* not readily apparent or visible
146. full of em____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
147. the con_____ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
148. at___d service *v.* to be present at an event, to go to a place
149. pre_____ed idea *adj.* having one's thoughts or attention absorbed by something; busy
150. deputy prime mi____er *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
151. a theoretical concept in neu_____nce *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
152. a lay se___n *n.* a speech or lecture given by a religious leader, especially a minister or priest, as part of a worship service
153. real estate ag___y *n.* an organization or business that is responsible for specific activities or services, especially when representing other organizations or businesses; the capacity or power to act or exert influence; the ability to make decisions and take action
154. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 145. subtle, 146. empathy, 147. consequence, 148. attend, 149. preoccupied, 150. minister, 151. neuroscience, 152. sermon, 153. agency, 154. process

155. basic br__n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
156. noted sc____r *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
157. pa__e entertainment *adj.* no longer fashionable or current; outdated; considered to be old-fashioned or out of date
158. st____le a cry *v.* to choke or suffocate someone by compressing their neck; to inhibit or suppress something, such as a movement or idea
159. c__d dormitory *n.* (a shortened form of "coeducational") a female student attending a coeducational institution (= an educational establishment where both males and females are taught together in the same environment or classrooms) alongside male students
160. su___e changes *adj.* not readily apparent or visible
161. mu___r in the second degree *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
162. d_e patterns *v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance
163. d_e a T-shirt red *v.* to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance
164. re_____nt to persuasion *adj.* not affected by something, especially changes or new ideas; of or relating to immunity to disease or infection

ANSWERS: 155. brain, 156. scholar, 157. passe, 158. strangle, 159. coed, 160. subtle, 161. murder, 162. dye, 163. dye, 164. resistant

165. bombs fell at ra___m *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
166. act mat_____tly *adv.* in a manner that is straightforward, without emotion or enthusiasm, simply stating facts or information without speculation or elaboration
167. meditative tr___e *n.* a state of altered consciousness in which a person may seem to be asleep or unconscious but, in reality, is highly responsive to suggestion; a state of being deeply absorbed in thought or feeling, often characterized by a heightened awareness of one's surroundings and emotions
168. Mi_____er for Education *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
169. con_____te a marriage *v.* to think about a possible future action or to think about something for a long time thoughtfully
170. small mo_____les *n.* a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds
171. af_____ed way of walking *adj.* influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
172. 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.

ANSWERS: 165. random, 166. matter-of-factly, 167. trance, 168. minister, 169. contemplate, 170. molecule, 171. affected, 172. president

173. pa_____e story *n.* a short allegorical story designed to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson
174. cancer epi_____ogy *n.* the study of the distribution and determinants of health-related states or events, including diseases, in specified populations, and the application of this study to the control of health problems
175. person of gra_____nt age *n.* a parent of one's father or mother
176. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
177. mo_____te the students *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
178. mo_____g experience *adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
179. make a do_____on *n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them
180. a nu_____nt for hair *n.* any substance that is essential for the maintenance and growth of living things
181. es_____al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
182. attempted mu_____r *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
183. stimulate day_____ng *n.* the act of thinking about something that you would prefer to be doing or have happened to you
184. a ho_____ss cat *adj.* without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets

ANSWERS: 173. parable, 174. epidemiology, 175. grandparent, 176. identify, 177. motivate, 178. moving, 179. donation, 180. nutrient, 181. essential, 182. murder, 183. daydreaming, 184. homeless

185. feel com_____on for the poor *n.* a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck
186. p__y speech *n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
187. m__n with pleasure *v.* to make a low, prolonged sound of pain, grief, or sexual pleasure; to complain about something
188. infrared sp_____um *n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
189. ab___b a shock *v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
190. e__t a gamma ray *v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
191. w__p into shape *v.* to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.
192. p__p stick *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something
193. em_____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

ANSWERS: 185. compassion, 186. pity, 187. moan, 188. spectrum, 189. absorb, 190. emit, 191. whip, 192. prop, 193. empathy

194. notable in ____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
195. ce ____y product quality *v.* to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true
196. ac ____te a receptor *v.* make something start working, more active or dynamic
197. a det _____nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
198. 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
199. wall s __d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
200. acute le ____ia *n.* a type of cancer that affects the blood and bone marrow, in which abnormal white blood cells are produced and grow uncontrollably
201. to __c molecule *adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous

ANSWERS: 194. instance, 195. certify, 196. activate, 197. determinant, 198. steppe, 199. stud, 200. leukemia, 201. toxic

202. ne___n cell body *n.* a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body
203. meeting in___ws *n.* a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law
204. economic sl___p *v.* to fall or sink suddenly, often due to loss of support or stability; to decline or decrease abruptly, as in business or economic conditions; to become despondent or dispirited; (noun) a sudden or prolonged decline or drop in value, price, or quality
205. fa___c of creation *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
206. contaminated gro_____er *n.* water that is present beneath the surface of the ground, especially in soil or in pores and crevices in rock
207. parched s___l *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
208. psychopathic so_____th *n.* a person who exhibits a disregard for other people's rights, feelings, and safety; someone who lacks empathy or the ability to understand and share the feelings of others; sometimes used interchangeably with the term "psychopath"
209. weak fou_____on *n.* the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes

ANSWERS: 202. neuron, 203. in-law, 204. slump, 205. fabric, 206. groundwater, 207. soil, 208. sociopath, 209. foundation

210. horse s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
211. com_____ate leave *adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
212. the t__e of a song *n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
213. criminal ju_____e *n.* the quality of being fair and reasonable and treating people equally according to their due
214. es_____al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
215. sc__y story *adj.* causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating
216. te____r attack *n.* intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
217. vi____m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
218. tr_____ng anecdotes *adj.* causing distress, anxiety, worry, or concern; disturbing; causing problems or difficulties

ANSWERS: 210. stud, 211. compassionate, 212. tune, 213. justice, 214. essential, 215. scary, 216. terror, 217. victim, 218. troubling

219. p__o shirt *n.* a sport played on horseback in which two teams try to hit a ball through a goal using long-handled mallets
220. s__n a document into PDF *v.* to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
221. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
222. as_____d confidence *adj.* confident and sure; having no doubts or worries
223. bring my la____p *n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
224. me_____n name *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
225. a tr_____ng trend *adj.* causing distress, anxiety, worry, or concern; disturbing; causing problems or difficulties
226. dem_____ion project *n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others
227. gr__s injustice *adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant
228. Feast of Ep_____ny *n.* a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus

ANSWERS: 219. polo, 220. scan, 221. fundamental, 222. assured, 223. laptop, 224. mention, 225. troubling, 226. demonstration, 227. gross, 228. epiphany

229. opt_____ic outlook *adj.* hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful
230. di_____ty degree *n.* the state or quality of being divine; the state of being a god or goddess; the study of religious beliefs and practices
231. the p__m side of the forearm *n.* the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves
232. col_____ve ownership *adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people
233. the ul_____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
234. record driving aut_____lly *adv.* without needing a direct human control
235. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
236. online bi__o website *n.* a game of chance in which players match numbers on a card with randomly drawn numbers to be the first to complete a specific pattern or sequence; sudden realization, success, or achievement
237. happen to ov_____ar a conversation *v.* to hear what other people are saying without intending to and their knowledge
238. st_____le economic growth *v.* to choke or suffocate someone by compressing their neck; to inhibit or suppress something, such as a movement or idea

ANSWERS: 229. optimistic, 230. divinity, 231. palm, 232. collective, 233. ultimate, 234. automatically, 235. possibility, 236. bingo, 237. overhear, 238. strangle

239. hu___r pangs *n.* a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition
240. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
241. believe Bi__e prophecy *n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
242. vi___e of frugality *n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
243. abs_____on energy *n.* a process in which one substance permeates another; a fluid permeates or is dissolved by a liquid or solid
244. a blazing ar_____nt *n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute
245. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
246. te_____e production *n.* any type of cloth made by weaving or felting or knitting

ANSWERS: 239. hunger, 240. brain, 241. bible, 242. virtue, 243. absorption, 244. argument, 245. process, 246. textile

247. narcissistic so_____th *n.* a person who exhibits a disregard for other people's rights, feelings, and safety; someone who lacks empathy or the ability to understand and share the feelings of others; sometimes used interchangeably with the term "psychopath"
248. nu_____nt medicine *n.* any substance that is essential for the maintenance and growth of living things
249. college se_____ry *n.* an educational institution, typically for the training of candidates for the priesthood or ministry; a school for higher learning
250. exposure to to__c chemicals *adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
251. se___l number *adj.* consisting of or occurring in a series or sequence; relating to or involving a series or sequence of events, stories, or incidents
252. cognitive ne_____gy *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the nervous system
253. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
254. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
255. emotional p__p *n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

ANSWERS: 247. sociopath, 248. nutrient, 249. seminary, 250. toxic, 251. serial, 252. neurology, 253. consequence, 254. opportune, 255. prop

256. allow self-p__y *n.* a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain
257. nonsynthetic fer_____er *n.* a natural or chemical substance added to soil to make plants grow more successfully
258. the to__c of the book *n.* a subject that is being discussed or written about
259. a ge___s for music *n.* someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
260. ecological cor_____on *n.* a statistical relationship between two variables in which one variable is affected by the other; a reciprocal relation between two or more facts, numbers, etc.
261. the ec_____y of the island *n.* the study of the relationships between living organisms, including humans, and their physical environment
262. no_____e else to go *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
263. imm_____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
264. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
265. 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.

ANSWERS: 256. pity, 257. fertilizer, 258. topic, 259. genius, 260. correlation, 261. ecology, 262. nowhere, 263. immediately, 264. decide, 265. president

266. rapid transit su___y *n.* an underground railway system, typically in a city
267. right to col_____ve bargaining *adj.* done or shared by every member of a group of people
268. su__i bar *n.* a Japanese dish consisting of vinegared rice, often combined with fish or vegetables and sometimes wrapped in seaweed
269. emotional di_____ss *n.* a feeling of great worry, sadness, pain, or discomfort
270. su___r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
271. tragic pre_____nt *n.* a difficult, unpleasant, or embarrassing situation
272. environmental det_____nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
273. pu_____d expression *adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
274. de_____t on the mortgage *v.* to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options

ANSWERS: 266. subway, 267. collective, 268. sushi, 269. distress, 270. suffer, 271. predicament, 272. determinant, 273. puzzled, 274. default

275. sc____r in international politics *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
276. in____ct directly with customers *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
277. an indwelling di____ty *n.* the state or quality of being divine; the state of being a god or goddess; the study of religious beliefs and practices
278. a_e in the hole *n.* a playing card with a single symbol or mark that is typically the highest in value or rank in a particular card game; a person who is very skilled or successful in a specific activity or field
279. st____e a blow *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
280. pa____t in the hospital *n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
281. ob____us to our response *adj.* not aware of something, especially what is happening around you; forgetful
282. de____t settings *v.* to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options

ANSWERS: 275. scholar, 276. interact, 277. divinity, 278. ace, 279. strike, 280. patient, 281. oblivious, 282. default

283. immediate vi_____ty *n.* the area or region surrounding or in the general vicinity of a particular place or location; a nearby or neighboring region
284. ter_____ng experience *adj.* very frightening or intimidating
285. around the pe_____ry *n.* the outer edge or margin of something, especially a geographical area or a group of people
286. a the_____al school *adj.* relating to the study of religion or religious belief; relating to the nature of God or divinity
287. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
288. the_____al virtue *adj.* relating to the study of religion or religious belief; relating to the nature of God or divinity
289. beauty s__t *n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it
290. relationship with a nar_____st *n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements
291. un_____ng victims *adj.* without purpose or intent
292. tec_____cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
293. he is opt_____ic *adj.* hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful
294. ce_____y the authenticity of the painting *v.* to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true

ANSWERS: 283. vicinity, 284. terrifying, 285. periphery, 286. theological, 287. conversation, 288. theological, 289. spot, 290. narcissist, 291. unwitting, 292. technological, 293. optimistic, 294. certify

295. tr___e state *n.* a state of altered consciousness in which a person may seem to be asleep or unconscious but, in reality, is highly responsive to suggestion; a state of being deeply absorbed in thought or feeling, often characterized by a heightened awareness of one's surroundings and emotions
296. anti-con_____sm movement *n.* a cultural and economic ideology that places a high value on the consumption and acquisition of goods and services, often associating personal identity or success with material possessions
297. a campus dem_____ion *n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others
298. central th___e *n.* a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation
299. cor_____on coefficient *n.* a statistical relationship between two variables in which one variable is affected by the other; a reciprocal relation between two or more facts, numbers, etc.
300. sc_____m itch *n.* the external pouch of skin and muscle that contains the testicles in males; part of the male reproductive system
301. pre_____nt decision *n.* a difficult, unpleasant, or embarrassing situation
302. su___r a setback *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

ANSWERS: 295. trance, 296. consumerism, 297. demonstration, 298. theme, 299. correlation, 300. scrotum, 301. predicament, 302. suffer

303. c__d sports team *n.* (a shortened form of "coeducational") a female student attending a coeducational institution (= an educational establishment where both males and females are taught together in the same environment or classrooms) alongside male students
304. ar___t the thief *v.* to take into custody
305. the branch of neu_____nce *n.* the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system
306. 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
307. mo_____le behavior *n.* a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds
308. acquire a vi___e *n.* high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
309. vi___m compensation *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
310. global con_____sm *n.* a cultural and economic ideology that places a high value on the consumption and acquisition of goods and services, often associating personal identity or success with material possessions

ANSWERS: 303. coed, 304. arrest, 305. neuroscience, 306. steppe, 307. molecule, 308. virtue, 309. victim, 310. consumerism

311. secret s__t *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
312. an un_____ng mistake *adj.* without purpose or intent
313. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
314. biological was_____er *n.* water that contains waste substances from homes, farms, factories, etc.
315. a mailing la__l *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
316. la_____ll sites *n.* a site for the disposal of waste materials
317. ne_____gy department *n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the nervous system
318. col_____al damage *n.* something of value pledged as security against a loan or debt; something that is related or complementary to something else, often as a secondary consequence
319. a signal of di_____ss *n.* a feeling of great worry, sadness, pain, or discomfort
320. an as_____d position *adj.* confident and sure; having no doubts or worries
321. alt_____ic behavior *adj.* showing a selfless and disinterested concern for the happiness and well-being of other people

ANSWERS: 311. sect, 312. unwitting, 313. psychology, 314. wastewater, 315. label, 316. landfill, 317. neurology, 318. collateral, 319. distress, 320. assured, 321. altruistic

322. com_____on number *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
323. col_____al agreement *n.* something of value pledged as security against a loan or debt; something that is related or complementary to something else, often as a secondary consequence
324. future in___w *n.* a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law
325. wa___r alone in a strange country *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
326. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
327. ci_____t breaker *n.* (in electrical engineering) an electrical device that provides a path for electrical current to flow; a journey or route around a particular place or area
328. for in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
329. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
330. wa___r far from home *v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction
331. important dis_____on *n.* a difference or contrast between similar things or people
332. tec_____cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress

ANSWERS: 322. combination, 323. collateral, 324. in-law, 325. wander, 326. psychology, 327. circuit, 328. instance, 329. emotional, 330. wander, 331. distinction, 332. technological

333. product ba_____e *n.* a series of parallel lines of varying width and spacing printed on a product or package, which can be read by a barcode scanner to quickly and accurately identify the product and its price
334. epi_____ogy research *n.* the study of the distribution and determinants of health-related states or events, including diseases, in specified populations, and the application of this study to the control of health problems
335. all ability to mo_____te *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
336. somatic nar_____st *n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements
337. la__l a bag with my name *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
338. pu_____d by the question *adj.* confused or uncertain because you do not understand something

ANSWERS: 333. barcode, 334. epidemiology, 335. motivate, 336. narcissist, 337. label, 338. puzzled

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. We must _____ to this matter.
v. to be present at an event, to go to a place
2. She was inside at the time and _____ the conversation.
v. to hear what other people are saying without intending to and their knowledge
3. The _____ evaluation revealed that the patient had been suffering from anxiety.
adj. of or relating to the treatment or study of mental illness or disorders
4. The company is launching a new line of _____ products aimed at young adults.
adj. consisting of or occurring in a series or sequence; relating to or involving a series or sequence of events, stories, or incidents
5. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.
adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
6. Our subscription plan is _____ renewed.
adv. without needing a direct human control
7. He was in a _____ and didn't know how to escape it.
n. a difficult, unpleasant, or embarrassing situation
8. Insects in urban areas are becoming _____ to insecticides.
adj. not affected by something, especially changes or new ideas; of or relating to immunity to disease or infection

ANSWERS: 1. attend, 2. overheard, 3. psychiatric, 4. serial, 5. fundamental, 6. automatically, 7. predicament, 8. resistant

9. The _____ of the novel is the corrupting influence of power.
n. a subject or topic of discourse or artistic representation
10. He has an _____ knowledge of American history.
adj. having a very close friendship, personal
11. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.
n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
12. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.
n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
13. This high-performance camera is compact enough to fit in the _____ of your hand.
n. the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves
14. I've been thinking all day and getting _____.
adv. not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
15. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.
adj. based on scientific and industrial progress
16. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.
adj. indispensable; fundamental
17. She was nearly _____ due to severe diabetes.
adj. unable to see; unable or unwilling to perceive or understand the true nature of something

ANSWERS: 9. theme, 10. intimate, 11. brain, 12. vision, 13. palm, 14. nowhere, 15. Technological, 16. essential, 17. blind

18. The _____ of influenza has been well studied over the years, leading to the development of effective vaccines and treatment strategies.
- n.* the study of the distribution and determinants of health-related states or events, including diseases, in specified populations, and the application of this study to the control of health problems
19. They used fast-acting _____ on the flowers in the flower beds.
- n.* any substance that is essential for the maintenance and growth of living things
20. They won big at _____ last night, taking home the grand prize.
- n.* a game of chance in which players match numbers on a card with randomly drawn numbers to be the first to complete a specific pattern or sequence; sudden realization, success, or achievement
21. The doctor carefully examined the _____ medical history.
- n.* a person who is receiving medical treatment, care, or attention from a healthcare professional, such as a doctor, nurse, or therapist; a personal quality or characteristic
22. He answered the question _____ without any hesitation or emotion.
- adv.* in a manner that is straightforward, without emotion or enthusiasm, simply stating facts or information without speculation or elaboration
23. The preacher delivered a powerful _____ on the importance of forgiveness.
- n.* a speech or lecture given by a religious leader, especially a minister or priest, as part of a worship service
24. I often _____ around the park for half an hour.
- v.* to walk around slowly or to a place, often without any clear purpose or direction

ANSWERS: 18. epidemiology, 19. nutrients, 20. bingo, 21. patient's, 22. matter-of-factly, 23. sermon, 24. wander

25. This device is used to _____ brain cancer and other tumors.
v. to determine or distinguish the nature of a problem or an illness through a careful analysis
26. She was _____ by the strange behavior of her cat.
adj. confused or uncertain because you do not understand something
27. The bomb blast spread _____ among the people.
n. intense fear; a state of intense fear or alarm
28. She was close to her paternal _____ and often spent summers with them.
n. a parent of one's father or mother
29. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.
adj. furthest or highest in degree or order
30. Jesus quoted _____ to teach important lessons to his disciples.
n. a short allegorical story designed to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson
31. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.
n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
32. A police officer has the authority to _____ a criminal.
v. to take into custody
33. They _____ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.
v. to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

ANSWERS: 25. diagnose, 26. puzzled, 27. terror, 28. grandparents, 29. ultimate, 30. parables, 31. conversation, 32. arrest, 33. encouraged

34. To find drunk drivers, police conduct _____ tests.

adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

35. Jet _____ are the common name for air currents that form high in the atmosphere.

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

36. As that country developed its industry, it began to invest more in _____ treatment technology.

n. water that contains waste substances from homes, farms, factories, etc.

37. The sponge _____ water well.

v. to take in a fluid or other substance gradually

38. The government _____ regulated the country's food and drug safety standards.

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

39. The _____ of the building was cracked and needed to be repaired.

n. the lowest load-bearing part of a building, typically below ground level; a fundamental basis or principle upon which something is built or established; an organization that provides funding or support for charitable or educational purposes

40. 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

ANSWERS: 34. random, 35. streams, 36. wastewater, 37. absorbs, 38. agency, 39. foundation, 40. passe

41. Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology _____.
n. the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
42. Large earthquakes often generate _____ tsunamis.
adj. very frightening or intimidating
43. The _____ meaning behind his words was clear, even though he did not explicitly say it.
adj. suggested but not directly expressed
44. The majority of synthetic vitamins are _____ from oil.
v. to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
45. He became _____ after losing his job.
adj. without a home, and therefore typically living on the streets
46. She stood on the podium and _____ an audience.
v. to examine something hastily, with the eyes or with a machine, to get information
47. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.
adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
48. It is a _____ that the concert had to be canceled due to the storm.
n. a feeling of sorrow and compassion caused by the suffering or misfortunes of others; an object of contempt or disdain

ANSWERS: 41. bible, 42. terrifying, 43. implicit, 44. manufactured, 45. homeless, 46. scanned, 47. brilliant, 48. pity

49. The older man had a _____ removed from his eye, which improved his vision significantly.
- n.* a clouding of the lens in the eye that affects vision; a large waterfall
50. This device displayed the speech _____ spectrographically.
- n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
51. During the unloading, the container box _____ a clicking sound.
- v.* to give off or send out something such as light, heat, sound, gas, etc.
52. Some people have severe allergies to _____ and must avoid them completely.
- n.* a type of legume that grows underground and is widely cultivated and consumed as a food source
53. You must _____ the software with a 16-digit key before you can use it.
- v.* make something start working, more active or dynamic
54. The drastic reorganization has significantly increased this company's _____ profits.
- adj.* being the total amount of something before any deductions; obese and ugly or unpleasant
55. The _____ on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.
- n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
56. The _____ between the two sides over the proposed policy was heated.
- n.* a set of statements or reasons used to support or refute a proposition or theory; a verbal or physical fight or dispute

ANSWERS: 49. cataract, 50. spectrum, 51. emits, 52. peanuts, 53. activate, 54. gross, 55. label, 56. argument

57. The _____ of the discussion was the current state of the economy.
n. a subject that is being discussed or written about
58. The rise of _____ has led to an increase in wastefulness and environmental damage.
n. a cultural and economic ideology that places a high value on the consumption and acquisition of goods and services, often associating personal identity or success with material possessions
59. 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
60. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
61. The symptoms of _____ may include fatigue, weakness, and fever.
n. a type of cancer that affects the blood and bone marrow, in which abnormal white blood cells are produced and grow uncontrollably
62. The horror movie was so _____ that I couldn't watch it alone.
adj. causing fear or fright; frightening; intimidating
63. The shape of the DNA _____ is a double helix.
n. a group of two or more atoms held together by attractive forces known as chemical bonds

ANSWERS: 57. topic, 58. consumerism, 59. decide, 60. process, 61. leukemia, 62. scary, 63. molecule

64. _____ moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.
n. the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
65. She had many good _____ and few faults.
n. high moral standards in behavior or attitudes
66. Her _____ accent made it difficult to take her seriously.
adj. influenced; feeling or showing emotion, especially exaggerated emotion; not natural or sincere
67. The town's main source of water is natural _____.
n. water that is present beneath the surface of the ground, especially in soil or in pores and crevices in rock
68. She has been in great _____ since she was heartbroken.
n. a feeling of great worry, sadness, pain, or discomfort
69. I joined a _____ soccer league to meet new people and improve my skills.
n. (a shortened form of "coeducational") a female student attending a coeducational institution (= an educational establishment where both males and females are taught together in the same environment or classrooms) alongside male students
70. He took the _____ to work every day to avoid traffic congestion.
n. an underground railway system, typically in a city
71. She had a master's degree in _____.
n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

ANSWERS: 64. Soil, 65. virtues, 66. affected, 67. groundwater, 68. distress, 69. coed, 70. subway, 71. psychology

72. The _____ test helped to determine the cause of her symptoms.
- n.* a hypersensitivity disorder of the immune system, characterized by an exaggerated response to certain allergens, such as pollens, foods, and drugs
73. His _____ speech about his struggles with addiction brought tears to the audience's eyes.
- adj.* causing strong emotions or feelings, especially sadness or sympathy
74. The doctor performed surgery to repair a tear in the _____.
- n.* the external pouch of skin and muscle that contains the testicles in males; part of the male reproductive system
75. His infinite love and _____ for everyone never weary.
- n.* a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck
76. The _____ occasionally preaches at this church.
- n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
77. The psychiatrist recognized signs of _____ in his patient's behavior.
- n.* a person who exhibits a disregard for other people's rights, feelings, and safety; someone who lacks empathy or the ability to understand and share the feelings of others; sometimes used interchangeably with the term "psychopath"
78. The _____ to the safe was a secret.
- n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
79. We have finally lost our last _____.
- n.* a piece of wood, metal, etc., placed beneath or against something to support it or keep it in position; a system, institution, or person that gives help or support to someone or something

ANSWERS: 72. allergy, 73. moving, 74. scrotum, 75. compassion, 76. minister, 77. sociopathy, 78. combination, 79. prop

80. China's _____ industry has developed rapidly with the input of foreign capital.
n. any type of cloth made by weaving or felting or knitting
81. If you don't eat soon, you're going to _____.
v. to suffer or die from lack of food; to cause someone or something to suffer or die from lack of food; to deprive something of necessary nourishment or sustenance
82. If you don't specify a different option, the computer will _____ to its original settings.
v. to fail to fulfill an obligation or pay a debt when it is due; to fail to meet expectations or perform as required; to choose or accept a predetermined option or condition without making a deliberate selection or choice; (noun) the pre-set or automatic settings that a system or program uses when the user has selected no other options
83. The stories of war crimes filled her with _____.
n. intense fear or disgust, especially at something shocking or terrifying
84. 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
85. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.
n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally
86. The band played a beautiful _____ on their instruments.
n. a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard

ANSWERS: 80. textile, 81. starve, 82. default, 83. horror, 84. separate, 85. murder, 86. tune

87. The killer used his hands to _____ his victim.
v. to choke or suffocate someone by compressing their neck; to inhibit or suppress something, such as a movement or idea
88. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.
n. a chance that something may happen or be true
89. Many people in the world suffer from _____ and malnourishment every day.
n. a strong desire or craving for something; a feeling of discomfort or weakness caused by lack of food; a chronic condition of insufficient food intake and malnutrition
90. The cashier scanned the _____ on the packaging to ring up the price.
n. a series of parallel lines of varying width and spacing printed on a product or package, which can be read by a barcode scanner to quickly and accurately identify the product and its price
91. After the summit meeting, the prime ministers issued a _____ statement.
adj. shared, held, or made between two or more people; (noun) the point of connection between two bones or elements of a skeleton
92. My father has a serious and _____ personality.
adj. feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
93. The jockey _____ the horse hard to take first place.
v. to hit a person or an animal severely with a thin, flexible stick with a cord or leather thong at the end, as a punishment, discipline, etc.
94. She _____ her hair purple for a change.
v. to color a textile or hair by immersing it in a colored liquid or substance

ANSWERS: 87. strangle, 88. possibility, 89. hunger, 90. barcode, 91. joint, 92. compassionate, 93. whipped, 94. dyed

95. She is studying clinical _____ to become a brain surgeon.
- n.* the branch of medicine that deals with the diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the nervous system
96. Nitrogen fixation by the Haber-Bosch method leads to the mass production of _____.
- n.* a natural or chemical substance added to soil to make plants grow more successfully
97. The _____ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.
- n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
98. The judge's ruling was based on the principles of _____ and fairness.
- n.* the quality of being fair and reasonable and treating people equally according to their due
99. _____ is also necessary to understand history.
- n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
100. As a witness, I can _____ his innocence.
- v.* to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true
101. Our body transfers information along each _____ using an electrical impulse.
- n.* a cell that is specialized to carry information within the brain and between the brain and other parts of the body
102. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
- n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 95. neurology, 96. fertilizers, 97. victim, 98. justice, 99. Empathy, 100.

certify, 101. neuron, 102. economy

103. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
104. The seminar will explore the _____ foundations of the Christian faith.
adj. relating to the study of religion or religious belief; relating to the nature of God or divinity
105. She heard a _____ nearly invisible scream.
adj. not strong, clear, or vigorous; slight or weak
106. Many companies are now enthusiastically embracing the knowledge of _____ for sustainable development.
n. the study of the relationships between living organisms, including humans, and their physical environment
107. The rhythmic beat of the drums kept the audience in a _____.
n. a state of altered consciousness in which a person may seem to be asleep or unconscious but, in reality, is highly responsive to suggestion; a state of being deeply absorbed in thought or feeling, often characterized by a heightened awareness of one's surroundings and emotions
108. The loan was secured with _____ requiring the borrower to put up their house as a guarantee.
n. something of value pledged as security against a loan or debt; something that is related or complementary to something else, often as a secondary consequence
109. She was so engrossed in her work that she was _____ to her surroundings.
adj. not aware of something, especially what is happening around you; forgetful

ANSWERS: 103. identify, 104. theological, 105. faint, 106. ecology, 107. trance, 108. collateral, 109. oblivious

110. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.

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

111. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

112. His rudeness was _____ not intentional.

adj. without purpose or intent

113. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

114. Sales of the product _____ after the negative reviews were published.

v. to fall or sink suddenly, often due to loss of support or stability; to decline or decrease abruptly, as in business or economic conditions; to become despondent or dispirited; (noun) a sudden or prolonged decline or drop in value, price, or quality

115. He was an ____ at playing poker and often won the game.

n. a playing card with a single symbol or mark that is typically the highest in value or rank in a particular card game; a person who is very skilled or successful in a specific activity or field

116. Product development is a _____ effort.

adj. done or shared by every member of a group of people

117. He should _____ more with his colleagues.

v. to communicate or react with somebody

ANSWERS: 110. consequences, 111. instances, 112. unwitting, 113. opportune, 114. slumped, 115. ace, 116. collective, 117. interact

118. I watched a thrilling _____ match at the club over the weekend.

- n.* a sport played on horseback in which two teams try to hit a ball through a goal using long-handled mallets

119. He was _____ with work and didn't notice me.

- adj.* having one's thoughts or attention absorbed by something; busy

120. 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

121. You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a _____.

- n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

122. The price of raw _____ continued to rise.

- n.* a plant that is grown in warm countries and bears bolls containing seeds with soft and long hairs that are made into textile fiber and thread for sewing

123. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.

- adv.* now or without delay

124. These synthetic _____ are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

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

125. The factory was located on the city's _____ away from residential areas.

- n.* the outer edge or margin of something, especially a geographical area or a group of people

ANSWERS: 118. polo, 119. preoccupied, 120. steppe, 121. scholar, 122. cotton, 123. immediately, 124. fabrics, 125. periphery,

126. I can't see any _____ between these two concepts.

n. a difference or contrast between similar things or people

127. The ability to _____ people is a priceless asset.

v. to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort

128. The news of the pandemic's spread is _____ and concerning.

adj. causing distress, anxiety, worry, or concern; disturbing; causing problems or difficulties

129. The minority _____ believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

n. a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

130. The police _____ believed this explanation was plausible.

adv. based on what you have heard or read

131. This chemical compound is a thousand-fold more _____.

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

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

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

133. Most executives were _____ about future business conditions.

adj. hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful

ANSWERS: 126. distinction, 127. motivate, 128. troubling, 129. sect, 130. apparently, 131. toxic, 132. stud, 133. optimistic

134. The area in the _____ of the mall is known for its heavy traffic congestion.
n. the area or region surrounding or in the general vicinity of a particular place or location; a nearby or neighboring region
135. The supermarket encourages shoppers to _____ plastic bags.
v. to use something again or more than once
136. Mozart was a musical _____.
n. someone who has exceptional intellectual ability and originality
137. I love going out for _____ with my friends on Friday nights.
n. a Japanese dish consisting of vinegared rice, often combined with fish or vegetables and sometimes wrapped in seaweed
138. I recently _____ dropping out of school and getting a full-time job.
v. to think about a possible future action or to think about something for a long time thoughtfully
139. A famous artist painted the room in a _____ pink hue.
adj. not readily apparent or visible
140. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
adj. relating to people's feelings
141. The company specializes in manufacturing and selling cutting-edge _____.
n. the branch of physics and technology that deals with the behavior and control of electrons and the use of electronic devices and systems

ANSWERS: 134. vicinity, 135. reuse, 136. genius, 137. sushi, 138. contemplated, 139. subtle, 140. emotional, 141. electronics

142. The company tried to build an _____ image.

adj. showing a selfless and disinterested concern for the happiness and well-being of other people

143. It takes a lot of _____ to stand up for what you believe is right.

n. the ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty, or pain without being overcome by fear or despair; the quality of being brave or courageous

144. He enrolled in the _____ to study theology and become a minister.

n. an educational institution, typically for the training of candidates for the priesthood or ministry; a school for higher learning

145. Vitamin D is essential to assist the _____ of calcium from food.

n. a process in which one substance permeates another; a fluid permeates or is dissolved by a liquid or solid

146. The _____ into the new market was risky, but it paid off.

n. a business project or activity that is risky or daring

147. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

148. Our university is famous for its professors, who are well-versed in behavioral _____.

n. the scientific study of the function, structure, and disorder of the brain and the nervous system

149. Thousands of people attended the protest _____ against the proposed policy.

n. a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others

ANSWERS: 142. altruistic, 143. courage, 144. seminary, 145. absorption, 146. venture, 147. mentioned, 148. neuroscience, 149. demonstration

150. He made a generous _____ to the charity.

n. a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them

151. We _____ to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

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

152. I often waste a lot of time _____.

n. the act of thinking about something that you would prefer to be doing or have happened to you

153. This remote _____ is rarely visited.

n. a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

154. My sister-in-law _____ is a pediatrician who works in a children's hospital.

n. a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law

155. Only a small number of _____ utilities offer sanitation services.

adj. relating to or located in a town or city

156. She was _____ of a bright future after graduation.

adj. confident and sure; having no doubts or worries

157. This country faces problems in finding enough suitable _____ sites.

n. a site for the disposal of waste materials

158. 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: 150. donation, 151. strike, 152. daydreaming, 153. spot, 154. in-law, 155. urban, 156. assured, 157. landfill, 158. laptop

159. The ancient civilization revered the _____ of the god.
- n.* the state or quality of being divine; the state of being a god or goddess; the study of religious beliefs and practices
160. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.
- adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
161. He thinks she is a high _____ because she always talks about herself and her accomplishments.
- n.* a person who is excessively self-absorbed, especially regarding their appearance or achievements
162. She _____ in pain as the doctor examined her injury.
- v.* to make a low, prolonged sound of pain, grief, or sexual pleasure; to complain about something
163. One _____ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.
- n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
164. The older man _____ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.
- v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
165. She had an _____ while meditating and realized the answer to her problem.
- n.* a moment of sudden and great realization or revelation; a Christian festival, held on 6 January, celebrating the visit of the three wise men to the infant Jesus

ANSWERS: 159. divinity, 160. absolutely, 161. narcissist, 162. moaned, 163. determinant, 164. suffers, 165. epiphany

166. An intelligent battery has a voltage monitoring _____.

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

167. She has an ____ sense of humor and always knows how to make people laugh.

adj. having a natural talent, inclination, or tendency for a particular activity, skill, or trait; appropriate or fitting for a specific situation or purpose

168. 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.

169. There is a strong _____ between education level and income.

n. a statistical relationship between two variables in which one variable is affected by the other; a reciprocal relation between two or more facts, numbers, etc.

ANSWERS: 166. circuit, 167. apt, 168. president, 169. correlation